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"In 1983, Dustin Tillman's

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family--his parents and his aunt and uncle--were murdered in a shocking massacre. His foster brother, Rusty, was convicted of the crime, in a trial that was steeped

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in the "Satanic Cult"  
paranoia of the 1980s.  
Thirty years later,  
Rusty's conviction is  
overturned, and suddenly  
Dustin, now a  
psychologist, must

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question whether his  
testimony that imprisoned  
his brother was accurate.  
When one of his patients,  
an ex-cop, gets him deeply  
involved in a series of  
unsolved murders, Dustin's

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happy suburban life starts  
to unravel, as his  
uncertainties about his  
past and present life  
begin to merge"--  
In a sweeping story  
straight out of Russian

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history, Tsar Alexander I and a courageous girl named Nadezhda Durova join forces against Napoleon. It's 1803, and an adolescent Nadya is determined not to follow

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in her overbearing  
Ukrainian mother's  
footsteps. She's a  
horsewoman, not a  
housewife. When Tsar Paul  
is assassinated in St.  
Petersburg and a reluctant

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and naive Alexander is crowned emperor, Nadya runs away from home and joins the Russian cavalry in the war against Napoleon. Disguised as a boy and riding her

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spirited stallion,  
Alcides, Nadya rises in  
the ranks, even as her  
father begs the tsar to  
find his daughter and send  
her home. Both Nadya and  
Alexander defy

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expectations--she as a  
heroic fighter and he as a  
spiritual seeker--while  
the battles of Austerlitz,  
Friedland, Borodino, and  
Smolensk rage on. In a  
captivating tale that

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brings Durova's memoirs to life, from bloody battlefields to glittering palaces, two rebels dare to break free of their expected roles and discover themselves in the

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process.

The Bone Shard Daughter is an unmissable debut from a major new voice in epic fantasy – a stunning tale of magic, mystery, and revolution in which the

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former heir to the emperor will fight to reclaim her power and her place on the throne. "One of the best debut fantasy novels of the year." – BuzzFeed News "An amazing start to a new

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trilogy." – Culturess "It  
grabs you by the heart and  
the throat from the first  
pages and doesn't let go."  
– Sarah J. Maas The  
emperor's reign has lasted  
for decades, his mastery

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of bone shard magic  
powering the animal-like  
constructs that maintain  
law and order. But now his  
rule is failing, and  
revolution is sweeping  
across the Empire's many

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islands. Lin is the emperor's daughter and spends her days trapped in a palace of locked doors and dark secrets. When her father refuses to recognise her as heir to

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the throne, she vows to prove her worth by mastering the forbidden art of bone shard magic. Yet such power carries a great cost, and when the revolution reaches the

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gates of the palace, Lin must decide how far she is willing to go to claim her birthright - and save her people. "One of the best debut fantasy novels of the year." -BuzzFeed News

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"An amazing start to a new trilogy." —Culturess "It grabs you by the heart and the throat from the first pages and doesn't let go." —Sarah J. Maas "Epic fantasy at its most human

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and heartfelt . . .

inventive, adventurous and  
wonderfully written."

-Alix E. Harrow "Utterly  
absorbing. I adored it."

-Emily Duncan "A  
thoroughly fantastic

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read." —Kevin Hearne

"Stewart's debut is sharp and compelling. It will hook readers in and make them fiercely anticipate the rest of the series."

—Booklist "Groundbreaking

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epic fantasy for a new  
age." —Tasha Suri "Begins  
with a spark of intrigue  
that ignites into a  
thrilling adventure."

—Hafsah Faizal

The Drowning City: home to

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exiles and expatriates,  
pirates and smugglers. And  
violent revolutionaries  
who will stop at nothing  
to overthrow the corrupt  
Imperial government. For  
Isyllt Iskaldur,

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necromancer and spy, the brewing revolution is a chance to prove herself to her crown. All she has to do is find and finance the revolutionaries, and help topple the palaces of

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Symir. But she is torn between her new friends and her duties, and the longer she stays in this monsoon-drenched city, the more intrigue she uncovers - even the dead are

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plotting. As the waters  
rise and the dams crack,  
Isyllt must choose between  
her mission and the city  
she came to save.

The Devouring Gray

A Novel of the Ottoman

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A Novel of Renaissance

Tuscany

Sula

Romanov

The Shadow King: A Novel

New York Times bestselling author

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Mira Grant, author of the renowned Newsflesh series, returns with a novel that takes us to a new world of ancient mysteries and mythological dangers come to life. The ocean is home to many myths, But some are deadly. . . Seven years ago the Atargatis set off on

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a voyage to the Mariana Trench to film a mockumentary bringing to life ancient sea creatures of legend. It was lost at sea with all hands. Some have called it a hoax; others have called it a tragedy. Now a new crew has been assembled. But this time they're not out

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to entertain. Some seek to validate their life's work. Some seek the greatest hunt of all. Some seek the truth. But for the ambitious young scientist Victoria Stewart this is a voyage to uncover the fate of the sister she lost. Whatever the truth may be, it will only be found

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below the waves. But the secrets of the deep come with a price.

The Drowning Guard explores the riddle of Esma -- who is at once a murderer and a champion and liberator of women -- and the man who loves her in spite of her horrifying crimes.

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In 1606, the city of Prague shines as a golden mecca of art and culture carefully cultivated by Emperor Rudolf II. But the emperor hides an ugly secret: His bastard son, Don Julius, is afflicted with a madness that pushes the young prince to unspeakable

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depravity. Desperate to stem his son's growing number of scandals, the emperor exiles Don Julius to a remote corner of Bohemia, where the young man is placed in the care of a bloodletter named Pichler. The bloodletter's task: cure Don Julius of

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his madness by purging the vicious humors coursing through his veins. When Pichler brings his daughter Marketa to assist him, she becomes the object of Don Julius's frenzied - and dangerous - obsession. To him, she embodies the women pictured in the

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Coded Book of Wonder, a priceless manuscript from the imperial library that was his only link to sanity. As the prince descends further into the darkness of his mind, his acts become ever more desperate, as Marketa, both frightened and fascinated, can't stay

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away. Inspired by a real - life murder that threatened to topple the powerful Hapsburg dynasty, *The Bloodletter's Daughter* is a dark and richly detailed saga of passion and revenge.

The summer of 1972, before I turned nine, danger began knocking on doors

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all over China. Nine-year-old Ling has a very happy life. Her parents are both dedicated surgeons at the best hospital in Wuhan, and her father teaches her English as they listen to Voice of America every evening on the radio. But when one of Mao's political

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officers moves into a room in their apartment, Ling begins to witness the gradual disintegration of her world. In an atmosphere of increasing mistrust and hatred, Ling fears for the safety of her neighbors, and soon, for herself and her family. For the next four years,

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Ling will suffer more horrors than many people face in a lifetime. Will she be able to grow and blossom under the oppressive rule of Chairman Mao? Or will fighting to survive destroy her spirit—and end her life? Revolution Is Not a Dinner Party is a 2008 Bank

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Street - Best Children's Book of the  
Year.

Daughter of the Drowned Empire  
Book 8

The Drowning City  
The Drowning Guard

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The Mystery of the Drowning Man  
Can there truly be love  
after death? Drifting in  
the dark waters of a  
mysterious river, the  
only thing Amelia knows  
for sure is that she's

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dead. With no recollection of her past life—or her actual death—she's trapped alone in a nightmarish existence. All of this changes when she tries

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to rescue a boy, Joshua,  
from drowning in her  
river. As a ghost, she  
can do nothing but will  
him to live. Yet in an  
unforgettable moment of  
connection, she helps

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him survive. Amelia and  
Joshua grow ever closer  
as they begin to uncover  
the strange  
circumstances of her  
death and the secrets of  
the dark river that held

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her captive for so long.  
But even while they  
struggle to keep their  
bond hidden from the  
living world, a  
frightening spirit named  
Eli is doing everything

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in his power to destroy  
their newfound happiness  
and drag Amelia back  
into the ghost world . .  
. forever. Thrilling and  
evocative, with moments  
of pure pleasure,

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Hereafter is a sensation  
you won't want to miss.  
Deftly written and  
emotionally powerful,  
Drowning Ruth is a  
stunning portrait of the  
ties that bind sisters

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together and the forces  
that tear them apart, of  
the dangers of keeping  
secrets and the  
explosive repercussions  
when they are exposed. A  
mesmerizing and achingly

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beautiful debut. Winter, 1919. Amanda Starkey spends her days nursing soldiers wounded in the Great War. Finding herself suddenly overwhelmed, she flees

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Milwaukee and retreats to her family's farm on Nagawaukee Lake, seeking comfort with her younger sister, Mathilda, and three-year-old niece, Ruth. But very soon,

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Amanda comes to see that her old home is no refuge--she has carried her troubles with her. On one terrible night almost a year later, Amanda loses nearly

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everything that is  
dearest to her when her  
sister mysteriously  
disappears and is later  
found drowned beneath  
the ice that covers the  
lake. When Mathilda's

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husband comes home from the war, wounded and troubled himself, he finds that Amanda has taken charge of Ruth and the farm, assuming her responsibility with a

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frightening intensity.

Wry and guarded, Amanda tells the story of her family in careful doses, as anxious to hide from herself as from us the secrets of her own past

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and of that night. Ruth,  
haunted by her own  
memory of that fateful  
night, grows up under  
the watchful eye of her  
prickly and possessive  
aunt and gradually

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becomes aware of the odd events of her childhood. As she tells her own story with increasing clarity, she reveals the mounting toll that her aunt's secrets exact

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from her family and  
everyone around her,  
until the heartrending  
truth is uncovered.  
Guiding us through the  
lives of the Starkey  
women, Christina

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Schwarz's first novel shows her compassion and a unique understanding of the American landscape and the people who live on it.

The beloved debut novel

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about an affluent Indian  
family forever changed  
by one fateful day in  
1969, from the author of  
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Happiness NEW YORK TIMES  
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PRIZE WINNER Compared favorably to the works of Faulkner and Dickens, Arundhati Roy's modern classic is equal parts powerful family saga, forbidden love story,

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and piercing political  
drama. The seven-year-  
old twins Estha and  
Rahel see their world  
shaken irrevocably by  
the arrival of their  
beautiful young cousin,

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Sophie. It is an event  
that will lead to an  
illicit liaison and  
tragedies accidental and  
intentional, exposing  
“big things [that] lurk  
unsaid” in a country

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drifting dangerously  
toward unrest. Lush,  
lyrical, and unnerving,  
The God of Small Things  
is an award-winning  
landmark that started  
for its author an

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esteemed career of  
fiction and political  
commentary that  
continues unabated.

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BESTSELLER • "None of  
this is real and all of

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it is true." —Jim Carrey

Meet Jim Carrey. Sure,  
he's an insanely  
successful and beloved  
movie star drowning in  
wealth and privilege—but  
he's also lonely. Maybe

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past his prime. Maybe  
even ... getting fat?

He's tried diets, gurus,  
and cuddling with his  
military-grade Israeli  
guard dogs, but nothing  
seems to lift the cloud

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of emptiness and ennui.  
Even the sage advice of  
his best friend, actor  
and dinosaur skull  
collector Nicolas Cage,  
isn't enough to pull  
Carrey out of his slump.

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But then Jim meets  
Georgie: ruthless  
ingénue, love of his  
life. And with the help  
of auteur screenwriter  
Charlie Kaufman, he has  
a role to play in a

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boundary-pushing new  
picture that may help  
him uncover a whole new  
side to himself—finally,  
his Oscar vehicle!  
Things are looking up!  
But the universe has

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other plans. Memoirs and  
Misinformation is a  
fearless semi-  
autobiographical novel,  
a deconstruction of  
persona. In it, Jim  
Carrey and Dana Vachon

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have fashioned a story  
about acting, Hollywood,  
agents, celebrity,  
privilege, friendship,  
romance, addiction to  
relevance, fear of  
personal erasure, our

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"one big soul," Canada,  
and a cataclysmic ending  
of the world—apocalypses  
within and without.

Revolution Is Not a  
Dinner Party  
Here We Lie

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The Bone Shard Daughter

The Old Guard: Force

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Fiction

**A gripping novel set during  
Mussolini's 1935 invasion**

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**of Ethiopia, The Shadow  
King takes us back to the  
first real conflict of World  
War II, casting light on the  
women soldiers who were  
left out of the historical  
record. With the threat of**

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**Mussolini's army looming,  
recently orphaned Hirut  
struggles to adapt to her  
new life as a maid in Kidane  
and his wife Aster's  
household. Kidane, an  
officer in Emperor Haile**

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**Selassie's army, rushes to mobilize his strongest men before the Italians invade. His initial kindness to Hirut shifts into a flinty cruelty when she resists his advances, and Hirut finds**

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**herself tumbling into a new world of thefts and violations, of betrayals and overwhelming rage. Meanwhile, Mussolini's technologically advanced army prepares for an easy**

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**victory. Hundreds of  
thousands of  
Italians—Jewish  
photographer Ettore among  
them—march on Ethiopia  
seeking adventure. As the  
war begins in earnest,**

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**Hirut, Aster, and the other women long to do more than care for the wounded and bury the dead. When Emperor Haile Selassie goes into exile and Ethiopia quickly loses hope, it is**

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**Hirut who offers a plan to maintain morale. She helps disguise a gentle peasant as the emperor and soon becomes his guard, inspiring other women to take up arms against the**

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**Italians. But how could she  
have predicted her own  
personal war as a prisoner  
of one of Italy's most  
vicious officers, who will  
force her to pose before  
Ettore's camera? What**

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**follows is a gorgeously  
crafted and unputdownable  
exploration of female  
power, with Hirut as the  
fierce, original, and  
brilliant voice at its heart.  
In incandescent, lyrical**

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**prose, Maaza Mengiste  
breathes life into  
complicated characters on  
both sides of the battle line,  
shaping a heartrending,  
indelible exploration of  
what it means to be a**

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**woman at war.**

**19-year-old mage Lady  
Lyriana Batavia is third in  
line to the Seat of Power in  
Bamaria: a position of  
wealth and privilege, but  
not safety. Bamaria falls**

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**under the rule of the  
Lumerian Empire, survivors  
of a celestial war whose  
island sank in the  
Drowning. Now all  
Lumerians submit to the  
Emperor and his strict laws**

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**about magic. He decides  
what magic can be  
practiced and what powers  
remain forbidden. He  
decides who will die for  
possession of forbidden  
magic. Lyr's own cousin was**

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**executed for wielding the  
wrong kind. And for years,  
Lyr has sworn to protect her  
older sisters, helping them  
conceal their own illicit  
magic. But when Lyr must  
participate in the ceremony**

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**that reveals her power, she  
uncovers something else  
entirely. Something that  
means banishment from the  
Empire. Faced with death in  
exile, and leaving her  
sisters behind, Lyr has no**

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**choice but to accept a  
deadly contract. She has  
seven months to train as a  
warrior and pass the  
Emperor's brutal test of  
strength-all without  
magic. But when she's**

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**forced to train with Lord  
Rhyan Hart, the man she's  
secretly loved since she was  
a girl-a feared warrior in  
exile himself, forbidden to  
her in every way-she's in  
danger of losing far more**

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**than her family, life, and  
country. Rebel forces, and  
an invading army, are  
destabilizing Bamaria, just  
as her family's secrets  
threaten to reveal  
themselves. Surviving the**

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**training, and saving her  
sisters may mean  
sacrificing her own heart.  
“A gripping, sinister fable!”  
—Margaret Atwood, via  
Twitter ONE OF THE BEST  
BOOKS OF THE YEAR: NPR**

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**• GLAMOUR • GOOD  
HOUSEKEEPING • LIT HUB  
• THRILLIST King has  
tenderly staked out a  
territory for his wife and  
three daughters, Grace, Lia,  
and Sky. Here on his island,**

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**women are protected from  
the chaos and violence of  
men on the mainland. The  
cult-like rituals and  
therapies they endure  
fortify them from the  
spreading toxicity of a**

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**degrading world. But when King disappears and two men and a boy wash ashore, the sisters' safe world begins to unravel. Over the span of one blistering hot week, a psychological cat-**

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**and-mouse game plays out. Sexual tensions and sibling rivalries flare as the sisters are forced to confront the amorphous threat the strangers represent. A haunting, riveting debut,**

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**The Water Cure is a fiercely poetic feminist revenge fantasy that's a startling reflection of our time.**

**"A complex look at the long-standing consequences of privilege and toxic**

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**masculinity.... Compulsively  
readable!” —Kate Moretti,  
New York Times bestselling  
author of The Vanishing  
Year “This story  
particularly resonates now,  
in the throes of the #MeToo**

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**movement.” —Booklist**  
**Megan Mazeros and Lauren Mabrey are complete opposites on paper. Megan is a girl from a modest Midwest background, and Lauren is the daughter of a**

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**senator from an esteemed  
New England family. When  
they become roommates at  
a private women's college,  
they forge a strong, albeit  
unlikely, friendship,  
sharing clothes, advice and**

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**their most intimate secrets. The summer before senior year, Megan joins Lauren and her family on their private island off the coast of Maine. It should be a summer of relaxation, a last**

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**hurrah before graduation  
and the pressures of  
postcollege life. Then late  
one night, something  
unspeakable happens,  
searing through the  
framework of their**

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**friendship and tearing them  
apart. Many years later,  
Megan publicly comes  
forward about what  
happened that fateful night,  
revealing a horrible truth  
and threatening to expose**

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**long-buried secrets. In this  
captivating and timely  
novel, Paula Treick  
DeBoard explores the  
blurred lines of consent and  
misconduct, showing how  
the abuse of power can lead**

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**to devastating  
consequences.**

**Saints at the River**

**The Water Cure**

**Fierce Dreamer**

**The Bloodletter's Daughter**

**The Shepherdess of Siena**

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*"Fans of The Raven Boys  
and Stranger Things  
rejoice: This is your new  
obsession." --Claire  
Legrand, New York Times*

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*best-selling author of  
Furyborn After the death  
of her sister, seventeen-  
year-old Violet Saunders  
finds herself dragged to  
Four Paths, New York.  
Violet may be a newcomer,*

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*but she soon learns her  
mother isn't: They belong  
to one of the revered  
founding families of the  
town, where stone bells  
hang above every doorway  
and danger lurks in the*

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*depths of the woods.*

*Justin Hawthorne's  
bloodline has protected  
Four Paths for generations  
from the Gray -- a  
lifeless dimension that  
imprisons a brutal*

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*monster. After Justin fails to inherit his family's powers, his mother is determined to keep this humiliation a secret. But Justin can't let go of the future he*

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*was promised and the town  
he swore to protect. Ever  
since Harper Carlisle lost  
her hand to an accident  
that left her stranded in  
the Gray for days, she has  
vowed revenge on the*

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*person who abandoned her:  
Justin Hawthorne. There  
are ripples of dissent in  
Four Paths, and Harper  
seizes an opportunity to  
take down the Hawthornes  
and change her destiny --*

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*to what extent, even she  
doesn't yet know. The Gray  
is growing stronger every  
day, and its victims are  
piling up. When Violet  
accidentally unleashes the  
monster, all three must*

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*band together with the  
other Founders to unearth  
the dark truths behind  
their families'  
abilities...before the  
Gray devours them all.  
Six-thousand-year-old*

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*Andromache "Andy" of  
Scythia, Nicolo "Nicky" of  
Genoa, Yusuf "Joe" al-  
Kaysani, and twenty-seven-  
year-old Nile return to  
the fight in the  
critically acclaimed*

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*miniseries* by New York  
Times bestselling creators  
GREG RUCKA and LEANDRO  
FERNANDEZ! When you've  
waged war as long as Andy  
and her squad, you've  
gotten your hands more

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*than bloody. Now, the day  
has come to confront the  
sins of the past. But as  
Nile struggles to make  
peace with the team, the  
last person Andy expected  
to ever see again returns*

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*to challenge not only what  
Andy believes in, but what  
the team is willing to  
fight for. Collects THE  
OLD GUARD: FORCE  
MULTIPLIED #1-5  
Page-turning historical*

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*fiction that reimagines  
the beginnings of  
Cleopatra's epic saga  
through the eyes of her  
younger sister. Before  
Caesar and the carpet,  
before Antony and Actium,*

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*before Octavian and the  
asp, there was Arsinoe.  
Abandoned by her beloved  
Cleopatra and an  
indifferent father, young  
Arsinoe must fight for her  
survival in the*

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*bloodthirsty royal court  
when her half-sister  
Berenice seizes Egypt's  
throne. Even as the quick-  
witted girl wins  
Berenice's favor, a new  
specter haunts her days-*

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*dark dreams that have a habit of coming true. To survive, she escapes the palace for the war-torn streets of Alexandria. Meanwhile, Berenice confronts her own demons*

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*as she fights to maintain power. When their deposed father Ptolemy marches on the city with a Roman army, both daughters must decide where their allegiances truly lie, and*

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*Arsinoe grapples with the truth, that the only way to survive her dynasty is to rule it.*

*A major new Southern voice emerges in this novel about a town divided by*

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*the aftermath of a tragic  
accident--and the woman  
caught in the middle When  
a twelve-year-old girl  
drowns in the Tamassee  
River and her body is  
trapped in a deep eddy,*

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*the people of the small  
South Carolina town that  
bears the river's name are  
thrown into the national  
spotlight. The girl's  
parents want to attempt a  
rescue of the body;*

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*environmentalists are convinced the rescue operation will cause permanent damage to the river and set a dangerous precedent. Torn between the two sides is Maggie*

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*Glenn, a twenty-eight-year-old newspaper photographer who grew up in the town and has been sent to document the incident. Since leaving home almost ten years ago, Maggie has*

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*done her best to avoid her father, but now, as the town's conflict opens old wounds, she finds herself revisiting the past she's fought so hard to leave behind. Meanwhile, the*

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*reporter who's accompanied  
her to cover the story  
turns out to have a  
painful past of his own,  
and one that might stand  
in the way of their  
romance. Drawing on the*

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*same lyrical prose and strong sense of place that distinguished his award-winning first novel, One Foot in Eden, Ron Rash has written a book about the deepest human themes: the*

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*love of the land, the hold  
of the dead on the living,  
and the need to dive  
beneath the surface to  
arrive at a deeper truth.  
Saints at the River  
confirms the arrival of*

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*one of today's most gifted  
storytellers.*

*Kindred*

*A Skinful of Shadows*

*Down Comes the Night*

*Into the Wild*

*Monstrous Beauty*

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*My Monticello*

"In the early 1600s, Elizabeth  
Bâathory, the infamous Blood  
Countess, ruled éCachtice Castle  
in the hinterlands of Slovakia.  
During bizarre nightly rites, she  
tortured and killed the young

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women she had taken on as servants. A devil, a demon, the terror of Royal Hungary--she bathed in their blood to preserve her own youth. 400 years later, echoes of the Countess's legendary brutality reach Aspen, Colorado.

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Betsy Path, a psychoanalyst of uncommon intuition, has a breakthrough with sullen teenager Daisy Hart. Together, they are haunted by the past, as they struggle to understand its imprint upon the present. Betsy and her

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troubled but perceptive patient learn the truth: the curse of the House of Bathory lives still and has the power to do evil even now. The story, brimming with palace intrigue, memorable characters intimately realized, and a wealth

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of evocative detail, travels back and forth between the familiar, modern world and a seventeenth-century Eastern Europe brought startlingly to life."--Page 4 ofcover.

The visionary author's

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masterpiece pulls us—along with her Black female hero—through time to face the horrors of slavery and explore the impacts of racism, sexism, and white supremacy then and now. Dana, a modern black woman, is celebrating her twenty-

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sixth birthday with her new husband when she is snatched abruptly from her home in California and transported to the antebellum South. Rufus, the white son of a plantation owner, is drowning, and Dana has been

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summoned to save him. Dana is drawn back repeatedly through time to the slave quarters, and each time the stay grows longer, more arduous, and more dangerous until it is uncertain whether or not Dana's life will

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end, long before it has a chance to begin.

From the bestselling author of Tangerine, a "taut and mesmerizing follow up...voluptuously atmospheric and surefooted at every turn" (Paula

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McLain, author of *The Paris Wife* and *When the Stars Go Dark*). It's 1966 and Frankie Croy retreats to her friend's vacant palazzo in Venice. Years have passed since the initial success of Frankie's debut novel and she has

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spent her career trying to live up to the expectations. Now, after a particularly scathing review of her most recent work, alongside a very public breakdown, she needs to recharge and get re-inspired. Then Gilly appears. A precocious

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young admirer eager to make friends, Gilly seems determined to insinuate herself into Frankie's solitary life. But there's something about the young woman that gives Frankie pause. How much of what Gilly tells her

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is the truth? As a series of lies and revelations emerge, the lives of these two women will be tragically altered as the catastrophic 1966 flooding of Venice ravages the city. Suspenseful and transporting, Christine Mangan's

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Palace of the Drowned brings the mystery of Venice to life while delivering a twisted tale of ambition and human nature.

"A badass debut by any measure—nimble, knowing, and electrifying." —Colson Whitehead,

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Pulitzer Prize-winning author of The Nickel Boys and Harlem Shuffle "...'My Monticello' is, quite simply, an extraordinary debut from a gifted writer with an unflinching view of history and what may come of it." — The

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Washington Post Winner of the  
Weatherford Award in Fiction A  
winner of 2022 Lillian Smith Book  
Awards A young woman  
descended from Thomas Jefferson  
and Sally Hemings driven from  
her neighborhood by a white

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militia. A university professor studying racism by conducting a secret social experiment on his own son. A single mother desperate to buy her first home even as the world hurtles toward catastrophe. Each fighting to

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survive in America. Tough-minded, vulnerable, and brave, Jocelyn Nicole Johnson's precisely imagined debut explores burdened inheritances and extraordinary pursuits of belonging. Set in the near future,

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the eponymous novella, "My Monticello," tells of a diverse group of Charlottesville neighbors fleeing violent white supremacists. Led by Da'Naisha, a young Black descendant of Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings, they seek

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refuge in Jefferson's historic plantation home in a desperate attempt to outlive the long-foretold racial and environmental unravelling within the nation. In "Control Negro," hailed by Roxane Gay as "one hell of a story,"

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a university professor devotes himself to the study of racism and the development of ACMs (average American Caucasian males) by clinically observing his own son from birth in order to "painstakingly mark the route of

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this Black child too, one whom I could prove was so strikingly decent and true that America could not find fault in him unless we as a nation had projected it there." Johnson's characters all seek out home as a place and an

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internal state, whether in the form of a Nigerian widower who immigrates to a meager existence in the city of Alexandria, finding himself adrift; a young mixed-race woman who adopts a new tongue and name to escape the landscapes

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of rural Virginia and her family;  
or a single mother who seeks  
salvation through "Buying a  
House Ahead of the Apocalypse."  
United by these characters'  
relentless struggles against reality  
and fate, My Monticello is a

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formidable book that bears witness to this country's legacies and announces the arrival of a wildly original new voice in American fiction.

Rolling in the Deep

Hurricane Katrina and New

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Orleans

Light in the Shadows

A Novel

Into the Drowning Deep

The Old Guard Book Two: Force

Multiplied

***Raised by her aunt and***

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*uncle amidst the rolling  
hills of the Tuscan  
countryside, young  
orphan Virginia Tacci  
has always harbored a  
deep love for  
horses--though she knows*

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*she may never have the  
chance to ride. As a  
shepherdess in sixteenth-  
century Italy,  
Virginia's possibilities  
are doubly limited by  
her peasant class and*

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*her gender. Yet while  
she tends her flock,  
Virginia is captivated  
by the daring equestrian  
feats of the high-  
spirited Isabella De'  
Medici, who rides with*

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*the strength and courage  
of any man, much to the  
horror of her brother,  
the tyrannical Gran Duca  
Francesco De' Medici.  
Inspired, the young  
shepherdess keeps one*

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*dream close to her  
heart: to race in  
Siena's Palio. Twenty-  
six years after Florence  
captured Siena,  
Virginia's defiance will  
rally the broken spirit*

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*of the Senese people and  
threaten the pernicious  
reign of the Gran Duca.  
Bringing alive the rich  
history of one of  
Tuscany's most famed  
cities, this lush,*

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*captivating saga draws  
an illuminating portrait  
of one girl with an  
unbreakable spirit.*

*My name is Anastasia.*

*The history books say I  
died. They don't know*

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*the half of it.*

*Anastasia "Nastya"*

*Romanov was given a  
single mission: to  
smuggle an ancient spell  
into her suitcase on her  
way to exile in Siberia.*

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*It might be her family's  
only salvation. But the  
leader of the Bolshevik  
army is after them, and  
he's hunted Romanov  
before. Nastya's only  
chances of saving*

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*herself and her family  
are either to release  
the spell and deal with  
the consequences, or to  
enlist help from Zash,  
the handsome soldier who  
doesn't act like the*

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*average Bolshevik.*

*Nastya has only dabbled  
in magic, but it doesn't  
frighten her half as  
much as her growing  
attraction to Zash. She  
likes him. She thinks he*

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*might even like her.*

*That is, until she's on  
one side of a firing  
squad . . . and he's on  
the other. Praise for  
Romanov: "I am obsessed  
with this book! A*

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*magical twist on history  
that will have Anastasia  
fans wishing for more. I  
loved every detail  
Brandes wrote. If you  
love magic and Imperial  
Russia, you want Romanov*

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*on your shelf!" -Evelyn  
Skye "Romanov will cast  
a spell on readers and  
immerse them in a  
history anyone would  
long to be a part of."  
-Sasha Alsberg "If you*

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*think you know the story  
behind Anastasia  
Romanov, think again!  
The perfect blend of  
history and fantasy,  
Romanov takes a deeper  
look at the days leading*

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*up to the family's  
tragedy, while also  
exploring the  
possibilities behind the  
mysteries that have long  
intrigued history buffs  
everywhere. Brandes*

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*weaves a brilliant and intricate saga of love, loss, and the power of forgiveness. Prepare to have your breath stolen by this gorgeous novel of brilliant prose and*

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*epic enchantment.* " —Sara  
Ella Full-length  
historical fantasy  
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*In alternating chapters,  
the story tells of the  
mermaid Syrenka's love  
for Ezra in 1872 that  
leads to a series of  
horrific murders, and  
present-day Hester's*

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*encounter with a ghost  
that reveals her  
connection to the  
murders and to Syrenka.  
Anne and Blake are  
perfect together. They  
both bring sob stories*

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*to the table: her  
parents died in a car  
wreck; his girlfriend  
drowned. But even as  
Anne starts to feel  
she's finally found  
something good in all*

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*the tragedy, she can't  
ignore signs that  
something's not right  
with Blake.*

*The Bloodletter's  
Daughter - 101 Amazing  
Facts You Didn't Know*

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Palace of the Drowned  
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A novel  
Memoirs and*

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**Misinformation**

***The discovery of a lost  
Caravaggio painting  
yields centuries of deadly  
secrets in this pulse-  
pounding novel of  
historical intrigue and***

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***modern-day suspense... In  
seventeenth-century  
Rome, an arrogant and  
reckless artist named  
Caravaggio drinks and  
brawls his way through  
his violent, insatiable life,***

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***all while painting some of  
the world's greatest  
religious works of art. But  
it is his bitter feud with  
Giovanni Roero, a brutal  
knight in the Maltese  
Order of St. John, that is***

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***his fatal error. Now, in  
the village of Monte  
Piccolo, a priest claims to  
have discovered a lost  
painting by the famed  
artist in the storage room  
of an orphanage. Retired***

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***professor A. R. Richman  
believes it's a delusional  
dream. But Lucia, a  
visiting art student,  
convinces him otherwise  
and recruits her best  
friend, Moto, to join in***

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***the quest. They think The  
Judas Kiss is worth  
investigating. But tracing  
its provenance back four  
hundred years could  
prove to be just as  
treacherous as the***

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***master's final days.***

***Richman, Lucia, and Moto  
begin chasing the  
mystery, uncovering a  
blood feud hidden for  
years that has now spilled  
into the twenty-first***

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***century. As they follow  
where it leads--down a  
trail of murder, betrayal,  
and vengeance--they find  
a secret history that  
someone will kill to keep  
buried.***

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***From the acclaimed  
Nobel Prize winner: Two  
girls who grow up to  
become women. Two  
friends who become  
something worse than  
enemies. This brilliantly***

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***imagined novel brings us  
the story of Nel Wright  
and Sula Peace, who meet  
as children in the small  
town of Medallion, Ohio.  
Nel and Sula's devotion is  
fierce enough to***

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***withstand bullies and the  
burden of a dreadful  
secret. It endures even  
after Nel has grown up to  
be a pillar of the black  
community and Sula has  
become a pariah. But***

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***their friendship ends in  
an unforgivable  
betrayal—or does it end?  
Terrifying, comic, ribald  
and tragic, Sula is a work  
that overflows with life.  
The Drowning GuardA***

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***Novel of the Ottoman  
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On August 29, 2005,  
Hurricane Katrina's  
monstrous winds and  
surging water***

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***overwhelmed the  
protective levees around  
low-lying New Orleans,  
Louisiana. Eighty percent  
of the city flooded, in  
some places under twenty  
feet of water. Property***

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***damages across the Gulf  
Coast topped \$100  
billion. One thousand  
eight hundred and thirty-  
three people lost their  
lives. The riveting tale of  
this historic storm and***

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***the drowning of an  
American city is one of  
selflessness, heroism, and  
courage--and also of  
incompetence, racism,  
and criminality. Don  
Brown's kinetic art and as-***

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***it-happens narrative  
capture both the tragedy  
and triumph of one of the  
worst natural disasters in  
American history. A  
portion of the proceeds  
from this book has been***

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***donated to Habitat for  
Humanity New Orleans.  
House of Bathory  
The God of Small Things  
Tragedy Girl  
Drowning Ruth  
The Girl Who Fought***

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***Napoleon***

***Cleopatra's Shadows***

When Scott, Jack and Emily rescue a drowning man from the waves they are keen to hear his story, but their new friend can't remember how he came to be stranded at sea!

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The friends are instantly on the case - with enthusiastic assistance from Drift the dog - determined to find the truth and solve the mystery of the drowning man.

Krakauer's page-turning bestseller explores a famed missing person

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mystery while unraveling the larger riddles it holds: the profound pull of the American wilderness on our imagination; the allure of high-risk activities to young men of a certain cast of mind; the complex, charged bond between fathers and sons.

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"Terrifying... Eloquent... A heart-rending drama of human yearning."  
—New York Times In April 1992 a young man from a well-to-do family hitchhiked to Alaska and walked alone into the wilderness north of Mt. McKinley. He had given

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\$25,000 in savings to charity, abandoned his car and most of his possessions, burned all the cash in his wallet, and invented a new life for himself. Four months later, his decomposed body was found by a moose hunter. How Christopher

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Johnson McCandless came to die is the unforgettable story of Into the Wild. Immediately after graduating from college in 1991, McCandless had roamed through the West and Southwest on a vision quest like those made by his heroes Jack

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London and John Muir. In the Mojave Desert he abandoned his car, stripped it of its license plates, and burned all of his cash. He would give himself a new name, Alexander Supertramp, and, unencumbered by money and

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belongings, he would be free to wallow in the raw, unfiltered experiences that nature presented. Craving a blank spot on the map, McCandless simply threw the maps away. Leaving behind his desperate parents and sister, he

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she's been dismissed from the Queen's Guard and separated from her best friend—the girl she loves. So when a letter arrives from a reclusive lord, asking Wren to come to his estate, Colwick Hall, to cure his servant from a mysterious

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illness, she seizes her chance to redeem herself. The mansion is crumbling, icy winds haunt the caved-in halls, and her eccentric host forbids her from leaving her room after dark. Worse, Wren's patient isn't a servant at all but Hal

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Cavendish, the infamous Reaper of Vesria and her kingdom's sworn enemy. Hal also came to Colwick Hall for redemption, but the secrets in the estate may lead to both of their deaths. With sinister forces at work, Wren and Hal realize they'll

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learned to defend herself from the ghosts that try to possess her in the night, desperate for refuge, but one day a dreadful event causes her to drop her guard. And now there's a spirit inside her. The spirit is wild, brutish, and strong, and it may be

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her only defense when she is sent to live with her father's rich and powerful family. There is talk of civil war, and they need people like her to protect their dark and terrible family secret. But as she plans to escape and heads out into a

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country torn apart by war,  
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solved, but as far as the town's concerned, Evelyn Mackenzie's father did it. His charges were dropped only because Evelyn summoned a ghost to clear his name. She swore never to call a spirit again. She lied. For generations, Mina Zanetti's family

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has used the ocean's power to guide the dead to their final resting place. But as sea levels rise, the ghosts grow more dangerous, and Mina has been shut out of the family business. When her former friend Evelyn performs another summoning that goes horribly

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