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The Color Purple Simon and Schuster

A delightfully offbeat story that features an opinionated tortoise and her owner who find themselves in the middle of a life-changing mystery. Audrey (a.k.a. Oddly) Flowers is living quietly in Oregon with Winnifred, her tortoise, when she finds out her dear father has been knocked into a coma back in Newfoundland. Despite her fear of flying, she goes to him, but not before she reluctantly dumps Winnifred with her unreliable friends. Poor Winnifred. When Audrey disarms an Air Marshal en route to St. John's we begin to realize there's something, well, odd about her. And we soon know that Audrey's quest to discover who her father really was – and reunite with Winnifred – will be an adventure like no other. Excerpt: Winnifred is old. She might be three hundred. She came with the apartment. The previous tenant, a rock climber named Cliff, was embarking on a rock-climbing adventure that would not have been much fun for Winnifred. Back then her name was Iris. Cliff had inherited Iris from the previous tenant. Nobody knew how old Iris was or where she had come from originally. Now Cliff was moving out. He said, Would you like a tortoise. I would not say no to a tortoise, I said. I was alone in Portland and the trees were giant. I picked her up and she blinked at me with her upside-down eyelids. I felt instantly calm. Her eyes were soft brown. Her skin felt like an old elbow. I will build you a castle, I whispered. With a pool. And I was true to my word.

City of Lies Robinson

At long last, Sarah Britton, called the “queen bee of the health blogs” by Bon Appétit, reveals 100 gorgeous, all-new plant-based recipes in her debut cookbook, inspired by her wildly popular blog. Every month, half a million readers—vegetarians, vegans, paleo followers, and gluten-free gourmets alike—flock to Sarah's adaptable and accessible recipes that make powerfully healthy ingredients simply irresistible. My New Roots is the ultimate guide to revitalizing one's health and palate, one delicious recipe at a time: no fad diets or gimmicks here.

Whether readers are newcomers to natural foods or are already devotees, they will discover how easy it is to eat healthfully and happily when whole foods and plants are at the center of every plate.

A Season of Secrets ABRAMS

A brutally honest and deeply affecting memoir about growing up in the countryside in rebel country in Northern Ireland. Colin Broderick was born in 1968 and spent his childhood in Tyrone county, in Northern Ireland. It was the beginning of the period of heightened tension and violence known as the Troubles, and Colin's Catholic family lived in the heart of rebel country. The community was filled with Provisional IRA members whose lives depended on the silence and complicity of their neighbors. At times, that made for a confusing childhood. We watch as he and his brothers play ball with the neighbor children over a fence for years, but are never allowed to play together because it is forbidden. We see him struggle to understand why young men

from his community often just disappear. And we feel his confusion when he is held at gunpoint at various military checkpoints in the North. But even when Colin does ask his parents about these events, he never receives a clear explanation. Desperate to protect her children, Colin's mother tries to prevent exposure to or knowledge of the harm that surrounds them. Spoken with stern finality, "That's that" became the refrain of Colin's childhood. The first book to paint a detailed depiction of Northern Ireland's Troubles is presented against a personal backdrop and is told in the wry, memorable voice of a man who's finally come to terms with his past.

That's That Dell

“A captivating story about the power of friendship . . . More than a novel, it is a recipe for happiness.” —Anne Fortier, New York Times bestselling author of *Juliet* Every dress has a history. And so does every woman. Phoebe Swift's friends are stunned when she abruptly leaves a plum job to open her own vintage clothing shop in London—but to Phoebe, it's the fulfillment of a dream, and her passion. Digging for finds in attics and wardrobes, Phoebe knows that when you buy a piece of vintage clothing, you're not just buying fabric and thread—you're buying a piece of someone's past. But one particular article of clothing will soon unexpectedly change her life. Thérèse Bell, an elderly Frenchwoman, has an impressive clothing collection. But among the array of elegant suits and couture gowns, Phoebe finds a child's sky-blue coat—an item with which Mrs. Bell is stubbornly reluctant to part. As the two women become friends, Phoebe will learn the poignant tale of that little blue coat. And she will discover an astonishing connection between herself and Thérèse Bell—one that will help her heal the pain of her own past and allow her to love again. BONUS: This edition contains an A Vintage Affair discussion guide and an excerpt from Isabel Wolff's *The Very Picture of You*. “Romantic and sumptuous, this is a must for fans of vintage dresses and vintage romance.” —Hester Browne, author of *The Little Lady Agency*

“ This colorful new novel has something for everyone. There is mystery, romance, great characters, as well as London and France. ” —Naples Daily News “ Deftly blends past and present, romance and mystery, and a theme of forgiveness and redemption. ” —Mary Kincaid, HuffPost

The Clockmaker ' s Wife Clarkson Potter

A reporter uncovers the true-life story of the man who rescued thousands of Europe ' s finest creative minds from certain death in World War II. In 2000, Sophie Cass, an ambitious journalist, may have finally found her big break. Convinced a celebrated painter in the Hamptons is hiding a dark secret, she sets off to unravel the truth about his past. Her research takes her back decades to 1940, as an international group of artists and intellectuals gather at the House of Dreams, a beautiful villa just outside Marseilles where American journalist Varian Fry and his remarkable team are working to help them escape France. Despite the incredible danger they all face, the House of Dreams is a place of true camaraderie and creativity—and the setting of a love affair that changed the course of the painter ' s life forever. But as Sophie digs further into his past, she begins to wonder whether some secrets are better left untouched . . . Inspired by the real-life heroism of Varian Fry and the volunteers who risked their lives to help save legendary figures like Marc Chagall, Hannah Arendt, and Max Ernst, Kate Lord Brown ' s *The House of Dreams* is a lyrically told novel of great courage, love, and the power of art. Praise for *The House of Dreams* “ Brown brings a cinematic sensibility to her writing, making the long-ago exploits of Fry and his cohorts pulse with life. ” —Booklist (starred review) “ Brown sheds a literary light on the unsung heroes of the [American Relief Center]. . . . Nicely written and [a] worthy read. ” —Library Journal “ An exciting read with many characters you find yourself rooting for. ” —Fresh Fiction

Luckiest Girl Alive Penguin

The inspiration for the new film adaptation of the Tony-winning Broadway musical. Alice Walker ' s iconic modern classic, and winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award A powerful cultural touchstone of modern literature, *The Color Purple* depicts the lives of African American women in early twentieth-century rural Georgia. Separated as girls, sisters Celie and Nettie sustain their loyalty to and hope in each other across time, distance, and silence. Through a series of letters spanning twenty years, first from Celie to God,

then the sisters to each other despite the unknown, the novel draws readers into its rich and memorable portrayals of Celie, Nettie, Shug Avery and Sofia and their experience. *The Color Purple* broke the silence around domestic and sexual abuse, narrating the lives of women through their pain and struggle, companionship and growth, resilience and bravery. Deeply compassionate and beautifully imagined, Alice Walker's epic carries readers on a spirit-affirming journey toward redemption and love.

The Perfumed Garden Atlantic Books

"A powerful retelling of the biblical story of Esther set during WWII: Blond and blue-eyed Jewess Hadassah Benjamin must save her people--even if she cannot save herself"--

The House of Dreams Picador

Poison, war, and ancient spirits converge in this award-winning epic fantasy: “ a well-crafted debut with . . . solid worldbuilding, and original characters ” (Kirkus). Jovan was born into a noble family with a secret duty. To all appearances, he is a quiet, affable friend of the Chancellor ' s irresponsible Heir. In truth, he ' s a master of poisons and chemicals, trained to protect the Chancellor ' s family from treachery. When the Chancellor succumbs to an unknown poison and an army lays siege to the city, Jovan and his sister Kalina must protect the Heir and save their city-state. But treachery lurks in every corner, and the ancient spirits of the land are rising . . . and angry. WINNER of the Ditmar Awards for Best Novel and Best New Talent, the Norma K Hemming Award, and the Aurealis Award for Best Fantasy Novel!

The Taste of Summer Review

* A Washington Post Notable Fiction Book of the Year * Named a Best Book of the Year by NPR, The Guardian, The Boston Globe, St. Louis Dispatch From the thrilling imagination of bestselling, award-winning Colm Tóibín comes a retelling of the story of Clytemnestra and her children— “ brilliant...gripping...high drama...made tangible and graphic in Tóibín ' s lush prose ” (Booklist, starred review). “ I have been acquainted with the smell of death. ” So begins Clytemnestra ' s tale of her own life in ancient Mycenae, the legendary Greek city from which her husband King Agamemnon left when he set sail with his army for Troy. Clytemnestra rules Mycenae now, along with her new lover Aegisthus, and together they plot the bloody murder of Agamemnon on the day of his

return after nine years at war. Judged, despised, cursed by gods, Clytemnestra reveals the tragic saga that led to these bloody actions: how her husband deceived her eldest daughter Iphigeneia with a promise of marriage to Achilles, only to sacrifice her; how she seduced and collaborated with the prisoner Aegisthus; how Agamemnon came back with a lover himself; and how Clytemnestra finally achieved her vengeance for his stunning betrayal—his quest for victory, greater than his love for his child. *House of Names* “ is a disturbingly contemporary story of a powerful woman caught between the demands of her ambition and the constraints on her gender...Never before has Tóibín demonstrated such range, ” (The Washington Post). He brings a modern sensibility and language to an ancient classic, and gives this extraordinary character new life, so that we not only believe Clytemnestra ' s thirst for revenge, but applaud it. Told in four parts, this is a fiercely dramatic portrait of a murderess, who will herself be murdered by her own son, Orestes. It is Orestes ' s story, too: his capture by the forces of his mother ' s lover Aegisthus, his escape and his exile. And it is the story of the vengeful Electra, who watches over her mother and Aegisthus with cold anger and slow calculation, until, on the return of her brother, she has the fates of both of them in her hands.

Crimson Thread, The Macmillan + ORM

Opening on the French Riviera among a motley community of American expatriates, *The Mother's Recompense* tells the story of Kate Clephane and her reluctant return to New York society after being exiled years before for abandoning her husband and infant daughter. Oddly enough, Kate has been summoned back by that same daughter, Anne, now fully grown and intent on marrying Chris Fenno, a war hero, dilettante, and social opportunist. Chris's questionable intentions toward her daughter are, however, the least of Kate's worries since she was once, and still is, deeply in love with him. Kate's moral quandary and the ensuing drama evoke comparison with Oedipus and Hamlet and lead to an ending that startled the mores of the day.

Why Evolution is True Thomas Dunne Books

Published to accompany the 1994 exhibition at The Museum of Modern Art, New York, this book constitutes the most extensive survey of modern illustrated books

to be offered in many years. Work by artists from Pierre Bonnard to Barbara Kruger and writers from Guillaume Apollinaire to Susan Sontag. An important reference for collectors and connoisseurs. Includes notable works by Marc Chagall, Henri Matisse, and Pablo Picasso.

The Beauty Chorus Square Fish

Everything seems quiet on Ann Brooks' suburban cul-de-sac. Despite her impending divorce, she's created a happy home and her daughters are adjusting to the change. She feels lucky to be in a supportive community and confident that she can handle any other hardship that life may throw her way. But then, right before Thanksgiving, a crisis strikes that turns everybody's world upside down. Suddenly her estranged husband is forced back onto her doorstep, bringing with him his beautiful graduate assistant. Trapped inside the house she once called home, confronted by challenges she never could have imagined, Ann must make life-or-death decisions in an environment where the simple act of opening a door to a neighbor could jeopardize all she holds dear. The choices she makes will impact the lives of those around her irrevocably and linger in the reader's memory in this marvelous first novel, written with authority, grace, and wisdom.

BONUS: This edition contains a *The Things That Keep Us Here* discussion guide.

Gretel and the Dark Penguin UK

'The perfect read for a cosy winter's evening beside a crackling log fire' *Sussex Life* Diamonds are forever. And hold a thousand secrets... When Grace Manners moves to a little cottage on the Wittering Manor estate, she hopes it will be the perfect new beginning after her life was torn apart seven months ago. Ever since her husband disappeared, along with most of their money, Grace has struggled to make ends meet - but now, working for the eccentric Fraser Stratton, she has her own space to make her delicate jewellery once again. Yet as Grace begins to uncover the story behind a beautiful diamond brooch, she becomes drawn into a mysterious family secret that threatens to destroy what little she has left... Praise for Kate Lord Brown:

'Absolutely exquisite' Marian Keyes 'A wonderful, escapist, nostalgic read' *RED* 'Sweepingly romantic' Katherine Webb 'Captivating' *YOU* 'A story of love and adventure, of loss and pain, and heroism' *DAILY MAIL*

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NATIONAL BESTSELLER • Look for special features inside. Join the Random House Reader's Circle for author chats and more. Friendship takes center stage in New York Times bestselling author Nancy Thayer's captivating, emotionally charged novel featuring all the tenderness and wit, drama and romance that readers have come to expect from this insightful, much-loved writer. When they meet as girls on a beach in Nantucket, Maggie McIntyre and Emily Porter become fast friends—though Emily's well-heeled mother would prefer that she associate with the upscale daughters of bankers and statesmen rather than the child of a local seamstress. But the two lively, imaginative girls nevertheless spend many golden summers together building castles in the sand, creating magical worlds of their own, and forging grand plans for their future. Even as Emily falls for Maggie's brother, Ben, and the young women's paths diverge, the duo remain close friends. Then the unthinkable happens: Handsome, charismatic, charming, and incredibly sexy Wall Street trader Cameron Chadwick upends both their lives and disrupts their friendship. Struggling with the tough choices they must make and the secrets they must keep, the two young women discover that the road to love and fulfillment is full of bumps and twists. And while true love may be rare, Maggie and Emily find that friendship is even rarer—and more valuable still. Praise for *Nantucket Sisters* “Thayer obviously knows her Nantucket, and the strong sense of place makes this the perfect escapist book for the summer, particularly for fans of Elin Hilderbrand.” —Booklist “Thayer keeps readers on the edge of their seats with her dramatic story spanning the girls' childhood to adulthood. This wonderful beach read packs a punch.” —Library Journal Praise for *Nancy Thayer Beachcombers* “Thayer's sense of place is powerful, and her words are hung together the way my grandmother used to tat lace.” —Dorothea Benton Frank “A charming and fun summer read . . . Readers will love this story of family and love.” —The Plain Dealer Summer Breeze “Nancy

Thayer is the queen of beach books. . . . All [these characters] are involved in life-changing choices, with all the heart-wrenching decisions such moments demand.” —The Star-Ledger “An entertaining and lively read that is perfect for summer reading indulgence.” —Wichita Falls Times Record News Island Girls “A book to be savored and passed on to the good women in your life.” —Susan Wiggs “Full of emotion and just plain fun, this novel is delightful.” —Romance Reviews Today

The Perfume Garden Bantam

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Eden Gardens Macmillan

Gretel and the Dark is Eliza Granville's dazzling novel of darkness, evil - and hope. For fans of Markus Zusak's *The Book Thief* and Guillermo del Toro's *Pan's Labyrinth*. Vienna, 1899. Josef Breuer - celebrated psychoanalyst - is about to encounter his strangest case yet. Found by the lunatic asylum, thin, head shaved, she claims to have no name, no feelings - to be, in fact, not even human. Intrigued, Breuer determines to fathom the roots of her disturbance. Years later, in Germany, we meet Krysta. Krysta's Papa is busy working in the infirmary with the 'animal people', so little Krysta plays alone, lost in the stories of Hansel and Gretel, the Pied Piper, and more. And when everything changes and the real world around her becomes as frightening as any fairy tale, Krysta finds that her imagination holds powers beyond what she could

have ever guessed . . . 'Atmospheric and beautifully written. Gretel and the Dark will be one of the best books of 2014' The List

House of Names Penguin

Lumbini, the Birthplace of the Lord Buddha, was inscribed on the World Heritage list in 1997. It is situated in an area commonly referred to as the 'Sacred Garden'. Archaeological remains testify to the authenticity of the place, which has become a major pilgrimage site. Nevertheless over two and a half millennia, the understanding of Lumbini has changed and different perceptions exist of what Lumbini might have been like at the birth of Lord Buddha. For the long-term safeguarding of this World Heritage site, overall understanding of the property is essential. This publication will provide a means for the various stakeholders to come to an understanding of each other's historical, religious, environmental and touristic perspectives of Lumbini.

The Perfume Garden Orion

The world is at war. And time is running out...

Wood and Garden; Notes and Thoughts, Practical and Critical, of a Working Amateur Shambhala Publications

"A teenager living in an alternate-history futuristic Versailles must escape its walls by selling a happy-enducing makeup called Glitter"--