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A Black Fox Running Houghton Mifflin
Harcourt

As a young man with a compelling interest in the great outdoors and the natural world Allister ('Ashie') Brebner spent his precious weekends in the 1950s and early '60s as a pioneer of the emerging Scottish bothying and mountaineering scene, and was one of the builders of the famed Secret Howff on Bheinn a' Bhuid in the Cairngorms. At the start of the 1960s he threw in his steady, well-paid job as a factory worker and, with another companion who did the same, started as a pioneer of mountain and nature guiding in the Scottish Highlands. Here is the unique story of a working man whose odyssey took him from the tenements and factory work of Aberdeen to the mountains and

islands of the Highlands, their people and their wildlife.

The Fish Ladder Edinburgh
University Press

For several years now, Kathleen Jamie's work has addressed two principal concerns: how we negotiate with the natural world, and how we should define our conduct within family and society. In *The Tree House* Jamie argues - as Burns did before her - for an engagement of the whole being through a kind of practical earthly spirituality. These often startling encounters with animals, birds, and other humans propose a way of living which recognises the earth as home to many different consciousnesses -- and a means of authentic engagement with 'this,

the only world'. Together they form one of the most powerful poetic statements of recent years.

Frissure Bloomsbury Publishing USA
Analyses media representations of riots, strikes and protests

Among Muslims Bloodaxe Books Limited

A memoir of a family's year living in Reykjavik that "captures the fierce beauty of the Arctic landscape" (Booklist). Sarah Moss had a childhood dream of moving to Iceland, sustained by a wild summer there when she was nineteen. In 2009, she saw an advertisement for a job at the University of Iceland and applied on a whim, despite having two young children and a comfortable life in Kent, England. The resulting adventure was shaped by Iceland's economic collapse, which halved the value of her salary; by the eruption of the volcano

Eyjafjallajokull; and by a collection of new friends, including a poet who saw the only bombs fall on Iceland in 1943; a woman who speaks to elves; and a chef who guided Sarah's family around the intricacies of Icelandic cuisine. Moss explored hillsides of boiling mud and volcanic craters and learned to drive like an Icelander on the unsurfaced roads that link remote farms and fishing villages in the far north. She watched the northern lights and the comings and goings of migratory birds, and as the weeks and months went by, she and her family learned new ways to live. Names for the Sea is her compelling and very funny account of living in a country poised on the edge of Europe, where modernization clashes with living folklore. "Beautifully written . . . A stranger in a strange land, Moss grapples with new foods, customs and landscapes that are

both oddly familiar and wildly alien in this absorbing memoir. ” —Financial Times
Among Muslims New York Review of Books

In *The Queen of Sheba*, the traveller comes home. These are poems of Scotland and beyond. At times darker than her earlier work, *The Queen of Sheba* is rich with life and boldly self-aware. Poetry Book Society Recommendation. The poems from *The Queen of Sheba* were later reprinted in *Mr and Mrs Scotland Are Dead: Poems 1980-1994*.

Kathleen Jamie Penguin

Scotland is a nation of dramatic weather and breathtaking landscapes – of nature resplendent. And, over the centuries, the people who have lived, explored and thrived in this country have developed a

rich language to describe their surroundings: a uniquely Scottish lexicon shaped by the very environment itself. A Scots Dictionary of Nature brings together – for the first time – the deeply expressive vocabulary customarily used to describe land, wood, weather, birds, water and walking in Scotland. Artist Amanda Thomson collates and celebrates these traditional Scots words, which reveal ways of seeing and being in the world that are in danger of disappearing forever. What emerges is a vivid evocation of the nature and people of Scotland, past and present; of lives lived between the mountains and the sky.

Always, Rachel Saraband

Birds are the most obvious wild things we have around us. They are much watched and much loved, not least by

poets. Bird poetry is as old as British poetry itself, and a remarkable number of poets have written poems about birds. Indeed some of the most famous poems in the language concern birds, from Keats's nightingale and Shelley's skylark to Yeats's swans and Hardy's thrush. In this wonderful anthology poet Simon Armitage and birdwatching enthusiast Tim Dee gather together the best of the past and the present, including those famous poems but also many overlooked gems. And in a fascinating divergence from standard anthology practice, the poems are organized according to ornithological classification, beginning with poems by Marianne Moore and David Wright on the ostrich and the emperor penguin

and ending with Emily Dickinson and Wallace Stevens on the oriole and the blackbird.

The Bonniest Companie Penguin
“ [Kathleen Jamie ’ s] essays guide you softly along coastlines of varying continents, exploring caves, and pondering ice ages until the narrator stumbles over — not a rock on the trail, but mortality, maybe the earth ’ s, maybe our own, pointing to new paths forward through the forest. ” —Delia Owens, author of *Where the Crawdads Sing*, “ By the Book ” in *The New York Times Book Review*. An immersive exploration of time and place in a shrinking world, from the award-winning author of *Sightlines*. In this remarkable blend of memoir, cultural

history, and travelogue, poet and author unrooted.

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Surfacing Penguin

An esteemed memoirist and one of the great editors in British publishing examines aging with the grace of *Elegy for Iris* and the wry irreverence of *I Feel Bad About My Neck*.

Pilgrim at Tinker Creek Bloodaxe Books Limited

A collection of verse by the Scottish poet explores gender, nature, landscape, and nationhood.

Wanderers Pan Macmillan

In her extraordinary collection, Kathleen Jamie examines her native Scotland - a country at once wild and contained, rural and urban - and

her place within it. In the author's own words: '2014 was a year of tremendous energy in my native Scotland, and knowing I wanted to embrace that energy and participate in my own way, I resolved to write a poem a week, and follow the cycle of the year.' The poems also venture into childhood and family memory - and look to ahead to the future. The *Bonniest Companie* is a visionary response to a year shaped and charged by both local and global forces, and will stand as a remarkable document of our times.

Sightlines Pan Macmillan

These poems unfold with a supernatural intensity, alternately dark and celebratory, that set them apart from other treatments of the subject. Through the perspectives of emigrant and native, critic and intimate, Jamie addresses Scotland in all its living complexity. Jizzen reveals a writer coming into poetic maturity just as her nation begins to fully assume its own identity. The result is a poetry both worldly and other-worldly, remarkable in its humanity, political sophistication and lyric authority. 'With *The Queen of Sheba* Kathleen Jamie has produced the best individual collection of poems by a woman living in twentieth-century Scotland. The book establishes her eminence among Scottish poets of her generation . . . The precision and resource of her language have never

been combined more impressively than here ' Robert Crawford, Scotsman
Selected Poems Canongate Books
SightlinesThe Experiment
The Genius of Birds Catapult
'Luminous' The Times 'Beautiful '
Caught by the River Bringing
together contemporary Scottish
writing on nature and landscape,
this inspiring collection takes us
from walking to wild swimming,
from red deer to pigeons and
wasps, from remote islands to back
gardens, through prose, poetry and
photography. Edited and introduced
by Kathleen Jamie, and with
contributions from Amy Liptrot, Jim
Crumley, Chitra Ramaswamy,

Malachy Tallack, Amanda Thomson
and many more, Antlers of Water
urges us to renegotiate our
relationship with the more-than-
human world, in writing which is by
turns celebratory, radical and
political.

Four Fields Rough Guides Limited
England, the first country to industrialise,
now offers the world's most mature post-
industrial terrain, and is still in a state of
flux. 'Edgelands' takes the reader on a
journey through its forgotten spaces so
that we can marvel at this richly
mysterious, cheek-by-jowl region in our
midst.

Somewhere Towards the End
Birlinn

It's surprising what you can find by

simply stepping out to look. Kathleen Jamie, award winning poet, has an eye and an ease with the nature and landscapes of Scotland as well as an incisive sense of our domestic realities. In *Findings* she draws together these themes to describe travels like no other contemporary writer. Whether she is following the call of a peregrine in the hills above her home in Fife, sailing into a dark winter solstice on the Orkney islands, or pacing around the carcass of a whale on a rain-swept Hebridean beach, she creates a subtle and modern narrative, peculiarly alive to her connections and surroundings.

Mr and Mrs Scotland are Dead Sort of Jamie's poetry is intelligent and subtle, her language inventive and refreshing. This is a wide-ranging selection. It reveals the generous range of her concerns, from life in the wilder parts of Pakistan and Tibet, to the difficult questions of identity posed in the celebrated *Queen of Sheba*.
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The Overhaul Sort of books
A Pulitzer Prize Finalist, this powerful elegy for our disappearing coast “captures nature with precise words that almost amount to poetry” (*The New York Times*). Hailed as “the book on climate change and sea levels that was missing” (*Chicago Tribune*), *Rising* is both a highly original work of lyric reportage and a haunting meditation on how to let go of the places we love. With every record-breaking hurricane, it grows clearer that climate change is neither imagined nor distant—and that rising seas are transforming the coastline of the United States in irrevocable ways. In *Rising*, Elizabeth Rush guides readers through these dramatic changes, from the Gulf Coast to Miami, and from New York City to the Bay Area. For many of the plants, animals, and humans in these places, the

options are stark: retreat or perish. Rush sheds light on the unfolding crises through firsthand testimonials—a Staten Islander who lost her father during Sandy, the remaining holdouts of a Native American community on a drowning Isle de Jean Charles, a neighborhood in Pensacola settled by escaped slaves hundreds of years ago—woven together with profiles of wildlife biologists, activists, and other members of these vulnerable communities. A Guardian, Publishers Weekly, and Library Journal Best Book Of 2018 Winner of the National Outdoor Book Award A Chicago Tribune Top Ten Book of 2018 The Poetry of Birds Penguin A sorceress of the essay form. John Berger Five years after Findings broke the mould of nature writing, Kathleen Jamie subtly shifts our focus on landscape and the living world, daring us to look again at the OCynaturalOCO, the remote and the human-made. She offers us the closest of perspectives and the most distant, too: from vistas of cells beneath a hospital microscope, or the pores of a whaleOCO's jawbone under restoration, to satellites rising over a Scottish island, or the aurora borealis lighting up an iceberg-strewn sea. We encounter killer whales circling below cliffs, noisy colonies of breeding gannets, and paintings deep in caves. Written with precision, delicacy and personal recollection, Sightlines invites us to pause and look afresh at our surroundings. "