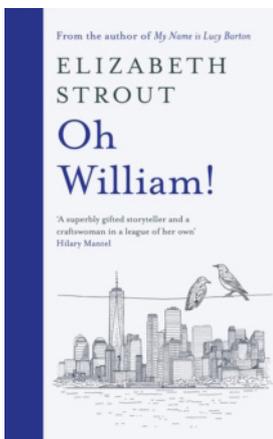


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24 BOOKS WE'RE FALLING FOR THIS FALL!



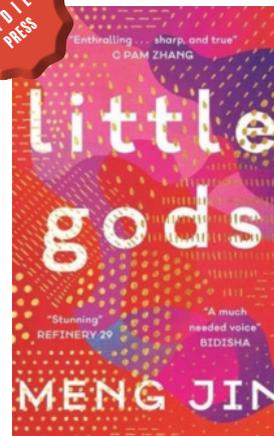
October is upon us, and as the nights draw in the Mr B's team are dedicating their time to long, cosy evenings reading the best of the month's new books. Here's a taste of the ones we're most excited to snuggle up with this month...



OH WILLIAM!
BY ELIZABETH STROUT
FICTION - 21ST OCT

Penguin £14.99

Strout revisits Lucy Barton in later life, now a successful writer and parent to grown-up daughters. As she reconnects with first husband William, a portrait of the intimacies and secrets of a marriage and family life emerges, painted with Strout's inimitable subtle wisdom.



LITTLE GODS
BY MENG JIN
FICTION - 7TH OCT

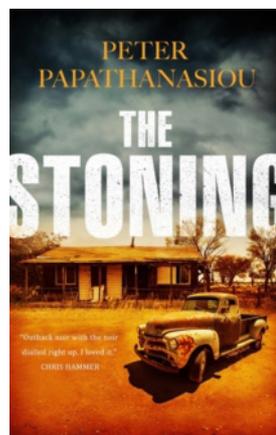
Pushkin Press £8.99

Liya is returning her mother's ashes to China, where, joined by the father she never knew, she attempts to piece together the contradictions of Su Lan's life, from her childhood in rural poverty to her career as a brilliant physicist.

THE STONING
BY PETER PAPATHANASIOU
FICTION - 7TH OCT

Quercus £16.99

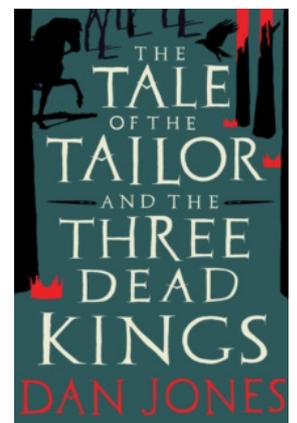
When Detective Sergeant George Manolis returns to his childhood hometown, much has changed. Tensions are high, poverty has stricken its population, and a local school teacher has been found dead... A pacy Outback noir debut.



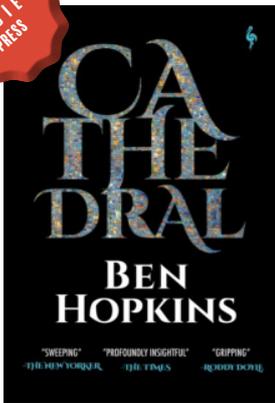
THE TALE OF THE TAILOR AND THE THREE DEAD KINGS
BY DAN JONES
FICTION - 14TH OCT

Head of Zeus £9.99

This is the perfect Halloween read: short enough to be devoured in one sitting but sharp enough to linger long after it's finished. Creepy, timeless, and bookmarked by the fascinating history of the tale, this book feels destined to be read aloud.



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CATHEDRAL
BY BEN HOPKINS
FICTION - 7TH OCT

Europa £8.99
Funding has been approved for a spectacular new cathedral in this fictional 13th century German town and everyone is out to fill their pockets and make a name for themselves. A brilliant historical novel full of scheming, piracy, heresy, religion, power and politics.



MEMORIAL
BY BRYAN WASHINGTON
FICTION - 7TH OCT

Atlantic Books £8.99
Mike flies to Japan to see his dying, estranged father, leaving his partner Benson to host his visiting mother – a decision which throws their relationship into uncertainty in this tender, funny and insightful portrait of two men re-assessing life and love.

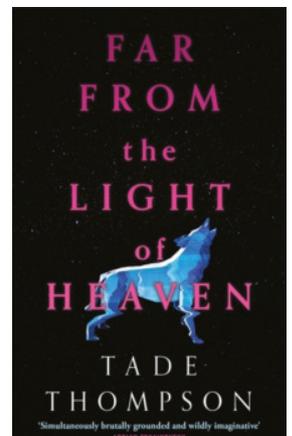
SMALL THINGS LIKE THESE
BY CLAIRE KEEGAN
FICTION - 28TH OCT

Faber & Faber £10
Winter, 1985. Bill Furlong makes his rounds as the coal and timber merchant in a small Irish town while his wife and daughters plan for Christmas. But dark powers are at work behind the façade of this close-knit community. A beautiful, perfect winter read.



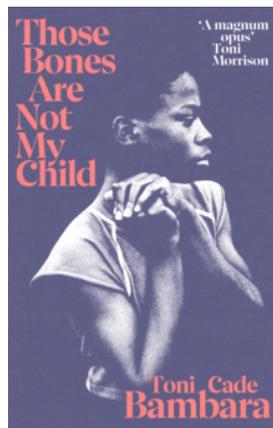
FAR FROM THE LIGHT OF HEAVEN
BY TADE THOMPSON
FICTION - 28TH OCT

Little, Brown £8.99
The colony ship Ragtime has travelled light years from home to bring one thousand sleeping souls to safety, but some will never wake. A sinister mystery unfolds, and the remaining crew must make decisions that will have consequences for all of humanity's settlements.



UNDER THE WHISPERING DOOR
BY TJ KLUNE
FICTION - 28TH OCT

Pan Macmillan £16.99
From the author of 'The House in the Cerulean Sea' comes another heart-warming fantasy tale for children and adults alike. Wallace is outraged to discover that he's dead, but it's the perfect time to learn what life is really about.

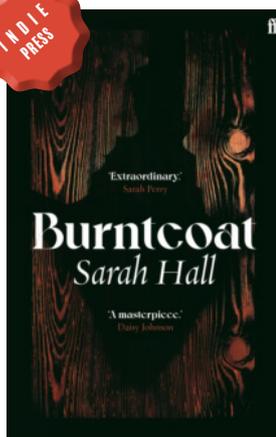


THOSE BONES ARE NOT MY CHILD
BY TONI CADE BAMBARA
FICTION - 7TH OCT

Vintage £10.99
Zala wakes one morning to find her teenage son missing - one of many that have disappeared. Disillusioned with the authorities and their lack of interest, Zala and her estranged husband decide to find out for themselves what has happened to their child.

BURNTCOAT
BY SARAH HALL
FICTION - 7TH OCT

Faber & Faber £12.99
Edith Harkness, celebrated sculptor, is barricaded inside her art studio Burntcoat in lockdown. She's not alone, however. Her lover Halit, who she barely knows, is isolating with her. This is a sharp and moving novel about art, crisis, and human connection.

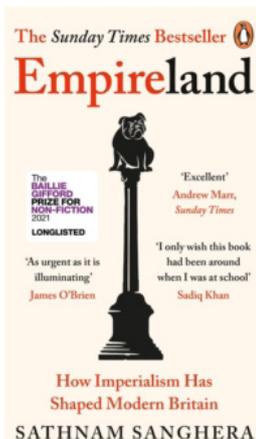


THE ONCE AND FUTURE WITCHES
BY ALIX E. HARROW
FICTION - 7TH OCT

Little, Brown £8.99
A dark, twisting tale of women, power, and justice, set in an alternative history where witches are real. It's a tense, winding, taut thread of a story about three sisters and their magic, set on the edge of the suffragette movement.



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EMPIRELAND BY SATHNAM SANGHERA BRITISH HISTORY - 7TH OCT

Penguin £9.99

Sanghera dissects the idea of the British Empire and its history in this incredibly honest and balanced book. Bringing in a plethora of different sources, he crafts a book not only full of current British politics and history, but also built on contemporary reference points.



WHERE THE DEER AND THE ANTELOPE PLAY BY NICK OFFERMAN HUMOUR - 14TH OCT

Penguin Putnam £20

Inspired by Wendell Berry, actor and comedian Nick Offerman takes three humorous, inspiring journeys with his pals Jeff Tweedy, George Saunders, James Rebanks, and Megan Mullally. Travelling across America's frontiers, they examine people's relationship to the land, and what the word 'conservation' really means.

A GHOST IN THE THROAT BY DOIREANN NÍ GHRÍOFA MEMOIR/ESSAY - 28TH OCT

Tramp Press £8.99

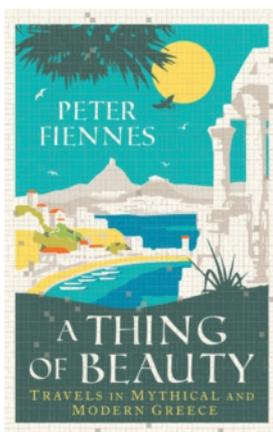
Doireann Ní Ghríofa is just about to have her fourth child when she becomes obsessed with an 18th century Irish noblewoman who once found her husband murdered, drank his blood and composed one of the great poems of Irish literature. A stunning, multi award-winning work of auto-fiction.



THINGS I DIDN'T THROW OUT BY MARCIN WICHA BIOGRAPHY - 13TH OCT

Daunt Books £9.99

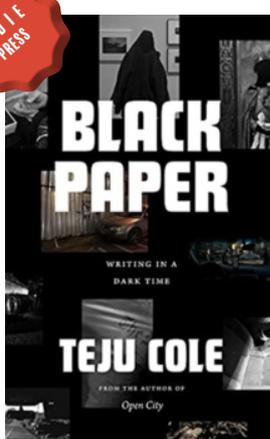
An insightful depiction of Communist Poland through the everyday objects hoarded by one woman. As Wicha sorts through his mother's possessions, the life a Jewish woman hounded by the meanness of Communist Poland unveils itself before him in beautiful prose.



A THING OF BEAUTY BY PETER FIENNES TRAVEL - 21ST OCT

Oneworld £18.99

Intrigued by the Greek Myths revival, Peter Fiennes heads to the birthplace of these stories to see if any trace of the ancient landscape remains – and in the midst of a global pandemic and climate crisis, he finds solace, wisdom and hope.



BLACK PAPER BY TEJU COLE MEMOIR - 22ND OCT

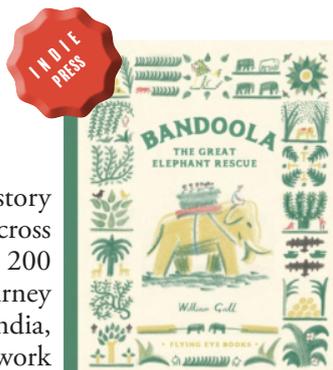
University of Chicago Press £18

Teju Cole's returns with 'Back Paper', after his critically acclaimed collection, 'Known and Strange Things'. Once again Teju Cole displays an expert ability to craft deeply thoughtful essays which aim to illuminate the "blank spaces" we have become so familiar with.

BANDOOLA BY WILLIAM GRILL PICTURE BOOK 5+ - 1ST OCT

Flying Eye £15.99

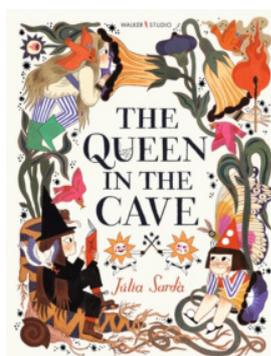
This is an incredible true story of one war veteran's trek across Burma with 53 elephants and 200 refugees. This perilous journey brought them all the way to India, and Grill's evocative artwork portrays both the danger and the majesty of such a punishing expedition.



THE QUEEN IN THE CAVE BY JÚLIA SARDÀ CHILDREN'S 5+ - 7TH OCT

Walker Books £14.99

The inimitable Julia Sarada returns with this colourful and intricate children's book. Franca and her two sisters delve into the deep forest to discover the witches that dwell there. Boldness and teamwork are the only things that will save them now!



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FOLLOWING FRANKENSTEIN BY CATHERINE BRUTON CHILDREN'S 9+ - 7TH OCT

Nosy Crow £7.99

You thought Frankenstein's story was finished? Think again. Maggie's father has always been obsessed with finding Frankenstein's monster, and now he's taking her on one last journey to the Arctic to complete the hunt. It's here they find that Frankenstein's monster...has a son!

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BRIGHT FAMILY BY MATTHEW CODY & DERICK BROOKS CHILDREN'S GRAPHIC NOVEL - 14TH OCT

Andrews McMeel £6.99

When Nia and Jayden's world-saving parents go missing, it's up to these two feisty siblings to plunge head-first into the multiverse in order to find them. Great for fans of Phoenix adventure comics, or anyone who loves a great sci-fi adventure.

IRON WIDOW BY XIRAN JAY ZHAO TEEN/YA - 7TH OCT

Oneworld £14.99

A perfect mash-up of sci-fi, fantasy, and history all in one epic novel. This futuristic retelling of the only female Chinese emperor is full of ferocious, patriarchy-smashing action and expertly plotted revenge. Prepare to meet a heroine who's not to be messed with.



WITCH BY FINBAR HAWKINS TEEN/YA - 14TH OCT

Head of Zeus £14.99

Told with creepy atmosphere and raw emotion, Witch is a tale of rage and heartbreak, magic and reality. A young girl who sees her mother murdered by witch-hunters must stave off her thirst for revenge to take care of her sister, while her fury burns brighter with each passing day.



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