

THE MR B'S BOOKSELLER'S DOZEN

THE HOTTEST READS FOR THESE HOT JULY DAYS!



July-k to read good books in the sunshine? (Sorry, we couldn't help ourselves!). We've got the perfect book to accompany your long summer days, no matter what you're into. Take a look at the books we're most excited about this month...

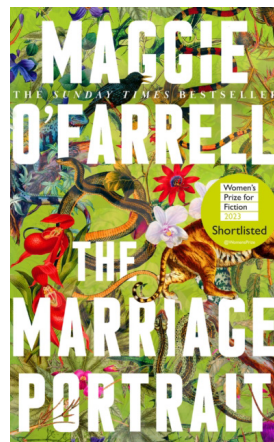


LIBRARIANIST

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THE LIBRARIANIST BY PATRICK DEWITT FICTION - 6TH JULY

Bloomsbury £18.99
Retired librarian Bob Comet gets more than he bargained for when he takes up a volunteer post at a Portland senior centre. Mr B's favourite deWitt returns with another quirky and funny novel filled with wonderful, outlandish characters.



THE MARRIAGE PORTRAIT BY MAGGIE O'FARRELL FICTION - 6TH JULY

Headline £9.99
It is Winter, 1561. Lucrezia, Duchess of Ferrara, 16-years-old, sits down to dinner at a country villa with her husband, Alfonso. Realising he has brought her here to kill her, can she save herself? Magnificent and rich historical fiction from the author of *Hamnet*.

SECOND BEST BY DAVID FOENKINOS FICTION - 13TH JULY

Gallic Books £12.99
We all know about the kid who won the role of Harry Potter. But what of the one who made it to the final two, but never got it? Feonkinos is in typically charming and playful form in this brilliant reimagining of the life of the kid not chosen.



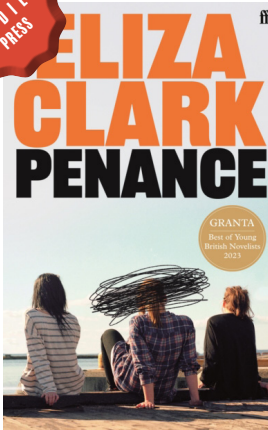
MY HUSBAND BY MAUD VENTURA FICTION - 27TH JULY

Cornerstone £16.99
From the outside, she has the perfect life, the perfect husband. But after 15 years of devotion, of seeing to his every need, something has got to give... *Gone Girl*-meets-*The Talented Mr Ripley* in this darkly brilliant award-winning French novel.



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PENANCE
BY ELIZA CLARK
FICTION - 6TH JULY

Faber & Faber £14.99
Ten years ago, the quiet community of Crow-on-Sea was rocked by the vicious murder of teenager Joan Wilson. Now a journalist claims he has the definitive account of the shocking crime... A disturbing and compelling slice of fictional true crime.

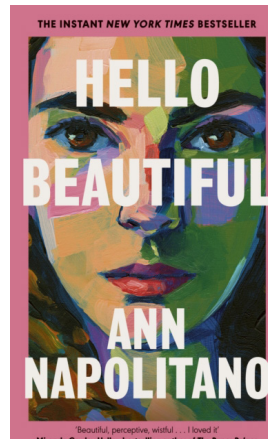


DISORIENTATION
BY ELAINE HSIEH CHOU
FICTION - 27TH JULY

Pan Macmillan £9.99
A jaded PhD candidate is about ready to move on from studying 'Chinese-y' things... then she stumbles across a note that will change everything, leading to protests, book burnings and drug-induced hallucinations. A rollercoaster of daring and darkly funny satire.

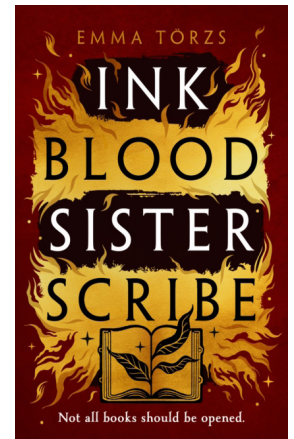
HELLO BEAUTIFUL
BY ANN NAPOLITANO
FICTION - 13TH JULY

Penguin £16.99
The Padavano girls grow up in a perfectly close-knit Italian-American family in Chicago. But as adulthood looms, the entry of William, a boy marked by tragedy, into their lives will turn everything upside down. A gorgeous homage to *Little Women*.

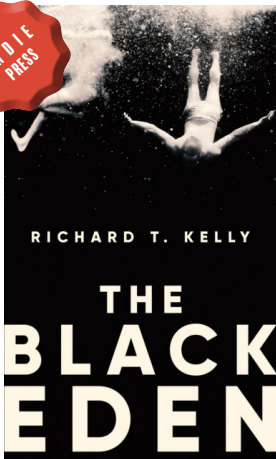


INK BLOOD SISTER SCRIBE
BY EMMA TOERZS
FICTION - 6TH JULY

Cornerstone £16.99
Joanna lives alone in the woodlands of Vermont, protecting a vast collection of mysterious books. Her sister Esther is a researcher in Antarctica, seeking distance from her dark past. When dangerous secrets begin to surface, the two will be forced to fight for their survival in this magical new tale.



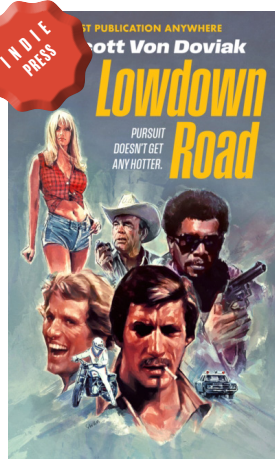
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THE BLACK EDEN
BY RICHARD T. KELLY
FICTION - 6TH JULY

Faber & Faber £20
Two boys dive in the lakes of the Scottish Highlands. Two others study at a prestigious Edinburgh school, determined to change the world. The discovery of oil under the North Sea will collide these disparate lives in shifting and perilous ways.

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LOWDOWN ROAD
BY SCOTT VAN DOVIK
FICTION - 11TH JULY

Titan Books £8.99
In 1970s US, two Texan cousins hatch a plan to drive \$1 million of stolen weed to Idaho, closely followed by a vengeful sheriff and a wronged drug kingpin. Get ready for the criminal road trip of the year... Dukes of Hazard style!

BLACK MAMBA
BY WILLIAM FRIEND
FICTION - 6TH JULY

Atlantic Books £8.99
"Daddy, there's a man in our room." So begins this chilling tale of a grieving family plagued by the mysterious Black Mamba – imaginary friend? Or something more sinister? A seriously dark and disturbing – and utterly addictive – horror novel.



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SUMMER FISHING IN LAPLAND
BY JUHANI KARILA
FICTION - 6TH JULY

Pushkin £12.99
This perfect summer read is full of charm and magic, warmth and humanity. Elina as she takes her annual Summer journey to the farthest reaches of Lapland to fish for pike. But this trip isn't merely to take in the scenery - it's to break the fatal curse put on her and her love.



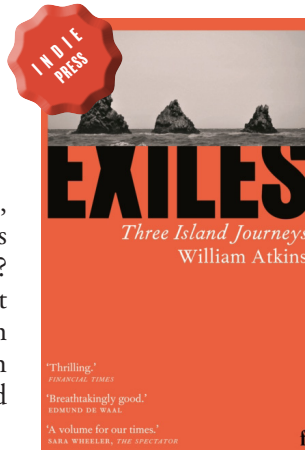
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WHAT ABOUT MEN?
BY CAITLIN MORAN
GENDER & FEMINISM - 6TH JULY

Ebury £22
As every good feminist knows, the first question you are always asked is: What about the men? Well, after years of writing about women, the brilliant Moran tackles the question head-on, with her typical insight, joy and wild hilarity.



EXILES
BY WILLIAM ATKINS
HISTORY/TRAVEL - 6TH JUNE

Faber & Faber £10.99
Louise Michel. Dinuzulu kaCetshwayo. Lev Shternberg. Three people with different stories, all exiled to different islands. Atkins travels to each of these islands – New Caledonia, St Helena and Sakhalin, to understand how each place shaped the people who arrived there.

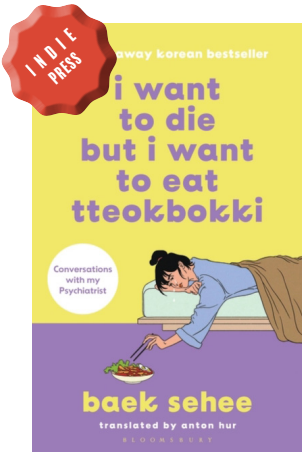
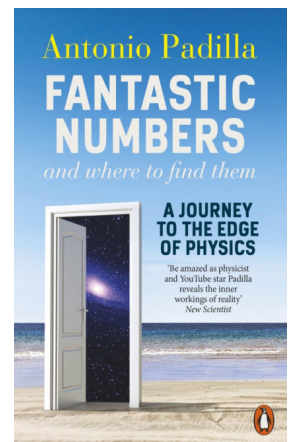
NONE OF THE ABOVE
BY TRAVIS ALABANZA
MEMOIR - 22ND JULY

Canongate £10.99
Albanazo – Black, mixed-race and non-binary – examines seven phrases they are constantly presented with in this Jhalak-winning polemic. From the innocuous and the celebrated to the outright offensive, Albanazo uses these phrases to examine the ways we think about and treat each other.



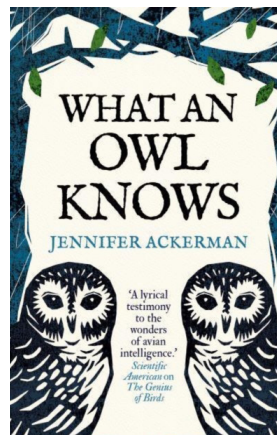
FANTASTIC NUMBERS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM
BY ANTONIO PADILLA
SCIENCE - 6TH JULY

Penguin £10.99
Join the engaging Padilla – theoretical physicist and YouTube star – as he takes you on a journey around the mysterious numbers that unlock the secrets of the universe. Prepare for numerical rabbit holes, wondrous science and mind-bending phenomena!



I WANT TO DIE BUT I WANT TO EAT TTEOKBOKKI
BY BAEK SEHEE
MEMOIR - 6TH JULY

Bloomsbury £9.99
Baek knew something was wrong. She was self-destructive, hopeless, calm, yet exhausted. To get to the bottom of things, she recorded her conversations with her psychiatrist over 12 weeks in this runaway Korean bestseller.



WHAT AN OWL KNOWS
BY JENNIFER ACKERMAN
NATURE - 6TH JULY

Oneworld £16.99
For a bird that is so present in our stories and culture, we rarely see them. Full of anecdotes and interesting facts, Ackerman makes these elusive birds accessible to the reader with the latest research and scientific discoveries.

WHOSE DOG IS THIS?
BY ANDREW SANDERS
PICTURE BOOK - 6TH JULY

Pan Macmillan £7.99
For every kid who's blamed something on the dog, for every parent who's walked in on a destroyed room, this is the picture book for you. 'Whose Dog is This?' takes you on a wild, hilarious animal adventure!



TANGLTREE MYSTERIES
BY JOEL STEWART & STEVE ROBERTS
YOUNG READERS 5+ - 6TH JULY

Welbeck £7.99
Scooby doo but with a dog who can actually solve mysteries every time she steps into the Tangletree Woods. An excellent first reader graphic novel for 5+ that will keep you puzzling and make you laugh!



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THE HOUSE TRAP
BY EMMA READ
CHILDREN'S 9+ - 6TH JULY

Chicken House £7.99
Do you like escape rooms...puzzles...a good ole fashioned haunted house tale? Then you'll love *The House Trap*, a wonderfully spooky escape room of a kids book, for age 9+.



YOMI AND THE FURY OF NINKI NANKA
BY DAVINA TIJANI
YOUNG READERS 6+ - 6TH JULY

Little Tiger £6.99
For fans of *How to Train Your Dragon* and *Percy Jackson*, this new take on African mythology for young readers is full of action, adventure, and the dragon king being kidnapped out of the sky!

ARKSPIRE
BY JAMIE LITTLER
CHILDREN'S 8+ - 6TH JULY

Penguin Children's £7.99
Another cracker of a magical adventure from staff favourite Jamie Littler – a story of thieves and magical creatures, *Arkspire* is sure to capture reluctant readers' imaginations, and keep voracious readers in love with books!



THREADS THAT BIND
BY KIKA HATZOPOULOU
TEEN/YA - 6TH JULY

Penguin Children's £8.99
Private investigators, mob queens, life threads, and modern day greek mythology - this book has it all and more. We love this unique take on greek myths, paired with crime and forbidden romance... a perfect formula!



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