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The Enigma of Room 622 Joël Dicker 2022-09-13 “Dicker salutes Agatha Christie even as he drops the reader through one trapdoor into another, so that by the end, we doubt we’ve ever read another novel quite like it. (We haven’t.) Fans of Ruth Ware and Lucy Foley will hug this book in between chapters; the many readers who love Anthony Horowitz’s mysteries will celebrate. And me? I’ll be reading it again.”—A. J. Finn, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Woman in the Window* A burnt-out writer’s retreat at a fancy Swiss hotel is interrupted by a murder mystery in this metafictional, meticulously crafted whodunit from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Truth About the Harry Quebert Affair*. A writer named Joël, Switzerland’s most prominent novelist, flees to the Hôtel de Verbier, a luxury resort in the Swiss Alps. Disheartened over a recent breakup and his longtime publisher’s death, Joël hopes to rest. However, his plans quickly go awry. It all starts with a seemingly innocuous detail: at the Verbier, there is no room 622. Before long, Joël and fellow guest Scarlett uncover a long-unsolved murder that transpired in the hotel’s room 622. The attendant circumstances: the succession of Switzerland’s largest private bank, a mysterious counterintelligence operation called P-30, and a most disreputable sabotage of hotel hospitality. A European phenomenon, *The Enigma of Room 622* is a matryoshka doll of intrigue—as precise as a Swiss watch—and Dicker’s most diabolically addictive thriller yet. Translated from the French by Robert Bononno

Muchachas Katherine Pancol 2014-09-09

Beirut 2020: Diary of the Collapse Charif Majdalani 2021-08-03 Told in elegant, evocative prose, a devastating and necessary testament to the August explosion that thoughtfully examines the crises that preceded it and its aftermath. At the start of the summer of 2020, in a Lebanon ruined by economic crisis and political corruption, in an exhausted Beirut still rising up for true democracy while the world was paralyzed by the coronavirus, Charif Majdalani set about writing a journal. He intended to bear witness to this terrible, confusing time, and perhaps endure it by putting it into words. Using small, everyday interactions—with fellow restaurant patrons, repairmen, the father of his wife’s patient, a young Syrian refugee—as openings to address larger systemic problems, he explains how events in Lebanon’s recent history led to this point. Then, on August 4, the explosion of 2,750 tons of ammonium nitrate in the port of Beirut devastated the city and the country. Majdalani’s chronicle suddenly became a record of the catastrophe, which left more than two hundred dead and thousands injured, and the massive public outcry that followed. In the midst of the senseless chaos and grief, however, he continues to find cause

for hope in the kindness and resilience of those determined to stay and rebuild.

Mémoires d'outre-tombe François-René vicomte de Chateaubriand 1920

Sorry for Your Trouble Richard Ford 2020-05-12 A landmark new collection of stories from Richard Ford that showcases his brilliance, sensitivity, and trademark wit and candor In *Sorry for Your Trouble*, Pulitzer Prize winner and New York Times bestselling author Richard Ford enacts a stunning meditation on memory, love and loss. "Displaced" returns us to a young man's Mississippi adolescence, and to a shocking encounter with a young Irish immigrant who recklessly tries to solace the narrator's sorrow after his father's death. "Driving Up" follows an American woman's late-in-life journey to Canada to bid good-bye to a lost love now facing the end of this life. "The Run of Yourself," a novella, sees a New Orleans lawyer navigating the difficulties of living beyond his Irish wife's death. And "Nothing to Declare" follows a man and a woman's chance re-meeting in the New Orleans French Quarter, after twenty years, and their discovery of what's left of love for them. Typically rich with Ford's emotional lucidity and lyrical precision, *Sorry for Your Trouble* is a memorable collection from one of our greatest writers.

Hold Fast Your Crown Yannick Haenel 2019-04-02 "A story of madness, art, alcohol and creativity...elegantly translated...vivid." —New York Times An exasperated writer obsessed with American cinema embarks on an increasingly bizarre journey in this heady, engrossing novel. A man writes an enormous screenplay on the life of Herman Melville. Not a single producer is interested in it. One day, someone gives him the phone number of the great American filmmaker Michael Cimino, legendary director of *The Deer Hunter* and *Heaven's Gate*. A meeting is arranged in New York, and Cimino reads the manuscript. What follows is a series of crazy adventures through Ellis Island, the Musée de la Chasse in Paris, a lake in Italy. We run into Isabelle Huppert, Diana the hunting goddess, a Dalmatian named Sabbat, a diabolical neighbor, and two shady characters with conspicuous mustaches. There's also a pretty PhD student, an unpleasant concierge, and an aggressive maître d' who looks like Emmanuel Macron... This improbable, insightful tale bridges the divide between cinema and literature in unexpected ways that are at once gratifying and profound.

Mr. Muo's Travelling Couch Dai Sijie 2006 After years of studying Freud in Paris, Mr. Muo returns home to bring the benefits of psychoanalysis to twenty-first-century China and to somehow free his college sweetheart, now a political prisoner, a quest that leads him to the sadistic local magistrate, Judge Di, who demands a virgin maiden in exchange for clemency. Reprint. 35,000 first printing.

A Hundred Million Years and a Day Jean-Baptiste Andrea 2020-06-16 'Sublime' Carys Davies, author of *West* 'Beautiful and devastating' Sara Taylor, author of *The Shore* Stan has been hunting for fossils since the age of six. Now, in the summer of 1954, he hears a story he cannot forget: the skeleton of a huge creature – a veritable dragon – lies deep in an Alpine glacier. And he is determined to find it. But Stan is no mountaineer. To complete his dangerous expedition, he must call on loyal friend Umberto, who arrives with an eccentric young assistant, and expert guide Gio. Time is short: the four men must descend before the weather turns. As bonds are forged and tested, the hazardous quest for the earth's lost creatures becomes a journey into Stan's own past. *A Hundred Million Years and a Day* is a mesmerising story of nature, adventure and of one man's determination to follow his dream, whatever it may take.

The Abyss Marguerite Yourcenar 1981-08 The story of the fate of two cousins in sixteenth century northern France. The younger, sixteen-year-old Henry Maximilian, has set out to become a soldier and a poet. The elder, twenty-two-year-old Zeno, has left the seminary to make himself an alchemist-philosopher.

Hades, Argentina Daniel Loedel 2022-01-11 CENTER FOR FICTION FIRST NOVEL PRIZE LONGLIST "A debut novel as impressive as they come. Tough, wily, dreamlike." —Seattle Times A decade after fleeing for his life, a man is pulled back to Argentina by an undying love. In 1976, Tomás Orilla is a medical student in Buenos Aires, where he has moved in hopes of reuniting with Isabel, a childhood crush. But the reckless passion that has long drawn him is leading Isabel ever deeper into the ranks of the insurgency fighting an increasingly oppressive regime. Tomás has always been willing to follow her anywhere, to do anything to prove himself. Yet what exactly is he proving, and at what cost to them both? It will be years before a summons back arrives for Tomás, now living as Thomas Shore in New York. It isn't a homecoming that awaits him, however, so much as an odyssey into the past, an encounter with the ghosts that lurk there, and a reckoning with the fatal gap between who he has become and who he once aspired to be. Raising profound questions about the sometimes impossible choices we make in the name of love, Hades, Argentina is a gripping, ingeniously narrated literary debut.

Muchachas 3 Katherine Pancol 2014-10-08

Il y a de la joie. Novembre - Décembre 2017. Fabien Simon 2018-06-28 L'actualité des mois de novembre à décembre 2017. Monde. France. Loisirs. Sport. Titres et contenus de la presse française. Citations et Proverbes.

David Hockney Catherine Cusset 2020-10 "Catherine Cusset's book caught a lot of me. I could recognise myself." --David Hockney With clear, vivid prose, this meticulously researched novel draws an intimate, moving portrait of the most famous living English painter. Born in Bradford in 1937, David Hockney had to fight to become an artist. After leaving home for the Royal College of Art in London his career flourished, but he continued to struggle with a sense of not belonging, because of his homosexuality, which had yet to be decriminalised, and because of his inclination for a figurative style of art, which was not sufficiently "contemporary" to be valued. Trips to New York and California--where he would live for many years and paint his iconic swimming pools--introduced him to new scenes and new loves, beginning a journey that would take him through the fraught years of the AIDS epidemic. A compelling hybrid of novel and biography, David Hockney: A Life offers an insightful overview of a painter whose art is as accessible as it is compelling, and whose passion to create has never been deterred by heartbreak or illness or loss.

Liminal Jordan Tannahill 2018-01-23 From award-winning playwright and filmmaker Jordan Tannahill comes a masterful and moving novel in the tradition of Ben Lerner's *Leaving the Atocha Station* and Sheila Heti's *How Should a Person Be*. At 11:04 a.m. on January 21st, 2017, Jordan opens the door to his mother's bedroom. As his eyes adjust to the half-light, he finds her lying in bed, eyes closed and mouth agape. In that instant he cannot tell whether she is asleep or dead. The sight of his mother's body, caught between these two possibilities, causes Jordan to plunge headlong into the uncertain depths of consciousness itself. From androids to cannibals to sex clubs, an unforgettable personal odyssey emerges, populated by a cast of sublime outsiders in search for the ever-elusive nature of self. Part ontological thriller, part millennial saga, *Liminal* is a riotous and moving portrait of a young man in volatile times, a generation caught in suspended animation, and a son's enduring love for his mother.

The Art of Losing Alice Zeniter 2021-03-23 Winner of the Dublin Literary Award A Best Historical Novel of the Year at The New York Times Book Review "[An] extraordinary achievement." —Liesl Schillinger, The Wall Street Journal Across three generations, three wars, two continents, and the mythic waters of the Mediterranean, one family's history leads to an inevitable question: What price do our descendants pay for the choices that we make? Naïma knows Algeria only by the artifacts she encounters in her grandparents' tiny apartment in Normandy: the language her grandmother speaks but Naïma can't

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understand, the food her grandmother cooks, and the precious things her grandmother carried when they fled. Naïma's father claims to remember nothing; he has made himself French. Her grandfather died before he could tell her his side of the story. But now Naïma will travel to Algeria to see for herself what was left behind—including their secrets. The Algerian War for Independence sent Naïma's grandfather on a journey of his own, from wealthy olive grove owner and respected veteran of the First World War, to refugee spurned as a harki by his fellow Algerians in the transit camps of southern France, to immigrant barely scratching out a living in the north. The long battle against colonial rule broke apart communities, opened deep rifts within families, and saw the whims of those in even temporary power instantly overturn the lives of ordinary people. Where does Naïma's family fit into this history? How do they fit into France's future? Alice Zeniter's *The Art of Losing* is a powerful, moving family novel that spans three generations across seventy years and two shores of the Mediterranean Sea. It is a resonant people's history of Algeria and its diaspora. It is a story of how we carry on in the face of loss: loss of country, identity, language, connection. Most of all, it is an immersive, riveting excavation of the inescapable legacies of colonialism, immigration, family, and war.

[The Mansions of Murder](#) Paul Doherty 2017-12-01 A murdered priest, a missing body, stolen treasure: Brother Athelstan tackles his most challenging investigation to date. October, 1381. Brother Athelstan is summoned to the church of St Benet's in Queenhithe to investigate the murder of a priest. Parson Reynaud has been found stabbed to death inside his own locked church. Other disturbing discoveries include an empty coffin and a ransacked money chest. Who would commit murder inside a holy church? Who would spirit away a corpse the night before the funeral – and who would be brave enough to steal treasure belonging to the most feared gangleader in London? Meanwhile, the death of one of Athelstan's parishioners reveals a shocking secret. Could there be a connection to the murdered priest of St Benet's? Athelstan's investigations will lure him into the dark and dangerous world of the gangmaster known as The Flesher, whose influence has a frighteningly long reach ...

[Extraits Rentrée littéraire Julliard 2015](#) Anne AKRICH 2015-07-30 En avant-première, découvrez les premiers chapitres des titres de la rentrée littéraire 2015 des éditions Julliard : - Anne Akrich, *Un mot sur Irène* - Yasmina Khadra, *La dernière nuit du Raïs* - Philippe Jaenada, *La petite femelle*

[La Petite femelle](#) Philippe JAENADA 2015-08-20 Au mois de novembre 1953 débute le procès retentissant de Pauline Dubuisson, accusée d'avoir tué de sang-froid son amant. Mais qui est donc cette beauté ravageuse dont la France entière réclame la tête ? Une arriviste froide et calculatrice ? Un monstre de duplicité qui a couché avec les Allemands, a été tondue, avant d'assassiner par jalousie un garçon de bonne famille ? Ou n'est-elle, au contraire, qu'une jeune fille libre qui revendique avant l'heure son émancipation et questionne la place des femmes au sein de la société ? Personne n'a jamais voulu écouter ce qu'elle avait à dire, elle que les soubresauts de l'Histoire ont pourtant broyée sans pitié. Telle une enquête policière, *La Petite Femelle* retrace la quête obsessionnelle que Philippe Jaenada a menée pour rendre justice à Pauline Dubuisson en éclairant sa personnalité d'un nouveau jour. À son sujet, il a tout lu, tout écouté, soulevé toutes les pierres. Il nous livre ici un roman minutieux et passionnant, où l'on retrouve son humour irrésistible, son inimitable autodérision et ses cascades de digressions. Un récit palpitant, qui défie toutes les règles romanesques.

An Impossible Love Christine Angot 2021-12-21 An agonizing turbulence lies just beneath the surface of this skillfully wrought novel by the French phenom who caused a sensation with the publication of her novel *Incest*. Reaching back into a world before she was born, Christine Angot describes the inevitable encounter of two young people at a dance in the early 1950s: Rachel and Pierre, her mother and father. Their love is acute. It twists around Pierre's decisive judgments about class, nationalism, and beauty, and

winds its way towards dissolution and Christine's own birth. Though it's Pierre whose ideas are most often voiced, it's Rachel who slowly comes into view, her determination and patience forming a radiant, enigmatic disposition. Equal parts subtle and suspenseful, *An Impossible Love* is an unwavering advance toward a brutal sequence of events that mars both Christine's and Rachel's lives. Angot the author carves Angot the narrator out of this corrosive element, exposing an unmendable rupture, and at the same time offering a portrait of a striking, ineradicable bond between mother and daughter.

Balcony in the Forest Julien Gracq 2017-11-21 It is the fall of 1939, and Lieutenant Grange and his men are living in a chalet above a concrete bunker deep in the Ardennes forest, charged with defending the French-Belgian border against the Germans in a war that seems unreal, distant, and unlikely. Far more immediate is the earthy life of the forest itself and the deep sensations of childhood it recalls from Grange's memory. Ostensibly readying for war, Grange instead spends his time observing the change in seasons, falling in love with a young free-spirited widow, and contemplating the absurd stasis of his present condition. This novel of long takes, dream states, and little dramatic action culminates abruptly in battle, an event that is as much the real incursion of the German army into France as it is the sudden intrusion of death into the suspended disbelief of life. Richard Howard's skilled translation captures the fairy-tale otherworldliness and existential dread of this unusual, elusive novel (first published in 1958) by the supreme prose stylist Julien Gracq.

The Book of Wonders Julien Sandrel 2019-06-25 Live every day like it's your last. Thelma is the busy single mom of 12-year old Louis. When Louis is hit by a truck one morning, their lives are changed forever. Louis falls into a coma and if he doesn't regain consciousness in the next four weeks, he may never wake up again. At home in Louis's bedroom, devastated Thelma finds a "bucket list" of all the things Louis wants to accomplish in his life, and she suddenly sees a way to survive. She will fulfill her son's dreams in the hope that it will bring him back to her. With the help of his nurse, Thelma sets up a video link in Louis's hospital room so he can follow her on his adventures. His first wish: to spend a day in Tokyo.

My Dark Places James Ellroy 2009-09-23 The internationally acclaimed author of the L.A. Quartet and The Underworld USA Trilogy, James Ellroy, presents another literary masterpiece, this time a true crime murder mystery about his own mother. In 1958 Jean Ellroy was murdered, her body dumped on a roadway in a seedy L.A. suburb. Her killer was never found, and the police dismissed her as a casualty of a cheap Saturday night. James Ellroy was ten when his mother died, and he spent the next thirty-six years running from her ghost and attempting to exorcise it through crime fiction. In 1994, Ellroy quit running. He went back to L.A., to find out the truth about his mother--and himself. In *My Dark Places*, our most uncompromising crime writer tells what happened when he teamed up with a brilliant homicide cop to investigate a murder that everyone else had forgotten--and reclaim the mother he had despised, desired, but never dared to love. What ensues is a epic of loss, fixation, and redemption, a memoir that is also a history of the American way of violence. "Ellroy is more powerful than ever." --The Nation "Astonishing . . . original, daring, brilliant." --Philadelphia Inquirer

History Is a Contemporary Literature Ivan Jablonka 2018-05-15 Ivan Jablonka's *History Is a Contemporary Literature* offers highly innovative perspectives on the writing of history, the relationship between literature and the social sciences, and the way that both social-scientific inquiry and literary explorations contribute to our understanding of the world. Jablonka argues that the act and art of writing, far from being an afterthought in the social sciences, should play a vital role in the production of knowledge in all stages of the researcher's work and embody or even constitute the understanding obtained. History (along with sociology and anthropology) can, he contends, achieve both greater rigor

and wider audiences by creating a literary experience through a broad spectrum of narrative modes. Challenging scholars to adopt investigative, testimonial, and other experimental writing techniques as a way of creating and sharing knowledge, Jablonka envisions a social science literature that will inspire readers to become actively engaged in understanding their own pasts and to relate their histories to the present day. Lamenting the specialization that has isolated the academy from the rest of society, *History Is a Contemporary Literature* aims to bring imagination and audacity into the practice of scholarship, drawing on the techniques of literature to strengthen the methods of the social sciences.

Plague and Cholera Patrick Deville 2014-02-27 Paris, May 1940. Nazi troops storm the city and at Le Bourget airport, on the last flight out, sits Dr Alexandre Yersin, his gaze politely turned away from his fellow passengers with their jewels sewn into their luggage. He is too old for the combat ahead, and besides he has already saved millions of lives. When he was the brilliant young protégé of Louis Pasteur, he focused his exceptional mind on a great medical conundrum: in 1894, on a Hong Kong hospital forecourt, he identified and vaccinated against bubonic plague, later named in his honour *Yersinia pestis*. Swiss by birth and trained in Germany and France, Yersin is the son of empiricism and endeavour; but he has a romantic hunger for adventure, fuelled by tales of Livingstone and Conrad, and sets sail for Asia. A true traveller of the century, he wishes to comprehend the universe. Medicine, agriculture, the engine of the new automobile, all must be opened up, examined and improved. Ceaselessly curious and courageous, Yersin stands, a lone genius, against a backdrop of world wars, pandemics, colonialism, progress and decadence. He is brought to vivid, thrilling life in Patrick Deville's captivating novel, which was a bestseller and shortlisted for every major literary award in France.

Erotic French Postcards Alexandre Dupouy 2009-01-06 In this seductive album of vintage erotica, stunning reproductions of vintage postcards from 1902–1937 pay homage to the great fantasy classics. All styles of fetishism—dressed up in thigh-high boots or in a particularly spectacular garter belt—vie for the reader's attention. The conquest of a demure secretary is played out in four scenes on a series of cards. Even the much-parodied French maid shows her saucy side, not to be outdone by a bevy of sassy dominatrices. Men with women, women with women, and various versions of the ménage à trois find their way between the sheets... of this album. Four original racy tales from celebrated contemporary French authors accompany the postcards. Beautifully printed on off-set paper, the book includes a ribbon marker, just in case the reader gets carried away on his or her own fantasy. Sexy and classy, *Erotic French Postcards* makes a beautiful—and suggestive—gift.

La Serpe - Prix Fémina 2017 Philippe JAENADA 2017-08-17 Un matin d'octobre 1941, dans un château sinistre au fin fond du Périgord, Henri Girard appelle au secours : dans la nuit, son père, sa tante et la bonne ont été massacrés à coups de serpe. Il est le seul survivant. Toutes les portes étaient fermées, aucune effraction n'est constatée. Dépensier, arrogant, violent, le jeune homme est l'unique héritier des victimes. Deux jours plus tôt, il a emprunté l'arme du crime aux voisins. Pourtant, au terme d'un procès retentissant (et trouble par certains aspects), il est acquitté et l'enquête abandonnée. Alors que l'opinion publique reste convaincue de sa culpabilité, Henri s'exile au Venezuela. Il rentre en France en 1950 avec le manuscrit du *Salaire de la peur*, écrit sous le pseudonyme de Georges Arnaud. Jamais le mystère du triple assassinat du château d'Escoire ne sera élucidé, laissant planer autour d'Henri Girard, jusqu'à la fin de sa vie (qui fut complexe, bouillonnante, exemplaire à bien des égards), un halo noir et sulfureux. Jamais, jusqu'à ce qu'un écrivain têtu et minutieux s'en mêle... Un fait divers aussi diabolique, un personnage aussi ambigu qu'Henri Girard ne pouvaient laisser Philippe Jaenada indifférent. Enfilant le costume de l'inspecteur amateur (complètement loufoque, mais plus sagace qu'il n'y paraît), il s'est plongé dans les archives, a reconstitué l'enquête et déniché les indices les plus ténus pour nous livrer ce récit haletant dont l'issue pourrait bien résoudre une énigme vieille de soixante-quinze ans. Prix Fémina

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You Will Love What You Have Killed Kevin Lambert 2020-08-25 Faldistoire's grandfather thinks he's a ghost. Sylvie's mother reads tarot and summons stormclouds to mete her witch's justice. Behind his Dad of the Year demeanour, Sébastien's father hides dark designs. It's Croustine's grandfather who makes the boy a pair of slippers from the dead family dog, but it's his father, the cannily-named Kevin Lambert, who always seems to be nearby when tragedy strikes, and in the cemetery, under the baleful eyes of toads, small graves are dug one after the other: Chicoutimi, Quebec, is a dangerous place for children. But these young victims of rape, arbitrary violence, and senseless murder keep coming back from the dead. They return to school, explore their sexualities, keep tabs on grown-up sins—and plot their apocalyptic retribution. Surreal and darkly comic, this debut novel by Kevin Lambert, one of the most celebrated and controversial writers to come out of Quebec in recent memory, takes the adult world to task—and then takes revenge.

If a Stranger Approaches You Laura Kasischke 2013-03-05 Fifteen “alarming and gorgeous” stories from the National Book Critics Circle Award-winning author about the quiet terrors of American life (The Boston Globe). Laura Kasischke, national bestselling author of *The Life Before Her Eyes* and *White Bird* in a Blizzard, both adapted for film, looks behind the quietude of domesticity to find the “strange and unexpected and sometimes extraordinary” in this collection of stories that “defies simple definition” (Booklist). In “Mona,” a mother violates her daughter's privacy certain she's hiding a dreadful secret. In “You're Going to Die,” a girl delights in the cruel power she has over her ailing father. In “Search Continues for Elderly Man,” a little boy's invitation for a lonely old neighbor to come out and play takes a shocking turn. In “Our Father,” children camouflage their sleeping dad in dirty rags to protect him. But from what?; and in the title story, a woman agrees to carry a package aboard a plane for a stranger despite—or perhaps, because of—her fantasizes about potential disaster. Populated by people coming to terms with a life that is just a little bit off—after there is a tiny mummified heart in a dresser drawer of a suburban home, *If a Stranger Approaches You* is “an important addition to [Kasischke's] own body of work and to the contemporary literature of end times” —NPR Books

The Light Years Elizabeth Jane Howard 2016-04-26 This “dazzling” novel follows a family of English aristocrats as their country teeters on the brink of World War II (Penelope Fitzgerald). As war clouds gather on the distant horizon, Hugh, Edward, and Rupert Cazalet, along with their wives, children, and loyal servants, prepare to leave London for their annual pilgrimage to the family's Sussex estate. There, they will join their parents, William and Kitty, and sister, Rachel, at Home Place, the sprawling retreat where the three brothers hope to spend an idyllic summer of years gone by. But the First World War has left indelible scars. Hugh, the eldest of his siblings, was wounded in France and is haunted both by recurring nightmares of battle and the prospect of another war. Edward adores his wife, Villy, a former dancer searching for meaning in life, yet he's incapable of remaining faithful to her. Rupert desires only to fulfill his potential as a painter, but finds that love and art cannot coexist. And devoted daughter Rachel discovers the joys—and limitations—of intimacy with another woman. A candid portrait of British life in the late 1930s and a sweeping depiction of a world on the brink of war, *The Light Years* is a must-read for fans of *Downton Abbey*. Three generations of the Cazalet family come to unforgettable dramatic life in this saga about England during the last century—and the long-held values and cherished traditions that would soon disappear forever.

The 7th Woman Frdrique Molay 2014-06-10 With a serial killer targeting young, professional women in Paris, Chief of Police Nico Sirsky races against time to find the murderer as the targets get closer and closer to his inner circle.

Sang-froid thématique n°3 Collectif 2020-08-26 En 2019, la revue Sang-froid a fait peau neuve dans un format plus proche du livre avec des numéros entièrement thématiques, déconnectés de l'actualité immédiate, à conserver dans la durée. Le premier décryptait l'univers du genre policier francophone. En 2020, à l'occasion de Quais du polar, Sang-froid propose un nouveau dossier de référence sur le polar nord-américain anglophone d'hier, d'aujourd'hui et de demain. (Cela inclut les États-Unis et le Canada anglophone.)

Lightness Lightness Meurisse Catherine 2018-06-20 In the aftermath of the murderous attack on the Charlie Hebdo offices on January 7, 2015, cartoonist Catherine Meurisse struggles with the trauma of losing her friends and looks for a way to move forward with her life and her art. She soon enters a dissociative state where she loses her memories, especially those associated with esthetic experiences. This leads her on a quest to seek beauty and lightness in the world around her with the help of guiding lights including Proust, Stendhal, Baudelaire, and two provocative graffiti artists. Throughout the book, Meurisse uses her limber cartooning and dynamic writing to weave a tapestry of raw emotion and philosophical reflection laced with a strain of wry humor.

A Book of Emblems Andrea Alciati 2004-07-01 Andrea Alciati's *Emblematum Liber* was an essential work for every writer, artist and scholar in post-medieval Europe. First published in 1531, this illustrated book was a collection of emblems, each consisting of a motto or proverb, a typically enigmatic illustration, and a short explanation. Most of the emblems had symbolic and moral applications. Scholars depended on Alciati's book to interpret contemporary art and literature, while writers and artists turned to it to invest their work with an understood didactic sense. This new edition of the *Emblematum Liber* includes the original Latin texts, highly readable English translations, and the illustrations belonging to each of the 212 emblems. The editor's introduction explains both the importance and the cultural contexts of Alciati's book, as well as its innumerable artistic applications. For instance, close study of the emblems reveals--to cite only two examples--why statues of lions are traditionally placed before government buildings, and what underlying political message was conveyed by innumerable equestrian portraits during the Baroque era. The collection includes as an appendix the formerly suppressed emblem, "Adversus Naturam Peccantes," accompanied by a translation of the learned commentary applied to it by Johann Thuilus in 1612. An extensive bibliography points the student to scholarly research specifically dealing with artistic applications of Alciati's emblems. Altogether, this new edition of Alciati's seminal work is an essential tool for modern students of the liberal arts.

Flowers of Darkness Tatiana de Rosnay 2021-02-23 From the internationally bestselling author of Sarah's Key comes Tatiana de Rosnay's *Flowers of Darkness*, a riveting and emotionally intense novel, set in a near future Paris, where a woman confronts past betrayal and present mystery Author Clarissa Katsef is struggling to write her next book. She's just snagged a brand new artist residency in an ultra-modern apartment, with a view of all of Paris, a dream for any novelist in search of tranquility. But since moving in, she has had the feeling of being watched. Is there reason to be paranoid? Or is her distraction and discomfort the result of her husband's recent shocking betrayal? Or is that her beloved Paris lies altered outside her windows? A city that will never be quite the same, a city with a scar at its center? Stuck inside, in the midst of a sweltering heat wave, Clarissa enlists her beloved granddaughter in her investigation of the mysterious, high tech building even as she finds herself drawn back into the orbit of her first husband who is still the one who knows her most intimately, who shares the past grief that she has never quite let go. Staying true to her favorite themes—the imprint of the place, the weight of secrets—de Rosnay weaves an intrigue of thrilling suspense and emotional power.

The Conquest of Jerusalem Myriam Harry 2018-10-13 This work has been selected by scholars as

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Black Sugar Miguel Bonnefoy 2018-03-15 'A beautifully crafted tale of how small loves can grow into the big ones, often quite unexpectedly.' The Irish Times A prize-winning author's magical realist fable about greed and corruption in Venezuela, Black Sugar gives a fascinating view of the country's social and economic development throughout the twentieth century through the story of a family of sugarcane growers. It tells of buried treasure and the legendary privateer Henry Morgan. On the edge of the Latin American rainforest, the Oteros family farm sugar cane in their remote corner of the earth. Cut off entirely from the modern world, life is peaceful, uneventful. Until, that is, a succession of ships arrive in search of Henry Morgan's legendary lost treasure, said to be buried deep beneath the forest floor. Soon, the isolated villagers are exposed to all the trappings of modernity, while the travellers' search for booty unearths more than anybody could have anticipated... And so it was that the treasure lay buried amid scraps of sail and a pirate's corpse, preserved within the belly of the Caribbean... Reviews 'Gallic Books have a lovely knack for publishing quirky and engaging novels, often compact and always accessible. Miguel Bonnefoy continues that tradition with his intriguing second novel, Black Sugar. With a pitch-perfect translation by Emily Boyce, this is a beautifully crafted tale of how small loves can grow into the big ones, often quite unexpectedly.' The Irish Times 'Its lyricism and vivid descriptions of a tropical landscape make it worth stopping by for.' The Big Issue 'An astonishing novel about the rise and fall of a family over time... Black Sugar is not to be missed.' Portland Review of Books 'Simply written, Miguel Bonnefoy's story almost reads like a fable, weaving themes of greed and corruption into a pirate drama.' World Literature Today 'Bonnefoy's French and South American heritage infuse the novel, it combines the best of the European tradition and magical realism. It's a mix of folklore and exotic storytelling. Rich in description, lyrical, elegant and fantastical.' Nudge Magazine 'Entirely satisfying (...) Black Sugar holds its own in the Latin American magical-realism tradition.' Foreword Reviews 'Black Sugar comes out at a time when Venezuela is in the news for violence and turmoil. But Bonnefoy's prose bursts with pride for the region and its people, particularly the farms and farmers. At the same time, he acknowledges the colonizing forces that fomented unrest, whose influence is felt today as the country destabilizes. It's an important book to read right now, for even though it's fantastical fiction, it gives the reader context for the next headline.' Necessary Fiction 'Black Sugar is a beautiful generational saga akin to One Hundred Years of Solitude or The House of the Spirits ... Bonnefoy never loses his own voice and continues to write with strokes of brilliant colours and sounds.' The Book Bag 'Rich in sensuous imagery and wonderful descriptions.' Trip Fiction 'Black Sugar stands out as one of the beautiful surprises of this autumn ... Here, everything is lived to the full, love passion and desire for power, fidelity and ambition.' L'Express

Dinner with Edward Isabel Vincent 2016-05-24 A memoir of food and friendship "combining the warm-heartedness of Tuesdays with Morrie with the sensual splendor of Julie and Julia" (Booklist, starred review). Isabel Vincent first arrives at Edward's New York apartment to check on him as a favor to his daughter. She has no idea that the nonagenarian baking a sublime roast chicken and a light-as-air apricot soufflé will end up changing her life. But their meeting comes at a moment of transition for each of them: Edward wants nothing more than to follow his late wife to the grave, while Isabel is watching her marriage unravel. As Edward and Isabel meet weekly for the glorious dinners that Edward prepares, he

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shares so much more than his recipes for apple galette or the perfect martini, or even his tips for deboning poultry. Edward teaches Isabel the art of slowing down, taking the time to think through her own life—cutting it back to the bone and examining the guts, no matter how messy that proves to be. Dinner with Edward is a book about love and nourishment, and about how dinner with a friend can, in the words of M. F. K. Fisher, “sustain us against the hungers of the world.” “A rare, beautifully crafted memoir that leaves you exhilarated.” —Rosemary Sullivan, author of *Stalin’s Daughter* “This is a memoir to treasure.” —Booklist (starred review)

Vie Francaise Jean-Paul Dubois 2009-04-02 Meet Paul Blick: born in France (but not Paris); son of a car dealer; provincial sociology student-cum-theoretical revolutionary; briefly employed (by his father-in-law); married and soon to discover adultery and other satisfactions of a desperate househusband as consort of a high-flying wife who conquers the world as CEO of a Jacuzzi-manufacturing company. This not-so-extraordinary Frenchman is delivered to the not-so-extraordinary awareness of having arrived in middle age more a product of his times, his country, and blind chance than a creature of his own free will. Jean-Paul Dubois gives us a man whose life reflects the story – the mind and the heart – of a society coming belatedly, poignantly, and often hilariously to grips with the abiding pain and intermittent beauty of what living has become.

The Woman Who Lost Her Soul Bob Shacochis 2013-09-03 Pulitzer Prize finalist: “A soaring literary epic about the forces that have driven us to the 9/11 age . . . relentlessly captivating” (Ron Charles, *The Washington Post*). When humanitarian lawyer Tom Harrington travels to Haiti to investigate the murder of a beautiful photojournalist, he is confronted with a dangerous landscape riddled with poverty, corruption, and voodoo. It’s the late 1990s, a time of brutal guerrilla warfare and civilian kidnappings. The journalist, whom he knew years before as Jackie Scott, had a bigger investment in Haiti than it seemed. To make sense of her death, Tom must plunge back into his complicated ties to Jackie—and her mysterious past. Shacochis traces Jackie’s shadowy family history from the outlaw terrain of World War II Dubrovnik to 1980s Istanbul. Caught between her first love and her domineering father—an elite Cold War spy pressuring her to follow in his footsteps—seventeen-year-old Jackie hatches a desperate escape plan. But getting out also puts her on the path that turns her into the soulless woman Tom fears as much as desires. Set over fifty years and in four war-torn countries, *The Woman Who Lost Her Soul* is National Book Award winner Bob Shacochis’s masterpiece and a magnum opus. It brings to life an intricate portrait of catastrophic events that led up to the war on terror and the America we are today.

La serpe Philippe Jaenada 2017 Un matin d'octobre 1941, dans un château sinistre au fin fond du Périgord, Henri Girard appelle au secours : dans la nuit, son père, sa tante et la bonne ont été massacrés à coups de serpe. Il est le seul survivant. Toutes les portes étaient fermées, aucune effraction n'est constatée. Dépensier, arrogant, violent, le jeune homme est l'unique héritier des victimes. Deux jours plus tôt, il a emprunté l'arme du crime aux voisins. Pourtant, au terme d'un procès retentissant (et trouble par certains aspects), il est acquitté et l'enquête abandonnée. Alors que l'opinion publique reste convaincue de sa culpabilité, Henri s'exile au Venezuela. Il rentre en France en 1950 avec le manuscrit du *Salaire de la peur*, écrit sous le pseudonyme de Georges Arnaud. Jamais le mystère du triple assassinat du château d'Escoire ne sera élucidé, laissant planer autour d'Henri Girard, jusqu'à la fin de sa vie (qui fut complexe, bouillonnante, exemplaire à bien des égards), un halo noir et sulfureux. Jamais, jusqu'à ce qu'un écrivain têtu et minutieux s'en mêle... Un fait divers aussi diabolique, un personnage aussi ambigu qu'Henri Girard ne pouvaient laisser Philippe Jaenada indifférent. Enfilant le costume de l'inspecteur amateur (complètement loufoque, mais plus sagace qu'il n'y paraît), il s'est plongé dans les archives, a reconstitué l'enquête et déniché les indices les plus ténus pour nous livrer ce récit haletant dont l'issue pourrait bien résoudre une énigme vieille de soixante-quinze ans.

