

# THE MR B'S BOOKSELLER'S DOZEN

MARCH 26



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

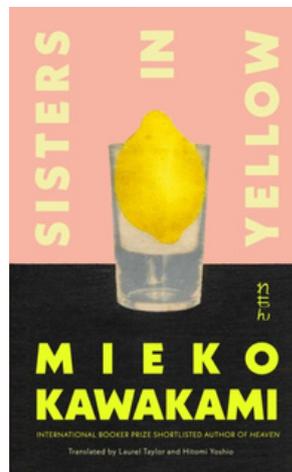
These are the books Team B is most excited about this month. And because we can't possibly stop at only 12, our dozen consists of 24 books! With fiction, non-fiction, teen and children's books, there is something for everyone.

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.



**NOW I SURRENDER**  
by **ÁLVARO ENRIGUE**  
FICTION - 5TH MARCH  
Vintage £20

A Mexican woman flees on foot after her homestead is raided in the most brutal of circumstances. A soldier and his conscripts set off in pursuit, not knowing what they are walking into. Decades later, a tense negotiation tries to bring the legendary Geronimo's surrender to pass. This is a stunning reframing of the Old West from a brilliant writer.

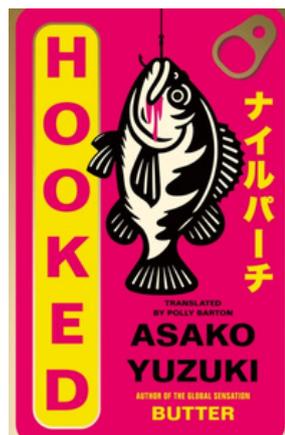


**SISTERS IN YELLOW**  
by **MIEKO KAWAKAMI**  
FICTION - 19TH MARCH  
Pan Macmillan £16.99

In 1990s Tokyo, fifteen-year-old Hana meets Kimiko and is enthralled by the older girl's dreams of a better life. They open a bar called Lemon and suddenly Hana's future is full of possibility and friendship. But in a world of loan sharks, organized crime, and people desperate to change their lot in life, fortunes can turn on a dime...

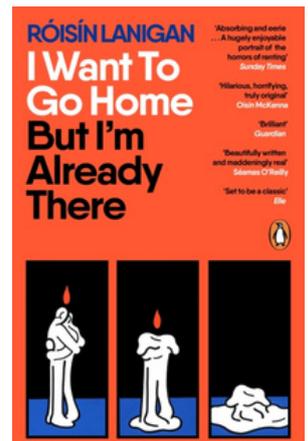
**HOOKED**  
by **ASAKO YUZUKI**  
FICTION - 12TH MARCH  
HarperCollins £14.99

From the author of *Butter* comes another character-driven tale of female connection and obsession. When lonely office worker Eriko engineers a "chance" encounter with her favourite lifestyle blogger, she embarks on the kind of friendship she's only ever dreamed about. But as her interest slowly morphs into fanaticism, both of their lives begin to unravel.

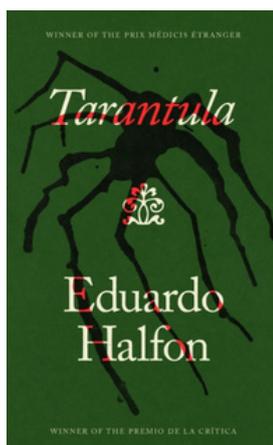


**I WANT TO GO HOME BUT I'M ALREADY THERE**  
by **RÓISÍN LANIGAN**  
FICTION - 19TH MARCH  
Penguin £9.99

Áine has just moved into a new flat with Elliot. It's in a lovely neighbourhood, filled with bakeries and yoga studios. She should be so happy. But something about this place doesn't add up, something is lurking in the shadows... A darkly funny satire of the rental crisis and a poignant portrait of modern loneliness.



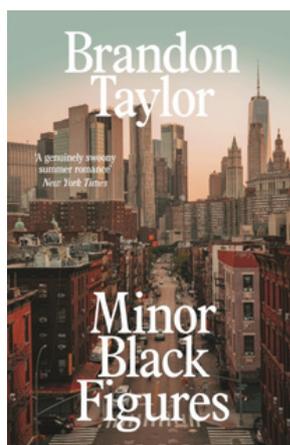
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**TARANTULA**  
by **EDUARDO HALFON**  
FICTION - 5TH MARCH

**Penguin £10.99**

Eduardo and his brother, after years of living in the US, are sent back to Guatemala by their parents to attend a Jewish summer camp. But their home country is in the grip of a bloody civil war, and they soon realise this camp has darker undertones than they first thought. A searingly powerful novel about the many afterlives of the Holocaust.



**MINOR BLACK FIGURES**  
by **BRANDON TAYLOR**  
FICTION - 19TH MARCH

**Vintage £18.99**

Two men form a fragile bond across a sweltering New York summer. Wyeth is a Black painter struggling to find his place in the NYC art scene. Keating is a white priest whose faith is failing him. As the two grow closer, their differences threaten their relationship. A masterful novel from a Booker-shortlisted writer at the peak of his powers.

**TRAVEL LIGHT**  
by **NAOMI MITCHISON**  
FICTION - 12TH MARCH

**Little, Brown £10.99**

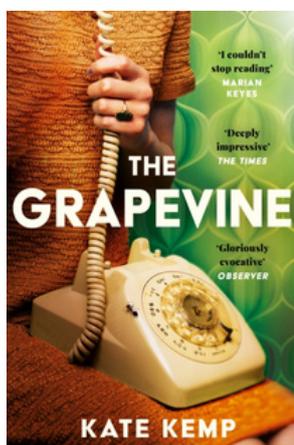
Halla is the abandoned daughter of a king. She is raised by bears, lives amongst dragons, talks to Valkyries. But times are changing, and a chance encounter with The Wanderer sets her on a new path. First published in 1952, this rediscovered fantasy classic is perfect for Tolkien and Pullman fans!



**MUCKLE FLUGGA**  
by **MICHAEL PENDERSEN**  
FICTION - 26TH MARCH

**Faber & Faber £9.99**

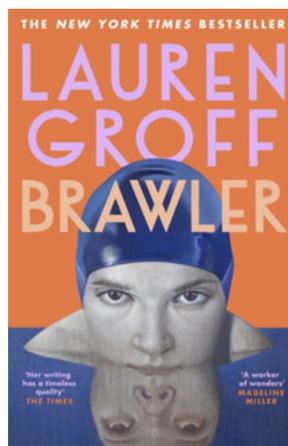
On the remote Scottish island of Muckle Flugga, a lighthouse keeper lives with his otherworldly son, Ouse. They are the only humans in a place where the very landscape shifts under their feet. When a writer arrives from Edinburgh looking for lodgings, the world as they know it begins to crumble. A quirky and gorgeous debut novel from a renowned poet.



**THE GRAPEVINE**  
by **KATE KEMP**  
FICTION - 5TH MARCH

**Orion £10.99**

Australia, 1979. The residents of Warrah Place are shaken by the death of Antonio Marietti, and none more so than twelve-year-old Tammy. Surely her quiet cul-de-sac couldn't be home to a murderer? A suburban crime novel perfect for fans of *The List of Suspicious Things*.



**BRAWLER**  
by **LAUREN GROFF**  
FICTION - 5TH MARCH

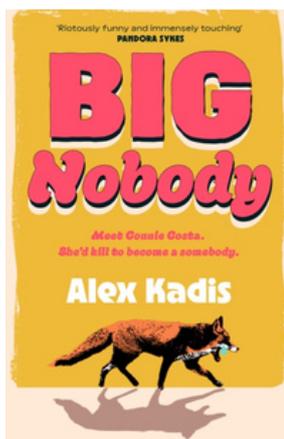
**Cornerstone £18.99**

Groff's third short story collection packs a punch, with abandoned siblings and empire-hungry rich kids running riot, an athlete who carries both talent and trauma in equal weight, so many parents who could do better, and a swarm of bees. Brilliant, every one.

**BIG NOBODY**  
by **ALEX KADIS**  
FICTION - 5TH MARCH

**Cornerstone £16.99**

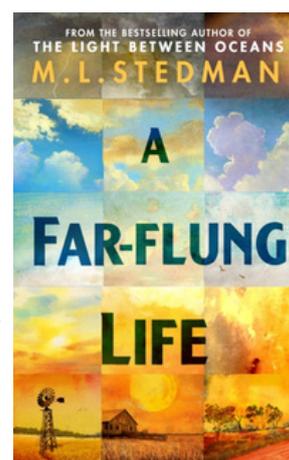
What 15-year-old Connie Costa wants more than anything is to punish the person responsible for killing her mother and brothers. Unfortunately, that person is her father, aka The Fat Murderer, and she is currently stuck living under his tyrannical rule. A magnificent coming-of-age story about a half-Greek, half-English girl finding herself in 1970s London.



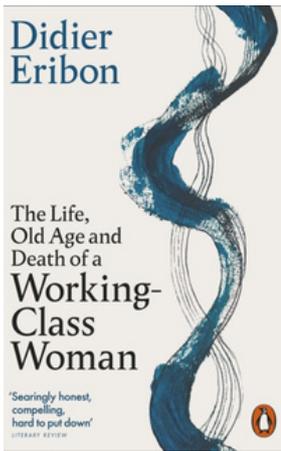
**A FAR-FLUNG LIFE**  
by **M.L. STEDMAN**  
FICTION - 5TH MARCH

**Transworld £20**

In 1958, on a sheep station in the Australian outback, the lives of the MacBride family are shattered in an instant as a truck swerves off the road. Across the following decades the remaining MacBrides will show that love and compassion can overcome this tragedy, and the others that follow. An epic return from the bestselling author of *The Light Between Oceans*.



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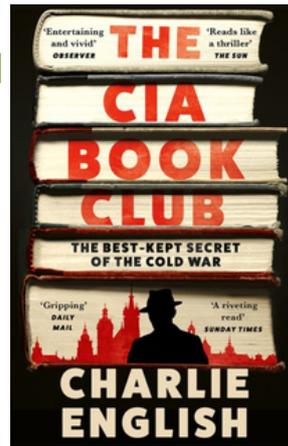


## THE LIFE, OLD AGE AND DEATH OF A WORKING-CLASS WOMAN by DIDIER ERIBON

**MEMOIR - 24TH MARCH**

**Penguin £12.99**

When his mother's health began to decline rapidly, Eribon and his brothers made the difficult decision to place her in a care home, where she died a few weeks later. In this revolutionary book, Eribon considers ageing and its relation to class and gender. An intimate work for fans of Annie Ernaux and Edouard Louis.



## THE CIA BOOK CLUB by CHARLIE ENGLISH

**HISTORY - 12TH MARCH**

**HarperCollins £10.99**

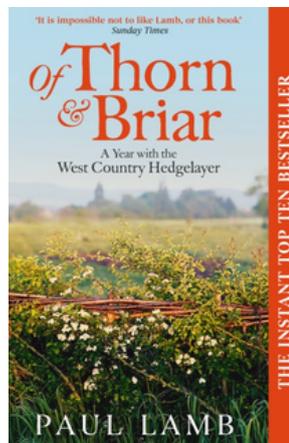
For almost fifty years after WWII, Europe was divided by the Iron Curtain. This is the fascinating true story of how millions of banned books were smuggled through it, and the spycraft, printing operations, and extraordinary people involved in rejecting communist censorship during the Cold War.

## OF THORN & BRIAR by PAUL LAMB

**NATURE - 26TH MARCH**

**Simon & Schuster £10.99**

Spend a year with the West Country hedgelayer! Paul Lamb lives in his wagon, travelling around South West England, following the rhythm of the seasons, working to maintain the ancient boundaries of our nation. This is a beautiful account of an ancient way of life, one attuned to the land and a craft. You will never look at a hedgerow in the same way again.

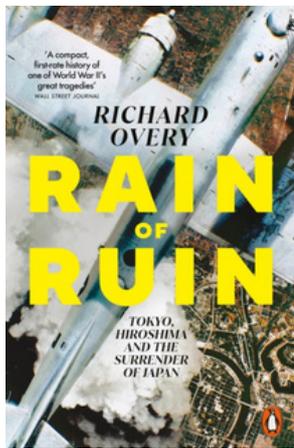
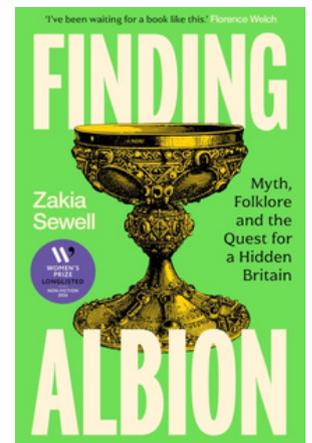


## FINDING ALBION by ZAKIA SEWELL

**HISTORY - 19TH MARCH**

**Hodder & Stoughton £25**

Beneath the divisive politics and national myths, there is another Britain, one that unites us all. Beginning at Glastonbury Tor in spring, Sewell travels the length and breadth of the country to uncover the folklore and culture that defines these islands, and asks whether the folk revival could help us all gain a better sense of who we are.

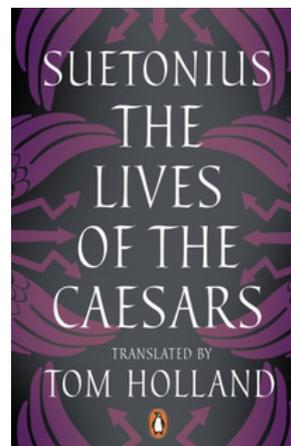


## RAIN OF RUIN by RICHARD OVERY

**MILITARY - 5TH MARCH**

**Penguin £12.99**

As WWII drew to a close, hundreds of thousands of Japanese civilians died as a result of one of the most controversial acts of violence ever witnessed: the dropping of atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. This riveting new account looks not only at our capacity for violence, but also the complex efforts to end a war in a nation with no concept of surrender.



## THE LIVES OF THE CAESARS by SUETONIUS

**HISTORY - 26TH MARCH**

**Penguin £10.99**

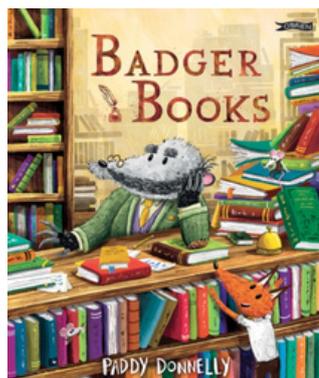
In AD 121, the Roman historian Gaius Suetonius Tranquillus wrote the definitive history of the Caesars from the heart of power in Rome. His depictions of the way they dealt with crises, scandal, and culture still resonates today. This new translation by Tom Holland brings this essential text to life for a new generation of readers.

## BADGER BOOKS by PADDY DONNELLY

**PICTUREBOOK - 10TH MARCH**

**O'Brien Press £10.99**

Badger has sold books for fifty-two years, eleven months, and nine days. He can find any book for any animal. That is, until a little fox name Rory asks him for a book about jellyfish on the moon. Can Badger help Rory find his dream book? And can Rory help Badger find his smile?



## MEGALOMANIACS: THE INVASION BEGINS by JAMIE SMART

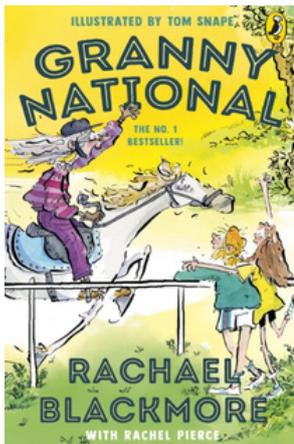
**GRAPHIC NOVEL - 26TH MARCH**

**David Fickling £9.99**

The brilliant creator of *Bunny Vs. Monkey* is back with the *Megalomaniacs*: tiny little terrors from outer space that are destroying Bobbletown, the first stop on their path to world domination. The silliest, most hilarious alien invasion you have ever seen!

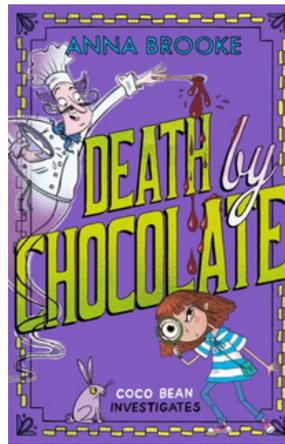


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**GRANNY NATIONAL**  
by RACHAEL BLACKMORE  
MIDDLE GRADE - 19TH MARCH  
Penguin £8.99

Rachel's granny has a life-long dream: to ride in the Grand National. When Rachael spends the Easter holidays on the farm with her cousin Tom and best friend Frankie, they hatch a plan to make Granny's dreams come true... but can they pull it off? A hilarious and heartwarming story of family and horses from Grand National-winning jockey Rachael Blackmore.



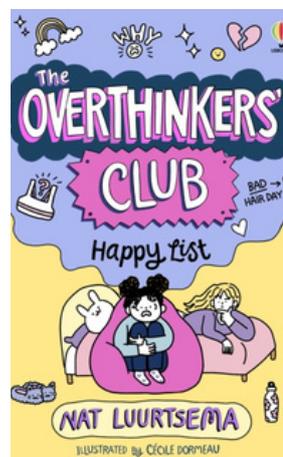
**DEATH BY CHOCOLATE**  
by ANNA BROOKE  
MIDDLE GRADE - 12TH MARCH  
Chicken House £7.99

Coco's parents own a struggling French hotel, which is haunted by the ghost of Monsieur Framboise, a murdered chocolatier. Framboise agrees to teach Coco his legendary skills... as long as she solves his murder first. A funny, devious mystery just in time for Easter, perfect for fans of *The Swifts* and *Murder Most Unladylike*.

**THE OVERTHINKERS' CLUB:  
HAPPY LIST**  
by NAT LUURTSEMA  
MIDDLE GRADE - 12TH MARCH

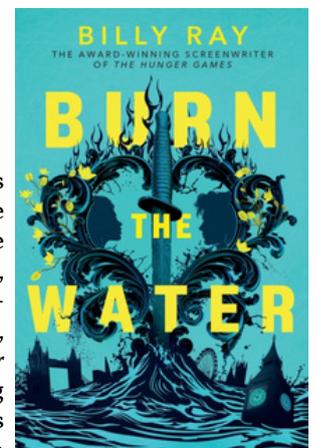
Usborne £7.99

Birdie is an overthinker, and right now she has plenty to overthink about. Her BFF has betrayed her, she's one year away from being a teenager, a boy at school might have a crush on her... she could go. So she's made a Happy List to tackle all her problems – perfect plan, right...? A funny, relatable new diary series for *Lottie Brooks* and *Dork Diaries* fans!



**BURN THE WATER**  
by BILLY RAY  
TEEN - 12TH MARCH  
Scholastic £8.99

It is 2425 and the City is underwater, the Rogues and the Crown are at war. Rafe and Jule are sworn enemies. That is, until they fall in an all-consuming love... Billy Ray, screenwriter of *The Hunger Games*, brings his thrilling storytelling to the page in this Romeo & Juliet tale set in dystopian London.



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