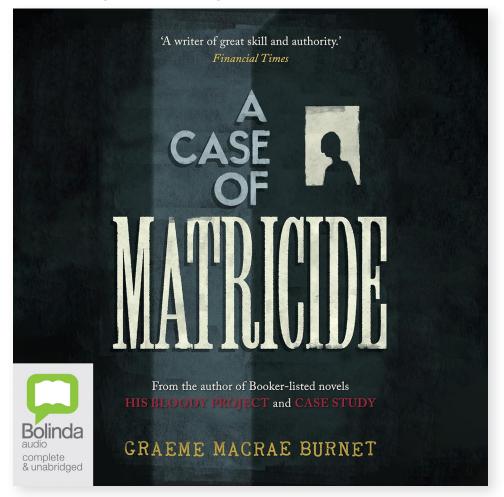


### A Case of Matricide

Georges Gorski #2

## **Georges Gorski**

Read by Geoffrey Breton



#### Adult New Release

Crime & Thriller | November 2024

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ex United States & Dependencies, Canada

# From the Booker–nominated author of Case Study and His Bloody Project comes the next thrilling adventure of Inspector Gorski.

In the unremarkable French town of Saint-Louis, a mysterious stranger stalks the streets; an elderly woman believes her son is planning to do away with her; a prominent manufacturer drops dead. Between visits to the town's hostelries, Chief Inspector Georges Gorski ponders the connections, if any, between these events, while all the time grappling with his own domestic and existential demons.

Graeme Macrae Burnet once again pierces the respectable bourgeois façade of small-town life in this, the concluding part of his trilogy of Gorski novels. He injects a wry humour into the tiniest of details and delves into the darkest recesses of his characters' minds, but above all provides an entertaining, profound and moving read.

Graeme Macrae Burnet is the author of *Case Study*, which was longlisted for the 2022 Booker Prize and shortlisted for the Ned Kelly International Crime Prize and for the Gordon Burn Prize

Burnet was named Author of the Year in the Sunday Herald Culture Awards 2017 and has appeared at festivals and events in the UK, Korea, Canada, the US, Russia, Estonia, Spain, France, Germany, China and quite a few other places

Burnet's other title *His Bloody Project* was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize 2016 and winner of the Saltire Fiction Book of the Year 2016 and the Vrij Nederland Thriller of the Year 2017

'A Case of Matricide is insightful, clever, brilliantly original and funny, succeeding in simultaneously providing a fantastic standalone read and an ingenious tying up of the Gorski trilogy.' – Sara Hunt, publisher at Saraband



#### Adult Previously Release

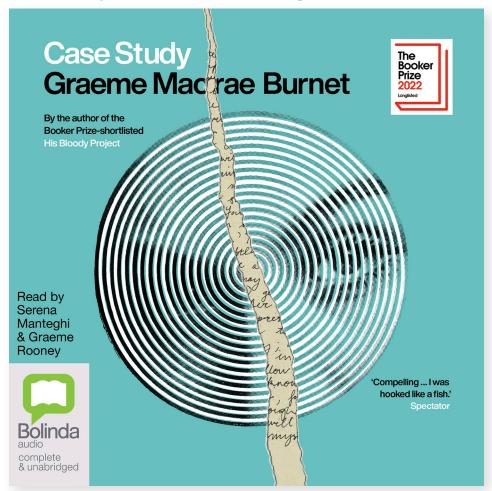
Historical Fiction | Backlist

World

ex United States & Dependencies, Canada

# **Case Study Graeme Macrae Burnet**

Read by Serena Manteghi & Graeme Rooney



I have decided to write down everything that happens, because I feel, I suppose, I may be putting myself in danger.

London, 1965. An unworldly young woman believes that a charismatic psychotherapist, Collins Braithwaite, has driven her sister to suicide. Intent on confirming her suspicions, she assumes a false identity and presents herself to him as a client, recording her experiences in a series of notebooks. But she soon finds herself drawn into a world in which she can no longer be certain of anything. Even her own character.

In Case Study, Graeme Macrae Burnet presents these notebooks interspersed with his own biographical research into Collins Braithwaite. The result is a dazzling – and often wickedly humorous – meditation on the nature of sanity, identity and truth itself, by one of the most inventive novelists writing today.

Case Study was shortlisted for the 2022 Gordon Burn Prize and was longlisted for the 2022 Booker Prize

Graeme Macrae Burnet is the author of *The Disappearance of Adèle Bedeau*, which received a New Writer's Award from the Scottish Book Trust and was longlisted for the Waverton Good Read Award

Burnet is also the author of *His Bloody Project*, which won the Saltire Society Fiction Book of the Year Award and was shortlisted for the Booker Prize and the LA Times Book Awards

'Encourages us to look more closely at the inherent instability of fiction itself ... genuinely affecting ... a very funny book.' – The Guardian

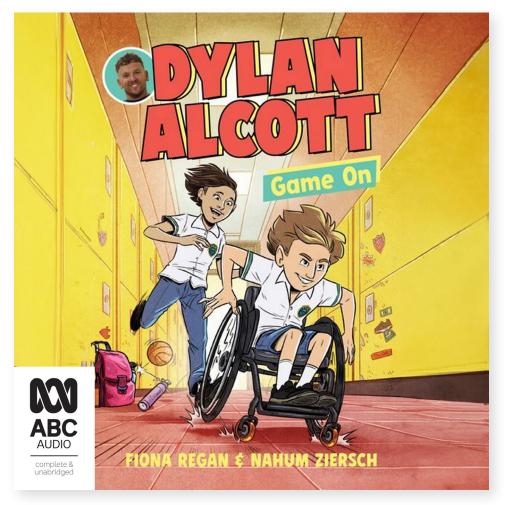


# **Dylan Alcott Game On**

Game On #1

# **Dylan Alcott & Fiona Regan**

Narrator to Come



#### Children's New Release

Children's Fiction | November 2024

Australia & New Zealand, Oceania

# A great middle-grade listen for all kids – fun, funny and relatable, just like Dylan.

My life so far has been pretty awesome. At home I've got a great family (sure, even my big brother, Jacob, when he's not being a total pain) and my pet legless lizard, Pogo (she can lick her own eyeballs, really). Then there are my friends Yusuf and Gemma, and my best mate, Hannah. In between there's coding, shooting hoops and mixing tracks.

Now it's time for something new - high school.

When old and new friends collide, a teacher called Grumps is on his tail, and the school talent show looks like turning into a real-life drama, 12-year-old Dylan discovers his family motto has never been more true – it's not all about you.

Dylan Alcott OAM is an Australian Paralympic gold medallist in two sports – wheelchair basketball and wheelchair tennis

Alcott is also a radio host, television personality, keynote presenter and motivational speaker, entrepreneur, music festival owner and philantropist

In 2017 Alcott founded the Dylan Alcott Foundation, which focuses on helping young Australians who feel marginalised because of their disability, fulfil their potential and achieve their dreams

Fiona Regan studied writing and editing and has worked as an editor on several kids series



#### Children's New Release

Children's Fiction | November 2024

Australia & New Zealand

# We Do Not Welcome Our Ten-Year-Old Overlord

Read by Thomas Larkin

**Garth Nix** 



From master storyteller Garth Nix comes the chilling story of a strange object that falls into the wrong hands and has the potential to destroy the world.

It's not fair. Kim's always lived in the shadow of his younger sister, Eila – which is not how it's supposed to be. Eila is a prodigy, and everyone talks about how smart she is but, in Kim's eyes, she has no common sense.

One day Kim and Eila are walking in the woods, and Eila finds an enigmatic, otherworldly object. Kim thinks it's bad news ... but Eila begins to commune with it. Kim has every reason to be worried, because soon Eila is able to control the minds of everyone around her – in ways she says is the best for everyone.

Kim needs to put his problem-solving mind to the ultimate test. How can he save his sister, and also save the world from the thing his sister has become and the forces she has unleashed?

Perfect for fans of Stranger Things and Neil Gaiman

Garth Nix is the New York Times bestselling author of the Old Kingdom series, a modern classic of fantasy literature that includes the novels Sabriel, Lireal, Abhorsen and Clariel

More than six million copies of Nix's titles have been sold around the world and his work has been translated into 42 languages

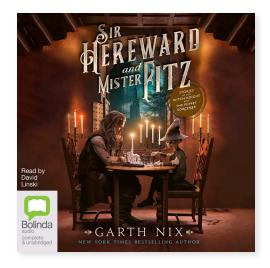
Nix has won multiple Aurealis Awards, the ABIA Award, the Ditmar Award, the Mythopoeic Award, CBCA Honour Book, and has been shortlisted for the Locus Awards, the Shirley Jackson Award and others

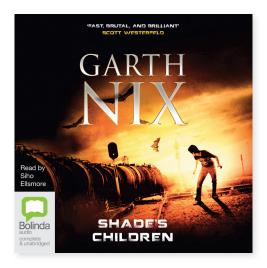
'The characters are so enjoyable ... Nix takes inspiration from classics and improves on them ... Great fun with heart.' – Kirkus Reviews, starred review (on Frogkisser!)

'A rollicking comic fantasy ...' - Publishers Weekly (on Frogkisser!)

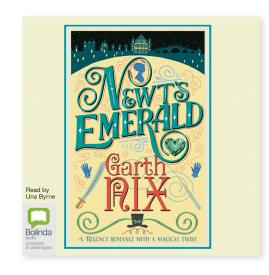


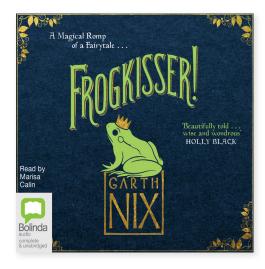
## **Garth Nix**









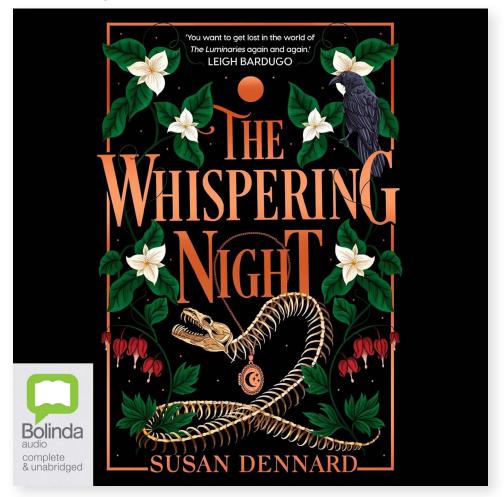


# **The Whispering Night**

The Luminaries #3

#### **Susan Dennard**

Read by Caitlin Davies



#### Adult New Release

Fantasy Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

The forest is more dangerous than ever as secrets are revealed in this highly-anticipated, swoon-worthy conclusion to the bestselling Luminaries trilogy.

Winnie Wednesday's future is looking bright. Hemlock Falls is no longer hunting the werewolf, she and Erica Thursday are tentative friends, and Winnie finally knows exactly where she stands with Jay Friday.

With everything finally on track, Winnie is looking forward to the Nightmare Masquerade, a week-long celebration of all things Luminary. But as Luminaries from across the world flock to the small town, uninvited guests also arrive.

Winnie is confronted by a masked Diana and charged with an impossible task – one that threatens everything and everyone Winnie loves.

As Winnie fights to stop new enemies before time runs out, old mysteries won't stop intruding. Her missing father is somehow entangled with her search for hidden witches, and as Winnie digs deeper into the long-standing war between the Luminaries and the Dianas, she discovers rifts within her own family she never could have imagined.

What does loyalty mean when family and enemies look the same?

Susan Dennard is the award-winning, New York Times bestselling author of the Witchlands series and the Something Strange and Deadly series

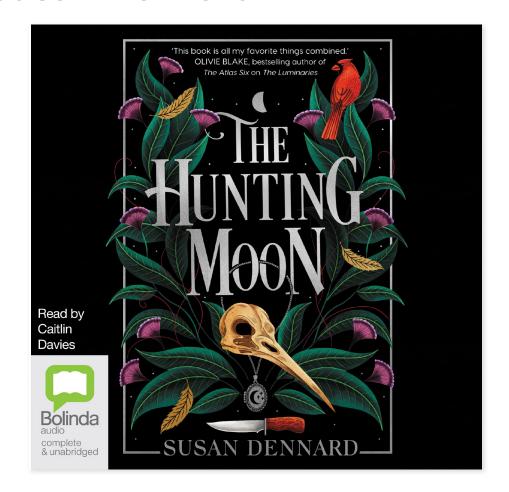
Dennard also runs the popular newsletter for writers, The Misfits & Daydreamers

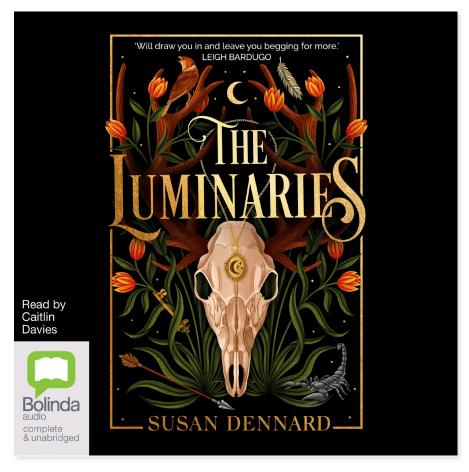
'Winnie Wednesday is the sort of outcast-turned-monster-hunter you can't help loving and rooting for.' – Marissa Meyer, New York Times bestselling author of The Lunar Chronicles (on The Luminaries)

'Prepare yourself accordingly – I devoured this in a single sitting.' – Marie Lu, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Warcross and The Young Elites (on The Luminaries)



### **Susan Dennard**





'This was such a fun read/listen (I listened on audible). Susan did an awesome job expanding the world building in this book. I found listening to the story engaging and easy to follow, and I loved Winnie's perspective of things.'

- 5 star Audible review, on *The Hunting Moon* 



#### Young Adult New Release

Contemporary Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

# The Glass Girl Kathleen Glasgow

Read by Gail Shalan



From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of Girl in Pieces comes a raw, heartwrenching story about a teenager facing down her struggles with alcohol – and the journey she must take to heal.

Everyone in 15-year-old Bella's life needs something from her. Her mum needs her to help around the house, her dad needs her to not make waves, her ex needs her to not be so much. The only person who never needed anything from her was her grandmother – and now she's dead.

There's only one thing that dulls the pressure: alcohol. Vodka, beer, peppermint schnapps – alcohol smooths the sharp edges of Bella's life. And what's the big deal? Everyone drinks. Besides, Bella can stop whenever she wants. But after she gets blackout drunk at a Thanksgiving party and wakes up in the hospital, it's time to face reality. And for Bella, reality means rehab.

Gorgeously written and deeply compassionate, Kathleen Glasgow's *The Glass Girl* is a candid exploration of the forces pushing young women toward addiction – and what it really takes to help them get better.

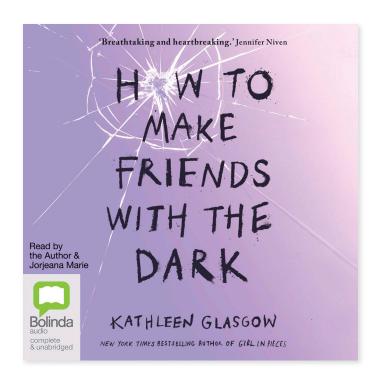
Kathleen Glasgow is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of Girl in Piece and How to Make Friends with the Dark

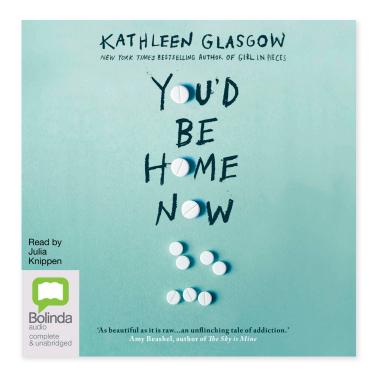
Glasgow is the co-author, with Liz Lawson, of the bestselling mystery series *The Agathas* Glasgow's works have been featured in *People Magazine*, *Publishers Weekly* and *Vanity Fair* 

'In true Kathleen Glasgow fashion, not only will this book absolutely wreck you in the best way possible, but it will open up conversations about something bigger.' – Cosmopolitan



### Kathleen Glasgow





'A beautiful and heartbreakingly realistic portrayal of addiction told through the voice of a family member. Thoughtfully written and well presented by the narrator. I will definitely listen to this audiobook again.'

- 5 star Audible review, on You'd Be Home Now



#### Children's New Release

Children's Fiction | November 2024

Australia & New Zealand, Oceania

## All the Beautiful Things Katrina Nannestad

Narrator to Come



Loyalty and love. Family and friendship.
Understanding and tolerance. Right and wrong.
Multi-award-winning Australian author Katrina
Nannestad explores it all in this thrilling and
powerful historical tale.

The Nazis want everyone to be the same. If you're different, you don't belong. Not belonging is dangerous ...

Anna's little sister, Eva, is frail and needs time to learn new things. She has a huge heart and a gift for loving, but Hitler doesn't value such riches. And so she's hidden away. Safe for now, but with the threat of discovery always near.

Anna does her best to bring joy and light to Eva's small life with stories, trinkets and treasures from the outside world. But soon, more children need hiding. Risks are taken – by Anna, by her best friend Udo, by a Nazi seamstress and feisty Brunhilde. Until Anna wonders if any of them will make it through the war ...

Katrina Nannestad is an award-winning Australian author. Her books include the CBCA-shortlisted *We Are Wolves*, The Travelling Bookshop series, the historical novel *Rabbit*, *Soldier, Angel, Thief* and many others

Nannestad's *Mim and the Baffling Bully* was the CBCA Notable Book 2022, and was shortlisted for the 2022 Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards and for the 2023 R.E.A.L./ KOALA Awards for Younger Readers

'A heartbreakingly beautiful and uplifting historical novel ... containing an emotionally rich narrative with big, complex themes, told in a way that's irresistibly immersive for middle-grade readers.' – Better Reading (on Silver Linings)



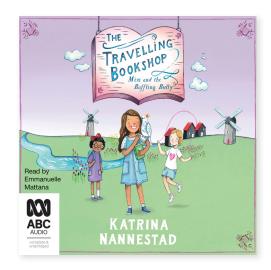
#### **Katrina Nannestad**











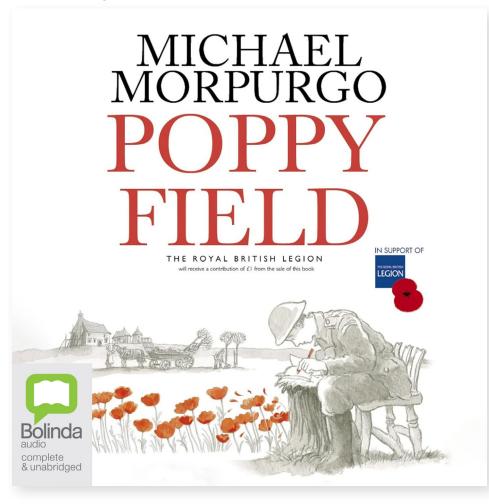
#### Children's New Release

Children's Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

# Poppy Field Michael Morpurgo

Read by the Author



# Award-winning author Michael Morpurgo tells an original story that explains the meaning behind the poppy.

In Flanders' fields, young Martens knows his family's story, for it is as precious as the faded poem hanging in their home. From a poor girl comforting a grieving soldier, to an unexpected meeting of strangers, to a father's tragic death many decades after treaties were signed, war has shaped Martens's family in profound ways – it is their history as much as any nation's.

They remember. They grieve. They honour the past.

Michael Morpurgo OBE is one of Britain's best loved authors for children, with sales of over 35 million copies

Morpurgo has written over 150 titles and has served as Children's Laureate

Morpurgo has won many prizes, including the Smarties Prize, the Writers Guild Award, the Whitbread Award, the Blue Peter Book Award and the Eleanor Farjeon Lifetime Achievement Award

'Poppy Field is a beautiful reminder of how thankful we should be for the bravery and sacrifice of previous generations.' – Tes magazine

'Inspired by John McCrae's war poem In Flanders Fields, this poignant story is ideal to share with young children to promote discussion about the impact of war and the nature of remembrance.' – BookTrust



# **Guilty Pleasures**

Romance | November 2024

Adult New Release

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter #1

### Laurell K. Hamilton

Read by Kimberly Alexis

**COVER COMING SOON Guilty Pleasures** Laurell K. Hamilton & unabridged

Meet Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter, in the first instalment of the #1 New York Times bestselling series that blends the genres of romance, horror and adventure with stunning panache.

Anita Blake is small, dark and dangerous. Her turf is the city of St Louis. Her job – reanimating the dead and killing the undead who take things too far. But when the city's most powerful vampire asks her to solve a series of vicious slayings, Anita must confront her greatest fear – her undeniable attraction to master vampire Jean-Claude, one of the creatures she is sworn to destroy ...

Laurell K. Hamilton is the author of the #1 New York Times bestselling Merry Gentry, Fey Detective series

With more than 40 novels published, Hamilton continues to create groundbreaking fiction inspired by her lifelong love of monster movies, ghost stories, mythology, folklore and things that go bump in the night

'Narrator Kimberly Alexis injects the right amount of sarcasm into Hamilton's Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter series. Blake is tough but not without phobias, traits that Alexis conveys skillfully.' – AudioFile (on Serpentine)

'Typical recent Anita Blake fare – exciting ... paranormal romantic adventure – that gets the job done for its intended audience.' – Kirkus Reviews (on Kiss the Dead)



#### Children's New Release

Children's Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

# Let It Glow

### Marissa Meyer & Joanne Levy

Read by Rebecca Soler & Gabi Epstein



A sweet and satisfying story about identical twin sisters separated at birth who meet by chance at tryouts for a holiday pageant, from *New York Times* bestselling author Marissa Meyer and award-winning author Joanne Levy.

When Aviva Davis and Holly Martin meet at the holiday pageant tryouts for their local senior's centre, they think they must be seeing double. While they both knew they were adopted, they had no idea they had a biological sibling, let alone an identical twin! The similarities are only skin deep, though, because while Aviva has a big personality and even bigger Broadway plans, Holly is more the quiet dreamer type who longs to become a famous author like her grandfather.

One thing the girls do have in common is their curiosity about how the other celebrates the holidays. What better way to discover the magic of the holidays than to experience them firsthand? The girls secretly trade lives, planning to stage a dramatic reveal to their families at the pageant. Two virtual strangers swapping homes, holidays and age-old traditions – what could possibly go wrong?

A Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

Marissa Meyer is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Lunar Chronicles, Heartless, The Renegades trilogy, Instant Karma and the Gilded duology

Meyer hosts *The Happy Writer* podcast, where she interviews authors on how to overcome various obstacles and bring more joy to the writing process

Joanne Levy is the author of *The Sun Will Come Out*, *Fish Out of Water*, *Bird Brain* and the award-winning *Sorry For Your Loss* 

'An enlightening, delicately hopeful, and beautifully rendered story.' – Quill & Quire (on Sorry for Your Loss)

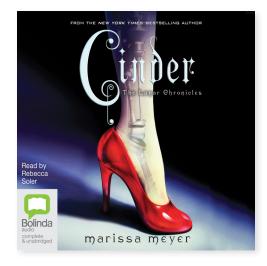


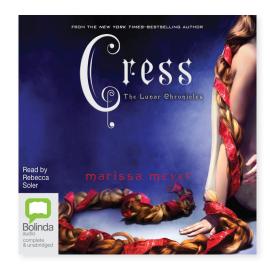
# **Marissa Meyer**



















### Your One Wild and Precious Life

Adult New Release

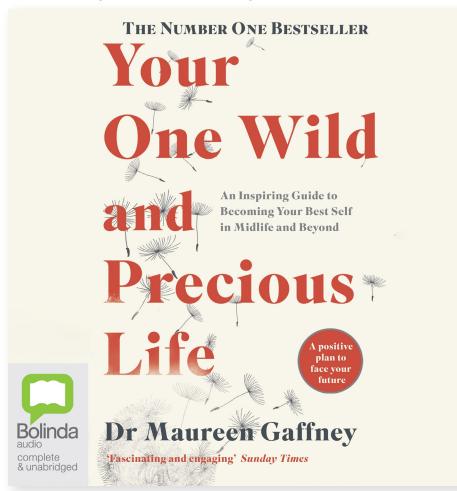
Lifestyle - Wellbeing | November 2024

World

An Inspiring Guide to Becoming Your Best Self at Any Age

**Dr Maureen Gaffney** 

Read by Niamh Daly



A ground-breaking new framework for embracing middle age and beyond, from the acclaimed psychologist and number one bestselling author of *Flourishing*.

Once you've got a few decades on the clock, life can seem sort of cross-roadsy. Once you're no longer thinking of yourself as 'young', you may be looking back, thinking 'How did I get here?' And also looking ahead, wondering: 'What do I do now?'

This realisation that neither time nor choices are limitless is both daunting and exciting. This is the moment to take stock and figure out how to make the best of every precious moment of the rest of your life. And to develop the tools to be able to do so again and again.

Your One Wild and Precious Life is an eye-opening account of this surprisingly liberating process. Using the latest ground-breaking research, leading psychologist Maureen Gaffney has written an inspiring and practical guide for getting to grips with time. Taking the key stages of our life – from infancy to old age – she explores what we learn at each stage. And, crucially, she explains how, no matter what has happened in the past, and what age you are, you can find a better route forward.

Your One Wild and Precious Life won the An Post Irish Book Award for Audience Choice 2021

Dr Maureen Gaffney is a leading clinical psychologist, writer and broadcaster. She is the author of award-winning, number 1 bestseller *Flourishing*, a guide to achieving a deeper sense of well-being, meaning and purpose

Gaffney continues to work as a consultant, specialising in leadership and organisational change, working with companies around the world to build strong, emotionally intelligent leadership and innovative and resilient work cultures



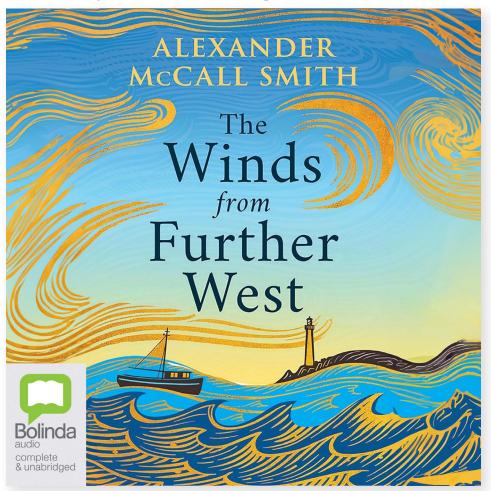
#### Adult New Release

Contemporary Fiction | November 2024

World ex United States & Dependencies, Canada

# The Winds from Further West Alexander McCall Smith

Read by James Rottger



From the world's favourite author of The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency, this story is about chance encounters; it is richly atmospheric and packed with compassion and humour.

Often a small and seemingly insignificant event can change the course of our lives.

Not long after starting a new job, Neil meets Chrissie. Romance soon blossoms and together they move to a lavish flat in Edinburgh. Everything seems to be falling into place perfectly.

But an innocuous, throw-away comment unintentionally causes Neil's career to collapse, and, at the same time, a cruel betrayal shatters the life he thought he knew.

His only option is to escape to the secluded, remote beauty of a breathtaking Hebridean island. Here, he finds a different way of life, and new friendships develop. But he can't escape the past forever, and soon he must confront a life-changing decision once more.

Alexander McCall Smith is one of the world's most prolific and best loved authors, whose title have been translated into 46 languages and become bestsellers throughout the world

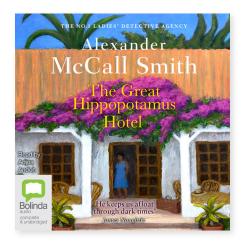
In 2015, Smith received the Bollinger Everyman Wodehouse Prize for Comic Fiction and in 2017, The National Arts Club of America Medal of Honor for Achievement in Literature

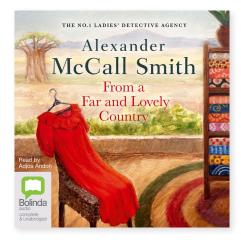
Smith is the author of the highly successful No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series, which has sold over 25 million copies

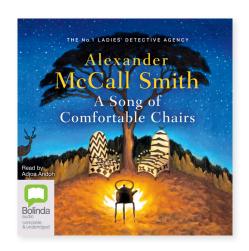
'McCall Smith's greatest gift as a writer – and God knows this is just one of many – is that he can write likeable characters.' – The New Statesman (on The Quiet Side of Passion)

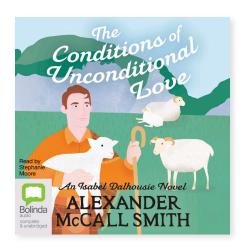


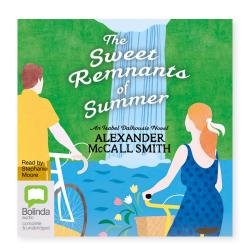
#### **Alexander McCall Smith**















# **The Games Gods Play**

The Crucible #1

# **Abigail Owen**

Narrator to Come



#### Adult New Release

Fantasy Fiction | November 2024

Every hundred years, the Greek gods toy with us mere mortals. And we let them ... until now. A Court of Thorns and Roses meets The Hunger Games meets Neon Gods in an alternate contemporary world where the gods of mythology never died.

I have never been favoured by the gods. Far from it, thanks to Zeus.

Living as a cursed office clerk for the Order of Thieves, I just keep my head down and hope the capricious beings who rule from Olympus won't notice me. Not an easy feat, given San Francisco is Zeus' patron city, but I make do. I survive. Until the night I tangle with a different god.

The worst god. Hades. For the first time ever, the ruthless, mercurial King of the Underworld has entered the Crucible – the deadly contest the gods hold to determine a new ruler to sit on the throne of Olympus. But instead of fighting their own battles, the gods name mortals to compete in their stead.

So why in the Underworld did Hades choose me as his champion? And why does my heart trip every time he says I'm his? I don't know if I'm a pawn, bait or something else entirely to this dangerously tempting god. How can I, when he has more secrets than stars in the sky? Because Hades is playing by his own rules ... and Death will win at any cost.

Abigail Owen is an award-winning author who writes NA/YA romantasy and paranormal romance

Owen's series include the Dominions Trilogy, the Inferno Rising, the Fire's Edge, the Brimstone, Inc., the Shadowcat Nation and the Svatura

Owen has a degree in English Rhetoric (Technical Writing) from Texas A&M University and an MBA from California State University-Sacramento

'A stunning and unique fantasy laced with intrigue, adventure, and a delicious romance. This story is my latest obsession!' – Devney Perry, author of the Haven River Ranch series



# Take This Woman Josephine Cox

Read by Sherry Baines



Take This Woman is a powerful saga about learning to put your past behind you in the pursuit of happiness, from bestselling author Josephine Cox.

Blackburn, 1947. In the tiny front parlour 14-year-old Laura Blake watches her beloved father die. But not before he tells her she will make something of her life. Laura never forgets his words. Yet her path to success proves to be a rocky one. Forced to trundle a cart around the back streets, selling other folk's cast-offs to support her family, Laura learns enough to start work in her uncle's furniture shop. But then fate deals another cruel blow when Laura is brutally raped. Bearing the child of her attacker in secret, she vows to make the world pay for its injustice towards her.

As she grows older her protective shell hardens even as her beauty blossoms, and her new toughness helps her forge a successful career in the antiques business. But it is in affairs of the heart that Laura stumbles, and before she can find fulfilment, she must learn to put the past behind her, and give as well as take.

Perfect for fans of Rosie Goodwin and Kitty Neale

Josephine Cox was an English author. Her books were frequently bestsellers and the UK Public Lending Rights figures often listed her in the top three borrowed authors

The author of more than 60 titles, written over a career which spanned three decades, Cox sold over 20 million copies of her family sagas, which combined romance and tragedy to dramatic, bestselling effect

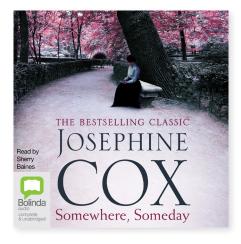
'Josephine Cox brings so much freshness to the plot, and the characters ... A Cookson by any other name.' – Birmingham Post (on A Little Badness)

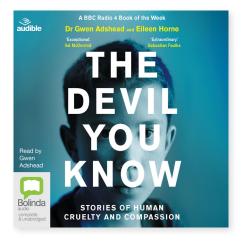
'Another top-notch saga from the hugely popular Josephine Cox, acclaimed by many readers as the "new" Catherine Cookson.' – Publishing News (on Rainbow Days)



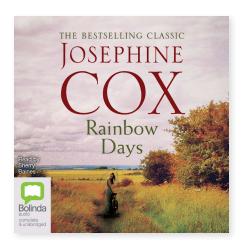
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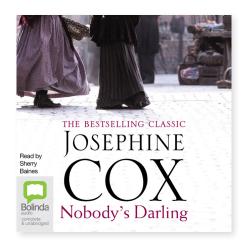














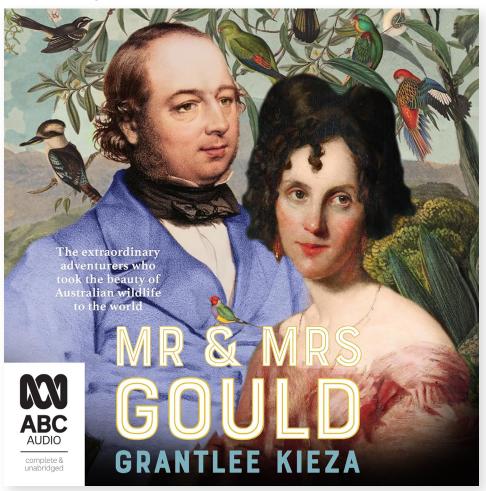




The Extraordinary Adventurers Who Took the Beauty of Australian Wildlife to the World

#### **Grantlee Kieza**

Read by Elizabeth Parisi



# The extraordinary true story about the life of Australia's greatest naturalists and explorers, from bestselling author Grantlee Kieza.

John and Elizabeth Gould sailed into Australia on a cold spring day in 1838 prepared for the most astonishing adventure of their lives. They had crossed three oceans from their London home to find the treasures of Australia's birdlife and showcase them to the outside world.

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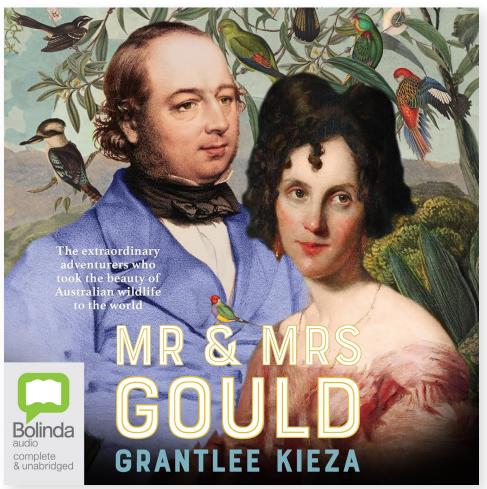
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The Extraordinary Adventurers Who Took the Beauty of Australian Wildlife to the World

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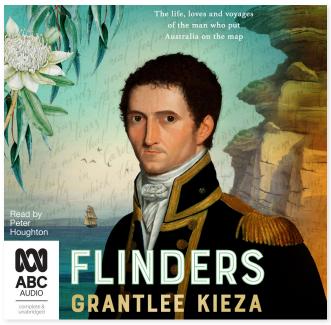
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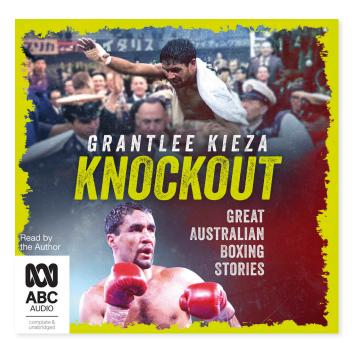


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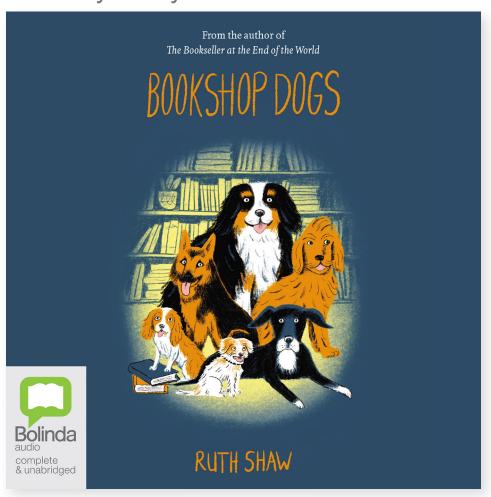
'Great narration, harrowing story. Viv should be a household name, and she is in our home.'

- 5 star Audible review, on Sister Viv



# **Bookshop Dogs**Ruth Shaw

Read by Emily Paddon-Brown



# Heartwarming and charming stories of dogs and books from the bestselling author of *The Bookseller at the End of the World*.

Dogs of all shapes and sizes visit Ruth Shaw's three wee bookshops in Manapōuri in the far south of Aotearoa New Zealand. Local dogs, holiday house dogs, travelling dogs – many have great stories, be they funny, sad, strange, bemusing, quirky or sweet.

Woven throughout are tales of the very special Hunza, the dog who worked with troubled teens alongside Shaw when she was a youth worker.

This is a window into the wonderful world of Shaw and her generous love of people, books and dogs.

Perfect for dog-lovers and book fans

Ruth Shaw's first memoir, *The Bookseller at the End of the World*, has become a critically acclaimed national and international treasure and has been translated into Italian, Dutch, German, Turkish and Chinese

'She maintains a spunky and positive voice, producing a delightful and fascinating memoir.' – Booklist (on The Bookseller at the End of the World)

'An extraordinary story.' – Shaun Bythell, author of *The Diary of a Bookseller* (on *The Bookseller at the End of the World*)

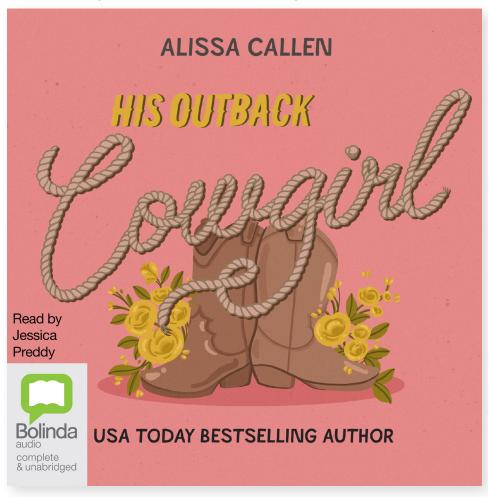


# **His Outback Cowgirl**

Wildflower Ranch #2

#### Alissa Callen

Read by Jessica Preddy



# Don't miss another sweet romance in the Wildflower Ranch series, from *USA Today* bestselling author Alissa Callen.

Australian cowgirl Bridie Willis travels to Montana to escape the pain of losing her father. Headstrong and determined, she plans to spend the summer alone photographing wild animals. Instead she finds herself saddled with a stubborn cowboy as a back-country guide.

Ethan Morgan has been shaped by a childhood spent on the run. Cautious, steady and conservative, he is tasked with ensuring the beautiful, risk taking cowgirl doesn't ditch him or come to any harm.

But the biggest challenge Ethan must face is to accept how Bridie makes him feel. And the biggest risk Bridie must take is to trust in her heart.

Alissa Callen is a *USA Today* bestselling author, whose books are characteristically heartwarming, authentic and character driven

Callen is the author of the Bundilla series and the Woodlea series

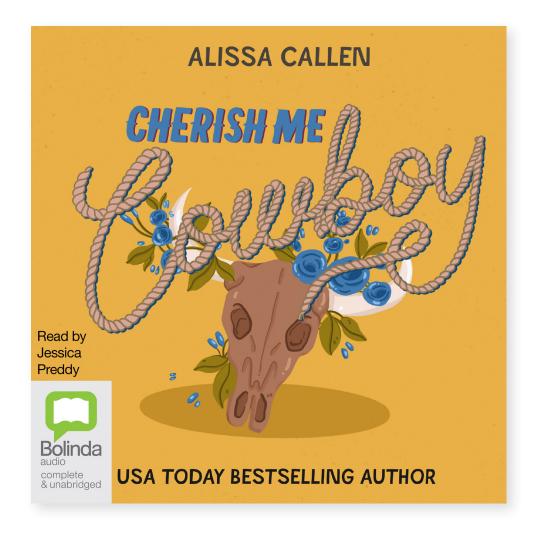
Callen's Snowy Mountains Daughter won the Australian Romance Readers Awards for Favourite Australian-set romance in 2021

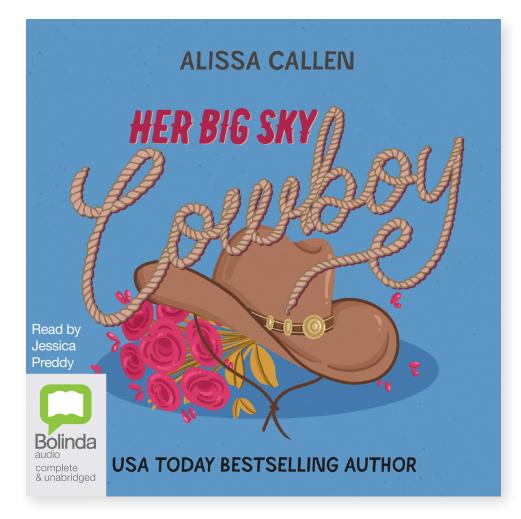
'His Outback Cowgirl by Alissa Callen is a story about living life when grief can make you feel like living won't happen for you ever again. Take a moment, grab some tissues and curl up to clear your soul.' – Harlequin Junkie

'A delightfully charming rural story about love and healing.' – Better Reading (on Snowy Mountains Promise)



### Alissa Callen







# **A Thousand Wasted Sundays**

Adult New Release

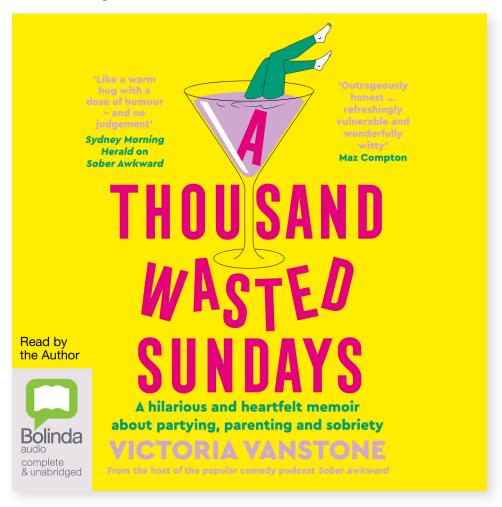
Memoirs | November 2024

World ex Australia & New Zealand

# A Hilarious and Heartfelt Memoir about Partying, Parenting and Sobriety

#### **Victoria Vanstone**

Read by the Author



#### A party girl with a socially acceptable bingedrinking habit swaps glitter boobs for mum shorts in this hilarious and heartfelt memoir.

Victoria Vanstone grew up in 1980s England in a happy home full of laughter, booze and a disturbing amount of fancy-dress parties. From her youthful days downing cheap wine at the local park to dodging disastrous relationships and a messy run-in with a firework, her reliable mate alcohol was never far from reach.

Eventually, Victoria found herself in Australia with a husband and a child on the way. After sobering up for her first pregnancy, becoming a boring, bottom-wiping, cleaning machine meant she soon returned to her binge-drinking ways, and had to grapple anew with the habits and beliefs that had gone unchecked since childhood.

Can a party girl put down the pint glass for good?

Incredibly funny and highly relatable, A Thousand Wasted Sundays is for anyone that has ever had a close encounter of the drinking kind. For fans of Rosie Waterland, Judith Lucy, Dolly Alderton and Adam Kay.

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'Weaves humour with heart ... leaves you not only questioning your relationship with alcohol, but also your relationship with yourself.' – William Porter, author of Alcohol Explained

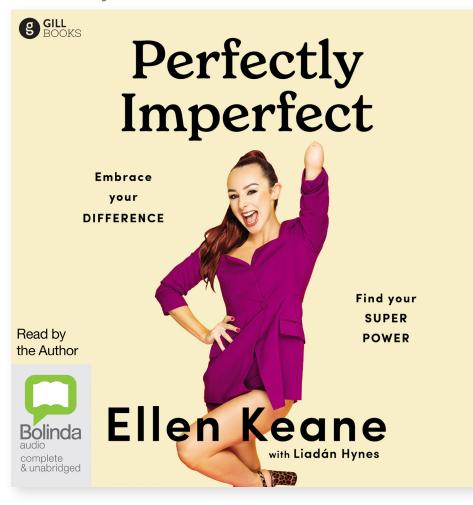


# **Perfectly Imperfect**

Embrace Your Difference, Find Your Superpower

## Ellen Keane & Liadán Hynes

Read by the Author



#### Embrace your authentic self with Paralympic champion and Dancing with the Stars finalist, Fllen Keane.

Learn to love your imperfect, messy self just as you are.

Ellen Keane spent most of her teens extremely uncomfortable with her limb difference and battling to hide her insecurities. It was only when she embraced her difference that she found her superpower. She started to believe in her unique abilities and gradually find the success that she had never dreamed possible.

Perfectly Imperfect is for anyone struggling to accept who they are. With anecdotes from her own life, practical advice and good-natured humour, Keane challenges you to let go of waiting until everything is perfect and instead embrace your imperfections and accept who you are, flaws and all. It might just change your life.

Ellen Keane is a Paralympic award-winner; her medals include gold in the 100-metre breaststroke at the 2020 Paralympics in Tokyo

In 2022 Keane reached the final of Dancing with the Stars on RTÉ One. She is the recipient of a Lord Mayor of Dublin Award

Liadán Hynes is a journalist and bestselling author of How to Fall Apart and Courting. She is the host of the podcast How to Fall Apart

'Perfectly Imperfect is a joyful and inspiring story of self-love and celebrating differences no matter what obstacles seem to exist alongside them. With the hard-won lessons and good-natured humour of a beloved big sister, Ellen shares advice, anecdotes and reader check-ins to encourage acceptance, empowerment and authenticity in us all.' - Image

'Inspiring for everyone.' - Irish Examiner



# **The Laughing Corpse**

Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter #2

#### Laurell K. Hamilton

Read by Kimberly Alexis

**COVER COMING SOON** The Laughing Corpse Laurell K. Hamilton & unabridged

#### Adult New Release

Paranormal Romance | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

Raising the dead is an ordinary part of Anita's job, but all the money in the world isn't enough for her to take on a job that requires murder. Somebody else did, though, and it's up to her to stop it ...

Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter for Animators, Inc., is offered a cool mil to raise a 283-year-old corpse. But she knows that the older the zombie, the bigger the death needed to raise it. Only a human sacrifice is 'big' enough to raise this old soul – and Anita's no murderer.

Now, a creature from beyond the grave is tearing a swath of murder through St. Louis. And Anita will learn that there are some secrets better left buried – and some people better off dead ...

Laurell K. Hamilton is the author of the #1 New York Times bestselling Merry Gentry, Fey Detective series

With more than 40 novels published, Hamilton continues to create groundbreaking fiction inspired by her lifelong love of monster movies, ghost stories, mythology, folklore and things that go bump in the night

'Narrator Kimberly Alexis injects the right amount of sarcasm into Hamilton's Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter series. Blake is tough but not without phobias, traits that Alexis conveys skillfully.' – AudioFile (on Serpentine)

'Typical recent Anita Blake fare – exciting ... paranormal romantic adventure – that gets the iob done for its intended audience.' – Kirkus Reviews (on Kiss the Dead)

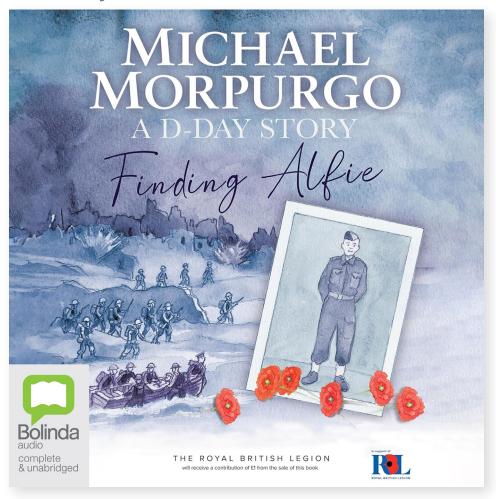


# **Finding Alfie**

A D-Day Story

# Michael Morpurgo

Read by the Author



#### Children's New Release

Children's Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

On the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings, award-winning author Michael Morpurgo tells a new story about this milestone moment in British history.

Aunty Iris always treasured her small painting of a boat, painted by her close friend Alfie many years before. Her nephew, Michael, is inspired to try and find out what actually happened to Alfie in World War II. He embarks on a journey that takes him across the Channel into France, learning a profound lesson along the way about service and the surprising power of memory.

This powerful audiobook is perfect for the whole family to share and remember.

Michael Morpurgo OBE is one of Britain's best loved authors for children, with sales of over 35 million copies

Morpurgo has written over 150 titles and has served as Children's Laureate

Morpurgo has won many prizes, including the Smarties Prize, the Writers Guild Award, the Whitbread Award, the Blue Peter Book Award and the Eleanor Farjeon Lifetime Achievement Award

'A beautiful reminder of how thankful we should be for the bravery and sacrifice of previous generations.' – Tes magazine (on Poppy Field)

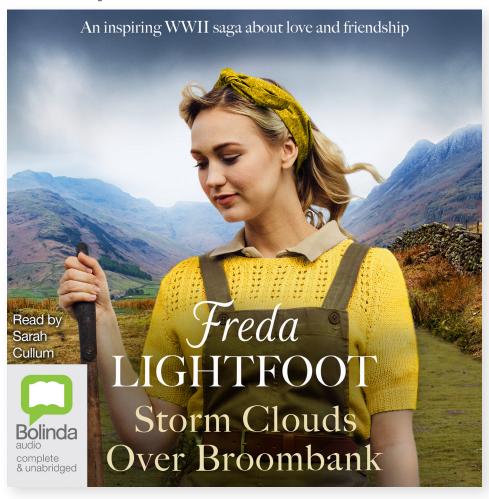
'This poignant story is ideal to share with young children to promote discussion about the impact of war and the nature of remembrance.' – BookTrust (on Poppy Field)



Luckpenny Land #2

# Freda Lightfoot

Read by Sarah Cullum



# A heartwarming story of love and loyalty, from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Freda Lightfoot.

As she struggles to find her feet with her work, new problems emerge ...

Meg Turner is finally doing the job she loves, but life as a sheep farmer proves tougher than she anticipated. She is a woman trying to prove herself in a man's world against the backdrop of a brutal war.

With her faith being tested in her work, she also fears that the man she loves will betray her again. Meg struggles to allow herself to love baby Lissa when her mother may return to claim her at any moment.

Meanwhile, Kath faces new challenges in the WAAF, but cannot stop thinking about her child. Can she ever get over the guilt of leaving her child behind?

Perfect for fans of Anna Jacobs and Rosie Harris

Freda Lightfoot has penned more than 48 novels, the most of which are historical fiction and sagas. Some of her most well-known works include the Salford, Lakeland, Champion Street Market and Poor House Lane series

Lightfoot has been a teacher, bookseller in the Lake District, then a smallholder and began her writing career publishing short stories and articles before finding her vocation as a novelist

'Compelling and fascinating.' - Middlesborough Evening Gazette (on The Favourite Child)

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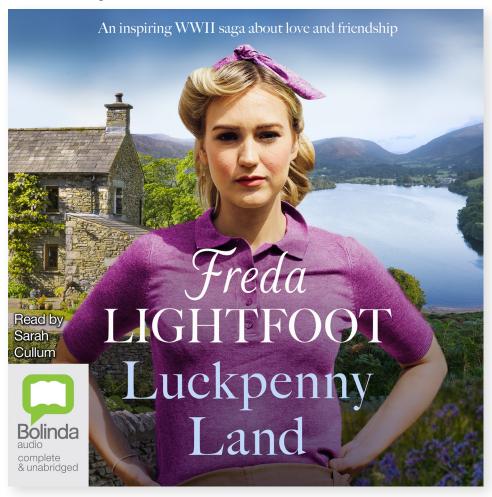


# **Luckpenny Land**

Luckpenny Land #1

# Freda Lightfoot

Read by Sarah Cullum



#### From Sunday Times bestselling author Freda Lightfoot comes an inspiring WWII saga about love and friendship set in the Lake District.

Can she overcome her family's doubts to achieve her dream?

Med Turner has a hard life. She lives on a lonely farm in the Lake District and her only company is her bully of a father and her brother, who resents her. They want to keep her at home, but Meg is desperate for more.

She finds comfort in her best friend, Kath, and Lanky Lawson, who is more of a father figure to her than her own. Her true source of hope though, is Lanky's son, Jack, who she loves and hopes to marry one day. However, as war looms on the horizon and the world is thrown into chaos. Meg realises that the only thing she can really count on is the land she loves. She throws herself into tending the farm, but when a stranger arrives in the dale, her world will change forever.

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### **Over Bethnal Green**

East End Sagas #2

# Sally Worboyes

Read by Rose Riley



#### A heartbreaking wartime saga from Sally Worboyes, author of *Down Stepney Way* and At the Mile End Gate.

If they survive the war, will their marriage?

Jessie Warner has married Tom Smith and their baby is almost due. Settling down into their new home in Bethnal Green, Jessie looks forward to her new life – even though Tom is continually getting into mischief that borders on the downright criminal. When war begins and Tom is called up almost at once, Jessie is left to cope with the baby alone.

Meanwhile Jessie's twin, Hannah, has been recruited to help at Bletchley Park. Immersed in her work decoding German messages, she has no idea of Jessie's increasing desperation.

Jessie struggles with the harsh realities of caring for a new baby during wartime and worries for her husband. When a friend from her past re-enters her life, offering some much-needed support, will she rethink her future?

A gripping historical saga perfect for fans of Jean Fullerton and Margaret Dickinson

Sally Worboyes has written several plays which have been broadcast on Anglia Television and Radio Four. She also adapted her own play and novel, Wild Hops, as a musical, The Hop Pickers

'Sizzles with passion.' - Guardian (on Wild Hops)

'She brings the East End to Life.' - Barbara Windsor

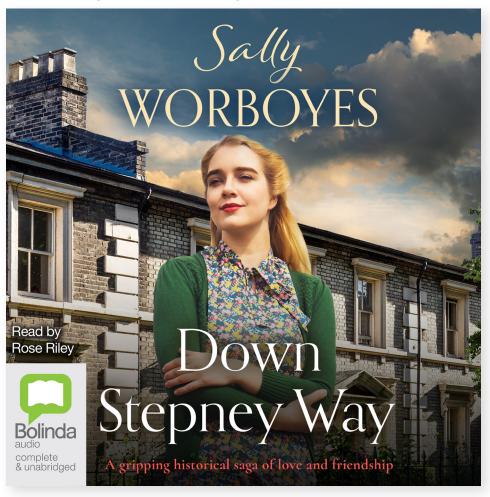


## **Down Stepney Way**

East End Sagas #1

# Sally Worboyes

Read by Rose Riley



#### A compelling family saga from author Sally Worboyes, perfect for fans of Ruth Hamilton and Rosie Hendry.

Blackshirts march through the East End in 1930s London and the Jewish community is under threat of violence. In the midst of this, Jessie Warner discovers a family secret and turns to her mother for answers - but she is met with silence.

Over in Bethnal Green, Hannah Blake reluctantly joins the Blackshirts, forced by her coldhearted mother to do so. Next-door neighbour Emmie Smith looks on, wishing she could tell Hannah the truth about her family and provide her with hope for a brighter future.

Meanwhile, Emmie's son Tom, chipper and handsome, has fallen for Jessie Warner who he is desperate to bring home. Their lives intertwine and soon, so do their secrets ...

What will happen when the truth finally comes out?

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Worboyes's titles include Over Bethnal Green, At the Mile End Gate and Keep on Dancing 'Unbridled passions run riot.' - Daily Mail (on Wild Hops)



### **Real Conversations**

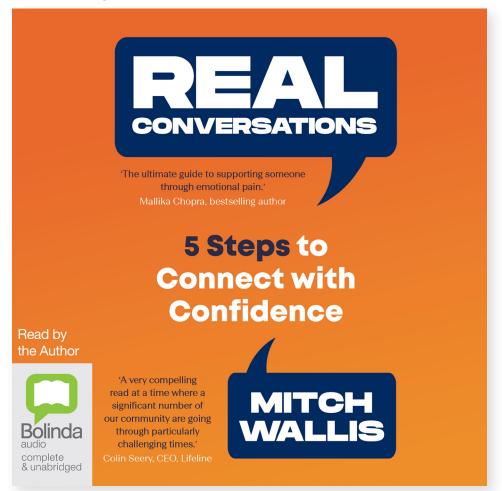
Lifestyle - Wellbeing | November 2024

Adult New Release

World ex North American

5 Steps to Connect with Confidence Mitch Wallis

Read by the Author



A guide to how to properly speak to and connect with the people around you, from a leader in the wellbeing space and founder of the Heart On My Sleeve global movement.

Healthy relationships are the heartbeat of life – research tells us the number-one thing that keeps us happy is who we have around us. The best way to improve your own life, and the lives of others, is to invest in your ability to connect. But so often, when the people around us experience emotional pain, we don't know how to support them.

You may be a parent supporting your child with anxiety, a partner supporting your spouse with depression or addiction, a manager trying to support your employee through grief, a co-worker supporting your teammate with relationship issues, a friend supporting a loved one through financial stress or a teacher supporting a student being bullied.

If you can see yourself in any of these situations, this audiobook is for you. Like the tens of thousands of people Mitch Wallis has trained over the years through his Real Conversations workshops, you will learn from an evidence-based five-step framework; Engage, Listen, Safety, Action and Boundaries.

Real Conversations will help you to form unprecedented trust and closeness in your most important relationships, without hurting yourself in the process.

Mitch Wallis is most well known as the founder of Heart on My Sleeve, a mental health movement that encourages people to connect through vulnerability

Wallis is also the creator of Real Conversations, an interpersonal relationship program that builds psychological safety in workplaces, families and schools by embedding emotionally intelligent communication skills

Wallis has appeared in wellbeing campaigns by the likes of Allianz and LinkedIn, and featured in media outlets including the Huffington Post and Channel 10's The Project

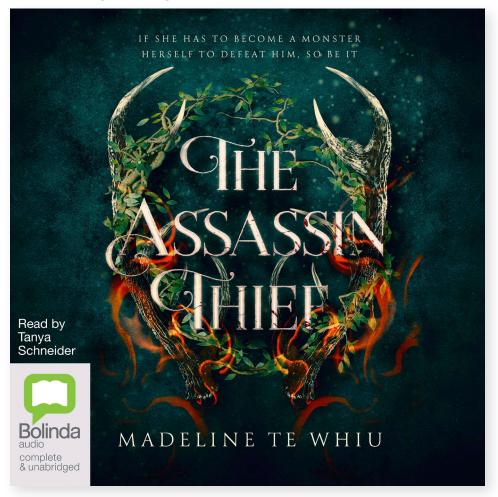


#### The Assassin Thief

The Soul Thief #1

#### **Madeline Te Whiu**

Read by Tanya Schneider



#### Adult New Release

Fantasy Fiction | November 2024

World ex United States & Dependencies, Canada

## In this gripping story, debut author Madeline Te Whiu creates an unforgettable world rife with grave secrets and suspenseful romance.

Betrayed by her queen. Haunted by her gifts. Forgotten by her people.

Telium was once the most feared assassin in all Alkoria. Now she lives out her days in exile as she fights for dominance over her dark gifts.

But all that changes when an errant Fae warrior enters her domain. Drawn by rumours of a powerful being said to be borne from the shadow of the dark goddess Tenebris.

With their kingdoms on the brink of chaos, he calls for her aid in his mission to defeat the Mad Fae King and prevent an all-out war.

But the road to the Fae capital of Meannthe is a long one, and haunted by memories of her past, Telium must decide if she can risk losing dominance over the darkness in her soul.

Te Whiu's title *The Assassin Thief* was shortlisted for the Western Australian Premier's Book Awards 2023

Madeline Te Whiu is a debut author publishing the first of her The Soul Thief trilogy

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#### The Soul Thief

The Soul Thief #2

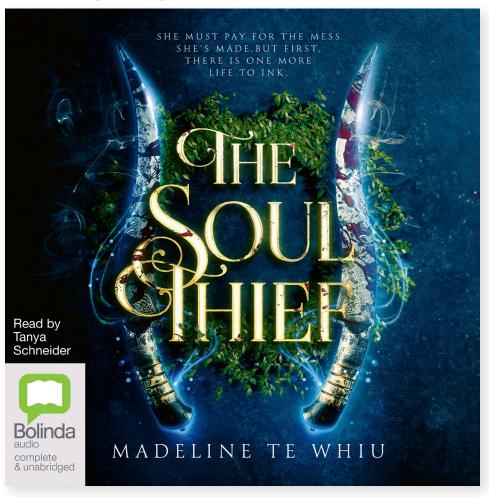
Fantasy Fiction | November 2024

Adult New Release

World ex United States & Dependencies, Canada

## Madeline Te Whiu

Read by Tanya Schneider



## In the thrilling second instalment, Madeline Te Whiu returns us to a world of heartbreak, deadly power and treacherous betrayal.

A vengeful queen. A soul-tethered bond. A new evil rising.

Telium's greatest mistake has cost her more than she can bear. With the revered King of Thresiel dead, the fragile balance between kingdoms is crumbling, and she may be too broken to stop it.

Now, the mission she lost everything to prevent is resurging. Her traitorous lover is gone, and someone far more menacing has stepped in to take his place.

Forced before an unforgiving queen to pay for her crimes, Telium is ordered to stop the rising rebellion.

With her soul bonded to another, Telium faces a world of corruption, fickle gods and well-buried secrets. She must bargain with her life to protect her people, whatever the cost.

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'A perfect blend and pace of romance and action with an appropriately heart-racing finale.'

– Writing WA (on The Assassin Thief)



#### The Queen Thief

The Soul Thief #3

#### **Madeline Te Whiu**

Read by Tanya Schneider



#### Adult New Release

Fantasy Fiction | November 2024

World ex United States & Dependencies, Canada

## In this triumphant conclusion, Madeline Te Whiu takes us on a whirlwind of action, adventure and steamy romance.

Telium is playing a deadly game, risking everything she knows and holds dear. The cities, the temples, even the Goddess's hang in the balance. She is running out of hands to play, Alkoria the losing bet.

She has fought rebellions, killed kings and broken queens, but nothing will prepare her for her final battle. With her newfound family by her side, and the threat to her people, Telium suddenly has everything to lose. And as the game becomes far more perilous, inconceivable players come forth from the shadows.

Telium must push herself to her limit and dig deep into a past with secrets may destroy her. With a command branded on her soul, she will bargain with the Underrealm, usurp the balance, and become more vicious than ever to save her people. But she cannot predict the power play that will shake the very foundations of Alkoria.

In a desperate fight to save her people, Telium will risk it all. She is sure to discover that the only thing guaranteed in war ... is death.

Madeline Te Whiu is a veterinary nurse residing in Perth, Western Australia, whose passion for books began when she was growing up in rural South Australia

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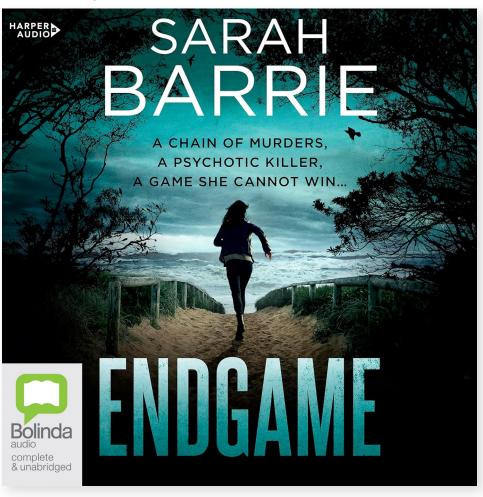
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## **Endgame**

Lexi Winter #4

#### Sarah Barrie

Read by Cecelia Ramsdale



Vigilante turned cop Lexi Winter is drawn into the investigation of a chain of apparently random murders, in this breathtakingly fast-paced and compulsively gripping crime thriller from bestselling Australian author Sarah Barrie.

Lexi Winter is studying for her detective exams, but her nemesis Vaughn is out there somewhere, and her concentration is fractured. Just as she's wondering if her hypervigilance is tipping over into madness, Vaughn resurfaces and issues a challenge. Five people will be dead by the end of the month. If Lexi can identify and save the last one before the deadline, he'll turn himself in.

As Lexi's colleagues scramble to untangle what it all means, Lexi is implicated deeper and deeper into the murders. On top of this, she begins to see a strange figure everywhere she goes. Branded as suffering from PTSD, Lexi's credibility is in tatters with her colleagues, but Lexi knows it isn't her mind that is the problem. A wicked game is afoot, and Lexi is just a chess piece in play – and she suspects that checkmate will mean her death. There is only one thing that Lexi can do – play along, wait for the chance to strike back and bring about the endgame ...

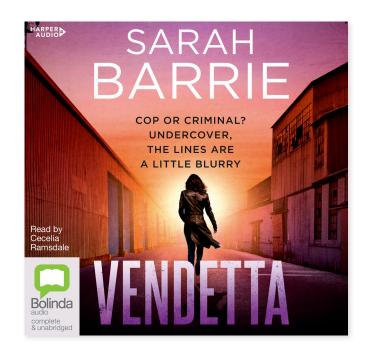
Sarah Barrie is the author of several titles, including her bestselling debut *Secrets of Whitewater Creek*, the Hunters Ridge trilogy and the Calico Mountain trilogy

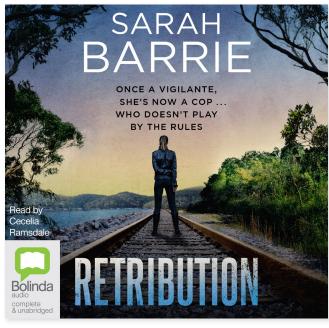
Barrie has finaled in several major awards, twice in the RUBY, the Romance Writers of Australia's premier award and three times in *The Australian* Romance Readers Award for favourite Romantic Suspense

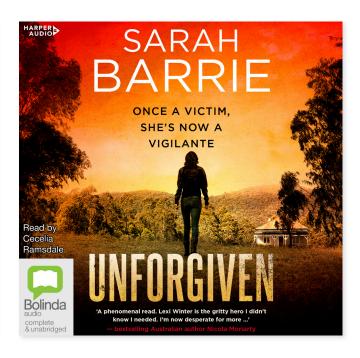
'Phenomenal. Lexi Winter is the gritty hero I didn't know I needed ... I'm now desperate for more.' – Nicola Moriarty, bestselling author of The Fifth Letter (on Unforgiven)



#### Sarah Barrie







'Another Lexie Winter story that draws you in and makes it impossible to stop listening!! Twists and turns that keep you guessing with every new chapter.'

- 5 star Audible review, on Vendetta



### **Bravepaw and the Heartstone of Alluria**

Children's New Release

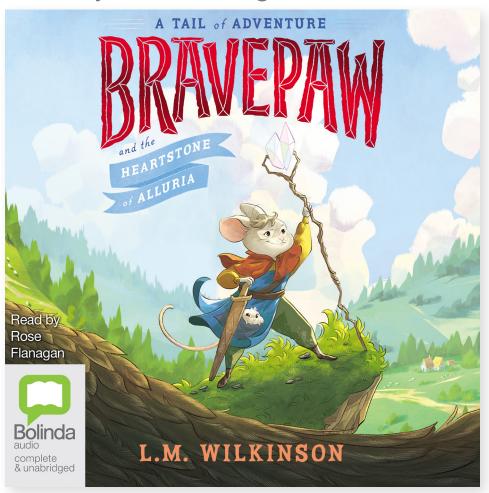
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British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

Bravepaw #1

#### L.M. Wilkinson

Read by Rose Flanagan



Can one gallant mouse find the Heartstone and save her homeland from destruction? Find out in this epic adventure full of magic and prophecy, quests, heroism and loyal friendship from award-winning author L.M. Wilkinson.

Brought up on tales of the gallant mouse hero Bravepaw, Titch has always dreamed of adventure, but she never thought it would actually happen to her. Afterall, she is nobody special. She is the smallest mouse in her family, living in a peaceful little village where nothing exciting ever happens.

When dire trouble comes to the Plateau, Titch and her best friend Huckleberry must set out on a dangerous quest to take the Heartstone to the heart of Alluria, and repair the crack in the sky before the whole world breaks apart. Can Titch ever hope to live up to the legend of Bravepaw?

L.M. Wilkinson is the award-winning author of 20 books for children and teenagers, including *A Hunger of Thorns*, *Deep is the Fen* and *How to Make a Pet Monster* 

Wilkinson helped establish InsideADog.com.au and The Inky Awards – Australia's first national teen choice award – at the State Library of Victoria's Centre for Youth Literature

Wilkinson received her PhD in Creative Writing from the University of Melbourne

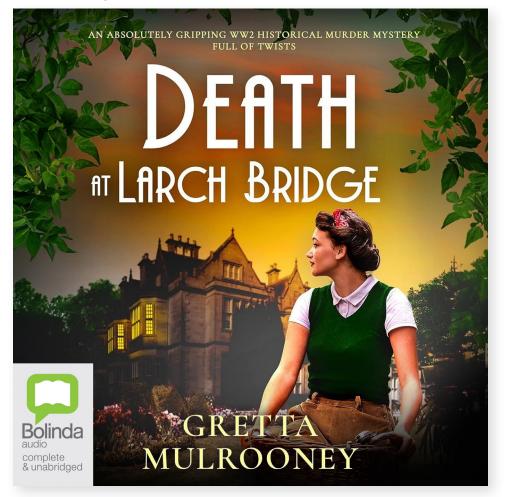


## **Death at Larch Bridge**

Daisy Moore Mysteries #2

### **Gretta Mulrooney**

Read by Emma Noakes



### Adult New Release

Crime & Thriller | November 2024

World

# Discover a gripping WWII historical murder mystery full of twists, from bestselling author Gretta Mulrooney.

Even in peacetime, death is just around the corner.

A mysterious letter. A brutal murder on a lonely country lane. A town full of suspects.

Oxfordshire, 1946. Lieutenant Ronnie Carpenter and his wife check into their chintzy room at the Dolphin Hotel. Then Ronnie steps out for some air. Never to return. He's only just checked in. Now he's vanished without a trace.

The next morning, Ronnie's body is found, slumped in the passenger seat of a stolen car, abandoned on Broadmeadow Farm. A bullet through his head.

Dolphin manageress Daisy Moore can't help but be drawn into the investigation. Especially when Ronnie's long-suffering wife comes crying to her for help. She tells Daisy she feels lost without him. Simply devastated. But Daisy can't shake the feeling that her tears are all for show.

Daisy soon finds herself on a wild goose chase, searching for the truth. Every new lead comes to a dead end. The deeper she digs into Ronnie's secrets, the more dirt she finds. Can she uncover the killer before anyone else dies?

Perfect for fans of Agatha Christie, Faith Martin, Anthony Horowitz, Jacqueline Winspear and Elly Griffiths

Gretta Mulrooney is the author of *Death at the Dolphin*, which was longlisted for the 2023 CWA Historical Dagger award

Mulrooney has been published for over 25 years; children's books, short stories, literary fiction which won critical acclaim and crime fiction

Mulrooney has written novels featuring a London based private detective, Tyrone Swift. She has also started a new police-based series featuring DI Siv Drummond, set in the fictional Sussex town of Berminster



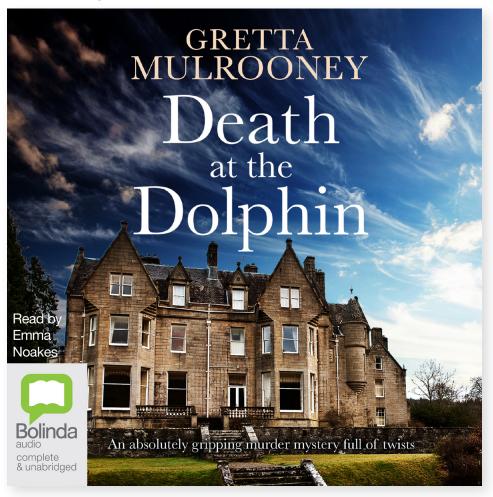
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## **Death at the Dolphin**

Daisy Moore Mysteries #1

### **Gretta Mulrooney**

Read by Emma Noakes



#### From bestselling author Gretta Mulrooney comes an utterly charming whodunnit full of red herrings set in fascinating post-war England.

London, VE Day, 1945.

Twenty-four-year-old Daisy Moore is at a crossroads. Racked with guilt over her mother's tragic death in a house fire, she needs a job and somewhere to live.

She's offered a lifeline, working at the Dolphin Hotel in the quiet Oxfordshire village of Fernfield. It's a huge change after her exciting secret wartime work in London. Though the villagers aren't keen on outsiders - or young women who speak their mind. But when a body is found in one of the hotel bedrooms, Daisy must use all her skills to help find the murderer.

Lucinda Laidlaw was a pacifist who lived with an Austrian Jewish refugee. And someone bashed in her skull with one of the hotel's trademark stone dolphin ornaments.

Wounded war veteran Inspector Thaxted makes Felix Koller his number one suspect. Felix is the beneficiary of Lucinda's will. But Daisy's not so sure he's the killer. And someone will do anything to stop Daisy finding out the truth.

Gretta Mulrooney has been published for over 25 years; children's books, short stories, literary fiction which won critical acclaim and crime fiction

'Mulrooney's novel features characters who are so strong and language so vivid that readers will be riveted to her storytelling.' - Publishers Weekly, (on Marble Heart)

'Mulrooney has a real gift for dialogue ... I loved it.' - Time Out, (on Araby)

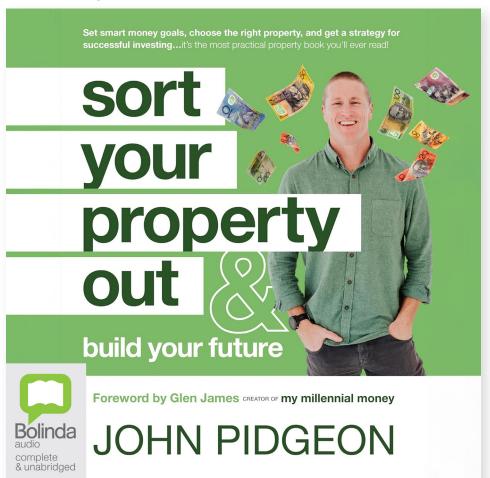


## **Sort Your Property Out**

And Build Your Future

John Pidgeon

Read by Victor Gralak



#### Adult New Release

Business & Finance | November 2024

World

A comprehensive guide for buying property and building an investment portfolio in a responsible, sustainable way.

There's so much more to investing in property than having a double-digit property portfolio. Whether you're a home buyer, a beginner or a seasoned investor, *Sort Your Property Out* will revolutionise the way you think about property. When it comes to building lifelong financial security, property investing is about being creative and being prepared. In *Sort Your Property Out*, you'll learn exactly what you need to know – and what you need to do – to buy well in today's markets around Australia.

Inside, author John Pidgeon, co-host of the *my millennial money* and *my millennial property* podcasts (and a property investor and coach for over 25 years), will show you how to hone your investor mindset. You'll discover actionable, step-by-step guidance on how to build a strategic portfolio. Ultimately, you'll learn how to buy what's right for you today — and how to set smart, realistic goals for tomorrow.

Sort Your Property Out: And Build Your Future will help you:

- Get your head around finance
- Choose the right property
- Buy successfully
- Use advanced strategies for growing a diverse, sustainable portfolio

John Pidgeon is the co-host of the popular *This Is Property* podcast (formerly *my millennial property*), a property investor, coach and buyers agent and has a multi-million-dollar property portfolio stretching across Australia

Pidgeon has a Bachelor of Education and a Diploma of Financial Planning under his belt, and he's a qualified Mortgage Broker and Buyers Agent

'This handbook is a comprehensive guide for purchasing property and developing a collection of financial assets and investment tools using a technique that is astute, responsible, planned and workable.' – PS News



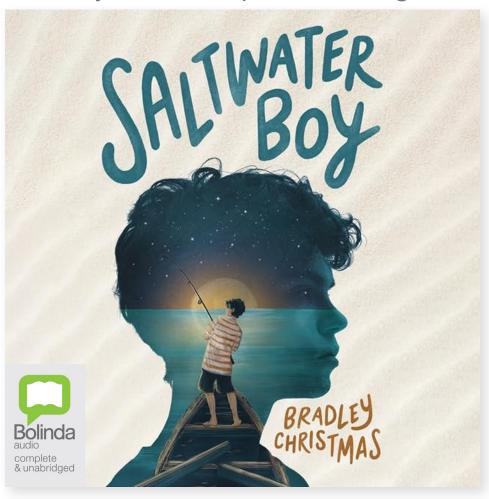
#### Young Adult New Release

Young Adult Fiction | November 2024

World

### Saltwater Boy Bradley Christmas

Read by Sam Winspear-Schilling



Heartfelt and poignant, this is a captivating coming-of-age story navigates the difficult terrain of fractured families, the lies that break and the ties that bind.

When Matthew's dad gets in trouble, he makes trouble for everyone else too. But with Dad in jail, Matthew and his mum have a chance to put their pieces back together.

Mum makes plans for a summer down the coast, fixing up Grandpa's old place in an effort to make ends meet. The beach, the swirling rockpools and the vast ocean offer new perspective and promise and Matthew as he strikes up a friendship with Bill, an old local who recognises a fellow 'Saltwater Boy' – and shows him how to find pippis and catch fish, and even make a few dollars from it. Bill becomes the paternal figure that Dad isn't – wise and patient – but Bill isn't welcomed in town, and Matthew begins to witness old rivalries, and buried truths, resurface.

Then Dad gets out on parole and his recklessness puts everything, and everyone, at risk.

Bradley Christmas is a full-time writer – and moonlighting musician – who splits his time between Sydney and his beloved beach shack on the NSW South Coast

These days as a freelance copywriter Christmas helps charities like Greenpeace, The Royal Flying Doctor Service and The Sydney Children's Hospital Network share their stories

Christmas's short fiction has appeared in a number of magazines and publications including *The Big Issue* and received several award nominations

'This is a truly touching story about friendship, family and protecting our environment. I can see this being studied in schools.' – Readings

'Bradley Christmas pens a poignant and engaging story, gripping from the word go, with relatable themes of loss, family blues, crisis of identity, and finding one's place in the world. The characters are well-drawn, verging on real people – and Christmas has finely tuned his dialogue to be astoundingly realistic.' – Reading Time



#### Adult New Release

Fantasy Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

## Skysong C.A. Wright

Narrator to Come



A beautiful lyrical retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's *The Nightingale* about what some will do for power ... and what others will do for love.

Oriane is the skylark, and the sun only rises if she wills it.

Every morning, she transforms from woman to bird, calling the dawn with her song. Seclusion has kept her safe her whole life – but it has also left her lonely, and craving freedom. When Oriane finally succumbs to the lure of the wild unknown, she is discovered in the gardens of the royal palace, where she is taken in by the king and treated like a goddess – and a prisoner.

Embroiled in a battle of faith and politics, Oriane yearns to return to her safe, simple life. A growing danger surrounds the palace, and the skylark and her gift are at its centre. But within the whispers, Oriane learns something she never expected – she may not be as alone as she thought. There may be another like her. The nightingale.

C.A. Wright is an author and freelance editor. She lives and breathes books – working with authors to polish their manuscripts, writing her own fiction and devouring as many stories as she can in between

'(Skysong is) a beautifully crafted reimagining of an old tale, skilfully told and rich in heart.' – Juliet Marillier, author of the Sevenwaters series

'A feather-bright and sweetly-sung re-telling. Beautiful!' – Kell Woods, author of After the Forest



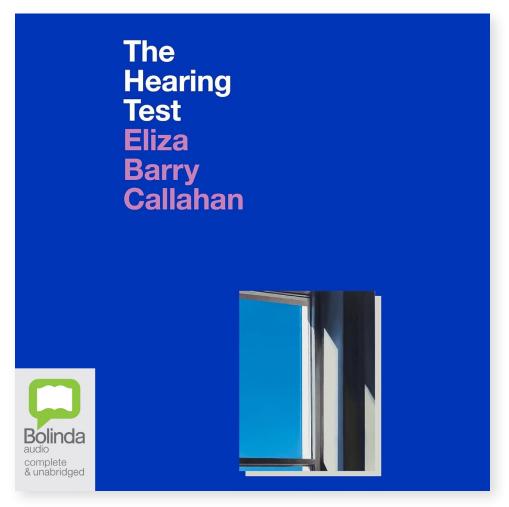
#### Adult New Release

Literary Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

## The Hearing Test Eliza Barry Callahan

Narrator to Come



## A young woman reorients her relationship to the world in the wake of sudden deafness in this mesmerising debut, for fans of Rachel Cusk.

When the narrator of *The Hearing Test*, an artist in her late 20s, awakens one morning to a deep drone in her right ear, she is diagnosed with Sudden Deafness, but is offered no explanation for its cause. As the spectre of total deafness looms, she keeps a record of her year – a score of estrangement and enchantment, of luck and loneliness, of the chance occurrences to which she becomes attuned – while living alone in a New York City studio apartment with her dog.

Through a series of fleeting and often humorous encounters – with neighbours, an ex-lover, doctors, strangers, family members, faraway friends and with the lives and works of artists, filmmakers, musicians and philosophers – making meaning becomes a form of consolation and curiosity, a form of survival.

At once a rumination on silence and a novel on seeing, *The Hearing Test* is a work of vitalising intellect and playfulness which marks the arrival of a major new literary writer with a rare command of form, compression and intent.

Eliza Barry Callahan is a writer, filmmaker and musician from New York. Her work has appeared in *BOMB*, *frieze*, *The Drift* and other publications

Callahan is a New York Foundation for The Arts Fellow and teaches at Columbia University

'Over the course of a year in New York City, an artist goes deaf. She records her life as her hearing slips away, reflecting on silence, art, and record-keeping itself in this meditative novel.' – The New York Times Book Review

'Both meditative and deliciously funny ... masterfully-observed.' - Vanity Fair



#### Children's New Release

Children's Fiction | November 2024

British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

## Fixing Mum and Dad Sinéad Moriarty

Read by Heather O'Sullivan



# Family is what you make it – an empowering story about change and how to deal with it, from award-winning author Sinéad Moriarty.

Quinn is furious when her mum announces they are moving in with Grandad because her doctor dad is away working abroad again. New school, new town, new everything.

She manages to make one good friend, Charlie, the goalie on her football team, who loves books as much as she does. But there's a lot to deal with: Mum and Dad arguing over FaceTime, her little brother crying because he misses their dad, kids in school making nasty comments, and her football coach taking Mum out for a drink to chat about 'old times'.

Quinn wishes life could go back to normal, before her dad felt that he had to go to help in war zones, before Mum was stressed all the time, before they had to live in Grandad's small house and go to a new school. But her biggest worry is that Mum and Dad are going to break up and life will never be the same again ...

Sinéad Moriarty is the author of *The New Girl*, her debut children's fiction, which won the An Post Award for Teen and Young Adult Book of the Year in 2021, *Finding Hope* and *The Truth About Riley* which was nominated the following year

Moriarty has won over readers and critics by telling stories that are humane, moving and relevant

'It's a beautiful, truthful, and emotional story ...' - Books Ireland Magazine (on The New Girl)

'This is a gem of a story that zips along with great pace. It's full of humour with lots of well-drawn characters ... An engaging and very enjoyable story about the importance of family and believing in yourself.' – Children's Books Ireland (on Finding Hope)



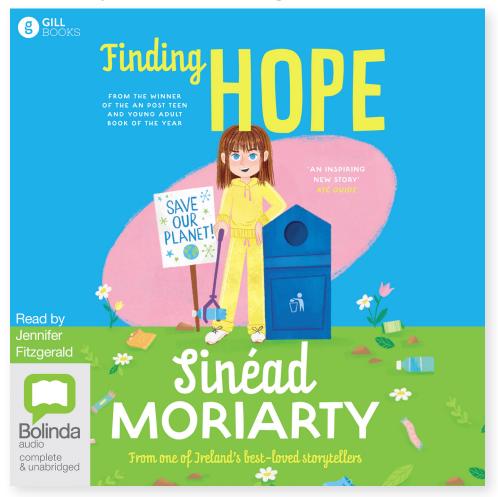
#### Children's Previously Released

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British Commonwealth (including Ireland)

## Finding Hope Sinéad Moriarty

Read by Jennifer Fitzgerald



Join Hope on a heartfelt journey as she navigates loss, loneliness and her passion for saving the planet in Sinéad Moriarty's uplifting tale.

#### IT'S NOT JUST THE PLANET THAT NEEDS SAVING.

Hope is driving her family mad with her crazy ideas about how to save the planet. Since her mum died, she's been throwing herself into climate action to push away the pain. But the more she tries to convince her family to reduce, reuse and recycle, the more fedup they get. Feeling unloved, Hope sets off in search of the one person she's sure will understand her: Greta Thunberg.

But travelling alone is scarier than she thought ...

Can Hope's family track her down before she goes too far – and prove to her how much they care?

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'A powerfully emotional and thought-provoking novel.' - Irish Examiner



## A Crack in Everything

Dubh Linn #1

### **Ruth Frances Long**

Read by Heather O'Sullivan



A thrilling first instalment in The Dubh Linn trilogy set in the world of demons, angels and fairies that exists alongside our own in modern day Dublin.

Chasing a thief, Izzy Gregory takes a wrong turn down a Dublin alley and finds the ashes of a fallen angel splashed across the dirty bricks like graffiti. She stumbles into Dubh Linn, the shadowy world inhabited by the Sidhe, where angels and demons watch over the affairs of mortals, and Izzy becomes a pawn in their deadly game. Her only chance of survival lies in the hands of Jinx, the Sidhe warrior sent to capture her for his sadistic mistress, Holly. Izzy is something altogether new to him, turning his world upside down.

In 2015 Ruth Frances Long was the winner of The European Science Fiction Society Spirit of Dedication Award For Best Author of Children's Science Fiction and Fantasy for *A Crack in Everything* 

As Jessica Thorne she writes fantasy romance – *The Queen's Wing* and *The Stone's Heart*, which was shortlisted for the RNA Fantasy Romantic Novel of the Year Award in 2020, and the Hollow King Duology

Recently Long has been working alongside the music festival Tomorrowland, and her first book with them *The Rise of Adscendo* features the origin story of its 2023 festival theme

'An excellent fantasy, with strange but memorable characters set in believable settings. The storyline all through is tense and exciting with a somewhat surprise ending.' – Irish Examiner



### **Genetics: An Audio Guide**

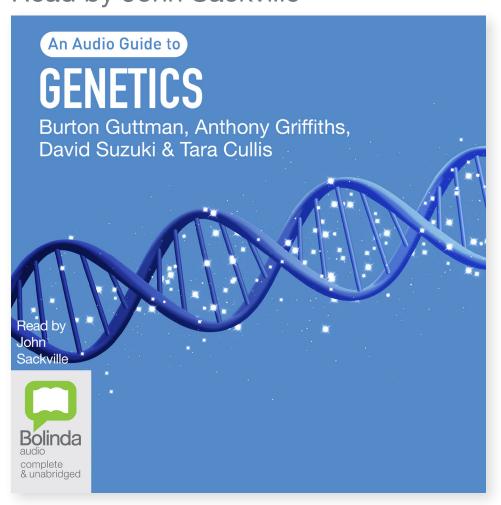
Adult New Release

Science & Technology | November 2024

World

#### Bolinda Beginner Guides

## Anthony Griffiths & Burton Guttman & David Suzuki & Tara Cullis Read by John Sackville



This is an introduction for listeners who wish to know more about the science that is changing our world.

With genetics and genetic engineering receiving almost daily coverage in the media, this audiobook is an introduction for general listeners who wish to know more about a science that is changing our world.

Starting with the history of genetics, from primitive breeding programmes to Mendel's Law, and moving on to a full explanation of genetics and its role in our future, this is a comprehensive survey of genetics past, present and future.

Burton Guttman is a Professor of Biology at The Evergreen State College, Washington, USA

Anthony Griffiths is a Professor of Botany at the University of British Columbia, Canada

David Suzuki is a Professor Emeritus at the University of British Columbia, Canada

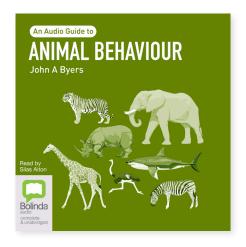
Tara Cullis taught at Harvard University for five years, and is an expert on science and social issues

'Written in an accessible way, with a most interesting discussion of the field developed throughout history. There are wonderful and eclectic references to literature and the mythologies of ancient cultures.' – Bookmonger

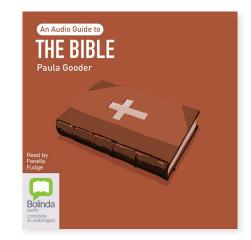
'What will make this book so interesting to the general reader is its emphasis on the societal and historical context of each concept discussed. All in all, an excellent resource. Highly recommended!' – Choice Magazine

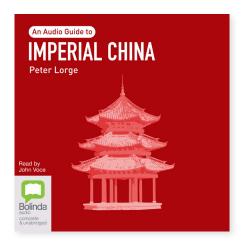


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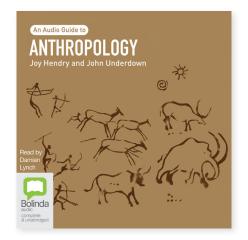












## **Bolinda Voices**



#### **Michael Morpurgo**

Multi-award winning author Michael Morpurgo is one of Britain's best-loved writers for children and has won many prizes, including the Smarties Prize, The Writers Guild Award and the Blue Peter Book Award for his recent novel, *Private Peaceful*, which has also had two successful runs as a play devised by Bristol Old Vic. From 2003 to 2005 he was the Children's Laureate, a role which took him all over the UK to promote literacy and reading, and in 2005 he was named the Booksellers Association Author of the Year

Michael has narrated his books Finding Alfie and Poppy Field.

#### **Ellen Keane**

Ellen Keane is an Irish Paralympic swimmer who won a gold medal in the 100-metre breaststroke at the 2020 Summer Paralympics in Tokyo. In 2022, she reached the final of *Dancing With the Stars* on RTÉ One. She is the recipient of a Lord Mayor of Dublin Award, awarded to 'citizens who, through their ordinary, everyday lives, enrich the city in an extraordinary way'.

Ellen has narrated her autobiography Perfectly Imperfect.





#### **Victoria Vanstone**

Victoria Vanstone is the host of *Sober Awkward*, a popular comedy podcast that tracks two former party animals as they navigate life without booze. Victoria started writing on the day she gave up alcohol and became a renowned over-sharer on her blog drunkmummysobermummy. com. The reformed 'party girl' is now on a mission to help others stuck in a pattern of normalised social binge drinking.

Victoria has narrated her memoir A Thousand Wasted Sundays.

#### **Rose Riley**

Rose Riley is an actor who has worked extensively across theatre, film and TV. Notable theatre credits include *Macbeth*, award-nominated *Othello* at the Riverside Studios, the Royal Shakespeare Company's adaptation of award-winning book *Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell and *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* in London's West End for the National Theatre. Rose is best known on screen for her role as Sandy Talbot in *Call The Michylife* for the BBC.

Rose has narrated Over Bethnal Green by Sally Worboyes.



