

# THE MR B'S BOOKSELLER'S DOZEN

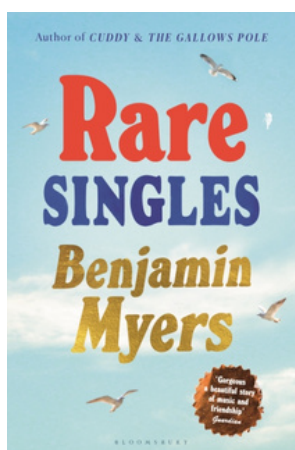
## AUGUST '24



Welcome to the Mr B's Bookseller's Dozen!

These are the books Team B is most excited about this month. And because we can't possibly stop at only 12, our dozen consists of 24 books! With fiction, non-fiction, teen and children's books, there is something for everyone.

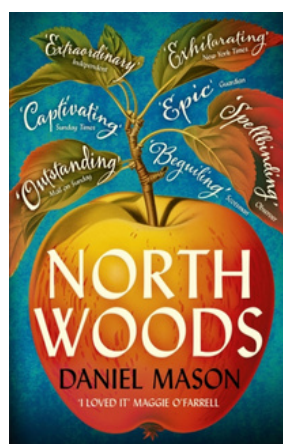
Just click on the book covers to find out more and buy. Or [click here](#) to see the full list on the Mr B's website.



**RARE SINGLES**  
by **BENJAMIN MYERS**  
FICTION - 1ST AUGUST

**Bloomsbury £18.99**

Dinah's one escape from her dreary life in Scarborough is the town's Northern Soul nights. In Chicago, down-on-his-luck musician Bucky Bronco is staring into the abyss. When an unexpected invitation arrives from England, everything might be about to change for both Dinah and Bucky...



**NORTH WOODS**  
by **DANIEL MASON**  
FICTION - 29TH AUGUST

**John Murray £9.99**

Hundreds of years pass in one house in the rural woods of New England. This book introduces you to a shifting cast of characters, each adding a layer to the house's complex story: an unstable conspiracy theorist, a civil war veteran and a lovestruck painter to name a few.

**THE PAIRING**  
by **CASEY MCQUISTON**  
FICTION - 6TH AUGUST

**Pan Macmillan £18.99**

Theo and Kit haven't seen each other since their break-up four years ago. So when they find themselves on the same European tour, they hold a friendly hookup contest to prove they've moved on. But as they travel through Europe's most romantic cities, Theo and Kit can't help but feel a hint of their former spark..



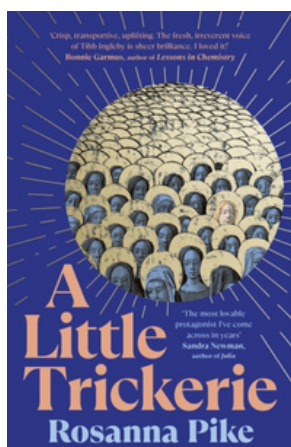
**EX-WIFE**  
by **URSULA PARROTT**  
FICTION - 1ST AUGUST

**Faber & Faber £9.99**

When Patricia's thoroughly modern marriage falls apart, she must remake herself anew – as a single woman, an 'ex-wife'. Lose yourself among the advertising offices and all-night parties of 1920s Manhattan, the 'era of the one-night stand', in this reissued classic.



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## A LITTLE TRICKERIE by ROSANNA PIKE

FICTION - 1ST AUGUST

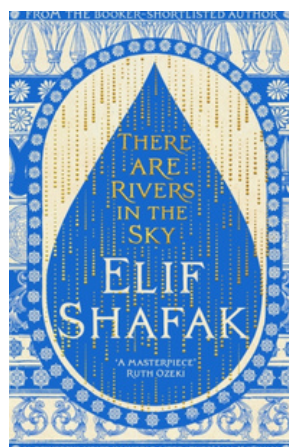
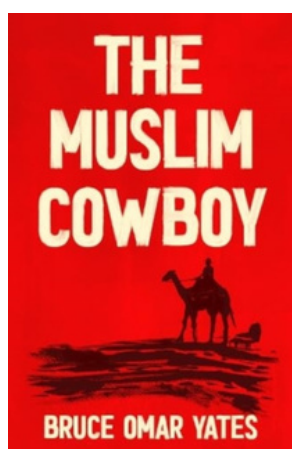
Penguin £16.99

Orphaned vagabond Tibb wanders the fields and coastlines of Tudor England alone, until she meets Ivo. Quickly forming an unshakeable bond, the two put together a found-family that will protect one another at all costs, and begin a hoax that could allow them to rise above the confines of society.

## THE MUSLIM COWBOY by BRUCE OMAR YATES

FICTION - 22ND AUGUST  
Cinder House £10.99

In the aftermath of the Iraq War, an Iraqi man obsessed with American culture – particularly western movies – dons double denim and sets out in search of his own western narrative. A beautiful and original debut novel about finding hope in the face of unimaginable chaos.



## THERE ARE RIVERS IN THE SKY by ELIF SHAFAK

FICTION - 8TH AUGUST

Penguin £18.99

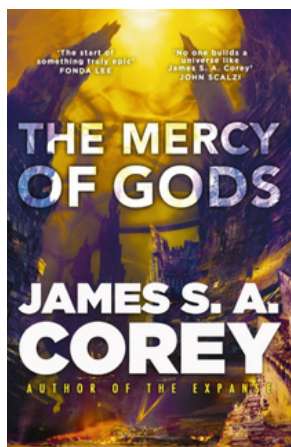
A forgotten poem resurfaces from the ruined city of Nineveh in Mesopotamia, and we follow three journeys from Victorian London, 2014 Turkey and 2018 London, all connected via these ancient words. A rich, sweeping novel that spans centuries, continents and cultures, weaving stories connected by rivers, rains, and water droplets.

## MOSCOW X by DAVID MCCLOSKEY

FICTION - 29TH AUGUST

Swift Press £9.99

Two CIA agents enter Moscow intent on penetrating Putin's inner ring and recruiting his private banker. But nothing in Russia is that simple, and their arrival unleashes chaos in the Kremlin. An authentic, thrilling and utterly gripping modern spy novel.

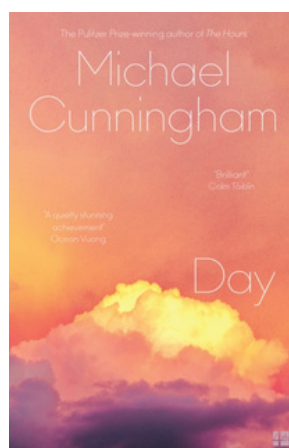


## THE MERCY OF THE GODS by JAMES S.A. COREY

FICTION - 6TH AUGUST

Little, Brown £22

Humans have lived a content existence on Anjiin for as long as anyone can remember... until the Carryx arrive. A species and hive-mind, an amoral master in the midst of an epic war, they are intent on controlling the whole universe, humans included. An epic new series from the legendary SF master.



## DAY by MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM

FICTION - 1ST AUGUST

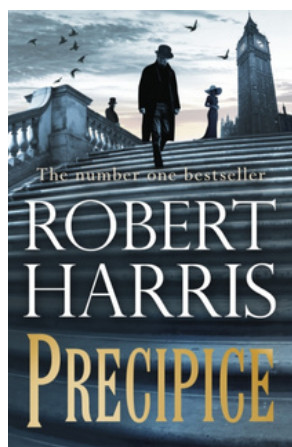
HarperCollins £9.99

Dan and Isabel aren't the same people who once fell for each other. What's more, Dan is in love with Isabel's brother Robbie. Set on the same day across three years, *Day* sees one Brooklyn family at a crossroads as a pandemic sweeps across the country.

## PRECIPE by ROBERT HARRIS

FICTION - 29TH AUGUST  
Cornerstone £22

It is the summer of 1914 and the world is on the verge of collapse. Venetia starts an affair with Prime Minister Asquith – a relationship that could soon become a matter of national security. An imperious political thriller from one of our master storytellers.



## TIME OF THE FLIES by CLAUDIA PINEIRO

FICTION - 6TH AUGUST

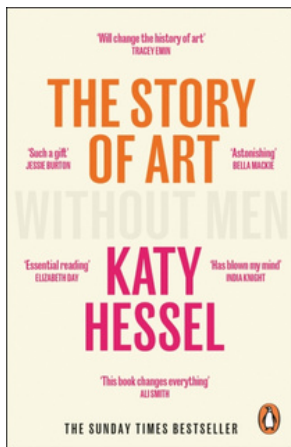
Charco Press £12.99

Inés, freshly out of the clink after serving 15 years for murder, sets up FFF – Females, Fumigation and Flies – a company dedicated to fumigation and private investigations, by women, for women. When a guest wants something bigger than bugs killed, Inés must revisit her criminal past...





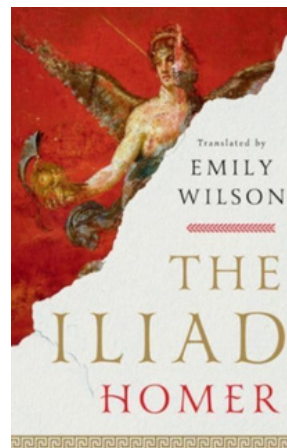
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## THE STORY OF ART WITHOUT MEN by KATY HESSEL

ART - 29TH AUGUST  
Cornerstone £12.99

Who gets to write art history, and why for so long have so few women artists featured? Hessel travels through continents and centuries to rip up the history books and give a fresh perspective on art history in this revolutionary work.



## THE ILIAD by HOMER

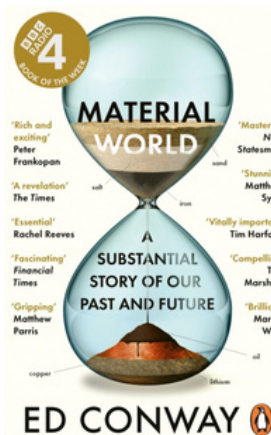
POETRY - 6TH AUGUST  
WW Norton & Co £14.99

Emily Wilson's translation of *The Odyssey* – the first ever by a woman – transformed Homer's text for a new generation. Now she turns her hand to *The Iliad*, the world's greatest war poem, an epic tale of victory, defeat, grief and glory.

## MATERIAL WORLD by ED CONWAY

ECONOMICS - 1ST AUGUST  
Ebury £10.99

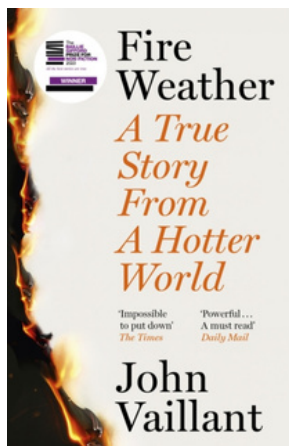
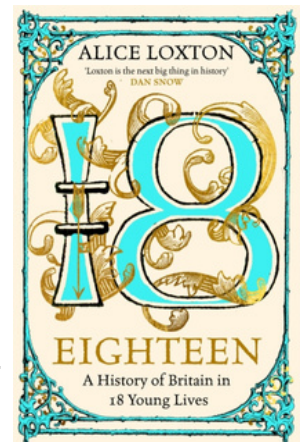
Sand, salt, iron, copper, oil and lithium – these six humble materials are the basis of the world we have built, and tell the story of our past, present, and future. An engaging and fascinating look at history, politics, economics, environment and more.



## EIGHTEEN by ALICE LOXTON

HISTORY - 15TH AUGUST  
Pan Macmillan £22

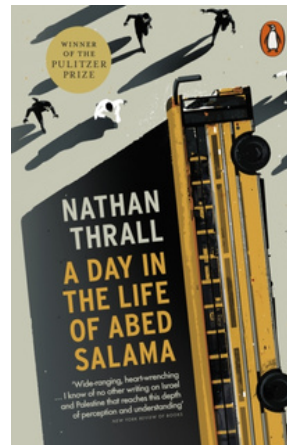
From Elizabeth Tudor to Richard Burton, historian Alice Loxton delves into the lives of some of our most famous – and infamous – historical figures to find out how life looked at age 18, and how this crucial stage mapped the rest of their lives.



## FIRE WEATHER by JOHN VAILLANT

SCIENCE - 29TH AUGUST  
Hodder & Stoughton £12.99

In May 2016, a Canadian oil town found itself at the sharp end of the climate crisis, as it became engulfed in apocalyptic wildfires that may provide a stark vision of our future. A stunning, urgent book that won the Baillie Gifford Prize.



## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF ABED SALAMA by NATHAN THRALL

JOURNALISM - 1ST AUGUST  
Penguin £10.99

When Abed receives a call to say his son has been involved in a bus crash while on a school trip, he embarks on a journey that traverses all the pain and absurdities of life in the West Bank. A heart stopping work of Pulitzer Prize-winning journalism.

## THE BEANSTALK MURDER by P.G. BELL

CHILDREN'S - 1ST AUGUST  
Usborne £7.99

A fairy tale whodunnit full of magical twists and turns! Apprentice meadow-witch Anwen is horrified when the body of a giant falls on her village. Determined to find out who he was and why he fell, Anwen and her rival Cerys plant a magic bean stalk and set off to investigate a murder in the kingdom of the giants.



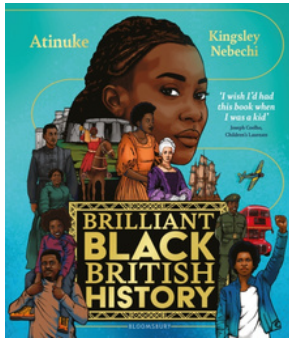
## MISS CAT: THE GNOME'S NIGHTMARE by JEAN-LUC FROMENTAL

GRAPHIC NOVEL - 29TH AUGUST  
Thames & Hudson £9.99

Miss Cat, private eye, gets more than she bargained for when she takes on the case of a client who wants to stop a recurring dream. Cue a secretive author, mysterious mayor and a pack of peculiar pirates. Graphic novel perfection from a Mr B's fave.



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## BRILLIANT BLACK BRITISH HISTORY by ATINUKE

CHILDREN'S - 29TH AUGUST  
Bloomsbury £8.99

Join the brilliant Atinuke on an illustrated journey of Black British history, from the first ever Britons, through Roman soldiers and Tudors, to the present day. An essential read that was recently crowned Children's Book of the Year at the British Book Awards.

## BAA BAA BLACKBELT by GAVIN AUNG THAN

PICTURE BOOK - 1ST AUGUST  
Scholastic £6.99



Baa Baa Black Belt is super famous, a legend, the greatest thing to ever wander the grounds of the farm... or so he thinks. His trusty sidekick Pork Chop isn't quite convinced, what with the trail of chaos Baa Baa leaves behind. Hilarious, cute picture book fun!

## LAST SEEN ONLINE by LAUREN JAMES

TEEN - 1ST AUGUST  
Walker Books £8.99

A sun-drenched Hollywood mystery, perfect for fans of *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*. Delilah gets caught up in a decades-old murder mystery when she befriends the son of a famous actress. Can Delilah use her sleuthing skills and the power of internet fandoms to figure out what happened all those years ago?



## SONGLIGHT by MOIRA BUFFINI

TEEN - 29TH AUGUST  
Faber & Faber £8.99

An epic YA dystopian debut, perfect for fans of *The Handmaid's Tale*. In a world where those with the power of telepathy are declared illegal and hunted down, what choice is there but to survive? This multi-POV story follows a group of people just trying to exist in a world that fears them.



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