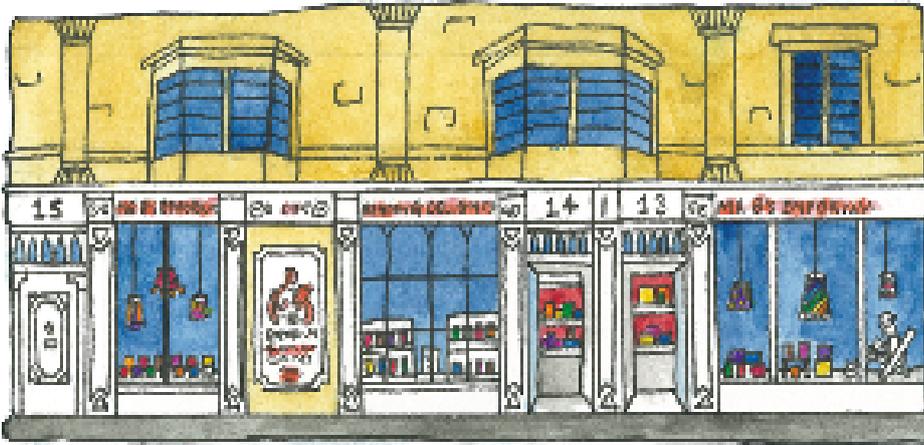
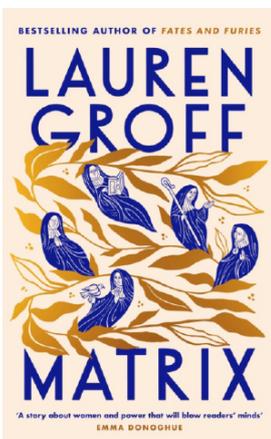


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24 SPLENDID SEPTEMBER SUNDOWNER READS!

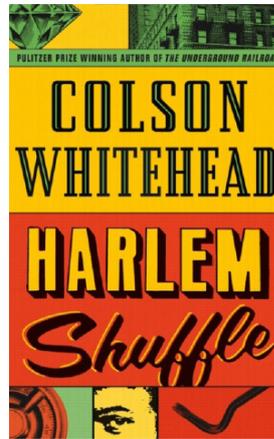


September always sees a tidal wave of new releases in the book world, so we must admit this month was particularly challenging to slim down to just 24 books. Luckily, we've surfed through them all to pick out the ones that we're most excited to get stuck into. Enjoy!



MATRIX
BY LAUREN GROFF
FICTION

Cornerstone £16.99
Last in a line of medieval European warrior women, Marie is too coarse and wild for the French court. Cast out, leaving her lover and her Queen behind, she becomes prioress of an Abbey. A passionate, feminist, sensuously written story of women and power.

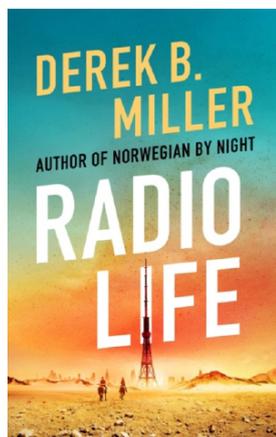


HARLEM SHUFFLE
BY COLSON WHITEHEAD
FICTION

Little, Brown £16.99
Whitehead follows up his Pulitzer Prize-winning double with this slick crime caper, following a Harlem furniture store owner who gets mixed up in a messy heist. A funny, thrilling change of direction from the most decorated American writer of his generation.

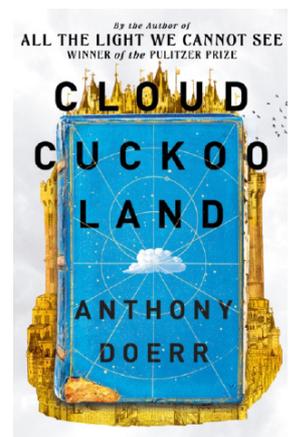
RADIO LIFE
BY DEREK B. MILLER
FICTION

Quercus £8.99
In a dystopian world where technology has been lost, two surviving groups, The Keepers and The Commonwealth fight to determine the path of the future. This strikingly rendered political sci-fi thriller explores some big ideas, from the ownership of knowledge to the telling of history.

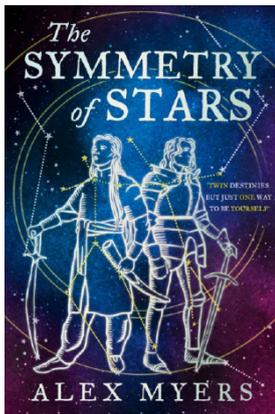


CLOUD CUCKOO LAND
BY ANTHONY DOERR
FICTION

Harper Collins £20
Stretching from 15th century Constantinople, through present day Idaho and on into the far future, Doerr brings together characters from disparate times and places, all connected by a single ancient text. A stunning feat of literary ambition by one of the great modern storytellers.



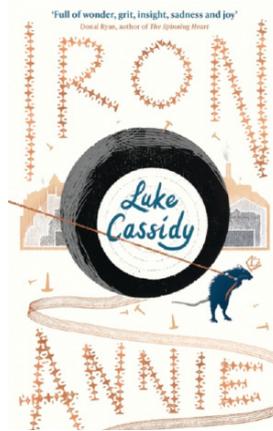
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THE SYMMETRY OF STARS
BY ALEX MYERS
FICTION

Harper Collins £14.99

In this nuanced retelling of an Italian chivalric fable, the gods Nature and Nurture vie for rule of the world, each taking a set of human twins to raise. A breathlessly original tale of magic, myth and identity that poses deep philosophical questions.



IRON ANNIE
BY LUKE CASSIDY
FICTION

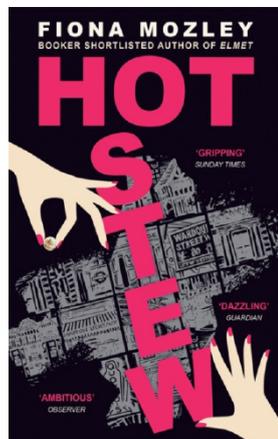
Bloomsbury £14.99

Follow Dundalk drug dealer Aoife and her unpredictable lover Annie as they head off on a madcap road trip around England to offload 10kg of stolen drugs. An anarchic, violent, and beautiful work of art by a stunning new literary voice.

HOT STEW
BY FIONA MOZLEY
FICTION

John Murray Press £8.99

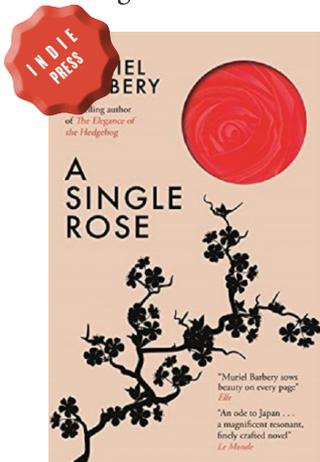
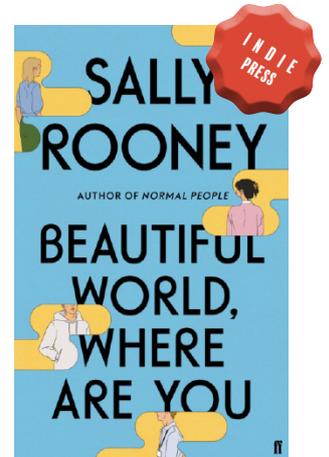
Billionaire Agatha wants to turn her block of Soho flats into expensive restaurants and luxury accommodation, but its residents won't go quietly. From Nigerian sex workers Precious and Tabatha to homeless squatters Paul Daniels and Debbie, Agatha is in for a hell of a fight.



BEAUTIFUL WORLD, WHERE ARE YOU
BY SALLY ROONEY
FICTION

Faber & Faber £16.99

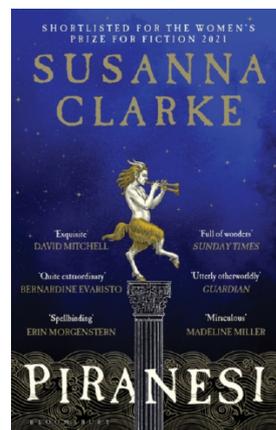
Rooney's latest more than lives up to the hype. This quartet of friends and lovers navigating the complexities of millennial relationships and their anxieties about the modern world are sharply drawn, with her characteristic blend of vulnerability and sly wit.



A SINGLE ROSE
BY MURIEL BARBERY
FICTION

Gallic Books £12.99

Following a mysterious itinerary set out in the will of her late father, Rose seeks to understand the man she never knew and, in turn, grow to understand herself. Take a tour through the streets and Zen gardens of Kyoto in this charming novel.



PIRANESI
BY SUSANNA CLARKE
FICTION

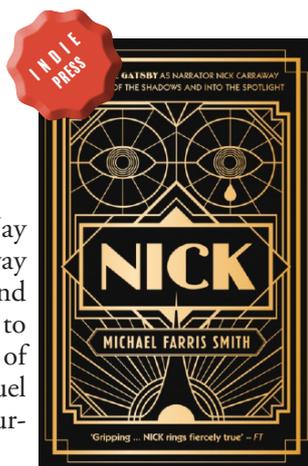
Bloomsbury £8.99

Piranesi's house is a labyrinth of countless halls and statues, with ocean tides on the staircases and no discernible exit – he keeps a record of it all. Then messages begin to appear, there is someone new in the house. An extraordinary puzzle of a book.

NICK
BY MICHAEL FARRIS SMITH
FICTION

Oldcastle £8.99

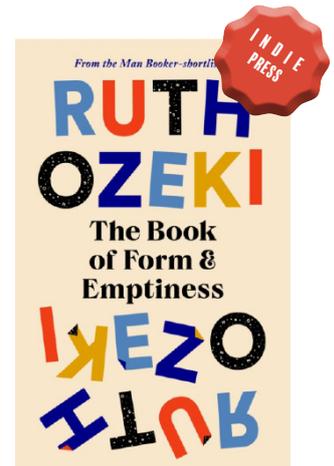
Long before he moves into Jay Gatsby's circle, Nick Carraway survives the trenches of WWI and travels through beautiful Paris to the violence and debauchery of New Orleans. A stunning prequel to 'The Great Gatsby' by a favourite author of the Mr B's Team.



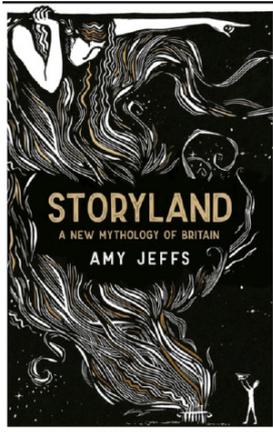
THE BOOK OF FORM AND EMPTINESS
BY RUTH OZEKI
FICTION

Canongate £18.99

Ruth Ozeki returns with this unusual novel part narrated by an actual book, and part narrated by a teenage boy struggling with the tragic death of his beloved father. Exploring themes of jazz, climate change, and consumerism, this is a wise and heart-breaking novel.



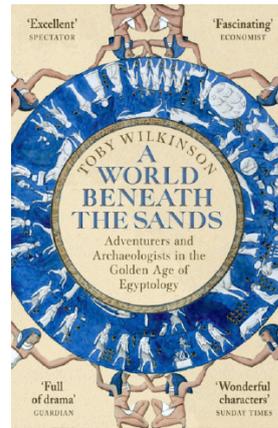
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STORYLAND BY AMY JEFFS WORLD HISTORY

Quercus £25

Beautiful inside and out, Storyland is a fully illustrated collection of the myths and legends of medieval Britain. From Stonehenge to Orkney, and Noah's Ark to the Saxons, these richly imagined retellings reinvigorate the stories of Bladud, Albinia, Scots, and many more.



A WORLD BENEATH THE SANDS BY TOBY WILKINSON HISTORY

Pan Macmillan £12.99

Renowned Egyptologist Toby Wilkinson has written a fast-paced account of the West's study and plunder of Ancient Egypt's riches. By unpacking the global socio-political context surrounding the unearthing of these treasures, Wilkinson sheds a fascinating light on the paradoxes of 19th-century

THE TRANSGENDER ISSUE BY SHON FAYE EQUALITY/INCLUSIVITY

Penguin £20

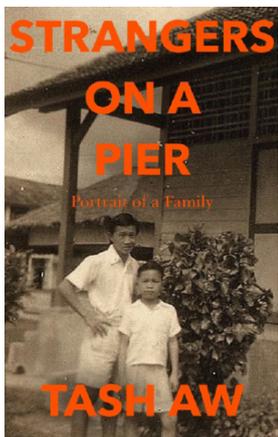
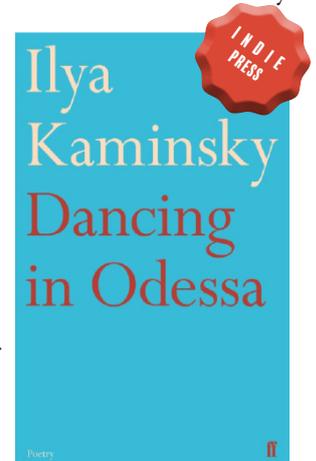
Shon Faye unpacks the increasingly hostile and polarised debate surrounding the rights of trans people with intelligence and sensitivity in this landmark book. Faye explores trans lives across expansive age groups and social classes, as well as trans participation in the LGBTQ+ and feminist communities.



DANCING IN ODESSA BY ILYA KAMINSKY POETRY

Faber & Faber £10.99

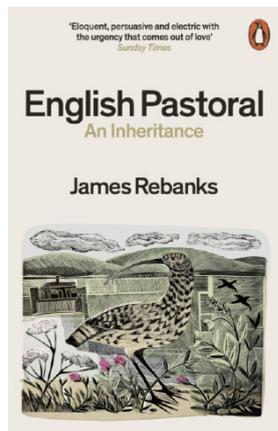
Bursting with the same interior language and rhythm of 'Deaf Republic', Faber now treats us to his first full collection of poems. Ethereal, tender, and with a strong sense of self, Kaminsky proves the accessibility and musicality of his verse once again.



STRANGERS ON A PIER BY TASH AW BIOGRAPHY

Harper Collins £8.99

Tash Aw takes us on a whirlwind adventure exploring Asia through the lens of his own Malaysian and Chinese heritage. Drawing on the tales from both family and strangers, Aw paints a vivid portrait of a place caught between disparate times and cultures.



ENGLISH PASTORAL BY JAMES REBANKS NATURE

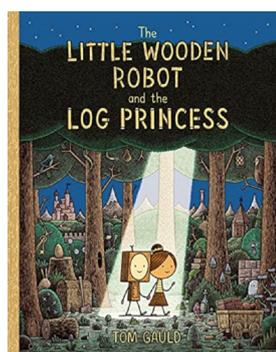
Penguin £9.99

The acclaimed author of A Shepherd's Life returns to tackle ecological breakdown head-on in this brave and beautiful book, showing how he is righting the wrongs of recent modernisation and reinvigorating his land and business using ancient farming techniques.

THE LITTLE WOODEN ROBOT AND THE LOG PRINCESS BY TOM GAULD PICTURE BOOK 3+

Templar £12.99

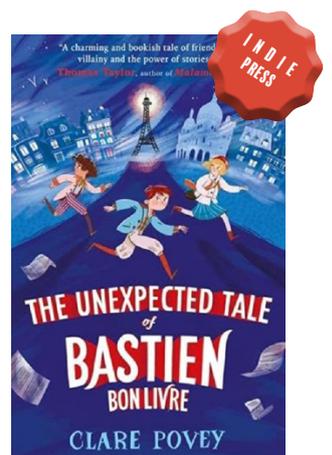
When the log princess is accidentally carted off in the night, her loving brother (a robot made of wood) goes on a quest to rescue her. An endlessly cute and beautifully illustrated modern fairy tale by acclaimed graphic novelist Tom Gauld.



THE UNEXPECTED TALE OF BASTIEN BONLIVRE BY CLARE POVEY CHILDREN'S 8+

Usborne £7.99

Parisian Bastien Bonlivre is determined to finish the story his parents left for him. Across the city, bestselling author Olivier Odioux is also struggling with his latest novel. Little do they know, a dangerous secret is about to bring these two writers together...



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AARTI & THE BLUE GODS
BY JASBINDER BILAN
CHILDREN'S 9+

Chicken House £7.99

Aarti lives with her cold-hearted aunt on an even colder Scottish Island. When it transpires that Aarti has been living a lie all her life, it takes a half-drowned boy washing up on the shore for her to discover who she truly is.



THE HIDEAWAY
BY PAM SMY
TEEN/YA GRAPHIC NOVEL

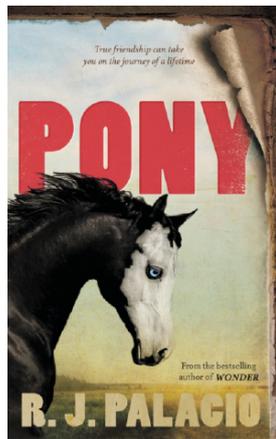
Pavilion Books £14.99

This thoughtful book tells the story of 13-year-old Billy McKenna - who has run away from an unhappy home - and his mum's desperate efforts to get him back. Exploring themes of domestic violence, separation and adolescence, this highly illustrated book is challenging and gorgeous.

PONY
BY R. J. PALACIO
CHILDREN'S 9+

Puffin £12.99

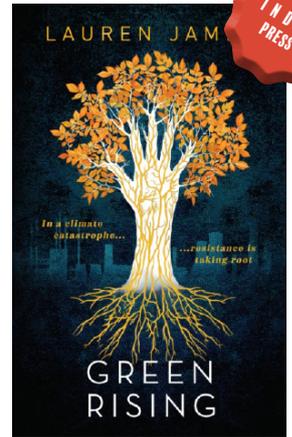
This is a ghost story. This is a family epic. This is a friendship between boy and pony as they embark on an enthralling quest. This is a beautiful story you won't forget. From the author of 'Wonder' comes this future classic.



GREEN RISING
BY LAUREN JAMES
TEEN/YA

Walker Books £7.99

Gabrielle is a climate-change activist with the supernatural ability to grow plants from her skin. Hester is the daughter of a billionaire oil tycoon. Theo is a fisherman, struggling in the growing climate crisis. Together, can they bring about the Green Rising?



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