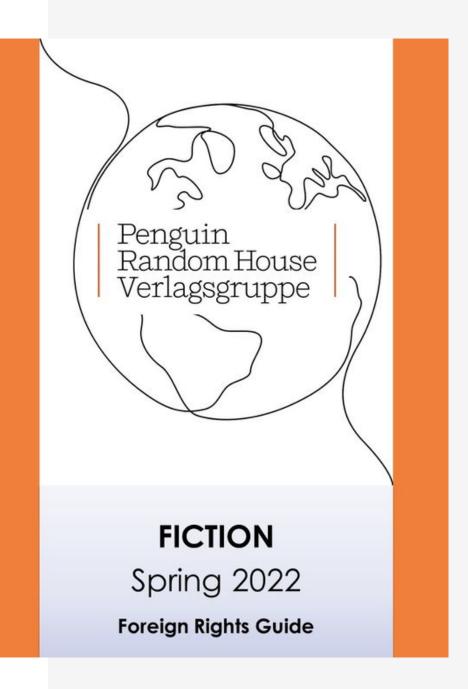
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Grunewald

STEPHAN ABARBANELL BLESSING VERLAG

Grunewald, 10:50 a.m.

NOVEL

Date of publication: June 14, 2022

Art lover, Prussian dandy, writer, foreign minister in the Weimar Republic - the last five minutes in the life of a man as enigmatic as he was fascinating

On a cool, cloudy day in June 1922, Walther Rathenau, the Weimar Republic's newly appointed foreign minister, gets into his chauffeur-driven convertible and sets off for the ministry. He has just returned from signing the decisive Treaty of Rapallo, and his more or less forced reconciliation with the Soviet Union has drawn not only criticism, but also death threats: they say that he, the Jew, has betrayed Germany.

Five minutes later, he is shot dead, assassinated by right-wing extremists. In Stephan Abarbanell's lyrical and profound psychological novel, Rathenau's final journey becomes a metaphor for Rathenau's journey into himself – on which he finally finds answers to the questions that have troubled him his whole life.

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AUTHOR

Stephan Abarbanell



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Stephan Abarbanell, born in Brunswick in 1957, grew up in Hamburg. He studied theology and general rhetoric in Hamburg, Tübingen and Berkeley. For over 20 years he had been in charge of cultural affairs at rbb Broadcasting. His first novel, Orient, was translated into several languages.



Publishing House: Penguin Format: Hardcover Pages: 224 Original title: Unser Glück

NATALIE BUCHHOLZ



Our Good Fortune

NOVEL

Date of publication: February 28, 2022

English sample translation available

What happens to us when our home becomes a financial bargaining chip?

When the young parents Franziska and Coordt find a lovely – and affordable – flat in one of Munich's best neighbourhoods, it's the opportunity of a lifetime. But there's a condition attached: it won't be just them and their small boy living there. Tempted by the chance of owning their own home, and one they wouldn't otherwise be able to afford, they agree to a deal that will put their love to the test. Like a catalyst, the new flat accelerates and deepens existing cracks in their relationship, and their son, too, is aware of the increasing friction between them. A once-in-a-lifetime opportunity has turned out to be a trap. Will they find a way out?

Natalie Buchholz has created an irresistible story, written in clear, rhythmic prose. A novel set up like an experiment, showing the freedom that improved living conditions can bring – and the destructive power of financial pressure.

Buchholz narrates [...] with a light and unembellished voice, the language is clear and rhythmic.

Süddeutsche Zeitung on 'The Red Swimming Pool'

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AUTHOR

Natalie Buchholz



Natalie Buchholz, born in France in 1977, studied Cultural Studies and Aesthetic Practice at the University of Hildesheim and at the Université Aix-Marseille. In 2018, her debut novel The Red Swimming Pool was published. In 2020 she was awarded the Spiegelungen Prize for minimal prose.



Publishing House: C. Bertelsmann Format: Hardcover Pages: 512 Illustrations: 1 color illustrations. 4 b/w illustrations Original title: Der Flussregenpfeifer

TOBIAS FRIEDRICH C.Bertelsmann

The Ringed Plover

A NOVEL BASED ON A TRUE STORY

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

With 1 colour and 4 b/w illustrations

Seven years in an kayak: the utterly improbable but true story of one man's odyssey

May 1932. With a daring plan to paddle to Cyprus and back, and just enough provisions to last the trip, Oskar Speck slides his folding kayak into the water. He plans to be back in six months. But his well-laid plans are scuppered: in pursuit of a sporting ambition, with jazz music and Mark Twain's witty wisdom for company, and chased by Nazis who want to turn the kayak's captain into a German hero, the loveable loner ends up paddling all the way to Australia, where he's arrested as a spy and put in prison. He loses all hope of being freed, and fears that he'll never see Gili – the most charmingly gap-toothed woman in the world – again. But then fate hands him a lifeline.

The Ringed Plover, Tobias Friedrich's literary debut, is based on the unlikely but true tale of a man from Hamburg who spent seven years paddling 50,000 km in his folding boat, despite never having learnt how to swim. A funny, suspenseful, fast-paced novel that is as astonishing as the true story that inspired it.

Tobias Friedrich takes us on a madcap, headlong journey finally, a new adventure novel!

Takis Würger

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AUTHOR

Tobias Friedrich



Tobias Friedrich, born in 1969, is a songwriter, and has written songs for his two bands as well as other artists. He was the publisher of a Berlin music magazine, and is now an author of non-fiction books and the co-organiser of the Berlin culture show Ein Hit ist ein Hit. He says that The Ringed Plover, his literary debut, came about when "I was amazed to find that there were no books about Oskar Speck. It was obvious that I would be hopelessly out of my depth writing a novel about him, because I've never written a novel before. So I immediately buckled down."



Publishing House: Luchterhand Literaturverlag Format: Hardcover Pages: 304 Original title: Aufruhr der Meerestiere

MARIE GAMILLSCHEG

A Disturbance of Jellyfish

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 08, 2022

Selected by New Books in German

On fathers and daughters - the tale of an impossible relationship

Luise is intelligent, Luise is independent, Luise is an island. She has also gained a reputation as an excellent marine biologist. Her specialty is the sea walnut, a ghostly illuminated jellyfish living in the dark waters of the oceans. When Luise is asked to go to Graz for a project with a famous zoo, she says yes right away. But Graz is the town she grew up in and the town where her estranged father, who is ill, still lives – and where the silence between them began, long ago... Marie Gamillscheq writes compellingly and vividly about the process of freeing ourselves from our childhood, our body, and the rules that we believe to be our own – but which others have determined for us. At the same time, this novel is an attempt to describe the inherent impossibility of father-daughter relationships.

One of the most exciting young voices of German-speaking literature.

Spiegel Online



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Marie Gamillscheg, born in Graz in 1992, lives and works in Berlin, freelancing as a journalist and contributing to ZEIT Campus and other media. She was awarded the city of Graz literature promotion prize in 2015 and the New German Fiction Prize. In 2016 she took part in the Klagenfurt Literature Course and was awarded a working stipend by the Berlin Senate. Her works have been published in many magazines and anthologies. Her novel All That Shines topped the ORF list of best books, was nominated for the aspekte Literature Prize and won the Austrian Book Prize for the Best Debut Novel in 2018.



Publishing House: Penguin Format: Hardcover Pages: 192

Original title: Der Ausflug

DIRK KURBJUWEIT



The Trip

NOVEL

Date of publication: February 28, 2022

English sample translation available Selected by New Books in German

A shocking journey into the heart of Germany's darkness

Childhood friends Amalia, Josef, Gero and Bodo are on a summer canoeing trip. However, the moment they arrive at their destination it's clear that they aren't welcome. Josef in particular, who is black, senses the locals' discomfort in his presence. They evidently deeply dislike anything that looks remotely foreign. But should the friends let themselves be intimidated by a few backward provincials? Should they simply give in? Amalia, Josef, Gero and Bodo are determined to stay, and from that moment on there's no turning back. Every step they take leads them closer to the abyss. They all know that this trip won't end well, but none of them wants to admit it. Soon their summer adventure becomes a desperate effort to get out of this place alive.

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Dirk Kurbjuweit, born in 1962, is one of the most versatile and productive authors of our time. Known to a broad readership as a reporter for Zeit and Spiegel, he has been a convincing narrator from an early age. Critics celebrated his works and several of his literary successes served as models for film adaptations and radio play adaptations. His books have been translated into numerous languages.



Publishing House: Heyne Hardcore Format: Hardcover Pages: 320 Original title: Die wundersame Ästhetik der Schonhaltung beim Ertrinken

FLORIAN WEBER

The Wondrous Aesthetics of a **Healthy Drowning Posture**

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

A lama, a clown, and Heinrich Pohl in the Atlantic Ocean

A man is drifting in the ocean, clinging on to a cool box. He can't remember anything of his life, except just brief flashes of memory. Through them, he tries to work out who he is, and how he ended up in this life-threatening situation. His childhood, his uncle's antique shop in his hometown of Munich, a piano, and a journey to America all play an important part.

A highly original combination of road trip and father-son story that's as moving as it is entertaining.

A lyrical, funny and crazy microcosm. You can't help but love [this novel].

Jan Weiler

One wonders what goes on in Weber's head. It must be a roaring spectacle.

David Schalko

Quirky, original, touching.

Friedrich Ani

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Florian Weber, born in 1974, has lived in Munich since 1994, and is a musician (Sportfreunde Stiller), author (two novels to date), radio presenter, artist, and qualified sports scientist (at least that's what it says on his degree certificate).



Fiction, Literary Studies

Publishing House: Luchterhand Literaturverlag Format: Hardcover Pages: 352 Original title: Die Arbeit der

Vögel

MARICA BODROŽIĆ



The Work of Birds

NOTES ON THE SOUL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

Walter Benjamin's final journey

During his flight from the Nazis in September 1940, Walter Benjamin takes an old smugglers' route that leads from the French border town of Banyuls-sur-Mer to Portbou in northern Spain. Shortly after he arrives, he commits suicide. Eight decades later, Marica Bodrožić follows the trail of the great German writer and philosopher. Benjamin's final journey is her starting point for musings about our time, about the complexity of life and identity, about friendship and flight. Her walk across the Pyrenees becomes a pilgrimage: she experiences nature as a synaesthetic tapestry, where the external mountain landscape intermingles with her inner one, reawakening memories of her formative childhood in Dalmatia. Bodrožić artfully interweaves her thoughts with the lives of other people who have crossed borders – such as the resistance fighter Lisa Fittko and the Russian poet Osip Mandelstam.

Once again, Marica Bodrožic proves herself to be a master in the art of writing [...] about the small, the human, the precarious and the ruminative.

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Fiction, Poetry

Publishing House: Penguin Format: Hardcover Pages: 272 Illustrations: 25 b/w illustrations

Original title: hell & hörig

ULRIKE DRAESNER



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POEMS 1995-2020

Date of publication: January 17, 2022

25 b/w illustrations

"These poems enrich the reader" - 25 years of poetry in one volume, published on the author's 60th birthday

Ulrike Draesner has an ear for interstices and subsongs, the songs beneath songs – voices that you don't usually hear. These verses from the past twenty-five years, many published here for the first time, display the sensuousness, attentiveness and profundity of Draesner's poetic achievements, as she takes traditional verse forms and masterfully infuses them with the natural sciences.

Her poems are polyglot, polyamorous and modern, and her originality is evident in her use of foreign languages in her work. There is a chapter on forests, one on animals, and a third on home and migration, and the collection is punctuated by longer lyrics – an elegy for a stillborn child, and a confrontation with a distant mother; and in twelve interjections, Draesner wonders how poetry can bring something new into the world and reveal old, forgotten things – and make them radiate in their own unique way.

Ulrike Draesner is one of today's most important German authors.

Rüdiger Görner, Times Literary Supplement

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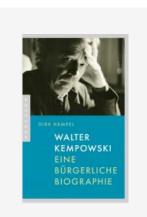
Ulrike Draesner



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Fiction, Literary Studies, Non-Fiction, Biographies & Memoirs

Publishing House: Pantheon Format: Paperback

Pages: 320

Illustrations: 85 b/w

illustrations

Original title: Walter

Kempowski

DIRK HEMPEL



Walter Kempowski

A BOURGEOIS BIOGRAPHY

Date of publication: July 25, 2022

The only biography of the great German chronicler Walter Kempowski - the longseller now updated

Walter Kempowski is one of the most important German authors of the 20th century, his works have been translated into numerous languages, and James Wood called his novel "All for Nothing" a "masterpiece".

The author's life is exemplary for the eventful history of the German middle-class in the 20th century.

In this book, Dirk Hempel, Kempowski's long-time collaborator and confidant, presents the life and work of the great narrator and German chronicler: Childhood and youth in Rostock, imprisonment in Bautzen, simultaneous existence as a village school teacher and successful author. His straightforward biography offers a unique insight into the life of this outstanding writer and contemporary witness.

Walter Kempowskis vita reads as an exciting life adventure.

AZ, Munich

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Dirk Hempel, born in 1965, is a science journalist. After studying German and theatre studies in Munich, he headed the editorial department of Walter Kempowski's collective diary "Echolot". In 2006 he habilitated at the University of Hamburg and was active in academic teaching. He is the author and editor of numerous books on literary and cultural history, including "Walter Kempowski. Eine bürgerliche Biographie" (2004).



Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Hardcover Pages: 288 Original title: Nachtwanderung

CORNELIA ACHENBACH

GOLDMANN

Night Walk

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

A delicate novel about best friends and our longing for inner peace

Ines and Kirsten thought they would be best friends for ever. But their friendship is shattered when Ines isn't there for Kirsten during a desperately difficult time. The two girls never meet again. Now, more than twenty years later, lnes is a working mother and trying her best to live up to the demands she places on herself. When an invitation to a school reunion awakens long-suppressed memories, she is forced to admit that the loss of the friend she once so admired has shaped her whole life. At the reunion, she suddenly finds herself standing in front of Kirsten. But their encounter doesn't turn out as Ines expected – and she begins to question everything. Are the two women really who they thought they were?

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Cornelia Achenbach, born in 1982, studied politics and Romance languages and literature and works for the Neue Osnabrücker Zeitung. Night Walk is her second novel.





Publishing House: Limes Format: Hardcover Pages: 432 Original title: Was uns bleibt, ist jetzt

ELLA CORNELSEN

What We Have Left Is Now

NOVEL

Date of publication: April 18, 2022

A wonderful, warm-hearted, funny story about a family, forgetting and remembering

Four very different siblings have gathered in their old family home. They haven't seen each other in a long time, but have come to look after their mother, who suffers from dementia, while their father is recovering in hospital after a fall. Over the next five days, they grow closer again and share their memories – which reveal family secrets that have been hidden for decades. For example, what is their mother's motto "You have to learn how to forget" all about, which she would often quote when they were kids? And what really happened in 1976, when their home life suddenly derailed?

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AUTHOR

Ella Cornelsen



Ella Cornelsen, born in 1958, grew up in a large family and studied in Tübingen. Ever since she was little she has loved writing, drawing, singing and playing instruments. She enjoys being out and about in nature, and loves old trees, wide vistas, tropical rainforests and colourful birds. What We Have Left Is Now is her first novel for Limes.



Publishing House: Penguin Format: Hardcover Pages: 288

Original title: Boy meets Girl

JULIA HOLBE

Boy Meets Girl

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 21, 2022

Every step we take can be the start of a whole new story

'Boy meets girl': anything can start with this sentence – there isn't a story that cannot be brought into the world with it. For Nora, too, a brief encounter changes her life entirely. All of a sudden she realises that she has for too long been a mere visitor in her own life. Now the painful end of her marriage and her ageing father's increasing helplessness finally inspire her to make changes.

When she meets Gregory, she senses that life has more in store for her – and yet she feels like there's something missing, something she can't quite grasp. Then she encounters Yann again, a friend from the old days, a man she thought she'd almost lost for ever.

Julia Holbe's novel is about all those little life-changing moments and captures the magical seconds in which doubt and fear transform into hope, and something new is born. Boy Meets Girl is like a French film: light-footed, profound and unforgettable.



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Publishing House: Heyne Format: Hardcover Pages: 384 Original title: Das Lied des Waldes

KLARA JAHN

The Song of the Forest

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 21, 2022

The centuries-old wisdom of a very special place ...

Following her mother's death, Veronika returns to her parents' house in Nuremberg's imperial forest to complete the sale of the old forester's lodge. Part of her is grateful for this temporary escape to the countryside: her marriage is in tatters, and she feels alienated from both her job and herself. A flood of memories rushes over her when she discovers old pages of notes about Anna Stromer, the captivating fourteenth-century pioneer who campaigned for the conservation of the forest. Veronika is comforted and inspired by Anna's story, and a special bond develops between these two women – who have both drawn strength from this place, and would stop at nothing to protect it.

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Klara Jahn is the pseudonym of a famous bestselling author. She is a historian, and loves telling big stories and to dive deep into the history and people of her locations, guided by her love for nature and fascination with rugged landscapes. The Song of the Forest is her second novel with Heyne.



Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Hardcover Pages: 320 Original title: Ein völlig anderes Leben

LISA QUENTIN



A Completely Different Life

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

About mother-daughter love and our yearning to belong, no matter what

I'm all alone now, is Jule's first thought when her mother dies. But when she goes to sort out her mother's flat, Jule discovers documents that show she was adopted. Jule never felt properly close to her mother, and starts questioning her whole past: their sudden move to the West, losing contact with her father, her sister's disappearance and her mother's persistent silence... What would her life look like today, if she'd grown up with her biological family? Would she be happy? Jule knows that she has to find her birth mother to get answers. But she isn't the only one who has been looking for them all these years...

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Lisa Quentin, born in 1985, studied German and psychology in Freiburg, and then spent ten years as a copywriter and online editor. After qualifying as an NLP coach, she now works in digital media and researches user behaviour. A Completely Different Life is her debut novel for Goldmann.



Publishing House: Penguin Format: Paperback Pages: 416 Original title: Bella Donna. Die Herrin von Mantua

CATHERINE AUREL



Belladonna: The Mistress of Mantua

THE DAUGHTERS OF ITALY SERIES (VOL. 2) NOVEL

Date of publication: June 14, 2022

The dream of eternal beauty, and a young love in danger: the second book in this bestselling trilogy set in Italy

Florence, 1534. No sooner have they sworn their eternal love, than the young merchant's daughter Calla del Giocondo and her lover are forced to flee the city. Samuele, the heir to the Bellani cosmetic empire, is accused of having poisoned a woman. It's only through sheer luck that the couple finds shelter at the Mantuan court. Thanks to his secret recipes for beauty products, Samuele wins the approval of the proud and cultured Duchess of Mantua. Calla, however, is also pursuing a dream: supported by the duchess's son, who ceaselessly tries to woo her, she learns how to read – and makes a discovery that could cost the young couple their lives...

The second book in the historical fiction trilogy Daughters of Italy, about strong young women caught up between intrigues and true love.

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Catherine Aurel has three great passions: writing, the past, and her fascination for Italy. Ever since she was a child, she was drawn to picturesque Florence, Mantua and Rome, cities alive with impressive history and stunning art. Several inspiring research trips later, she sat down to write her Daughters of Italy series.



Publishing House: Heyne Format: Paperback Pages: 560 Original title: Zeiten des Wandels

CARMEN BELLMONTE

Times of Change

THE MALLORCA SAGA (VOL. 1) **NOVEL**

Date of publication: February 08, 2022

The moving story of a family caught in the winds of change

Mallorca, 1913. The Delgado family runs a small winery at the foot of the idyllic Tramuntana mountains. But when the competition on the mainland grows more powerful, the island's wine trade collapses. The Delgados' children have to act fast if they want to save the estate from ruin. While Antonia and her fiancé Mateo travel to Cuba – where they hope to buy a vineyard to help support the family – and Carla looks for work in Mallorca, Leo pursues his own, not always legal, schemes, which increasingly distance him from his family. Will the Delgados survive the crisis? And at what cost?

Youll be rooting for the Delgado familys misfortunes, brave decisions and yearnings until the very last page, and youre already looking forward to the next volume.

Author Marie Lamballe

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AUTHOR

Carmen Bellmonte



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Carmen Bellmonte is the pseudonym of the authors Elke Becker and Ute Köhler. Together they bring 35 years of Mallorca island experience to the table. They have been friends for over ten years, love travelling and good wine, and both write books set on their paradisiacal Balearic island. So it made sense to join forces and combine all their preferences in one big epic story.



Publishing House: Penguin Format: Paperback Pages: 550 Original title: Leuchtfeuer

CORINA BOMANN



Beacon of Hope

THE SISTERS OF WALDFRIEDE HOSPITAL (VOL. 2) **NOVEL**

Date of publication: June 27, 2022

Rights sold to: Italy (Giunti), The Netherlands (Meulenhoff Boekerij)

A courageous paediatric nurse fights for her little patients and her happiness

The Berlin district of Zehlendorf, 1933. Just as the Waldfriede clinic has finally made a name for itself and the clinic's director Conradi is admitted to the Berlin Society of Surgeons, storm clouds gather on the horizon. The Nazis have seized power, and suddenly the Waldfriede clinic and its staff are under surveillance. But the young paediatric nurse Lilly is less concerned for herself than for her little patients who need her protection, and for her friends and colleagues. In the meantime, she has realised that she likes Dr Rudolph Kirsch more than just as a colleague. But she suspects that she isn't the only one harbouring a secret. These are dangerous times, and Lilly grows ever more desperate: should she risk everything – even if it means losing everything she cares about? Bestselling author Corina Bomann's new novel set in and around Berlin's Waldfriede clinic is inspired by the real-life story of a paediatric nurse working in 1930s Germany.

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AUTHOR

Corina Bomann



With a total of over two million copies, Corina Bomann's novels are an indispensable part of the bestseller shelves not only in Germany - most recently, the volumes "The Colours of Beauty. Sophia's Triumph" and "The Women of the Lion's Court. Mathilda's Secret". With her new series of novels about the Waldfriede Hospital in Berlin, she is fulfilling her heart's wish: inspired by the real chronicle of the clinic, she wants to create a monument to the clinic and its eventful history, making it the setting for a great historical saga.



Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Paperback Pages: 528 Original title: Die Champagnerfürstin

ANNETTE FABIANI

GOLDMANN

The Champagne Princess

NOVEL

Date of publication: June 20, 2022

Two brave women. Sparkling champagne. A glorious time.

Rheims, 1858. When Jeanne Pommery is unexpectedly widowed, her deceased husband's rivals get ready to destroy his wine business. But Jeanne determines to continue running the business on her own, despite knowing that she'll have to fight to assert herself in a ruthless man's world. She seeks help from Barbe-Nicole Cliquot, who, following her own husband's death, created a wine empire with just a handful of vineyards. Jeanne learns much from the old lady, who witnessed the French Revolution when she was a girl and survived against the odds. Finally, self-confident Jeanne succeeds in conquering the market with a new brand of brut champagne. But war and upheaval threaten to destroy her hard-won success...

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Annette Fabiani



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Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Hardcover Pages: 544 Original title: Terra di Sicilia.

Die Rückkehr des Patriarchen

MARIO GIORDANO



Terra di Sicilia: Return of the **Patriarch**

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

Rights sold to: The Netherlands (Signatuur)

English sample translation available

A German-Italian family epic: sensuous, colourful, striking

Barnaba Carbonaro, a young man living in Sicily at the end of the nineteenth century, has a head full of dreams of wealth and plans to create a dynasty. And his dreams come true: clever and courageous, he rises from illiterate pauper to dandy, and ends up a highly regarded citrus fruit merchant. His life is an odyssey marked by both triumphs and utter failure, driven by an insatiable longing. Barnaba has twenty-four children, becomes a rich man and loses everything.

At the end of his long journey, the patriarch looks back at the hungry boy he once was, who went into the world seeking happiness and success. And he realises that, between all those goodbyes and fresh starts, between sweet tangerines and the Bavarian snow, he has achieved something even greater.

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Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Paperback Pages: 640 Original title: Helena Rubinstein und das Geheimnis der Schönheit

BIRGID HANKE

Helena Rubinstein and the Secret of **Beauty**

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

The story of a woman who was a century ahead of her times

New York, 1965. Helena Rubinstein is ninety-five, one of the richest women in the world, and a glittering icon. Whether she's in London or Paris, Sydney or Manhattan, people everywhere recognise her in the street, and her cosmetics empire stretches across the world. But she wasn't born with a silver spoon in her mouth – rather, she is the daughter of a modest Polish-Jewish family, who emigrated all alone to Australia as a young woman in 1896. Shortly before her death, Helena looks back on her eventful life, and her rise from poverty into the highest echelons of New York society...



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Publishing House: Penguin Format: Paperback Pages: 560 Original title: SOMERSET. Sehnsucht und Skandal (1)

EMMA HUNTER



Somerset: Longing and Scandal

THE SOMERSET SAGA (VOL. 1) NOVEL

Date of publication: April 11, 2022

The dances are big, the scandals even bigger: welcome to Somerset

England in the late 18th century. Isabella Woodford has a problem: following a passionate, forbidden night of love with an army officer, her reputation as a virtuous young aristocrat is at risk. She has to cover up the scandal and quickly secure a husband. Equipped with a list of likely candidates, she goes to live with her aunt in the worldly city of Bath, where English high society lights up the night with its glamorous balls. It doesn't take long for Isabella to find her first suitor. But then she meets the rich, stand-offish textile merchant Alexander, who makes her feel something she's never felt before. But Alexander is a confirmed bachelor, determined never to marry. When the army officer reappears to blackmail Isabella about the night they spent together, she has to decide what's more important: her reputation, or love...

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Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Hardcover Pages: 448 Original title: Fräulein Stinnes und die Reise um die Welt

JANSEN LINA

Miss Stinnes Tours the Globe

NOVEL

Date of publication: May 09, 2022

Berlin, 1927: A woman embarks on a trip around the world, proving that she has what it takes

When Clärenore Stinnes sets off in her car on the 25th of May 1927 with the intention of circling the globe, she has no idea what lies in store – but come what may, she'll show the world that a woman, too, can have daring adventures. Together with her dog, two mechanics and a photographer, and with just enough provisions, she follows what was an extremely dangerous route in those days: driving through Syria, across the frozen-over Lake Baikal, through the Gobi desert and across the Andes – where she will confront her biggest challenge yet. Along the way, she not only finds adventure, but meets a man who will accompany her around the world, and for the rest of her life.

Based on Clärenore Stinnes's remarkable life, this fascinating and inspiring story is simply unmissable.

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Jansen Lina



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HEIKE KOSCHYK

Happy Days: The Story of the Lagerfelds

THE LAGERFELD SAGA (VOL. 1)
NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

Fiction, Historical Fiction

Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Paperback Pages: 416 Original title: Das Glück unserer Zeit. Der Weg der Familie Lagerfeld

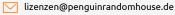
The history of the Lagerfeld family

Hamburg, 1902. Young Otto Lagerfeld emigrates to South America, dreaming of making his fortune as a merchant. On a visit to his family back in Hamburg, he meets his best friend's sister again. Otto is enchanted by Theresia but decides to travel to Vladivostok to sell tinned milk imported from the US. When he finds himself in a Siberian prison – with the four-leaf clover Theresia gave him as ever in his pocket – he knows he has no choice but to break out of prison, if he ever wants to see his family again and fulfil his dreams...



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Heike Koschyk was born in New York in 1967, and worked in fashion before embarking on a career as an author of thrillers and historical fiction. She travels widely for her books, to visit the locations of real events and scour through archives and old libraries. Under the pseudonym Sophie Bonnet, she has published a number of bestselling crime novels set in Provence.



Publishing House: C. Bertelsmann Format: Hardcover Pages: 384 Original title: Ein Garten über der Elbe

MARION LAGODA C.Bertelsmann

The Garden Above the Elbe

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 28, 2022

Stunning and atmospheric: against the odds, a woman realises her vision of a world-famous garden on a hill above the Elbe river

Hamburg, 1913. When Hedda takes on the position of head gardener to the Clarenburgs, a Jewish banking family, she has her work cut out. She's the first woman to hold the post at the estate on the Elbe river, and her colleagues – who are all men – regard her with suspicion. The job is physically demanding, too: she's a talented gardener, but the property is vast, and the advent of the First World War brings with it its own challenges. Nevertheless, Hedda succeeds in turning her vision into reality, including the Roman-style amphitheatre that becomes the focus of splendid parties and stage performances. But during the dark days of the 1930s, Hedda, who has Jewish ancestors, and the Clarenburg family find themselves in a precarious position.

Marion Lagoda's expertly researched, vividly written novel – with fascinating descriptions of the garden's flora – tells the fictionalised story of the woman whose real name was Else Hoffa, who created the Warburg family's famous Roman Garden in Hamburg's Blankenese neighbourhood.

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Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Paperback Pages: 544 Original title: Die Frauen vom Inselsalon

SYLVIA LOTT blanvalet

The Women from the Island Salon

THE NORDERNEY SAGA (VOL. 1) **NOVEL**

Date of publication: April 11, 2022

A hairdressing salon on the island of Norderney, and strong women fighting for their dreams - and love

Norderney in the early twentieth century: fisherman's daughter Frieda's dream comes true when she lands a job at the Fisser salon. A new, exciting world opens up for her there, and her happiness is complete when she meets the charming Count Ritz of Gartenstein. But the class divide makes it impossible for them to marry, and soon Frieda is forced to make a decision with far-reaching consequences. Meanwhile, Frieda's friend Grete, the daughter of a wealthy Berlin family, also has big plans. Against her family's wishes, she plans to move to Norderney to train as a nurse. The fact that she'll be able to work closely with a progressive young doctor makes her even more determined. But things don't turn out as planned: the First World War breaks out, and the men promise that they'll be 'back by Christmas' ...

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Freelance journalist and author Sylvia Lott was born in East Frisia and now lives in Hamburg. She wrote for various women's, lifestyle and travel magazines for many years before taking up writing. Her novels are regular bestsellers. While doing research for one of them, she became fascinated with Norderney's glamorous and eventful history, and decided to write a four-volume saga set on the island. The Women from the Island Salon and Stormclouds Over the Island Salon are the first two books in the series about a hairdressing salon on Norderney, set during the first half of the twentieth century.



Publishing House: Penguin Format: Hardcover Pages: 400 Original title: Das Lied des Himmels und der Meere

ANNE MÜLLER



The Song of Sky and Sea

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 28, 2022

Sensitive, atmospheric, funny – the new book by this author of much-lauded, clever women's literature

Schleswig, 1872. Emma's mother is furious when she turns down a proposal from an eligible bachelor. Rather than marry a man she doesn't love, though, Emma boards the steamship Borussia and emigrates to California. In San Francisco, she accepts a position as companion to a wealthy widow, and soon falls in love with the likeable timber merchant Lars. They get married and plan to start a family, and Emma goes to live with him on Humbolt Bay. Yet their marriage remains childless, Lars is often away on business, and Emma is lonely. When Hans – owner of a shipyard, Lars's closest friend and best man at their wedding – offers her a position in his office, the two of them develop deep feelings for each other. But there is a love that cannot be.

Touching and refreshing, captivating and with subtle humour, Müller's novel tells the story of a headstrong young woman who goes against convention, and searches for, finds and follows her own path.

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Anne Müller



Anne Müller lives in Berlin. After studying theatre and literature sciences she freelanced as a radio journalist before turning to screenwriting. Summer in Super 8, her first literary novel, found many enthusiastic readers. Two Weeks in June is her new novel, which takes her back to her homeland on the Baltic Sea.



Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Paperback Pages: 560 Original title: Die Landärztin -Aufbruch in ein neues Leben

FELICIA OTTEN

The Country Doctor: A New Life

THE COUNTRY DOCTOR (VOL.1) **NOVEL**

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

A strong young doctor, a new home and a challenging time

Germany, the early 1950s. Although young Dr Thea Graven has had tough times in the past, she never lost her lust for life and believes in the good in people. When she witnesses a senior surgeon making a fatal mistake during an operation, her decision to report him spells the end of her career in Hamburg. Thea retreats to her family home in the Eifel mountains, where she accepts a position as a local doctor. But the villagers don't trust her, and her new boss Georg Berger – admittedly a brilliant physician – is a horrible thug. Fortunately, Thea's sisters Marlene and Katja stand by her, and the freshly installed country doctor soon discovers not only things to love about her new home, but also a few potentially explosive secrets...

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Felicia Otten is the alias of a popular German author. Born in 1966, she studied first philosophy and Catholic theology and then journalism, before realising that her heart lies in storytelling. In 1999, she published her first crime novel, which was followed by several further crime novels and historical fiction. The Country Doctor is her first book for Blanvalet.



Publishing House: Penguin Format: Paperback Pages: 720 Original title: Die Hofgärtnerin - Sommerleuchten

RENA ROSENTHAL



The Royal Gardener: Summer Glow

THE ROYAL GARDENER SAGA (VOL. 2) NOVEL

Date of publication: April 26, 2022

A couple dreaming of owning their own nursery. A woman who bravely faces the future. A love that overcomes all obstacles.

Oldenburg, 1893. Marleene and her fiancé dream of opening their own nursery of scented lilacs and glorious rhododendrons. When they're given the chance to cultivate a piece of land, they can hardly believe their luck – if they manage to win a prize at the Hamburg garden show, they'll be able to designate themselves a 'Royal Nursery'. But to build a nursery out of nothing in such a short time places a heavy burden on them and their love – and to Marleene's sorrow, they even have to postpone their wedding plans. Their competitors, too, shy away from nothing to stop the couple from achieving their dream. Will they succeed against all odds?

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AUTHOR

Rena Rosenthal



As a child, Rena Rosenthal would spend every free minute in her parents' tree nursery. Unlike the rest of her family, she didn't become a gardener, but her love for flowers has persisted. So it was clear from the start that her first family saga would be set amid the scent of lilacs and stunning rhododendrons.



Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Hardcover Pages: 448 Original title: Die Diplomatenallee

ANNETTE WIENERS

The Ambassadors' Boulevard

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

Bonn, 1974. A brave woman caught between political factions, and a secret mission that could change everything...

Heike's quiet life is thrown into disarray when her old graphology professor Erik Buttermann suddenly shows up unannounced and invites her to the Bonn Graphology Institute's anniversary celebration. She was the institute's star student once, and the festivities just wouldn't be the same without her. Yet it soon turns out that Buttermann has a secret agenda. He has been tasked with analysing the handwriting of East German citizens to help select the GDR's permanent representative to West Germany – and who better to help him than Heike, once an internationally renowned graphologist? Not least because she's an easy target: there's a dark secret that she's been hiding for decades. When Heike agrees to help, she's unwittingly drawn into a maelstrom of dramatic events...

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Fiction, Women's Fiction

Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Paperback Pages: 416 Original title: Das Haus der Hebammen - Susannes Sehnsucht

MARIE ADAMS

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The House of Midwives: Susanne's Wish

THE HOUSE OF MIDWIVES (VOL. 1) **NOVEL**

Date of publication: May 16, 2022

For them, it's a calling: the midwives from the maternity clinic

The midwives Susanne, Carola and Ella work at the same hospital in Cologne, and are best friends. When they come across an empty house in 21 Cranach Street, they decide to set up their own maternity clinic. They dream of giving mothers-to-be the best possible care, in a place where they can feel safe and warm – both before and after their babies are born. When a new patient of Susanne's claims to be a first-time mother, the experienced midwife can tell right away from the scars that the woman has given birth before. Why is she lying? The incident reopens old wounds for Susanne: a long time ago, she was forced to give up her own daughter ...

A moving story about life's little and big dramas, about pain, happiness, and trusting that everything will turn out all right.

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Marie Adams has already published novels under another name about coping with chaotic family life and making sure that after many years love will survive the daily rut. All the greater is her pleasure at bringing lovers together in an almost magical way – after all, she knows from her own experience how irrationally fortune sometimes works.



Fiction, Women's Fiction

Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Paperback Pages: 416

Original title: Blaubeerjahre

MANUELA INUSA

Blueberry Days

THE CALIFORNIAN DREAMS SERIES (VOL. 6) NOVEL

Date of publication: February 14, 2022

The best blueberries in the world grow under the Californian sun

When tragedy strikes, the sisters Alison, Jillian and Delilah move to their grandparents' blueberry farm in California. Together with their grandmother Fran they bake cakes, make jam and sell berries at their market stall – it is a time of comfort, understanding and love. Now, years later, the sisters live far away from each other and meet only rarely. Until Grandma Fran decides to move into a retirement home with Grandpa Cliff, and asks them to take over the farm. The three sisters agree – and so begins an epic journey, beset with obstacles but also full of hope...

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Manuela Inusa



Manuela Inusa, born in 1981, already wanted to become an author as a child. Shortly before her thirtieth birthday, the trained foreign language correspondent said to herself, "It's now or never!" After some success in self-publishing, her current novels are published by Blanvalet. After the Valerie Lane series, the California Dreams books are now melting readers' hearts and conquering the bestseller lists along the way. In her spare time, she enjoys reading and traveling, and also has a penchant for scented candles, tea and chocolate.



Fiction, Women's Fiction

Publishing House: Penguin Format: Paperback Pages: 448 Original title: Zusammen sind wir wundervoll

MARINA KIRSCHNER



Together We're Perfect

NOVEL

Date of publication: February 08, 2022

Life can be wonderful - sometimes all it needs is a good shake

Baking is Anna's great passion. She loves running the Sunsweet café, where, as a little girl, she would spend every free minute by her grandmother's side. Every day, customers come to the café looking for a slice of culinary happiness, and find safety and warmth. Because Sunsweet is much more than a café: for Anna's best friend Mel, the irritable elderly gentleman Havel and the lonely schoolgirl Mira, it's a home from home.

But where does Anna feel at home? When she meets handsome Marco at the food market, there's an immediate chemistry between them. But when she sees him again a few days later, it turns out that he's opening a vegan bistro across the street from her café, and he suddenly gives her the cold shoulder. Are they now just competitors? Or do they have more in common than they thought, after all? With lots of mouth-watering recipes – for vegans as well as for anyone who can't resist including eggs and butter in their creations.

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AUTHOR

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Marina Kirschner is the pseudonym of a popular Austrian author whose novels are extremely popular with the trade and readers. Just like her protagonist, she enjoys the good things in life and loves trying out all kinds of recipes.



Publishing House: Heyne Format: Paperback Pages: 464 Original title: Wo dein Herz zuhause ist

JANA LUKAS HEYNE

Where Your Heart Is

THE OLD SCHOOLHOUSE SERIES (VOL. 1) NOVEL

Date of publication: June 14, 2022

Home is where your heart beats faster

Felicia Sommerfeldt loves her home, the old schoolhouse on the Starnberg lake. She has spent many happy times here. But her great-aunt Leona's death cuts short the women's dream of opening a cookery school and catering company. In order to at least hold on to the old school, which is filled with memories, Felicia decides to rent out parts of the house. Her first tenants are landscape architect Ben Lindner and his dog Poldi, who throw the – normally so orderly – old school into chaos. Ben releases Felicia from her trance: he dances with her in the rain, and kisses her at sunset. And as green-fingered Ben breathes new life into the garden of the old school, Felicia's heart, too, blossoms once again.

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Jana Lukas decided after leaving school to go for the more sensible of her two dreams and become a policewoman. After ten years in criminal investigation, she ventured on her first romantic thriller and since then has been writing tales about big emotions and temperamental characters.



Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Paperback Pages: 496 Original title: Liebe funkelt apfelgrün

PAULINE MAI blanvalet

Apple-Green Love

NOVEL

Date of publication: May 16, 2022

Sometimes it takes a whole village to mend a broken heart...

Love doesn't need a holiday? Mila disagrees. She was in love with Theo for months, and shattered by the revelation that he has a fiancée. She's distraught, and desperate to get away. The online ad for a house-sitter in Scotland couldn't have come at a better time, and she promptly moves into the sleepy village of Applemore. The villagers aren't very welcoming at first, but when Mila turns out to be a master baker and willing to swap her loaves of bread for cello lessons, crunchy apples or a pint at the pub, they finally take her into their hearts. And then handsome Finley shows up, and Mila's heart, too, opens up ...

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Pauline Mai was born in 1987 and grew up in Berlin. After studying literature at university, she travelled all over Europe and fell in love with the friendly people, picturesque landscapes and delicious cooking she encountered along the way. She's now back in Berlin, but still longs to travel – and loves nothing more than sharing the very special atmosphere of her favourite places with her readers.



Publishing House: Heyne Format: Paperback Pages: 480 Original title: Highland Hope 4 - Eine Bäckerei für Kirkby

CHARLOTTE MCGREGOR

Highland Hope - A Bakery for **Kirkby**

THE HIGHLAND HOPE SERIES (VOL. 4)

Date of publication: January 10, 2022

Annabel makes Lennox's heart beat faster... and together, they'll make their dreams come true

The country doctor Anna Campbell never expected to fall in love with picturesque Kirkby. Her Maine Coon tomcat, too, is loving his daily visits to the Old Bakery where Kristie bakes the best shortbread in the whole of Scotland – and where eternally optimistic Anna keeps bumping into mysterious Lennox Fraser. Meanwhile, Lennox feels like the black sheep in his family. His father Marlin is especially disapproving of Lennox's music career. Anna is an orphan and knows what it's like to struggle along on your own. The two seem made for each other. But an old family secret is about to be revealed, and turns everything upside down

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Publishing House: Heyne Format: Paperback Pages: 368 Original title: Island Dreams -Der Garten am Meer

CHARLOTTE MCGREGOR

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Island Dreams: The Garden by the Sea

NOVEL

Date of publication: May 09, 2022

An unexpected fresh start in paradise

Philippa Gordon has burnt all her bridges, and is about to leave cold, wet Scotland for the very last time. But when her sister dies in a tragic accident, Philippa is forced to give up her lifelong dream. Her three-year-old nephew Rufus needs her – and she can't cope. But then a surprising job offer comes along: the Tresco Abbey Gardens in the Isles of Scilly is looking for a botanist. Philippa and Rufus promptly move to the British island paradise south-west of Cornwall. She loves working among the luxuriant vegetation, and slowly settles into everyday life on the island with Rufus. And then she meets Harry, a marine biologist who makes her heart beat faster – until a stranger appears, claiming to be Rufus's father ...

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Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Paperback Pages: 352 Original title: Eine kurze Liste meiner Probleme (Mutter nicht mitgezählt)

MIMI STEINFELD

My Problems – A Shortlist (Mother Not Included)

NOVEL

Date of publication: February 14, 2022

Two sisters, three aunts and a death - welcome to Cressida Catterberg's life

The list of Cressida's problems is short: too little money, too many dates, too many tiring relatives. And then there's Mika, her flatmate's one night stand, who seems to have moved into their flatshare. At the top of the list, however, is Cressida's mother, Eveline. More precisely, her funeral and her last wish: she wants her ashes to be scattered in Munich's English Garden, and has left Cressida an old bistro in her will. No wonder that Cressy constantly has to ring up her therapist, Mr Lindholm: her life is simply one big emergency. But perhaps Mika can help her to take control of her life, and her heart...

For fans of Sophie Kinsella and Fleabag.



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AUTHOR

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Mimi Steinfeld is the pen name of Beate Teresa Hanika (b. 1976). She is the author of several popular novels and YA titles. My Problems - A Shortlist (Mother Not Included) is her first book as Mimi Steinfeld.



Publishing House: Goldmann Format: Paperback Pages: 464 Illustrations: 10 b/w illustrations Original title: Das Glück riecht nach Sommer

MEIKE WERKMEISTER



Happiness Smells of Summer

NOVEL

Date of publication: April 18, 2022

10 b/w illustrations

There's room for happiness even in the smallest allotment...

Travelling the big, wide world isn't Ina's thing. After qualifying as a doctor, she returns to her home town on the coast – and to a man who she once thought was her future. But he's now well and truly a thing of the past, as is her position at the Husum hospital. So she spontaneously decides to follow her childhood dream and moves to Hamburg, where she finds refuge in a summerhouse on the Alster Canal. As her hands transform the overgrown garden into a sea of flowers, Ina, too, blossoms again. And she realises that old dreams can turn into something entirely new – if only she'll listen to her heart...

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Fiction, New Adult

Publishing House: Penguin Format: Paperback Pages: 512 Original title: Like Fire We Burn

AYLA DADE

PENGUIN VERLAG

Like Fire We Burn

THE WINTER DREAMS SERIES (VOL. 2) NOVEL

Date of publication: January 10, 2022

He's at home on the ice – but can he make her heart melt?

Aria thought that two years and two thousand miles would be enough. But when her mother falls ill and she returns to Aspen to run her mother's B & B, her feelings come surging back. She realises that she still carries a torch for the charismatic ice hockey player Wyatt who once broke her heart. She promises herself not to get too close to him again – which proves impossible when he's forced to temporarily move into the B & B. When Aria finally meets a new man, she thinks she's over Wyatt – and tells him that they can only ever be friends. But on a trip into the snowy mountains, they can no longer ignore the chemistry between them, and Wyatt seems intent on convincing her that friendship will never be enough ...

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Ayla Dade



Ayla Dade was born in 1994 and lives with her family in northern Germany. She studied law, but spends every spare minute she has writing. She is a popular book blogger, and fills the pages of her novels with tumultuous feelings and magical scenery. When she isn't dreaming about the world of her books, she spends her time doing sports and snuggling up in front of the fireplace with a good book. Like Fire We Burn continues Dade's Winter Dreams series.



Fiction, New Adult

Publishing House: Blanvalet Format: Paperback

Pages: 448 Illustrations: 1 b/w

illustrations

Original title: Fly into my Soul

MAREN VIVIEN HAASE

Fly Into My Soul

THE MOVE DISTRICT SERIES (VOL. 3)

Date of publication: January 17, 2022

Mackenzie represents everything Brody hates - but he just can't resist her

The dancer and influencer Mackenzie is sent to New York for a collaboration with a sports brand. Annoyingly, she has to practise the routine for her video at Move District, of all places – her old dance studio, which she hasn't set foot in since leaving it under a cloud. Her old crew aren't pleased about her arrival either, and refuse to let Mackenzie tell her side of the story. Brody, the creative but shy cinematographer assigned to film her video, is the only one who doesn't know about what happened back then. Which is just as well, because Mackenzie falls for him the moment they meet. But Mackenzie's management aren't happy at all about their blossoming romance...

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Burning Point

A BRONSKI CRIME NOVEL (VOL. 3)

Date of publication: March 21, 2022

"With the Bronski novels, bestselling author Aichner has created an exciting, promising new crime series. Outstanding." Münchner Merkur

It's springtime for miracles. Germany is in the grip of extraordinary events: a blind man can suddenly see, a terror attack is foiled, and the country is stunned by an incredible prophesy.

The man responsible for all these things has appeared as if out of nowhere. He's a nondescript, modest monk, and the people think he's a new Messiah. Only David Bronski and his colleague Svenja Spielmann have their doubts. They set out to search for the truth, and uncover a madman's nefarious plans.

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Publishing House: Heyne Format: Paperback Pages: 480 Original title: Mallorquinische Rache

LILLY ALONSO **HEYNE (**

A Very Mallorcan Revenge

CRIME NOVEL

Date of publication: April 11, 2022

Sargento Lluc Casasnovas is about to take early retirement but first has to solve one last challenging case

Ramón Cabot is stabbed to death in broad daylight, right in front of everyone in the packed Sóller express train. It looks like an open-and-shut case: during the journey, Cabot got into an argument with his arch-enemy Pablo Rivera. Sargento Lluc Casasnovas takes on the case that should be his last – he's planning to take early retirement, and looking forward to spending his time looking after his horribly neglected garden. But the investigation is anything but straightforward: there seem to be no witnesses, and the murder weapon is nowhere to be found either. And to top it all, Lluc's successor Josefina García keeps interfering...

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Publishing House: Penguin Format: Paperback Pages: 464 Original title: Die Spur - Er wird dich finden

JAN BECK



The Trail - He Will Find You

THE GRIPPING NEW THRILLER BY THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Date of publication: June 14, 2022

A circle burnt into the skin. Nine victims. And a killer with a message.

The body of a young woman is discovered in Vienna's city centre. It's a grotesque scene: the victim has been arranged like a statue. At the same time, a traumatised man with a circular burn-mark on his skin is picked up in the streets of Paris. A thousand kilometres separate the two cities, but there appears to be a link between the man and the dead woman.

Europol's top detectives Inga Björk and Christian Brand try to decode the killer's symbols, and realise that all clues point in the same direction: to a clandestine society right in the middle of Europe, whose members will stop at nothing to protect their secret.

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ERIC BERG

The Dead of Fehmarn

CRIME NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

Eight friends, eight secrets - one of them deadly...

Doro Kagel receives an unexpected phone call: her childhood friend Jan-Arne, who she hasn't heard from in years, has been murdered on the island of Fehmarn. Shortly before he died in hospital, he whispered Doro's name. Straightaway, Doro is reminded of her last visit to the island many years ago, and of the young tramp Bolenda, whose body she and her friends found by a pond. His death has never been explained. And she also remembers the game she and her friends played one night. With a few drinks inside them, they each anonymously wrote a secret on a scrap of paper – and one read: "I know who killed Bolenda."

Doro travels to Fehmarn and meets her old friends again, but just a few days after her arrival two more of them are found dead. It turns out that Jan-Arne started looking into the Bolenda case again – and Doro feels obliged to pick up where he left off. Soon she, too, is in grave danger.

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Publishing House: Diana Verlag Format: Paperback Pages: 432

Original title: Stille Befreiung

PETRA HAMMESFAHR

Silent Release

NOVEL

Date of publication: March 14, 2022

He will do it again - and only you can stop him

Eighteen-year-old Sandra is desperate to move out of her parents' home, and Ronnie seems like the perfect man. She ignores her family's warnings, but not long after the wedding she realises that he isn't the man she thought he was. Two years after her daughter is born, Sandra finally manages to leave him. She finds a position as a live-in carer, and she and her daughter move in with Rebekka, who is living with a severe disability. But any hope of a fresh start is shattered when, one night, Sandra is attacked in her new home. Little does she know that the real nightmare is only beginning ...

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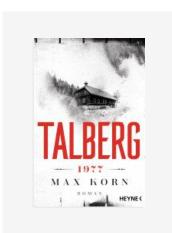


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Publishing House: Heyne Format: Paperback Pages: 384

Original title: Talberg 1977

MAX KORN

Talberg 1977

NOVEL

Date of publication: February 08, 2022

Black is the forest, dark the heart

Maria lives on her own in the forest. She has two marriages behind her: her first husband was an ill-tempered man, and the second an alcoholic. The villagers avoid her, in the belief that she's a witch. When someone dies, they of course blame the witch. But no one suspects her true secret – and that death loves lending her a helping hand.

One century, three crimes, a dark place in no man's land – the Talberg trilogy continues.

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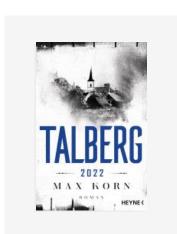
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Publishing House: Heyne Format: Paperback Pages: 400

Original title: Talberg 2022

MAX KORN

Talberg 2022

NOVEL

Date of publication: May 09, 2022

Is it the place that's cursed, or its inhabitants?

A terrible storm uncovers the remains of a boy. Whose bones are they? Are they the local Hirscher boy's, who vanished without a trace nearly a hundred years ago? Or is he the victim of a murderer still living in Talberg? Josef Wegbauer, the village's burnt-out policeman, picks up the trail – one that leads him deep into his own family's history.

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JENS LUBBADEH

The Clone

NOVEL

Date of publication: June 14, 2022

What fate do your genes have in store for you?

Berlin, 2033. Journalist Mara Erhardt discovers that a Korean biologist has been illegally cloning humans for years. One trail leads to Berlin, to two students. But when she finds the young men, everything starts happening at once: for there's another trail leading to Germany, and to a clone of one of history's worst criminals: Adolf Hitler.

Whoever is paying for him wants to keep him secret for now. Mara embarks on a deadly race against time, to stop Germany's past from repeating itself...

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