

The Crystal Cave (The Arthurian Saga, Book 1)

'A comfortable chair and a Mary Stewart: total heaven. I'd rather read her than most other authors.'
Harriet Evans The rambling house called Thornyhold is like something out of a fairy tale. Left to Gilly Ramsey by the cousin whose occasional visits brightened her childhood, the cottage, set deep in a wild wood, has come just in time to save her from a bleak future. With its reputation for magic and its resident black cat, Thornyhold offers Gilly more than just a new home. It offers her a chance to start over. The old house, with its tufts of rosy houseleek and the spreading gilt of the lichens, was beautiful. Even the prisoning hedges were beautiful, protective with their rusty thorns, their bastions of holly and juniper, and at the corners, like towers, their thick columns of yews.

Born the bastard son of a Welsh princess, Myriddon Emrys -- or as he would later be known, Merlin -- leads a perilous childhood, haunted by portents and visions. But destiny has great plans for this no-man's-son, taking him from prophesying before the High King Vortigern to the crowning of Uther Pendragon . . . and the conception of Arthur -- king for once and always.

Bryony Ashley knows that her family's grand estate is both hell and paradise -- once elegant and beautiful, yet mired in debt and shrouded in shadow. Devastated by her father's sudden strange death abroad, she is nonetheless relieved to learn the responsibility of running Ashley Court has fallen to a cousin. Still, her father's final, dire warning about a terrible family curse haunts her days and her dreams.

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Thornyhold

The Merlin Chronicles

The Crystal Cave

Firelord

Priestess of Avalon

When Winds Blast

Artist Jennifer Silver has come to the picturesque, secluded Valley of the Storms in the French Pyrenees to meet with a young cousin who is about to enter the convent there -- only to discover that the young woman has died in a dreadful car accident. Or did she? Lies abound in this strange and frightening place, but seeking the truth could lead Jennifer to her own violent death.

Revenge is a destructive fire. Revenge among the gods and goddesses can engulf the world. Such is the threat that Dara and her friends confront. Sparked first by Dara's father's theft of the cauldron of Ceridwen, unleashed by

that cup's return, storms of anger collided in Scotland, unwittingly destroying the ancient home of the goddess of winter, Cailleach. Only an elven queen saw this destruction. Only she imagined a way to placate that goddess' anger. Cailleach had given the Grail, a seeing-stone, to a trusted druid leader before the days of King Arthur. That stone was passed on to Merlin. Just before King Arthur's tragic last battle, Merlin passed it on to the harper Taliesen who accompanied Lancelot to France to defend Brittany against the invading Goths. Taliesen and Lancelot's story, and the story of the Grail's hiding, is told alongside the modern quest. The goddess of winter will forgo her revenge if the Grail is returned. Dara and her friends take on this seemingly impossible task with the aid of an elf and the guidance of the Triad who carry on the responsibilities of King Arthur. But landing in France places them in the middle of ancient conflicts that threaten their quest at every step. As winter draws closer Britain, as snow traps hikers and threatens the natural

cycle, the four friends race to retrace Taliesen's steps and find the Grail.

Few authors have achieved such renown as World Fantasy Life Achievement honoree and Science Fiction Writers of America Grand Master Andre Norton. With the love of readers and the praise of critics, Norton's books have sold millions of copies worldwide. In this great science fiction novel, Andre Norton brings to new life the legendary King Arthur and the wizard Merlin in the light of modern knowledge of a lost period of history and today's understanding of science and interplanetary communication. Yet, as in all Norton's wonder novels, this is a fabulous adventure in fantasy. Here is Merlin, half star-born, gifted with the advice of an alien intelligence, given the task of renewing civilization and starting humanity again up the ladder to the stars. Here is Arthur, unaware of his stellar heritage. And here, too, is the Lady of the Lake, akin to Merlin in that she is also a listener to the music of the spheres and obedient to a celestial command post.

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Known to the Romans as Helena on the holy isle of Avalon, British princess Eilan fulfills her destiny to bridge the pagan world of the goddess and the new Christian empire founded by her own son, Constantine, and when she travels to the Holy Land she discovers a truth that transcends all religion. Reprint.

The Hollow Hills

King Arthur, Dragon's Child

The Omnibus Edition of the Crystal Cave Trilogy

Book Three of the Arthurian Saga

The Men of Medicine Ridge

The modern classic by the queen of romantic suspense

The Crystal Cave Book One of the Arthurian Saga Harper Collins

This first novel in Jack Whyte's riveting Arthurian series tells how the story of Camelot may have actually come to be. We all know the story—how Arthur pulled the sword from the stone and how Camelot came to be. But how did it really happen? The Roman citizens of Britain faced a deadly choice: leave to live in a corrupt Roman world, or stay amidst the violence of the warring factions of Picts, Celts, and invading Saxons. For Publius Varrus and Caius Britannicus, there is only one answer. They will stay, try to preserve the best of Roman life, and create a new culture from the wreckage. In doing so, they will plant the seeds of a legend. For these two men are Arthur's great-

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grandfathers and their actions will shape a nation...and forge the sword known as Excalibur. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

In return for a monk's aid, Arthur's illegitimate son, Mordred, narrates the story of his life and reveals that power-hungry Arthur is willing to kill his own kin to build the eternal kingdom that was foretold as his destiny.

Keeping watch over the young Arthur Pendragon, the prince and prophet Merlin Ambrosius is haunted by dreams of the magical sword Caliburn, which has been hidden for centuries. When Uther Pendragon is killed in battle, the time of destiny is at hand, and Arthur must claim the fabled sword to become the true High King of Britain.

Crystal Cave (Book 1 Arthurian Saga).

This Rough Magic

The Once and Future King

Airs Above the Ground

Shattered

Arthurian Saga

Working as a secretary at the British Embassy on Crete, Nicola Ferris is enjoying a day off when she meets up with two hiking companions who accidentally stumbled into the middle of a terrifying act of vengeance. Reprint.

Princess Guinevere has come to Camelot to wed a stranger: the charismatic King Arthur.

With magic clawing at the kingdom's borders, the great wizard Merlin conjured a solution--

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send in Guinevere to be Arthur's wife... and his protector from those who want to see the young king's idyllic city fail. The catch? Guinevere's real name-- and her true identity-- is a secret. She is a changeling, a girl who has given up everything to protect Camelot. Arthur's knights believe they are strong enough to face any threat, but Guinevere knows it will take more than swords to keep Camelot free. But when your whole existence is a lie, how can you trust even yourself? -- adapted from jacket

A fledgling actress vacationing in Corfu, Lucy Waring witnesses the murder of one of England's theater luminaries and becomes embroiled in a dangerous offstage drama. Reprint.

***BOY, HEALER, PROPHET—THE EPIC TALE OF MERLIN BEGINS** In the town of Segontium a wild storm washes a fugitive ashore. He brutally rapes the granddaughter of the ruler of the Deceangli tribe, leaving her to bear his son, Myrddion Merlinus (Merlin). Spurned as a demon seed, the child is raised by his grandmother and, as soon as he turns nine, he is apprenticed to a skilled alchemist who hones the boy's remarkable gift of prophecy. Meanwhile, the High King of the Britons, Vortigern, is rebuilding the ancient fortress at Dinas Emrys. According to a prophecy, he must use the blood of a demon seed—a human sacrifice—to make his towers stand firm. Myrddion's life is now in jeopardy, but the gifted boy understands that he has a richer destiny to fulfill. Soon Vortigern shall be known as the harbinger of chaos, and Myrddion must use his gifts for*

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good in a land besieged by evil. So begins the young healer's journey to greatness . . .

An Anthology

Take Courage

Madam, Will You Talk?

Book Three of the Guinevere Trilogy

Arthurian Saga Series, #1

During a visit to a remote hotel on the Scottish island of Skye, Gianetta comes face to face with her ex-husband, an encounter that is further complicated by a hotel guest with a penchant for murder. Reprint. This is what happened. I saw it, and it is a true tale. So begins the story of Merlin, born the illegitimate son of a Welsh princess in fifth century Britain, a world ravaged by war. Small and neglected, with his mother unwilling to reveal his father's identity, Merlin must disguise his intelligence - and hide his occasional ability to know things before they happen - in order to keep himself safe. One beautiful afternoon, while exploring the countryside near his home, Merlin stumbles across a cave filled with books and papers and hiding a room lined with crystals. It is the home of Galapas, who becomes Merlin's tutor and friend, and who teaches Merlin to understand the world around him... and to harness the power of the crystal cave to see the future. Merlin will rise to power and

enter history - and legend - as advisor to King Arthur. But all stories must begin somewhere. And this is his. The Crystal Cave is the first of Mary Stewart's brilliant Arthurian Saga, telling the story of King Arthur from the perspective of the extraordinary, mysterious Merlin.

The omnibus edition of the Crystal Cave Trilogy, from NYT bestselling author, Susan Wittig Albert. NoBODY: Ruby Wilcox has always known that she has a rare gift for seeing things that others can't. But she tries to downplay her psychic gift—until she experiences a horrifying nightmare that just won't stop. Again and again, she dreams that a woman is abducted on the hike-and-bike trail and knows that the victim is in deadly danger. SomeBODY Else: Ruby is spending the weekend as a vendor at the annual Mystic Creek Harvest Festival, held at a Hill Country ranch. When she begins to suspect that she knows more than she's meant to know about a murder, she has to decide how to use this dangerous knowledge. Out of BODY: It's Halloween, and Ruby is planning a busy holiday weekend at the Crystal Cave. But her holiday plans are interrupted when Jessica Nelson, crime reporter at the Pecan Springs Enterprise, shows up with a hard-to-believe story about a serial killer targeting the terminally ill. When Detective Ethan Connors gets involved and Jessica herself is threatened, Ruby's psychic abilities are put to the test in ways she could never have predicted. Ruby Wilcox can see things that others can't, but that doesn't guarantee that she knows her own heart. What would her life

be like if she honored her psychic gifts and found powers within herself that she had never imagined?

'I was wowed and moved' Tracy Chevalier Anne Brontë is the forgotten Brontë sister, overshadowed by her older siblings - virtuous, successful Charlotte, free-spirited Emily and dissolute Branwell. Tragic, virginal, sweet, stoic, selfless, Anne. The less talented Brontë, the other Brontë. Take Courage is Samantha's personal, poignant and surprising journey into the life and work of a woman sidelined by history. A brave, strongly feminist writer well ahead of her time - and her more celebrated siblings - and who has much to teach us today about how to find our way in the world.

Merlin's Mirror

Lost Spaces, Secret Cities, and Other Inscrutable Geographies

The Blood Trials

The spellbinding story of Merlin

Book Two of the Guinevere Trilogy

Once & Future

"Sensitive and stately...a moving conclusion to Woolley's Queen Guinevere trilogy." — Sacramento Bee Surrounded by traitors, trapped by destiny, Britain's spirited Queen Guinevere sees that the greatest dangers to Arthur's crown may lie within the walls of Camelot. An undeniable spark ignites between Guinevere

and Lancelot, but a powerful enemy puts the Queen's loyalty to the ultimate test. As the heroes of the Round Table undertake the Quest for the Holy Grail, Guinevere's heartbreaking honesty, courage, and integrity will be challenged by those she loves most. Praise for Persia Woolley's Guinevere Trilogy: "Original...rich and sweet." — New York Times "Vivid...dramatic...once again we are captivated by the magic of the legend that has long fed our appetite for pageantry and romantic adventure." — Washington Post "Told from the viewpoint of Arthur's queen, Guinevere ...an absorbing portrait of the Arthurian age." — San Francisco Chronicle "An engrossing and satisfying addition to the canon." — Publishers Weekly

The original queen of the page-turner Mary Stewart leads her readers on a thrilling journey through a dangerous and deadly Provence in this tale perfect for fans of Agatha Christie and Barbara Pym. 'Mary Stewart is magic' New York Times 'One of the great British storytellers of the 20th century' Independent 'The terrible thirsty heat of the Provençal summer, the noise of the cicadas, the dust of the country buses . . . an excellent tale of mystery' The Times It sounds idyllic: a leisurely drive through the sun-drenched landscape of Provence. But Charity's dream holiday turns into a nightmare when she becomes embroiled in a sinister plot to kidnap a young boy. She soon finds herself in a deadly pursuit and must uncover who to trust . . . and who to fall for. Whenever I look back now on the

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***strange and terrifying events of that holiday in Southern France, I remember the minutes I spent gazing at the golden arches of the Roman aqueduct over the Gardon... the last brief lull before the thunder. 'A comfortable chair and a Mary Stewart: total heaven. I'd rather read her than most other authors.' Harriet Evans 'She built the bridge between classic literature and modern popular fiction. She did it first and she did it best.'* Herald**

Mordred is the son of King Arthur, bastard child of his union with his half-sister Morgause. Prophesied by Merlin to kill Arthur, Mordred is stolen away from his mother and raised in secrecy by a kind couple on an isolated Orkney island in the hopes that he will defy his fate. Mordred, known to history as a traitor and a murderer, is no villain, but a quick-witted young man, with hopes and dreams of his own. But try as he might, Mordred cannot escape Merlin's prophecy. For his mother, Morgause, has plans of her own. She tracks her son down and takes him back, then feeds the flames of Mordred's ambition, setting into motion a chain of events that will go down in history - and legend - as father and son are finally forced to confront each other one last time: on the wicked day of destiny, when Arthur's final battle will be fought. Mary Stewart's stunning Arthurian Saga began with The Crystal Cave, The Hollow Hills, The Last Enchantment and The Wicked Day. It concludes with The Prince & the Pilgrim.

Mary Stewart, one of the great British storytellers of the 20th century, transports

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her readers to rural Northumberland for this tale of romance, ambition, and deceit - a perfect fit for fans of Agatha Christie and Barbara Pym. 'There are few to equal Mary Stewart' Daily Telegraph 'Mary Stewart is magic.' New York Times Whitescar is a beautiful old house and farm situated in Roman Wall country. It will make a rich inheritance for its heirs, but in order to secure it, they enlist the help of a young woman named Mary who bears remarkable resemblance to missing Whitescar heiress, Annabel Winslow. Their deception will spark a powder-keg of ambition, obsession and long-dead love. The ivy had reached for the tree and only the tree's upper branches managed to thrust the young gold leaves of early summer through the strangling curtain. Eventually the ivy would kill it . . . 'One of the great British storytellers of the 20th century' Independent 'The Ivy Tree has the ideal thriller blend of plot, suspense, character drawing and good writing' Daily Express

Here Lies Arthur

Moonspinners

The Last Enchantment

Touch Not the Cat

The Guinevere Deception

Queen of the Summer Stars

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A new King Arthur has risen and she's got a universe to save Coming to terms with your identity is always difficult. But for Ari, the 42nd reincarnation of King Arthur, it just got a whole lot more complicated. Gender-bending royalty, caustic wit and a galaxy-wide fight for peace and equality all collide in this epic adventure. With an awkward adolescent Merlin and a rusty spaceship, this is the Arthurian legend as you have never before seen it.

For rugged ranchers Mack Killain and Gil Callister, setting pulses aflutter is all in a day's work. But these towering, tenacious men of Medicine Ridge Ranch won't be sweet-talked into marriage. Or will they...? Sparks fly when two beguilingly innocent bachelorettes pull out all the stops to charm their surly cowboys into trading in a life of stubborn solitude for love on the range!

"Once again we are captivated by the magic of the legend that has long fed our appetite for pageantry and romantic adventure." -Washington Post In a country still reeling from the collapse of the Roman Empire, the young King Arthur and his wife Guinevere struggle to keep the barbarians at bay even as they establish the Fellowship of the Round Table. The spirited and outspoken Guinevere skillfully combats an accusation of planning to poison Arthur in a country simmering with unrest and scandal. But Guinevere's greatest battles are dangers

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Arthur cannot see-ones she'll have to fight on her own. And all the while, she must reconcile her thirst for freedom with her duties as queen, and her growing love for Lancelot with her loyalty to her husband. Vibrantly human and touchingly real, Guinevere reigns as a woman poised to discover the true peril and promise of the human heart. Praise for Persia Woolley's Guinevere Trilogy "In Queen of the Summer Stars, Woolley employs the same sensitive revelation of character and attention to cultural detail that made Child of the Northern Spring such an enchantment." -San Francisco Chronicle "Richly textured, evoking the sights and sounds of castle and countryside, the qualities of knight and servant. Highly recommended." -Library Journal "A marvelous sense of daily life...the details of tribal differences among Briton, Saxon, and Pict, as well as the uneasy mixture of pagan and Christian ritual and belief. Enjoyable for all fans of Arthurian romance." -Booklist "Persia Woolley is a born storyteller. Her love and enthusiasm for Guinevere and her times shimmers from every page." -Parke Godwin, author of Beloved Exile and The First Rainbow

Mordred, Bastard Son

Thunder on the Right

The Prince and the Pilgrim

Arthurian Novels, Set Crystal Cave, Hollow Hills and the Last Enchantment

Book One of the Arthurian Saga

Guinevere, the Legend in Autumn

Vanessa March never thought to look for her missing husband in Vienna -- until she saw

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him in a newsreel shot there at the scene of a deadly fire. But her hunt for answers only leads to more sinister questions in a mysterious world of beautiful horses. And what waits for Vanessa in the shadows is more terrifying than anything she has ever encountered.

The Arthurian legend is one of the most enduring and powerful of myths, and Mary Stewart's classic *The Merlin Trilogy* is one of its most beloved and acclaimed retellings. In prose that is as vividly, achingly real as it is poetic, New York Times bestselling author Mary Stewart brings to life the man behind the myth: Myrddin Emrys ... Merlinus Ambrosius ... Merlin. *The Crystal Cave* *The Hollow Hills* *The Last Enchantment* Born the bastard son of a Welsh princess, Myrddin Emrys -- or, as he would later be known, Merlin -- leads a perilous childhood in *The Crystal Cave*, haunted by portents and visions. But destiny has great plans for this no-man's-son, taking him from prophesying before the High King Vortigern to the crowning of Uther Pendragon ... and the conception of Arthur -- king for once and always. Keeping watch over the young Arthur Pendragon in *The Hollow Hills*, the prince and prophet Merlin Ambrosius is haunted by dreams of the magical sword Caliburn, hidden for centuries. When Uther Pendragon is killed in battle, the time of destiny is at hand, and Arthur must claim the fabled sword to become the true High King of Britain. In *The Last Enchantment*, Arthur Pendragon is king at last. Unchallenged on the battlefield, he melds the country together in a time of promise as Merlin works to keep safe the once and future king. But sinister powers plot to destroy Camelot, and when the witch-queen Morgause -- Arthur's own half sister -- ensnares him in an incestuous liaison, a fatal web of love, betrayal, and bloody

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vengeance is woven. Extensively researched and beautifully written, The Merlin Trilogy is the epic culmination of an acclaimed career, a legend in and of itself.

Alexander the Fatherless: nephew of the villainous King March of Cornwall, who murdered his father. Burning with vengeance, Alexander sets out on a journey to Camelot to seek justice from King Arthur. His path will lead him to the Dark Tower, where the sorceress Morgan le Fay lies in wait. Morgan seduces Alexander and sends him on a quest to Jerusalem to recover the Holy Grail - which she believes will help her take the throne. Alice the Pilgrim: daughter of a man who has sworn to journey to Jerusalem every three years, Alice grows to womanhood on the pilgrim's trail. And then she meets a boy who carries a cup - which he claims is the Holy Grail. Alice and her father will move heaven and earth to bring the Grail back to Britain. And Alexander will do anything to find it. Their quests will bring them together, and the day that Alexander and Alice meet will go down in legend. The Prince & the Pilgrim is the final installment of Mary Stewart's classic Arthurian Saga, a must-read for all fans of history, fantasy and great literature alike.

Illustrated with original maps and drawings, this stunning exploration of the world's hidden geographies reveals the moving villages, secret cities and no man's lands that will inspire urban explorers, off-the-beaten-trail wanderers and armchair travelers.

25,000 first printing.

The Merlin Prophecy Book One: Battle of Kings

Unruly Places

The Skystone

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The Dream of Eagles

Anne Bronte and the Art of Life

Wildfire at Midnight

Blending fantasy and science fiction, N. E. Davenport's fast-paced, action-packed debut kicks off a duology of loyalty and rebellion, in which a young Black woman must survive deadly trials in a racist and misogynistic society to become an elite warrior. It's all about blood. The blood spilled between the Republic of Mareen and the armies of the Blood Emperor long ago. The blood gifts of Mareen's deadliest enemies. The blood that runs through the elite War Houses of Mareen, the rulers of the Tribunal dedicated to keeping the republic alive. The blood of the former Legatus, Verne Amari, murdered. For his granddaughter, Ikenna, the only thing steady in her life was the man who had saved Mareen. The man who had trained her in secret, not just in martial skills, but in harnessing the blood gift that coursed through her. Who trained her to keep that a secret. But now there are too many secrets, and with her grandfather assassinated, Ikenna knows two things: that only someone on the Tribunal could have ordered his death, and that only a Praetorian Guard could have carried out that order. Bent on revenge as much as discovering the truth, Ikenna pledges herself to the Praetorian Trials—a brutal initiation that only a quarter of the aspirants survive. She subjects herself to the racism directed against her half-Khanaian heritage and the misogyny of a society that cherishes progeny over prodigy, all while hiding a power that—if found out—would subject her to execution...or worse. Ikenna is willing to risk it all because she needs to find out who murdered her grandfather...and then she needs to kill them. Mareen has been at peace for a long time... Ikenna joining the Praetorians is about to change all that. Magic and technology converge in the first part of this

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stunning debut duology, where loyalty to oneself—and one's blood—is more important than anything.

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The Wicked Day

The Crystal Cave Trilogy

The Ivy Tree

The Merlin Trilogy

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