

# The Complete Short Stories Jg Ballard

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## **Running Wild** Macmillan

In his more than eighty years, Francis Wyndham has published very little—one novella and two collections of stories—but his is one of the most individual and compelling bodies of work by a contemporary English writer. As Alan Hollinghurst has said, Wyndham's fiction stands in the tradition of social comedy that goes back through Henry James to Jane Austen, with this difference: Wyndham writes about the lives of privileged and even titled people, but he is drawn to outcasts and odd ducks, adolescents, lonely women, addicts, eccentrics, and idlers. The earliest stories here, gathered under the title *Out of the War*, are brilliant vignettes of deprivation and desire written during World War II. The later *Mrs Henderson and Other Stories*, by contrast, offers scrupulously observed tragicomic pictures of the vagaries of upper-class English family life. Finally, in the Whitbread Prize-winning short novel *The Other Garden*, a shy teenage boy living in the country strikes up an unlikely friendship with Kay, the thirty-something daughter of neighbors, sister to a famous actor, and black sheep of her family. Kay, with her whims and crazes and boyfriends, is unable to hold her own against her family's disapproval, and the narrator watches with helpless fascination as her small but very real tragedy is played out against the background of the Second World War.

## **Cocaine Nights** Macmillan

'Snort up Cocaine Nights. It's disorientating, deranging and knocks the work of other avant-garde writers into a hatted cock' Will Self

## **Kingdom Come** HarperCollins UK

"In twenty-nine separate but ingenious ways, these stories seek permanent residence within a reader. They strive to become an emotional or intellectual cargo that might accompany us wherever, or however, we go. . . . If we are made by what we read, if language truly builds people into what they are, how they think, the depth with which they feel, then these stories are, to me, premium material for that construction project. You could build a civilization with them." —Ben Marcus, from the Introduction Award-winning author of *Notable American Women* Ben Marcus brings us this engaging and comprehensive collection of short stories that explore the stylistic variety of the medium in America today. *Sea Oak* by George Saunders *Everything Ravaged, Everything Burned* by Wells Tower *Do Not Disturb* by A.M. Homes *The Girl in the Flammable Skirt* by Aimee Bender *The Caretaker* by Anthony Doerr *The Old Dictionary* by Lydia Davis *The Father's Blessing* by Mary Caponegro *The Life and Work of Alphonse Kauders* by Aleksandar Hemon *People Shouldn't Have to be the Ones to Tell You* by Gary Lutz *Histories of the Undead* by

*Kate Braverman* *When Mr. Pirzada Came to Dine* by Jhumpa Lahiri *Down the Road* by Stephen Dixon *X Number of Possibilities* by Joanna Scott *Tiny*, *Smiling Daddy* by Mary Gaitskill *Brief Interviews with Hideous Men* by David Foster Wallace *The Sound Gun* by Matthew Derby *Short Talks* by Anne Carson *Field Events* by Rick Bass *Scarliotti and the Sinkhole* by Padgett Powell

## **Garden of Time** Anchor

## **Science fiction-noveller.**

## **The Best Short Stories of J.G. Ballard** Berkley

A high-security luxury housing estate in the Thames Valley sees a disturbing outbreak of violence in this compelling novella, newly reissued with an introduction from Adam Phillips.

## **The Complete Short Stories** W. W. Norton & Company

For the first time, the complete collected short stories of the author of 'Empire of the Sun', 'Cocaine Nights' and 'Super-Cannes' - regarded by many as Britain's No. 1 living fiction writer.

## **War Fever** HarperCollins UK

"A remarkable piece of invention, a flight from the world of the familiar and the real into the exotic universe of dream and desire."

—New York Times Book Review When a light aircraft crashes into the Thames at Shepperton, the young pilot who struggles to the surface minutes later seems to have come back from the dead. Within hours everything in the dormitory suburb is transformed. Vultures invade rooftops, luxuriant tropical vegetation overruns the quiet avenues, and the local inhabitants are propelled by the young man's urgent visions through ecstatic sexual celebrations toward an apocalyptic climax. In this characteristically inventive novel Ballard displays to devastating effect the extraordinary imagination that has established him as one of the twentieth century's most visionary writers.

## **High-Rise: A Novel** HarperCollins UK

A startling and at times unsettlingly prescient collection of J.G. Ballard's greatest interviews.

## **The Unlimited Dream Company: A Novel** The Complete Stories of J. G. Ballard

First published 1982. Short stories providing visions of other times and other places, where nothing seems quite right

## **The Day of Creation** Simon and Schuster

Originally published in 1 vol.: London: Flamingo, 2001.

## **The Crystal World** HarperCollins UK

'The world, without rain, is drying up. Rivers are a trickle and we see the shrivelling of the species far from its sources and headed lemming-like for the sea. Time has burst its dams and seeps inside the race-structure with bizarre results A strange and rather wonderful book full of haunting landscapes, phantasmagoria and disaster that clangs on the mind. An impressive novel at any level. Its obscurities and surrealist flourishes only heighten the dreamlike atmosphere.' Guardian *The War of the Worlds* W. W. Norton & Company Dr. Mallory, director of the WHO clinic in Port-la-Nouvelle in central Africa, dreams of bringing water to the parched region and unexpectedly discovers a new river, which he names after himself. Reprint.

## **The Atrocity Exhibition** HarperCollins UK

From J. G. Ballard, author of 'Crash' and 'Cocaine Nights' comes his extraordinary vision of an African forest that turns all in its path to crystal.

## **The Drought** HarperCollins UK

Each book offers up to six stories, arranged in order of difficulty, each with

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support pointers on every page.

The Complete Short Stories of James Purdy New York Review of Books  
A FUTURISTIC COVER - COMES WITH 3D GLASSES! Welcome to Vermilion Sands, the fully automated desert-resort ready to fulfil your most exotic whims. Home to the idle rich it now languishes in uneasy decay, populated only by forgotten movie queens, solitary impresarios and the remittance men of the artistic and literary world. Discover prima donna plants programmed to sing operatic arias, dial-a-poem computers and psychosensitive houses capable of murder. These quintessentially Ballardian short stories of dystopian modernity are Ballard 's ' guess at what the future will actually be like ' .

Short Stories by H.G. Wells Holt Paperbacks

The renowned science-fiction writer selects the best and most representative of his short fiction, revealing the variety of his projections of twentieth-century technology in post-atomic worlds

Against Nature (A Reboours) W. W. Norton & Company

A masterpiece of fiction from J. G. Ballard, which asks could Consumerism turn into Facism?

Why I Want to Fuck Ronald Reagan W. W. Norton & Company

Class war erupts in a luxurious high-rise apartment building.

The Voices of Time HarperCollins UK

When a meteorite lands in Surrey, the locals don't know what to make of it. But as Martians emerge and begin killing bystanders, it quickly becomes clear—England is under attack. Armed soldiers converge on the scene to ward off the invaders, but meanwhile, more Martian cylinders land on Earth, bringing reinforcements. As war breaks out across England, the locals must fight for their lives, but life on Earth will never be the same. This is an unabridged version of one of the first fictional accounts of extraterrestrial invasion. H. G. Wells's military science fiction novel was first published in book form in 1898, and is considered a classic of English literature.

Extreme Metaphors University of Illinois Press

A war-ravaged Beirut is the setting for the title story of this visionary collection by J. G. Ballard, a tale in which a young street fighter inadvertently discovers how to bring an end to the bloodshed only to find that his solution is all too effective as far as some supposedly neutral observers are concerned. Other stories in War Fever feature an assassination plot against an American astronaut, the leader of an authoritarian religious movement; a man who is destroyed by a car crash and resolves never to leave his apartment again; and the survivor of a toxic-waste ship wrecked on a deserted Caribbean island.