

The Kept Woman

INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "There's deception, sabotage, violence, family secrets . . . all the stuff you could want from a fictional page-turner."—theSkimm Recommended by Washington Post • theSkimm • GMA.com • Popsugar • Bustle • Atlanta Journal-Constitution • Augusta Chronicle • Sun-Sentinel • Mystery and Suspense Magazine • and more! He saw what you did. He knows who you are... From the New York Times bestselling author of Pieces of Her and The Silent Wife, an electrifying standalone thriller. AN ORDINARY LIFE... Leigh Collier has worked hard to build what looks like a normal life. She's an up-and-coming defense attorney at a prestigious law firm in Atlanta, would do anything for her sixteen-year-old daughter Maddy, and is managing to successfully coparent through a pandemic after an amicable separation from her husband Walter. HIDES A DEVASTATING PAST... But Leigh's ordinary life masks a childhood no one should have to endure ... a childhood tarnished by secrets, broken by betrayal, and ultimately destroyed by a brutal act of violence. BUT NOW THE PAST IS CATCHING UP... On a Sunday night at her daughter's school play, she gets a call from one of the firm's partners who wants Leigh to come on board to defend a wealthy man accused of multiple counts of rape. Though wary of the case, it becomes apparent she doesn't have much choice if she wants to keep her job. They're scheduled to go to trial in one week. When she meets the accused face-to-face, she realizes that it's no coincidence that he's specifically asked for her to represent him. She knows him. And he knows her. More to the point, he may know what happened over twenty years ago, and why Leigh has spent two decades avoiding her past. AND TIME IS RUNNING OUT. Suddenly she has a lot more to lose than this case. The only person who can help is her younger, estranged sister Callie—the last person Leigh would ever want to drag into this after all they've been through. But with the life-shattering truth in danger of being revealed, she has no choice... "A high-stakes thriller . . . Her heroines are believable, flawed and courageous." —OYINKAN BRAITHWAITE

The works of this award-winning poet and novelist are rich with the language and influences of two cultures: those of the Dominican Republic of her childhood and the America of her youth and adulthood. They have shaped her writing just as they have shaped her life. In these seventy-five autobiographical poems, Alvarez's clear voice sings out in every line. Here, in the middle of her life, she looks back as a way of understanding and celebrating the woman she has become.

"Part True Detective, part The Girl on the Train. All parts gripping." --theSkimm The New York Times bestselling author of Pieces of Her returns with an electrifying, emotionally complex thriller that plunges Will Trent into the darkest depths of a mystery that just might destroy him. Husbands and wives. Mothers and daughters. The past and the future. Secrets bind them. And secrets can destroy them. With the discovery of a murder at an abandoned construction site, Will Trent of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation is brought in on a case that becomes much more dangerous when the dead man is identified as an ex-cop. Studying the body, Sara Linton—the GBI's newest medical examiner and Will's lover—realizes that the extensive blood loss didn't belong to the corpse. Sure enough, bloody footprints leading away from the scene indicate there is another victim—a woman—who has vanished . . . and who will die soon if she isn't found. Will is already compromised, because the site belongs to the city's most popular citizen: a wealthy, powerful, and politically connected athlete protected by the world's most expensive lawyers—a man who's already gotten away with rape, despite Will's exhaustive efforts to put him away. But the worst is yet to come. Evidence soon links Will's troubled past to the case . . . and the consequences will tear through his life with the force of a tornado, wreaking havoc for Will and everyone around him, including his colleagues, family, friends—and even the suspects he pursues. Relentlessly suspenseful and furiously paced, peopled with conflicted, fallible characters who leap from the page, The Kept Woman is a seamless blend of twisty police procedural and ingenious psychological thriller -- a searing, unforgettable novel of love, loss, and redemption.

Unable to retain her professional detachment when her mother is abducted while baby-sitting her 4-month-old daughter, Georgia Bureau of Investigation Special Agent Faith Mitchell teams up with Will Trent and Sara Linton in a case that reveals unsettling truths. Reprint. A New York Times best-seller.

Triptych

The Kept

The Will Trent Series 7-Book Bundle

Favorite Stories of Courage and Resilience

A Kept Woman

Diana's combination of beauty and class has bagged her marriage to publishing mogul Ernie Foxton, and with that comes a stunning New York apartment, a designer wardrobe and a manicurist, hairdresser and masseuse on tap. With little more to do with her days than shopping and socialising, this is the life for which she was born. But then, without warning, the bottom drops out of Diana's meticulously constructed world, and she finds herself without a home or a husband, and with barely a dime to her name. For the first time in her life, she might just have to look after herself. But, given how many people would love to see her fail, it's not going to be a walk in the park?

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Features a new introduction on the origins of the Will Trent novels and Fractured's place in the series Ansley Park is one of Atlanta's most upscale neighborhoods—but in one gleaming mansion, in a teenager's lavish bedroom, a girl has been savagely murdered. And in the hallway, her mother stands amid shattered glass, having killed her daughter's attacker with her bare hands. Detective Will Trent of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation is one of the first on the scene. Trent soon sees something that the Atlanta cops are missing, something in the trail of blood, in a matrix of forensic evidence, and in the eyes of the stunned mother. When another teenage girl goes missing, Trent knows that this case, which started in the best of homes, is about to cut quick and deep through the ruins of perfect lives broken wide-open: where human demons emerge with a vengeance.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Features a new introduction on the origins of the Will Trent novels and Broken's place in the series Karin Slaughter's internationally bestselling novels are as notable for their vivid portraits of lives shadowed by loss and heartbreak as they are for their dramatic criminal investigations. Broken features the return of her most compelling characters and introduces memorable new ones in a tale of corruption, murder, and confrontation that will leave more than one life . . . When Special Agent Will Trent arrives in Grant

County, he finds a police department determined to protect its own and far too many unanswered questions about a prisoner's death. He doesn't understand why Officer Lena Adams is hiding secrets from him. He doesn't understand her role in the death of Grant County's popular police chief. He doesn't understand why that man's widow, Dr. Sara Linton, needs him now more than ever to help her crack this case. While the police force investigates the murder of a young woman pulled from a frigid lake, Trent investigates the police force, putting pressure on Adams just when she's already about to crack. Caught between two complicated and determined women, trying to understand Linton's passionate distrust of Adams, the facts surrounding Chief Tolliver's death, and the complexities of this insular town, Trent will unleash a case filled with explosive secrets—and encounter a thin blue line that could be murderous if crossed. Spellbinding and keenly paced, *Broken* is Karin Slaughter at her best. Here is an unforgettable story of raw emotions, dangerous assumptions, the deadly and layered game of betrayal, and a man's determination to expose the most painful of human truths—no matter how deeply they're hidden . . . or how devastating.

New York Times bestselling author Karin Slaughter is acclaimed for her novels of heart-stopping suspense, edge-of-your-seat intrigue, and richly imagined characters. And when Slaughter created detective Will Trent she broke the mold. While displaying an uncanny knack for reading people, solving puzzles, and cracking cases at the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Detective Trent navigates the varied relationships with the women in his life: vice cop Angie Polaski, supervisor Amanda Wagner, partner Faith Mitchell, and Dr. Sara Linton. This gripping eBook bundle contains seven novels in the Will Trent series, including: *TRIPTYCH* *FRACTURED* *UNDONE* *BROKEN* *FALLEN* *CRIMINAL* *UNSEEN* Also includes the eBook novellas *Snatched* and *Busted* as well as a preview of Karin Slaughter's highly anticipated thriller *Cop Town!* Praise for Karin Slaughter and her Will Trent thrillers "One of the best crime novelists in America."—*The Washington Post* "Crime fiction at its finest."—Michael Connelly "Slaughter writes with a razor. . . . Better than Cornwell can ever hope to be."—*The Plain Dealer* "Slaughter will have you on the edge of your seat."—*Seattle Post-Intelligencer* "Slaughter's gift for building multilayered tension while deconstructing damaged personalities gives this thriller a nerve-racking finish."—*USA Today*, on *Triptych* "Heart-pounding . . . Trent and Mitchell, a pair of complex and deeply flawed heroes, will leave fans clamoring for the next installment."—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review), on *Fractured* "A complicated spider web of secrets and tangles."—*Los Angeles Times*, on *Undone* "Addictive . . . Slaughter is a terrific writer, and she keeps the emotional tension high throughout."—*The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, on *Broken* "An absolute master . . . Slaughter creates some wonderfully complex and mature female characters, a distinctive achievement in the world of thrillers."—*Chicago Tribune*, on *Fallen* "[A] hold-on-to-your-hat, nail-biting story . . . What raises Slaughter way above the sensational is her wonderful way with characters."—*The Washington Post*, on *Criminal* "No one writes like Slaughter."—*The Huffington Post*, on *Unseen*

Fractured

Educated

A Memoir

How to Navigate Clueless Colleagues, Lunch-Stealing Bosses, and the Rest of Your Life at Work

Beyond Reach

Kept Woman by Karen Van Der Zee released on Oct 25, 1991 is available now for purchase.

Husbands and wives. Mothers and daughters. The past and the future. Secrets bind them. And secrets can destroy them. With the discovery of a murder at an abandoned construction site, Will Trent and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation are brought in on a case that becomes much more dangerous when the dead man is identified as an ex-cop. Studying the body, Sara Linton—the GBI's newest medical examiner and Will's lover—realizes that the extensive blood loss didn't belong to the corpse. Bloody footprints leading away from the scene indicate there is another victim—a woman—who has vanished...and who will die soon if she isn't found. Will is already compromised, because the site belongs to the city's most popular citizen: a wealthy, powerful, and politically connected athlete—a man who's already gotten away with rape, despite Will's exhaustive efforts to put him away. But when evidence links Will's troubled past to the case, the consequences will tear through his life, wreaking havoc for Will and everyone around him, including his colleagues, family, friends—and even the suspects he pursues. "I'd follow her anywhere." —GILLIAN FLYNN

WHEN A GOOD-GIRL DIVORCÉE Playing by the rules has left Samantha Monroe with an AWOL ex-husband, maxed out credit cards, and the task of raising three children on a hairstylist's salary. It's time for a new game plan. When Sam learns that politician Jack Tolliver needs someone to play the part of his fiancée for six months in return for a generous paycheck, she's ready to sign up on the spot. *MEETS A BAD-BOY POLITICIAN* Jack needs Sam and her kids to help tone down his image from womanizing cad to dependable dad. But he was expecting Sam to be a frumpy single mom, not a wickedly smart, sexy redhead. Keeping nosy newshounds from

discovering that his engagement is a charade is going to be a tough job, but one mind-blowing kiss from Sam and suddenly Jack is ready to put in all the overtime necessary... LOVE WINS IN A LANDSLIDE... Now, with scheming opponents itching to bring Jack down, Sam's ex returning to stir up trouble, one stubborn pre-schooler, two squabbling teenagers, a crazy dog, and some out-of-this-world sex, Jack and Sam are discovering that playing make-believe can be complicated—but not nearly as much as falling in love... The latest novel in the Will Trent series from No. 1 bestselling author, Karin Slaughter. A body is discovered in an empty Atlanta warehouse. It's the body of an ex-cop, and from the moment Special Agent Will Trent walks in he knows this could be the most devastating case of his career. Bloody footprints leading away from the scene reveal that another victim - a woman - has left the scene and vanished into thin air. And, worst of all, the warehouse belongs to the city's biggest, most politically-connected, most high-profile athlete - a local hero protected by the world's most expensive lawyers. A local hero Will has spent the last six months investigating on a brutal rape charge. But for Will - and also for Dr Sara Linton, the GBI's newest medical examiner - the case is about to get even worse. Because an unexpected discovery at the scene reveals a personal link to Will's troubled past. The consequences will wreak havoc on his life and the lives of those he loves, those he works with, and those he pursues. But Sara's scene-of-the-crime diagnosis is that they only have a few hours to find the missing woman before she bleeds out . . .

Bones of the Lost

Busted

Two Nights

The kept woman and other stories

Triptych, Fractured, Undone, Broken, Fallen, Criminal, Unseen

"If you're into mystery thrillers, then you're into Karin Slaughter." —THESKIMM He watches. He waits. He takes. Who will be next . . . THE SILENT WIFE Investigating the killing of a prisoner during a riot inside a state penitentiary, GBI investigator Will Trent is confronted with disturbing information. One of the inmates claims that he is innocent of a brutal attack for which he has always been the prime suspect. The man insists that he was framed by a corrupt law enforcement team led by Jeffrey Tolliver and that the real culprit is still out there—a serial killer who has systematically been preying on women across the state for years. If Will reopens the investigation and implicates the dead police officer with a hero's reputation of wrongdoing, the opportunistic convict is willing to provide the information GBI needs about the riot murder. Only days ago, another young woman was viciously murdered in a state park in northern Georgia. Is it a fluke, or could there be a serial killer on the loose? As Will Trent digs into both crimes it becomes clear that he must solve the cold case in order to find the answer. Yet nearly a decade has passed—time for memories to fade, witnesses to vanish, evidence to disappear, and lies to become truth. But Will can't crack either mystery without the help of the one person he doesn't want involved: his girlfriend and Jeffrey Tolliver's widow, medical examiner Sara Linton. When the past and present begin to collide, Will realizes that everything he values is at stake . . .

"Powerful and complex . . . [Karin] Slaughter gradually unspools her fascinating story, all the way up to its shocking conclusion."—Chicago Sun-Times In a small Georgia town, Detective Lena Adams is accused of a vicious murder. A hundred miles away, Police Chief Jeffrey Tolliver learns that his young detective has been arrested. And Jeffrey's wife, pediatrician and medical examiner Sara Linton, fighting a heartbreaking malpractice suit, is thrust into the center of a bizarre and murderous case. For Lena has fled to the place where she grew up, careening back through the shadows of her past. Now only Jeffrey and Sara can free Lena from the web of lies that has trapped her—as this powerful novel races toward its shattering climax and a final, unforgettable twist. Praise for Karin Slaughter and Beyond Reach "Will leave you breathless."—USA Today "Slaughter writes with a razor."—The Plain Dealer "Slaughter will have you on the edge of your seat."—Seattle Post-Intelligencer BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Karin Slaughter's Unseen.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Features a new introduction on the origins of the Will Trent novels and Undone's place in the series In the trauma center of Atlanta's busiest hospital, Sara Linton treats the city's poor, wounded, and unlucky—and finds refuge from the tragedy that rocked her life in rural Grant County. Then, in one instant, Sara is thrust into a frantic police investigation, coming face-to-face with a tall driven detective and his quiet female partner.... In Undone, three unforgettable characters from Karin Slaughter's New York Times bestselling novels Faithless and Fractured collide for the first time, entering an electrifying race against the clock—and a duel with unspeakable human evil. In the backwoods of suburban Atlanta, where Sara's patient was found, local police have set up their investigation. But Georgia Bureau of Investigation detective Will Trent doesn't wait for the go-ahead from his boss—he plunges through police lines, through the brooding woods, and single-handedly exposes a hidden house of horror buried beneath the earth. Then he finds another victim.... Wrestling the case away from the local police chief, Will and his partner, Faith Mitchell—a woman keeping explosive secrets of her own—are called into a related investigation. Another woman—a smart, upscale, independent young mother—has been snatched. For the two cops out on the hunt, for the doctor trying to bring her patient back to life, the truth hits like a hammer: the killer's torture chamber has been found, but the killer is still at work. In her latest suspense masterpiece,

Karin Slaughter weaves together the moving, powerful human stories of characters as real as they are complex and unforgettable. At the same time she has crafted a work of dazzling storytelling and spine-tingling mystery—as three people, each with their own wounds and their own secrets, are all that stands between a madman and his next crime.

The Kept Woman A Novel HarperCollins

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Testimony of a Kept Woman

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Crime and thriller masters know there's nothing better than a little Slaughter: 'I'd follow her anywhere' GILLIAN FLYNN 'Passion, intensity, and humanity' LEE CHILD 'A writer of extraordinary talents' KATHY REICHS 'Fiction doesn't get any better than this' JEFFERY DEAVER 'A great writer at the peak of her powers' PETER JAMES 'Raw, powerful and utterly gripping' KATHRYN STOCKETT 'With heart and skill Karin Slaughter keeps you hooked from the first page until the last' CAMILLA LACKBERG 'Amongst the world's greatest and finest crime writers' YRSA SIGURÐARDÓTTIR

'One of the boldest thriller writers working today' TESS GERRITSEN 'Her characters, plot, and pacing are unrivalled' MICHAEL CONNELLY _____ FBI Special Agent Will Trent's instinct is put to the test. On assignment at Atlanta's busy airport Will Trent is forced to make a split-second decision. But is it the right one? Multi-million copy, international bestselling thriller writer Karin Slaughter is known for her razor-sharp plotting and her ability to put the reader right at the heart of the crime. Snatched is Karin at her best in a compelling story that will grip you like a vice. An exclusive straight to digital short story from the No.1 bestseller. Includes the opening chapters of Criminal and a taster of Fallen.

The long-awaited memoir by "one of the few original American writers of the last century" is a testament to the power of self-acceptance (Gore Vidal). John Rechy, author of City of Night and The Sexual Outlaw, has always known discrimination. Raised Mexican-American in El Paso, Texas, at a time when Latino children were routinely segregated, Rechy was often assumed to be Anglo because of his light skin, and had his name "changed" for him by a teacher, from Juan to John. As he grew older—and as his fascination with the memory of a notorious kept woman in his childhood deepened—Rechy became aware that his differences lay not just in his heritage, but in his sexuality. While he performed the roles expected of him by others—the authoritarians in the US Army during the Korean War, the bigoted relatives of his Anglo college classmates, or the men and women who wanted him to be something he was not—he never allowed them to define him. The "riveting" story of a life that bears witness to some of the most riotous changes of the past century, About My Life and the Kept Woman is as much a portrait of intolerance as of an individual who defied it to forge his own path (The Advocate). "Rechy might be called the first bard of West Hollywood." —The New York Times "A skillfully paced story . . . As a memoirist, Rechy is both participant and observer, and he segues as easily between narrative and exegesis as his younger self did between the lure of the wild streets and the embrace of his traditional family." —Los Angeles Magazine

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • With the bonus story "Busted" Karin Slaughter's novels featuring detective Will Trent are utterly riveting and masterfully drawn. Unseen pits detectives, lovers, and enemies against one another in an unforgettable standoff between righteous courage and deepest evil. Will Trent is a Georgia Bureau of Investigation agent whose latest case has him posing as Bill Black, a scary ex-con who rides a motorcycle around Macon, Georgia, and trails an air of violence wherever he goes. The cover has worked and he has caught the eye of a wiry little drug dealer who thinks he might be a useful ally. But undercover and cut off from the support of the woman he loves, Sara Linton, Will finds his demons catching up with him. Although she has no idea where Will has gone, or why, Sara herself has come to Macon because of a cop shooting: Her stepson, Jared, has been gunned down in his own home. Sara holds Lena, Jared's wife, responsible: Lena, a detective, has been a magnet for trouble all her life, and Jared's shooting is not the first time someone Sara loved got caught in the crossfire. Furious, Sara finds herself involved in the same case that Will is working without even knowing it, and soon danger is swirling around both of them. In a novel of fierce intensity, shifting allegiances, and shocking twists, two investigations collide with a conspiracy straddling both sides of the law. Karin Slaughter's latest is both an electrifying thriller and a piercing study of human nature: what happens when good people face the unseen evils in their lives. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Karin Slaughter's Cop Town. Praise for Unseen "Slaughter's most powerful book to date . . . No one writes like Slaughter. . . . Her words fairly growl on paper but yet her descriptions of relationships are tear inducing. This may make her an anomaly but she is the best damn anomaly writing books today. Make sure you read Unseen."—The Huffington Post "Compelling . . . [Slaughter] balances a complex plot with believable twists while sensitively exploring her realistic characters' emotions and problems."—South Florida Sun-Sentinel "An emotional roller coaster ride . . . fast-paced and edge-of-your seat . . . Slaughter is brilliant."—Wichita Falls Times Record News "Superb and emotionally wrenching . . . The despicable nature of the crimes being investigated only serves to enhance Will's innate goodness and humanity. Current series fans will be delighted, and newcomers to Slaughter's work will find a new obsession."—Library Journal "Slaughter plunges readers into the action from the get-go with her electrifying ability to write suspenseful, riveting confrontations between cops and criminals, all while deepening the backstories of her longtime series leads. Another intense read, on multiple levels, from the ever-reliable Slaughter."—Booklist "Tense and densely plotted . . . The twisted plot and shocking reveals remind readers why Slaughter remains a dominant voice in crime fiction."—Publishers Weekly

The Book of Gutsy Women

A Novel

(Will Trent Series Book 8)

The Kept Woman

Find Her

What would you do if you suddenly inherited \$5,000? Young Joanne Cotton decided to blow her inheritance in Europe before settling down to the routine of marriage as Jack Ostrander's wife. So for a year she lived it up visiting France, Italy, Germany, Spain and Greece. But \$5,000 can only go so far. She was down to her last \$300 when she met Mike Lapine, who offered to finance her for six months—until she found a job—in exchange for her bedroom talents. So they went to Majorca and had a ball. Four months went by and Joanne hadn't even looked for a job. And when Mike left her, she had to admit that the only talent she possessed was for sale to the man with the most money. Jo thought this was the “easy” way out . . . until she met Emil Rosenmacher, jaded old roué, who had his own offbeat plans for her many skills.

“I feel a woman is most attractive when she surrenders to her man. She is incomplete without a man,” averred Kamala Das shortly before her death in May, 2009. One of the most controversial and celebrated Indian authors, she combined in her writings rare honesty and sensitivity, provocation and poignancy. *The Kept Woman and Other Stories* explores the man-woman relationship in all its dimensions. Deprived, depraved, mysterious, mystical and exalted, each character, culled from experience and observation, is an incisive study of love, lust and longing.

Soon to be an eight-part docuseries on Apple TV+ Hillary Rodham Clinton and her daughter, Chelsea, share the stories of the gutsy women who have inspired them—women with the courage to stand up to the status quo, ask hard questions, and get the job done. She couldn't have been more than seven or eight years old. “Go ahead, ask your question,” her father urged, nudging her forward. She smiled shyly and said, “You're my hero. Who's yours?” Many people—especially girls—have asked us that same question over the years. It's one of our favorite topics. HILLARY: Growing up, I knew hardly any women who worked outside the home. So I looked to my mother, my teachers, and the pages of *Life* magazine for inspiration. After learning that Amelia Earhart kept a scrapbook with newspaper articles about successful women in male-dominated jobs, I started a scrapbook of my own. Long after I stopped clipping articles, I continued to seek out stories of women who seemed to be redefining what was possible. CHELSEA: This book is the continuation of a conversation the two of us have been having since I was little. For me, too, my mom was a hero; so were my grandmothers. My early teachers were also women. But I grew up in a world very different from theirs. My pediatrician was a woman, and so was the first mayor of Little Rock who I remember from my childhood. Most of my close friends' moms worked outside the home as nurses, doctors, teachers, professors, and in business. And women were going into space and breaking records here on Earth. Ensuring the rights and opportunities of women and girls remains a big piece of the unfinished business of the twenty-first century. While there's a lot of work to do, we know that throughout history and around the globe women have overcome the toughest resistance imaginable to win victories that have made progress possible for all of us. That is the achievement of each of the women in this book. So how did they do it? The answers are as unique as the women themselves. Civil rights activist Dorothy Height, LGBTQ trailblazer Edie Windsor, and swimmer Diana Nyad kept pushing forward, no matter what. Writers like Rachel Carson and Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie named something no one had dared talk about before. Historian Mary Beard used wit to open doors that were once closed, and Wangari Maathai, who sparked a movement to plant trees, understood the power of role modeling. Harriet Tubman and Malala Yousafzai looked fear in the face and persevered. Nearly every single one of these women was fiercely optimistic—they had faith that their actions could make a difference. And they were right. To us, they are all gutsy women—leaders with the courage to stand up to the status quo, ask hard questions, and get the job done. So in the moments when the long haul seems awfully long, we hope you will draw strength from these stories. We do. Because if history shows one thing, it's that the world needs gutsy women.

Karin Slaughter, the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Pieces of Her*, brings back Will Trent and Sara Linton in this superb and timely thriller full of devious twists, disturbing secrets, and shocking surprises you won't see coming. A mysterious kidnapping. On a hot summer night, a scientist from the Centers for Disease Control is grabbed by unknown assailants in a shopping center parking lot. The authorities are desperate to save the doctor who's been vanished into thin air. A devastating explosion. One month later, the serenity of a sunny Sunday afternoon is shattered by the boom of a ground-shaking blast—followed by another seconds later. One of Atlanta's busiest and most important neighborhoods has been bombed—the location of Emory University, two major hospitals, the FBI headquarters, and the CDC. A diabolical enemy. Medical examiner Sara Linton and her partner Will Trent, an investigator with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, rush to the scene—and into the heart of a deadly conspiracy that threatens to destroy thousands of innocent lives. When the assailants abduct Sara, Will goes undercover to save her and prevent a massacre—putting his own life on the line for the woman and the country he loves.

About My Life and the Kept Woman

Seeing the Goodness of God in the Land of the Living

The Woman I Kept to Myself

Fallen

The Last Widow

From the creator of the popular website Ask a Manager and New York's work-advice columnist comes a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice! There's a reason Alison Green has been called “the Dear Abby of the work world.” Ten years as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office

because they simply don't know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You'll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit “reply all” • you're being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate's loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party Praise for Ask a Manager “A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green's] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work.”—Booklist (starred review) “The author's friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers' lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience.”—Library Journal (starred review) “I am a huge fan of Alison Green's Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor.”—Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of The No Asshole Rule and The Asshole Survival Guide “Ask a Manager is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional workforce in a diplomatic but firm way.”—Erin Lowry, author of Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together

A Georgia Bureau of Investigation search into a shocking crime from 1975 poses unprecedented personal and professional challenges for top agent Will Trent, who encounters threats against his life and everything he thought he understood about his past.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Features a new introduction on the origins of the Will Trent novels and Triptych's place in the series From Atlanta's wealthiest suburbs to its stark inner-city housing projects, a killer has crossed the boundaries of wealth and race. And the people who are chasing him must cross those boundaries, too. Among them is Michael Ormewood, a veteran detective whose marriage is hanging by a thread—and whose arrogance and explosive temper are threatening his career. And Angie Polaski, a beautiful vice cop who was once Michael's lover before she became his enemy. But unbeknownst to both of them, another player has entered the game: a loser ex-con who has stumbled upon the killer's trail in the most coincidental of ways—and who may be the key to breaking the case wide open. In this gritty, gripping firecracker of a novel, the author of the bestselling Grant County, Georgia, series breaks thrilling new ground, weaving together the threads of a complex, multilayered story with the skill of a master craftsman. Packed with body-bending switchbacks, searing psychological suspense and human emotions, Triptych ratchets up the tension one revelation at a time as it races to a shattering and unforgettable climax.

As her marriage of over 20 years came to an end, Julie found God was her Keeper. You will feel her pain and know her struggles. Yet you will see the hope found in Jesus Christ that can bring peace and joy in the midst of sorrow. Are you suddenly single and wondering where is God or how am I going to make it through? Within these pages you will find hope for today and gain strength to move forward from Julie's journey through divorce, grief and loss. The Bible promises that God is a Husband to the widow and a Father to the fatherless. He desires to be your Keeper!

Criminal

Kept Women: A Revealing Inside Look at the Women Who Share the Beds of the Richest Men on Earth.

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Unseen (with bonus novella "Busted")

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Karin Slaughter, author of the bestselling Will Trent novels, is widely acclaimed as “one of the best crime novelists in America” (The Washington Post). Now she delivers her first stand-alone novel: an epic story of a city in the midst of seismic upheaval, a serial killer targeting cops, and a divided police force tasked with bringing a madman to justice. Atlanta, 1974: As a brutal murder and a furious manhunt rock the city's police department, Kate Murphy wonders if her first day on the job will also be her last. She's determined to defy her privileged background by making her own way—wearing a badge and carrying a gun. But for a beautiful young woman, life will be anything but easy in the macho world of the Atlanta PD, where even the female cops have little mercy for rookies. It's also the worst day possible to start given that a beloved cop has been gunned down, his brothers in blue are out for blood, and the city is on the edge of war. Kate isn't the only woman on the force who's feeling the heat. Maggie Lawson followed her uncle and brother into the ranks to prove her worth in their cynical eyes. When she and Kate, her new partner, are pushed out of the citywide search for a cop killer, their fury, pain, and pride finally reach the boiling point. With a killer poised to strike again, they will pursue their own line of investigation, risking everything as they venture into the city's darkest heart. Relentlessly paced, acutely observed, wickedly funny, and often heartbreaking, Cop Town is Karin Slaughter's most powerful novel yet—a tour de force of storytelling from our foremost master of character, atmosphere, and suspense. Features a preview of Karin Slaughter's next novel, Pretty Girls “Karin Slaughter is simply one of the best thriller writers working today, and Cop Town shows the author at the top of her game—relentless pacing, complex characters, and gritty realism, all set against the backdrop of a city on the edge. Slaughter's eye for detail and truth is unmatched. . . . I'd follow her anywhere.”—Gillian Flynn “Cop Town proves Karin Slaughter is one of America's best writers. . . . She pulls her readers into a twisted tale of mystery and keeps them fascinated from start to finish.”—The Huffington Post “Stunning . . . Karin Slaughter breaks new ground with this riveting story. If you haven't yet read her, this is the moment.”—Michael Connelly “Compulsively readable . . . will have your heart racing.”—O: The Oprah Magazine “Intense . . . engrossing . . . evocative . . . [Karin Slaughter's] first stand-alone novel [has] a gritty, action-packed plot and strong, believable characters.”—Associated Press “Slaughter graphically exposes the rampant racism, homophobia, and misogyny of cop culture in the 1970s. . . . Winning leads, the retro setting, and a riveting plot make this one of Slaughter's best.”—Booklist (starred review) “Superb . . . explosive . . . [Cop Town] is sure to win over readers new to Slaughter's work while reminding old fans of her enormous talent.”—Library Journal (starred review)

Crime fiction obsessive Martin Reed is the proverbial butt of everyone's jokes. Working as a glorified accountant at Southern Toilet Supply and still living with his cantankerous mother, he has become resigned to the world in which he lives the school b

Here are the darkest secrets of the world's most glamorous women, revealed in intimate detail. Leslie McRay was once a famous mistress of Hollywood, and now she interviews others who have experienced the "kept" lifestyle, revealing the pitfalls awaiting anyone seduced by the glitter. Learn what the "keepers" are really like and much more.

Everyone's favorite forensic anthropologist, Tempe Brennan, is back! In this #1 New York Times bestseller, the death of a teenager triggers an investigation into an international human trafficking ring. The body of a teenage girl is found after a hit and run in North Carolina, and Temperance Brennan fears the worst. The girl's body shows signs of foul play and her purse contains the ID card of a prominent local businessman, John-Henry Story, who died in a horrific fire months earlier. Was the girl an illegal immigrant turning tricks? Are the deaths related? The investigation becomes more complex as Tempe examines a bundle of Peruvian dog mummies that had been confiscated by U.S. Customs. Dominick Rockett, a Desert Storm veteran, is accused of smuggling the objects into the country, but is there some larger connection between the illegal trafficking of the antiquities and the trafficking of humans? As the case grows increasingly complicated, Tempe must also grapple with turmoil at home. Katy, Tempe's daughter, impulsively enlists in the Army after the loss of her boyfriend, and Pete, Katy's father, is getting increasingly frustrated by Tempe's reluctance to finalize their divorce. Meanwhile, Tempe finds herself at the center of a conspiracy in Charlotte that extends as far as South America and Afghanistan. Kathy Reichs has reached new heights in suspenseful storytelling, and is at her brilliant best in this thrilling novel.

The Silent Wife

False Witness

Martin Misunderstood

Ask a Manager

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A standalone thriller featuring a “tough-talking, scarred heroine”* from the author of the Temperance Brennan series, the basis for the hit TV show *Bones*. Meet Sunday Night, a woman with physical and psychological scars, and a killer instinct. . . . Sunnie has spent years running from her past, burying secrets and building a life in which she needs no one and feels nothing. But a girl has gone missing, lost in the chaos of a bomb explosion, and the family needs Sunnie's help. Is the girl dead? Did someone take her? If she is out there, why doesn't she want to be found? It's time for Sunnie to face her own demons—because they just might lead her to the truth about what really happened all those years ago. *Publishers Weekly Praise for *Two Nights* “Reichs' newest heroine, the polar opposite of cerebral Temperance Brennan, is fueled by a well-nigh uncontrollable rage in her thrilling, violent search for a missing girl so much like herself.”—Kirkus Reviews “Brennan fans should appreciate *Sunday [Night]* . . . the star of this fast-paced series launch from bestseller Reichs. [The finale] seems designed for the big screen.”—Publishers Weekly “The writing is crisp and vivid. . . . The story is cleverly plotted. . . . Reichs' legion of fans should be encouraged to check out this one.”—Booklist Praise for Kathy Reichs “I love Kathy Reichs—always scary, always suspenseful, and I always learn something.”—Lee Child “Kathy Reichs continues to be one of the most distinctive and talented writers in the genre. Her legion of readers worldwide will agree with me when I declare that the more books she writes, the more enthusiastic fans she'll garner.”—Sandra Brown “Nobody does forensics thrillers like Kathy Reichs. She's the real deal.”—David Baldacci “Kathy Reichs writes smart—no, make that brilliant—mysteries.”—James Patterson “Reichs, a forensic anthropologist, makes her crime novels intriguingly realistic.”—Entertainment Weekly

#1 NEW YORK TIMES, WALL STREET JOURNAL, AND BOSTON GLOBE BESTSELLER • One of the most acclaimed books of our time: an unforgettable memoir about a young woman who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and goes on to earn a PhD from Cambridge University “Extraordinary . . . an act of courage and self-invention.”—The New York Times NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW • ONE OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S FAVORITE BOOKS OF THE YEAR • BILL GATES'S HOLIDAY READING LIST • FINALIST: National Book Critics Circle's Award In Autobiography and John Leonard Prize For Best First Book • PEN/Jean Stein Book Award • Los Angeles Times Book Prize Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Her family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. When another brother got himself into college, Tara decided to try a new kind of life. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge University. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home. “Beautiful and propulsive . . . Despite the singularity of [Westover's] childhood, the questions her book poses are universal: How much of ourselves should we give to those we love? And how much must we betray them to grow up?”—Vogue NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The Washington Post • O: The Oprah Magazine • Time • NPR • Good Morning America • San Francisco Chronicle • The Guardian • The Economist • Financial Times • Newsday • New York Post • theSkimm • Refinery29 • Bloomberg • Self • Real Simple • Town & Country • Bustle • Paste • Publishers Weekly • Library Journal • LibraryReads • Book Riot • Pamela Paul, KQED • New York Public Library

After Jan escaped the physical domestic violence and the emotional and verbal abuse she had endured at the hands of her first husband, she was certain that her life was going to turn around. She married a pastor with whom she could work closely to build a ministry. Their congregation grew, and it truly seemed as if their lives were blessed. But slowly the accusations began to surface that would shatter Jan's world and show her just how deep her husband's deceptions went. As she struggled to maintain her faith and dignity under the watchful eyes of the congregation, she was inwardly undergoing the greatest crisis of her life. For any reader who has felt like God Almighty has packed up, moved away, and forgotten to leave His forwarding address, Jan's powerful Testimony of a Kept Woman will provide much-needed hope as she shows readers how, even in her moment of crisis, God kept her close to Him. Her story, as a survivor of both domestic violence with her first husband, and her victory over emotional and verbal abuse with her second husband, is proof that God has the perfect purpose for every pain and sorrow.

Lisa Gardner's runaway New York Times bestseller—a fast-paced thrill ride featuring Detective D. D. Warren. Seven years ago, carefree college student Flora Dane was kidnapped while on spring break. For 472 days, Flora learned just how much one person can endure. Miraculously alive after her ordeal, Flora has spent the past five years reacquainting herself with the rhythms of normal life, working with her FBI victim advocate, Samuel Keynes. She has a mother who's never stopped loving her, a brother who is scared of the person she's become, and a bedroom wall covered with photos of other girls who've never made it home. When Boston detective D. D. Warren is called to the scene of a crime—a dead man and the bound, naked woman who killed him—she learns that Flora has tangled with three other suspects since her return to society. Is Flora a victim or a vigilante? And with her firsthand knowledge of criminal behavior, could she hold the key to rescuing a missing college student whose abduction has rocked Boston? When Flora herself disappears, D.D. realizes a far more sinister predator is out there. One who's determined that this time, Flora Dane will never escape. And now it is all up to D. D. Warren to find her.

Cop Town

'One of the boldest thriller writers working today' TESS GERRITSEN 'Her characters, plot, and pacing are unrivalled' MICHAEL CONNELLY

_____ FBI Special Agent Will Trent finds himself in trouble. Will Trent is on his way to Macon for an undercover assignment when he unwittingly becomes involved in a violent robbery at a gas station... Multi-million copy, international bestselling thriller writer Karin Slaughter is known for putting the reader right at the heart of the crime. Busted is a compelling story that will grip you from the start. A new, exclusive straight to digital short story from the No.1 Bestseller. Includes the opening chapters of *Unseen* and a taster of *Criminal*.

When slightly chubby Suzanne Montgomery comes across a personal ad in her local free magazine for a "Kept Woman", she's intrigued enough to keep the

paper, but not brave enough to respond, until ...

"Dark and mysterious. . . . A novel whose daring is found in its bleakness. . . . The plot unfolds with a weighty languor reminiscent of Cormac McCarthy. . . sparse, elegant. . . haunting." — New York Times Set in rural New York state at the turn of the twentieth century, superb new talent James Scott makes his literary debut with *The Kept*—a propulsive novel reminiscent of the works of Michael Ondaatje, Cormac McCarthy, and Bonnie Jo Campbell, in which a mother and her young son embark on a quest to avenge a terrible and violent tragedy that has shattered their secluded family. In the winter of 1897, a trio of killers descends upon an isolated farm in upstate New York. Midwife Elspeth Howell returns home to the carnage: her husband, and four of her children, murdered. Before she can discover her remaining son Caleb, alive and hiding in the kitchen pantry, another shot rings out over the snow-covered valley. Twelve-year-old Caleb must tend to his mother until she recovers enough for them to take to the frozen wilderness in search of the men responsible. A scorching portrait of a merciless world—of guilt and lost innocence, atonement and retribution, resilience and sacrifice, pregnant obsession and primal adolescence—*The Kept* introduces an old-beyond-his-years protagonist as indelible and heartbreaking as Mattie Ross of *True Grit* or Jimmy Blevins of *All the Pretty Horses*, as well as a shape-shifting mother as enigmatic and mysterious as a character drawn by Russell Banks or Marilynne Robinson.

The latest novel in the Will Trent series from No. 1 bestselling author, Karin Slaughter. A body is discovered in an empty Atlanta warehouse. It's the body of an ex-cop, and from the moment Special Agent Will Trent walks in he knows this could be the most devastating case of his career. Bloody footprints leading away from the scene reveal that another victim - a woman - has left the scene and vanished into thin air. And, worst of all, the warehouse belongs to the city's biggest, most politically-connected, most high-profile athlete - a local hero protected by the world's most expensive lawyers. A local hero Will has spent the last six months investigating on a brutal rape charge. But for Will - and also for Dr Sara Linton, the GBI's newest medical examiner - the case is about to get even worse. Because an unexpected discovery at the scene reveals a personal link to Will's troubled past. The consequences will wreak havoc on his life and the lives of those he loves, those he works with, and those he pursues. But Sara's scene-of-the-crime diagnosis is that they only have a few hours to find the missing woman before she bleeds out . . .