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2017  
JANUARY TO JUNE



Dear Reader,

2016 will be the year of Sandstone's fifteenth birthday. We are now releasing around thirty titles a year as jacketed hardbacks, large format, paperbacks and ebooks. Many have won or been shortlisted for prestigious prizes.

From the first half of the year, covered by this catalogue, I must draw your attention to the new William Wisting mystery, *When It Grows Dark*. Jorn Lier Horst has been one of our most consistently popular authors over the years and we are taking this opportunity to relaunch the whole series in fantastic new livery. We will also be publishing the second title in the Gereon Rath series, *The Silent Death*, more than a little hopeful that the television series, *Babylon Berlin*, which is being made by Sky Germany, X-Filme, ARD and Beta Film, will be on your screens before too long. Both familiar and new names will join them on our growing fiction list.

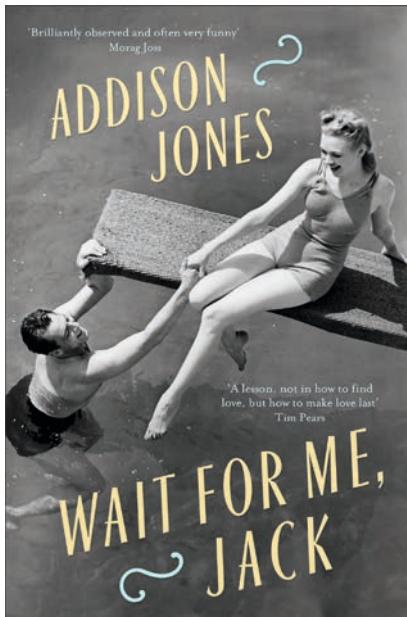
In January, *Greenpeace Captain*, the thrillingly adventurous memoir by Peter Willcox, Greenpeace's longest serving skipper, will be released. Adding to our justly famed outdoor list: Hamish Brown's evocative memoir *Walking the Song*, new books on running from the prize-winning Steve Chilton and newcomer Gavin Boyter, *Mistress and Commander* by Amelia Dalton. Marking Jane Austen's 200th anniversary will be the excellent *Jane and Dorothy* by Marian Veevers, which entwines Jane's life with that of Dorothy Wordsworth. There is much, much more, all superbly designed and presented with great marketing campaigns.

It's a feast, and it joins a healthy backlist that just keeps on selling. We are grateful to the authors who have entrusted us with their precious work, to our colleagues at Iolaire Typography Ltd, to our designers and printers, to our growing in-house team, to our selling agents and distributors (see the back of this catalogue), and to Creative Scotland who have placed such immense faith in us. Most of all though, we thank the readers who buy our books and share our journey.

Robert Davidson  
Founder and Managing Director

Cynthia Rogerson

# WAIT FOR ME, JACK



Set near San Francisco, this warm and funny novel follows the fortunes and failures of Jack and Milly for sixty years. They marry in 1952 and, typical of post-war couples, shift up a class. Optimistic and full of plans, they see themselves living the American Dream. Through the years they cling to each other despite having little in common. But the clinging doesn't always preclude infidelity or disappointment, and the social changes they live through impact on their relationship in complex and surprising ways. Ultimately, though, what holds them together is stronger than what pulls them apart.



Addison Jones is the author of four novels and a collection of short stories, all written under the name of Cynthia Rogerson. Her short stories have been broadcast, anthologised, short-listed and included in literary magazines.

She holds a RLF Fellowship at Dundee University, and supervises for the University of Edinburgh's creative writing programme.

'Brilliantly observed  
and often very funny.'

MORAG JOSS

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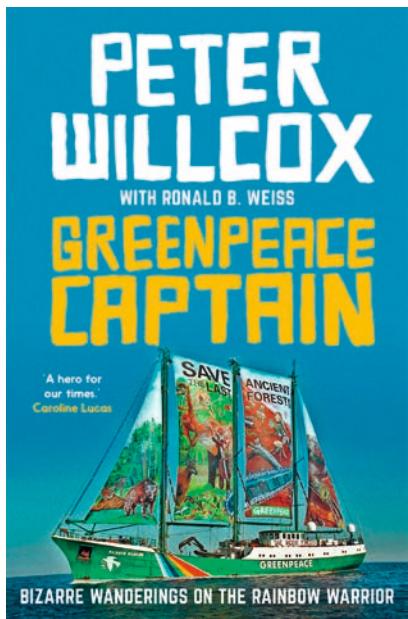
'A lesson, not in how to love, but how to make love last'

TIM PEARS

Peter Willcox

# GREENPEACE CAPTAIN

Bizarre Wanderings on the Rainbow Warrior



In over 40 years as a senior captain for Greenpeace, Peter Willcox has been in the vanguard of the international environmentalist movement. He has led crews into battle for the good of the planet against whale killers, nuclear testing sites and deep sea drillers. The recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award from The Guardian, Peter has confronted naval warships, including diving in front of a moving destroyer; faced a bombing attack of the iconic 'Rainbow Warrior', resulting in the murder of a shipmate; and endured imprisonment for peacefully protesting Russian oil drilling in Antarctica along with his crew.



An activist for nearly his entire life, beginning by marching in Selma behind Martin Luther King Jr. with his family at age twelve, Willcox first became engaged with environmental issues when he served as the Captain of Pete Seeger's Hudson River Sloop, Clearwater. Captain Willcox estimates he's sailed over 300,000 miles in virtually every corner of the globe.

'Peter Willcox  
is a hero of our times.'  
CAROLINE LUCAS MP,  
CO-LEADER OF THE GREEN PARTY

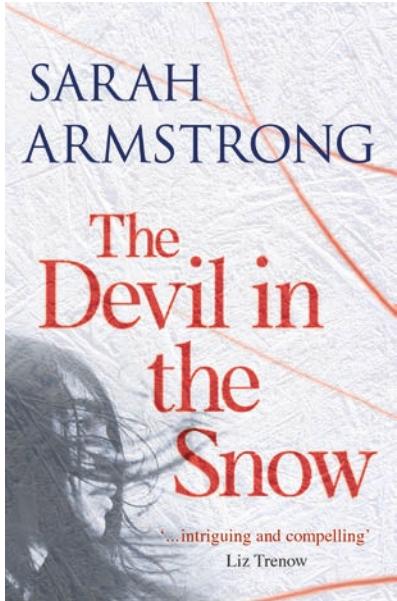
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'Vivid, personal and real.'

TONY JUNIPER

Sarah Armstrong

## THE DEVIL IN THE SNOW



All Shona wants is a simple life with her young son, and to get free of Maynard, the ex who's still living in the house. When her teenage daughter goes missing, she's certain Maynard is the culprit. Her mother, Greta, is no help as she's too obsessed with the devil. Uncle Jimmy is fresh out of prison and has never been entirely straight with her. Then there's the shaman living in her shed. Shona soon discovers that the secrets she buried are as dangerous as the family curse haunting her mother.

Sarah lives in Essex with her husband and four children. Her short stories have been published in magazines and anthologies, and she teaches creative writing for the Open University.

'An intriguing and compelling story...'

LIZ TRENOW

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'So many people are watching you...'

# ALSO BY SARAH ARMSTRONG

## THE INSECT ROSARY

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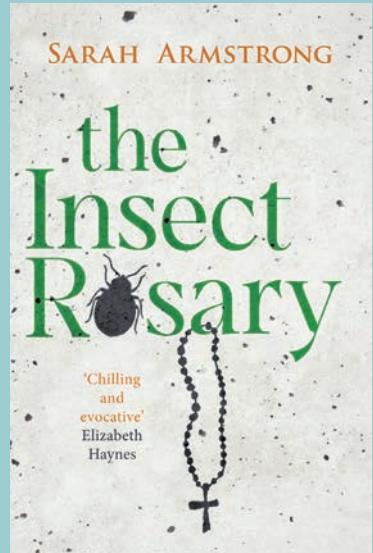
*"I have a gift for you and Nancy."*

*She put her hand into her pocket and pulled out two little plastic bags. There were two strings of rosary beads, black and shiny like a line of beetles.*

All families have secrets, but Bernadette's are more dangerous than most. On holiday in Northern Ireland in 1982, she and her older sister discover their family is involved with disappearances and murder. Thirty years later Nancy makes a disastrous return to the farm with her own family. The events of the past gradually and menacingly reveal why those sisters have not spoken to each other since that last disturbing summer together.

'An atmospheric, cleverly written exploration  
of the intensity of sibling relationships,  
*The Insect Rosary* is chilling and evocative..'

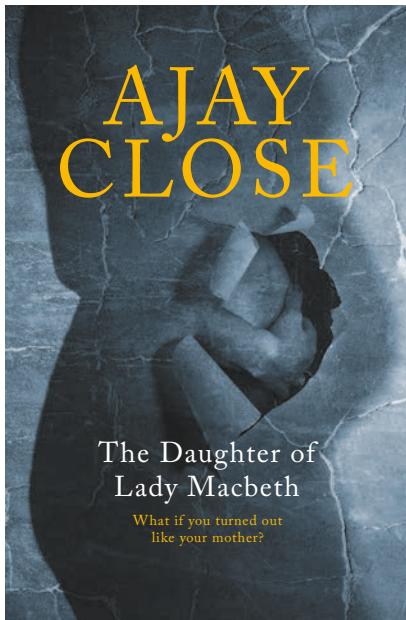
ELIZABETH HAYNES



'The Insect Rosary is a brave debut about sisterhood and the damage done to fragile minds when their truth is blatantly denied...' ANNE GOODWIN

Ajay Close

# THE DAUGHTER OF LADY MACBETH



Freya and Frankie's longing for a baby has put their marriage under strain. IVF is their last hope – but how do you bring a child into the world if you don't know who you are? Freya's mother Lilias (an actress on and off stage) will tell her nothing about her father, not even his name.

When Freya signs on at a fertility clinic, she discovers a new capacity for deception in herself, while Lilias is forced to confront the limits of pretence.

Born in Sheffield, Ajay Close worked as an award-winning journalist before becoming a full-time author and playwright. Her first novel, *Official and Doubtful*, was longlisted for the Orange Prize. Her fourth, *A Petrol Scented Spring*, was longlisted for the Walter Scott Prize for Historical Fiction. Her plays have been staged in Perth and on the Edinburgh Fringe.

'Sensual, wise and raw.'

ROSEMARY GORING

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'Ajay Close's writing hums with an electric tension...'

SCOTTISH REVIEW

# ALSO BY AJAY CLOSE

## A PETROL SCENTED SPRING

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*'I still don't know whether he was done for before we met, whether his heart was already claimed, or smashed. Whether the love story pieced together in these pages is mine, or hers.'*

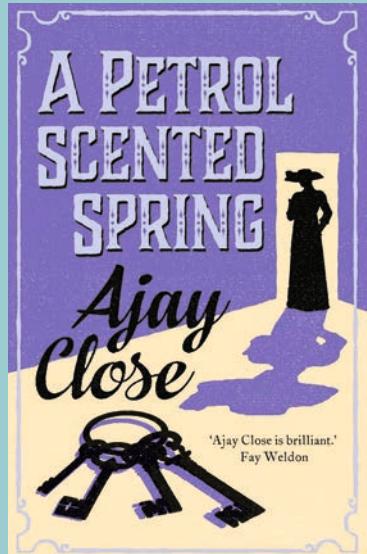
The day after her wedding, Donella Ferguson Watson wakes up shackled to a man haunted by the past. The lonely days become weeks, months. Her husband Hugh, a prison doctor, will offer no explanation for their sexless marriage. She comes to suspect the answer lies with a hunger-striking suffragette who was force fed and held in solitary confinement. But what really happened between Hugh and his prisoner patient? *A Petrol Scented Spring* is a riveting novel of repression, jealousy and love, and the struggle for women's emancipation.

'A fascinating insight into one of the most compelling stories in the history of the women's suffrage movement.'

THE TIMES

'Uncompromising in its honesty and compelling in its narration ... Ajay Close has hit on a real-life story that may prove to be one of the gems of the year.'

THE HERALD

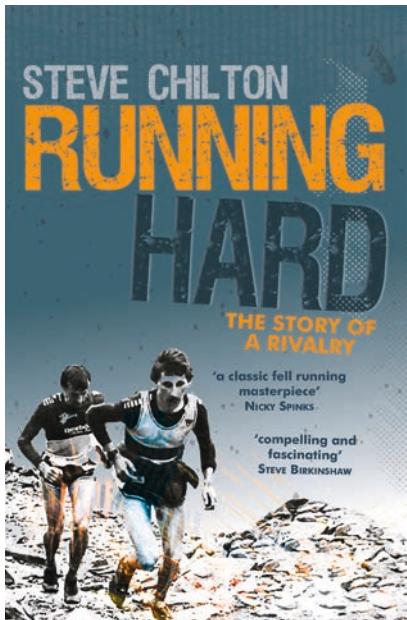


LONGLISTED FOR THE WALTER SCOTT PRIZE FOR HISTORICAL FICTION

Steve Chilton

# RUNNING HARD

## The Story of a Rivalry



For one brilliant season in 1983 the sport of fell running was dominated by the two huge talents of John Wild and Kenny Stuart. Wild was an incomer to the sport from road running and track. Stuart was born to the fells, but an outcast because of his move from amateur to professional and back again. Together they destroyed the record book, only determining who was top by a few seconds in the last race of the season.



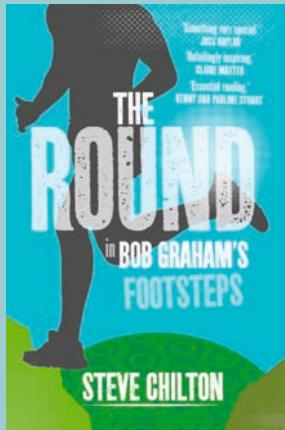
Steve Chilton is a committed runner and qualified athletics coach with considerable experience of fell running and a marathon personal best of 2:34:53. He is a long-time member of the Fell Runners Association (FRA). He works at Middlesex University where he is Lead Academic Developer.

'A classic fell running masterpiece.'  
NICKY SPINKS

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'Compelling and fascinating.'  
STEVE BIRKINSHAW

# ALSO BY STEVE CHILTON



## THE ROUND

In Bob Graham's Footsteps

HB ISBN: 9781910124680 PB ISBN: 9781910985366 RRP: £9.99

*The Round* is not only a history of the Bob Graham Round, but also an exploration of the what, why and how of this classic fell endurance challenge. After covering the genesis of the BGR in detail, it documents its development from a more-or-less idle challenge to its present status as a rite of passage for endurance runners. Interspersed with this detail of the round are extensive profiles of many of the event's most significant individuals: innovators, record setters, recorders and supporters. Some links to resources for potential BGR completers are included.

SHORTLISTED FOR THE TGO AWARDS  
OUTDOOR BOOK OF THE YEAR 2015

SHORTLISTED FOR THE LAKELAND BOOK  
OF THE YEAR AWARD 2016

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## IT'S A HILL, GET OVER IT

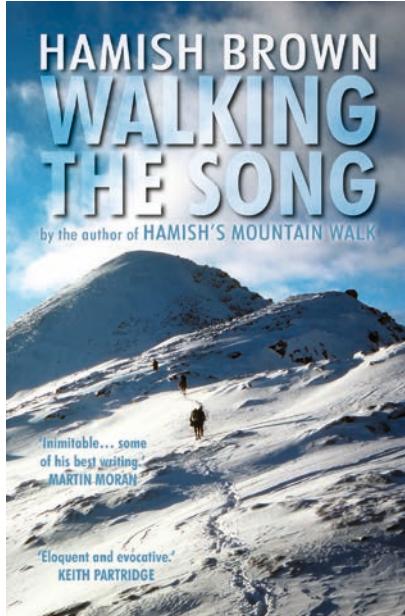
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This book offers a detailed history of the sport of fell running. It also tells the stories of some of the great exponents of the sport through the ages. Many of them achieved greatness whilst still working full time in traditional jobs, a million miles away from the professionalism of other branches of athletics nowadays. The book covers the early days of the sport, right through to it going global with World Championships. Along the way it profiles influential athletes such as Fred Reeves, Bill Teasdale, Kenny Stuart, Joss Naylor, and Billy and Gavin Bland.

WINNER OF THE BILL ROLLINSON PRIZE  
FOR LANDSCAPE AND TRADITION

Hamish Brown

# WALKING THE SONG



Hamish Brown has been an outdoorsman for more than sixty years. The first person to complete an uninterrupted round of Scotland's Munros, his account of the feat in Hamish's Mountain Walk is a classic of Scottish mountain literature. Throughout those years he has contributed articles and essays to many journals and, in this selection, he presents not an autobiography or an overview of life, but a very personal record of his many journeys and interests from his 'dancing days of spring' to his present, very active, later life.



Hamish Brown is a legendary climber, walker, traveller and author. He is also an editor, poet and short story writer as well as an acknowledged expert on all things Scottish and explorer of the country's many highways and byways. In 2015, Hamish Brown was awarded an OWPG Lifetime Achievement Award for his outstanding contribution to outdoor writing/photography.

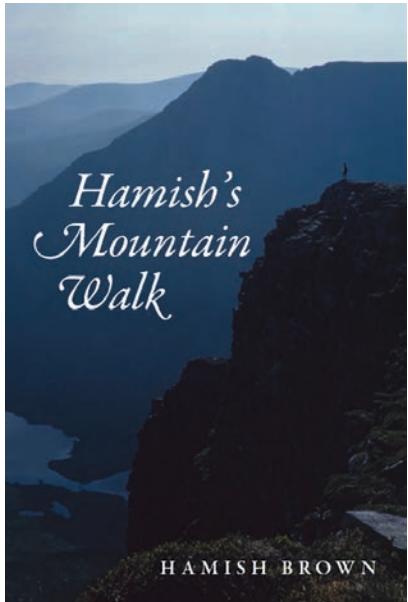
'Inimitable...  
some of his best writing.'  
MARTIN MORAN, *HIGHER GROUND*

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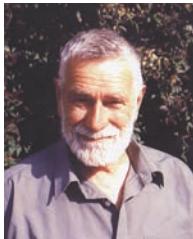
'Eloquent and evocative.'  
KEITH PARTRIDGE, *THE ADVENTURE GAME*

Hamish Brown

# HAMISH'S MOUNTAIN WALK



Hamish Brown was the first walker and climber to complete the Munros in a single round. By his own rules, he did it self-powered except where ferries were required and with the aid of his trusty, fold-away bike. The year was 1974 and the roads of Scotland carried only a fraction of the traffic they do today, windfarms were unheard of and crofting remained a vibrant element of rural livelihoods. This will be a book that every lover of the Scottish hills - and anyone who has been touched by the spirit of the outdoors - will want to read and reread.



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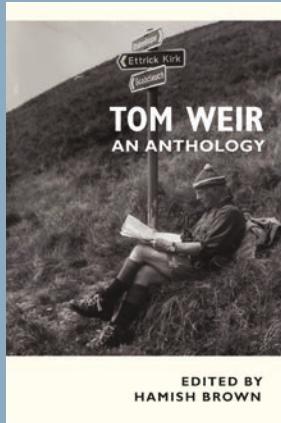
'Hamish is part of the bedrock of the UK outdoor community'  
OWPG LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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'An inspiring and exciting tale...'

CHRIS TOWNSEND

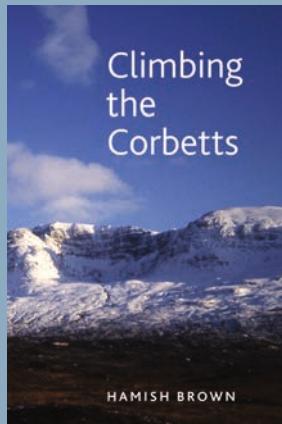
# ALSO BY HAMISH BROWN



## TOM WEIR An Anthology

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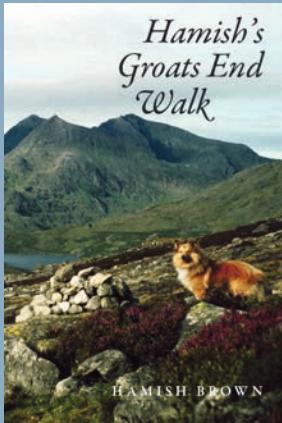
From his early years Tom Weir MBE was set on making his way as an explorer, writer and photographer, a progress interrupted by World War Two but then leading to expeditions ranging from the Himalayas to Greenland. For over forty years his feature 'My Month' appeared in the Scots Magazine, reflecting his fascination with Scotland, its remote corners, people and wildlife.



## CLIMBING THE CORBETTS

ISBN: 9781908737106 RRP: £14.99

A love of the Scottish hills doesn't depend on the height of any summit but on an indefinable quality which the 2500ft plus hills have in abundance, perhaps even more than the Munros. This book describes one well-known mountaineer's compact with the Corbettts, rich with anecdote, historical connections, and written with companionable enthusiasm.



## HAMISH'S GROATS END WALK

ISBN: 9781905207596 RRP: £14.99

First published thirty years ago, this wonderful period piece tells the story of what happened after Hamish's Mountain Walk when Hamish took to the outdoors and writing full time.

With his faithful companion, the Shetland collie Storm, he wandered from John O'Groats to Land's End over 175 days in 1979, taking in the first ever walk between the highest summits of Scotland, England, Wales and Ireland.

Stephen May

# STRONGER THAN SKIN



Mark Chadwick is cycling home from work, eager to get back to his pregnant wife Katy and two children, when he sees the police calling at his house. He knows exactly why they are there and he knows that the world he has carefully constructed over twenty deliberately uneventful years is about to fall apart. He could lose everything.

A story of a toxic love gone wrong, with a setting that moves easily between present day London and 1990s Cambridge, *Stronger Than Skin* is compulsively readable.



Stephen May's first novel *TAG* was longlisted for Wales Book of The Year and won the Media Wales Reader's Prize. His second, *Life! Death! Prizes!* was shortlisted for the 2012 Costa Novel Award and The Guardian Not The Booker Prize. He also collaborates on performance pieces with theatre-makers, artists, film-makers, musicians and dancers.

'A major talent, sharply observant of the human condition.'

MONIQUE ROFFEY

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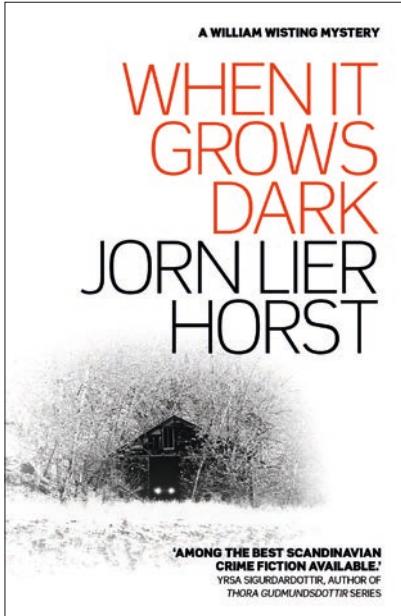
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'May has the sharp eye of David Nicholls and the verve of Kate Atkinson.'

SUZANNAH DUNN

Jorn Lier Horst

# WHEN IT GROWS DARK



Stavern 1983: Christmas is approaching, snow is falling heavily, and a young ambitious policeman named William Wisting has just become the father of twins. After a brutal robbery, he is edged off the investigation by more experienced officers, but soon he is on another case that is not only unsolved but has not even been recognised as murder. Forgotten in a dilapidated barn stands a bullet-riddled old car, and it looks as if the driver did not get out alive.

The long-awaited prequel to the William Wisting series.



Jorn Lier Horst is a former senior investigating officer in the Norwegian Police, and is now one of the foremost Nordic crime writers. More than 500,000 copies featuring William Wisting, and his captivating journalist daughter Line, have been sold in Scandinavia, United Kingdom, Germany and the Netherlands.

'Horst, a former Norwegian policeman, now produces classy procedurals with plotting, depth and humanity to rival the best of the Scandis.'

THE SUNDAY TIMES

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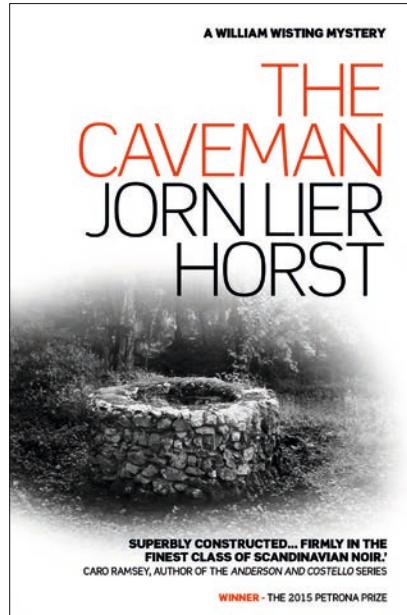
RRP: £8.99

'Horst writes some of the best Scandinavian crime fiction available.'

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Jorn Lier Horst

# THE CAVEMAN



Only three houses away from the policeman's home, a man has been sitting dead in front of his television set for four months. There are no indications that anything criminal has taken place. Viggo Hansen was a man nobody ever noticed, even though he lived in the midst of a close-knit community. His death doesn't hit the headlines, but there is something about the case that catches the attention of William Wisting's journalist daughter, Line.

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AWARD 2016

In March 2017 we will release the complete William Wisting series, as far as it has been translated into English, in a brand new design that will stand out as Scandinavian Crime, and high quality.

'Horst's novels are solid, satisfying police procedurals, offering an insider's view of the tensions between detectives and bureaucrats who want results at any cost.'

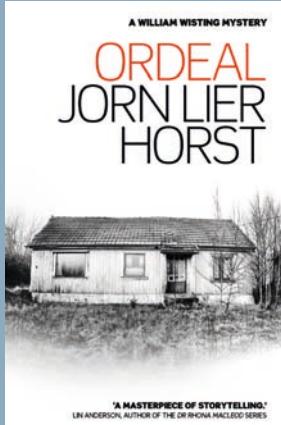
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'A gripping police procedural drawing on Jorn Lier Horst's experiences as a murder detective.'

THE PETRONA AWARD

# ALSO BY JORN LIER HORST



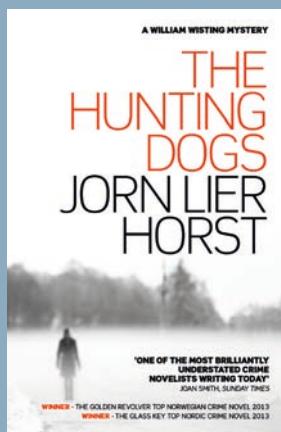
## ORDEAL

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Together with her one year old daughter Maja, single mother Sofie Lund moves into the house she inherited from her grandfather. Sofie has such painful memories that she has had every trace of the old man removed, every trace but a locked safe that has been bolted to the basement floor.

'A complex and intriguing investigation into Norway's underworld in a masterpiece of storytelling.'

LIN ANDERSON

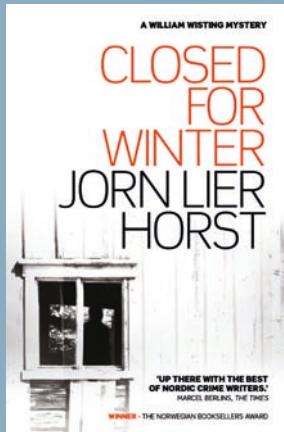


## THE HUNTING DOGS

ISBN: 9781908737632 RRP £8.99

Seventeen years ago William Wisting led the investigation into one of Norway's most widely publicised criminal cases, when the young Cecilia Linde was killed. Now it is discovered that evidence was planted and the wrong man convicted. Wisting is suspended and the media smell blood. William Wisting has spent his life hunting criminals, but now it is he who is hunted.

**WINNER OF THE GOLDEN REVOLVER  
(BEST NORWEGIAN CRIME)  
AND THE GLASS KEY  
(BEST SCANDANAVIAN CRIME)**



## CLOSED FOR WINTER

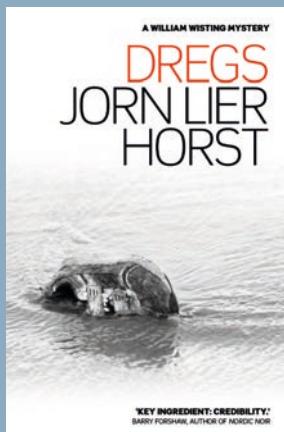
ISBN: 9781908737496 RRP £8.99

Ove Bakkerud, newly separated and extremely disillusioned, is looking forward to a final quiet weekend at his summer home before closing for winter but, when the tourists leave, less welcome visitors arrive.

'Jorn Lier Horst is a phenomenal new voice in Nordic Noir. His handling of landscape and location matches that of Henning Mankell. The narrative concern with digital technology is on a par with Stieg Larsson. What makes Lier Horst distinctive is his haunting ability to find the feasible in the psychopathic.'

STEVE PEACOCK

NORWAY'S BOOKSELLERS' PRIZE 2012,  
RIVERTON PRIZE SHORT LIST



## DREGS

ISBN: 9781905207671 RRP £8.99

Chief Inspector William Wisting is an experienced policeman who is familiar with the dark side of human nature. In this gripping police procedural, Wisting gradually gets to the bottom of the mystery with the help of his all too human colleagues and his journalist daughter, Line.

'Urban rather than natural settings are the stamping grounds of Jorn Lier Horst, whose Drges (his first novel to be published in English) is immensely impressive. The writer's career as a police chief has supplied a key ingredient for the crime fiction form: credibility.'

BARRY FORSHAW, NORDIC NOIR AND EURO NOIR

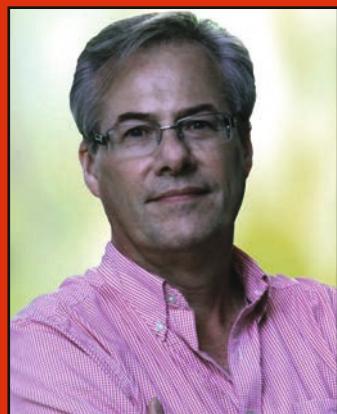
# CRIME FEST 2017

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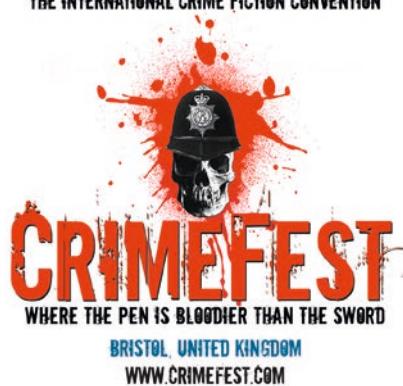
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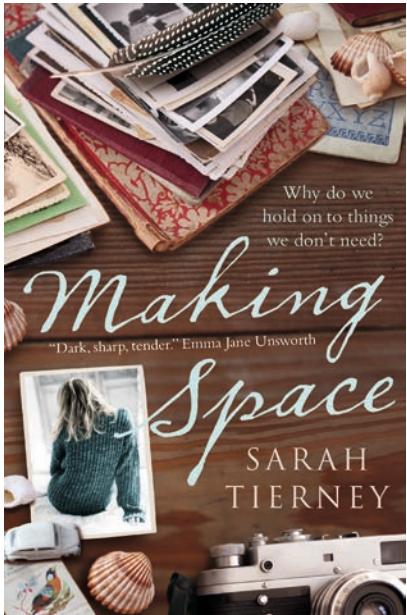
THE INTERNATIONAL CRIME FICTION CONVENTION

Bristol Crime Festival is possibly the foremost festival of crime fiction in the world and to appear there is a recognition of quality. In 2016 we are delighted to have three authors presenting to readers, booksellers, reviewers, publishers and other novelists from all over the world.



Sarah Tierney

# MAKING SPACE



Miriam is twenty-nine: temping, living with a flatmate who is no longer a friend, and still trying to find her place in life. She falls in love with Erik after he employs her to clear out his paper-packed home. They are worlds apart: he is forty-five, a successful photographer and artist and an obsessive hoarder still haunted by the end of his marriage. Miriam has an unsuccessful love life and has just got rid of most of her belongings. Somehow, they must find a way to reach each other.



Sarah Tierney is a graduate of the MA in Novel Writing at Manchester University, and her short story, 'Five Miles Out', was made into a short film by the acclaimed director Andrew Haigh. Sarah has worked as a journalist, editor and copywriter. She lives in Derbyshire with her husband and daughter.

'Marks the arrival of an elegant and thrilling new voice in literary fiction.'

EMMA JANE UNSWORTH

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**'Why do we hold on to the things we don't need?'**

WHS McIntyre

# GOOD NEWS, BAD NEWS



Life's full of good news and bad news for defence lawyer Robbie Munro. Good news is he's in work, representing Antionia Brechin on a drugs charge – unfortunately she's the granddaughter of notorious Sheriff Brechin. His old client Ellen has won the lottery and she's asked Robbie to find her husband Freddy who's disappeared after swindling Jake Turpie, but he's not willing to bury the hatchet – unless it's in Freddy's head. Robbie juggles cases and private life with his usual dexterity, but the more he tries to fix things the more trouble everyone's in.

William McIntyre is a partner in Scotland's oldest law firm Russel + Aitken, specialising in criminal defence. William has been instructed in many interesting and high-profile cases over the years and now turns fact into fiction with his string of legal thrillers, The Best Defence Series, featuring defence lawyer, Robbie Munro.

'Crime with an edge of dark humour. The Best Defence series could only come out of Scotland'

TOMMY FLANAGAN

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'An accurate and humorous account of the Scottish criminal system...'

SCOTTISH LEGAL NEWS

# ALSO BY WHS MCINTYRE

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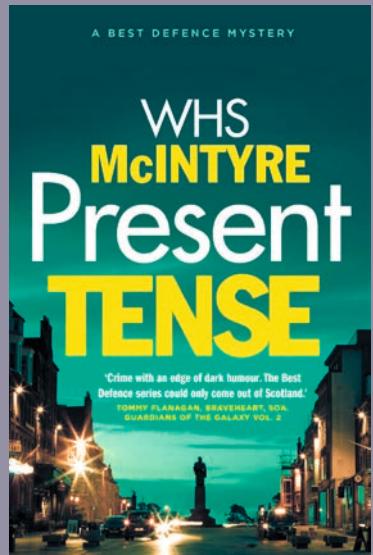
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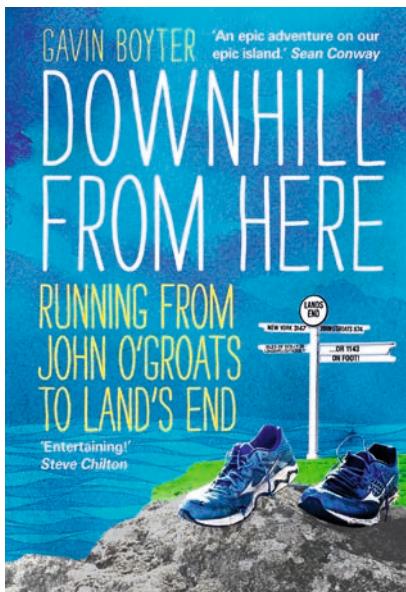
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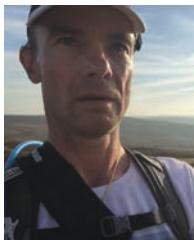
Gavin Boyter

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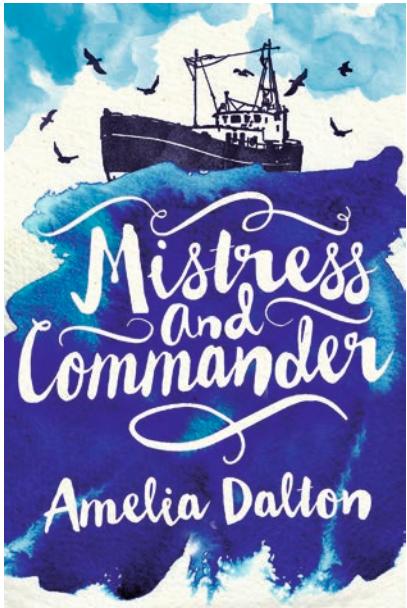
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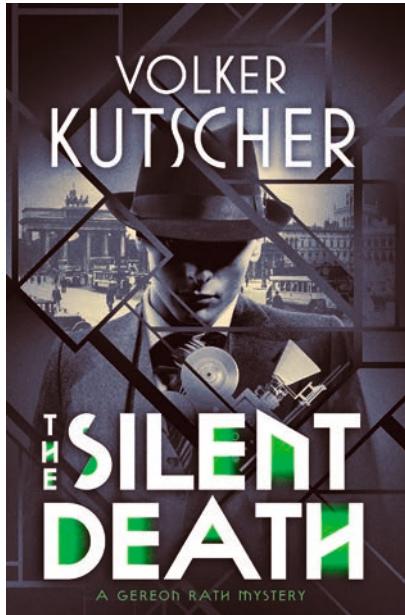
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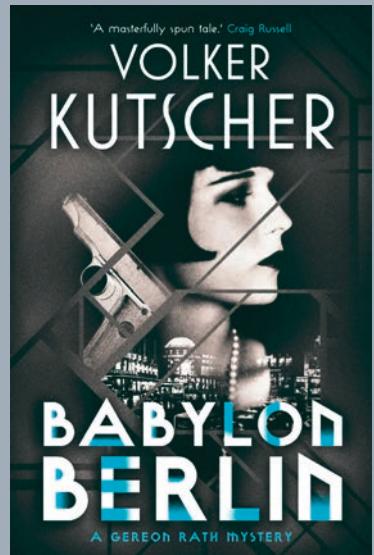
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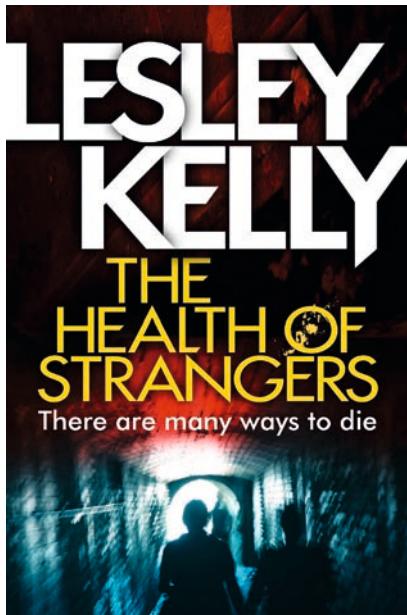
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Lesley Kelly has worked in the public and voluntary sectors for the past twenty years, dabbling in poetry and stand-up comedy along the way. She has won a number of writing competitions, including the Scotsman's Short Story award in 2008.

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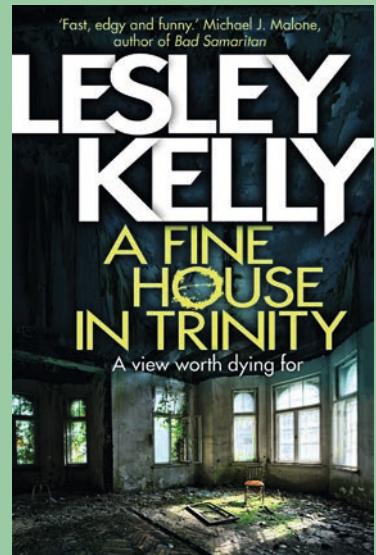
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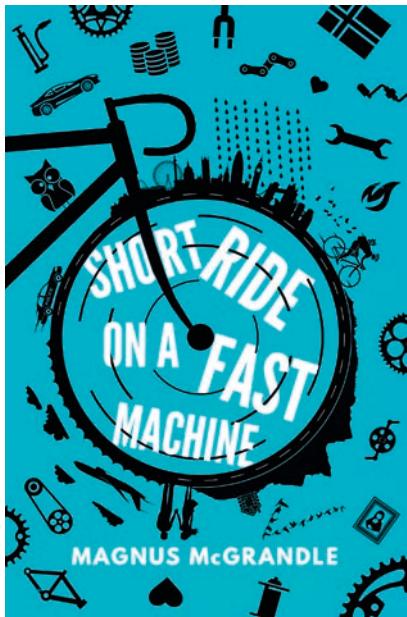
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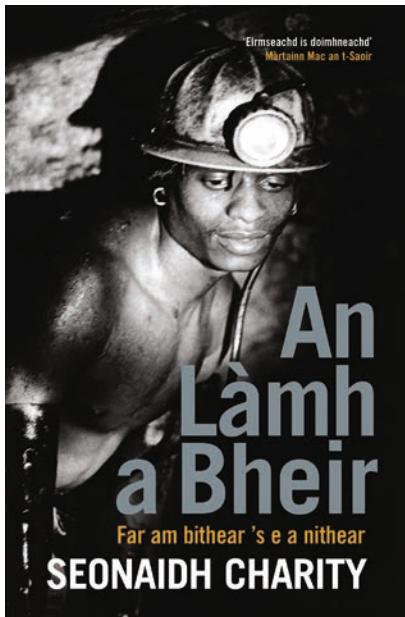
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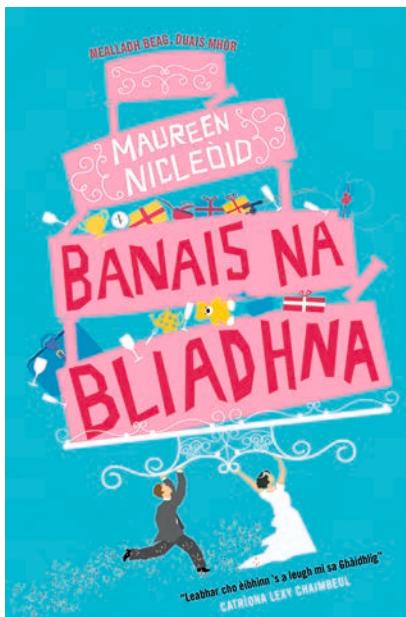
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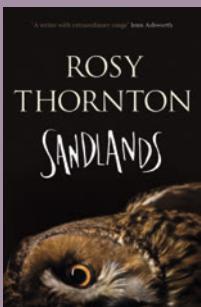
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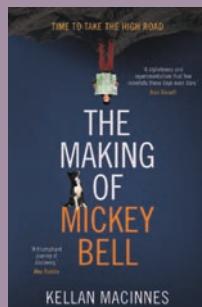


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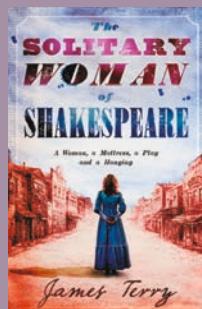
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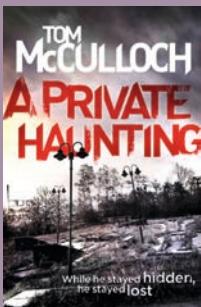
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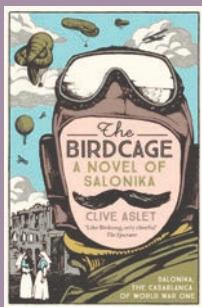
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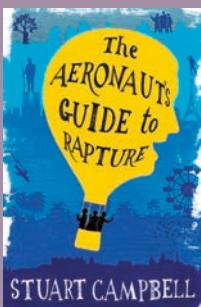
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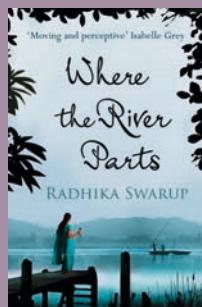
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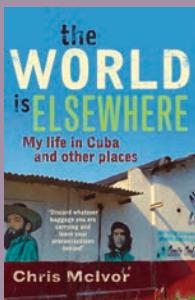
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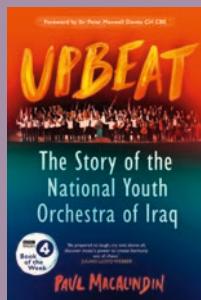
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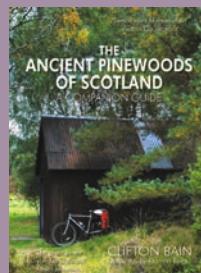
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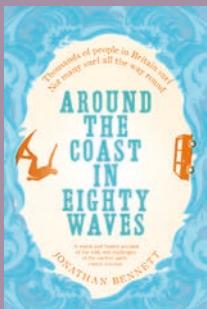
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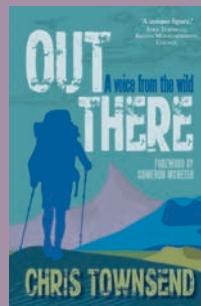
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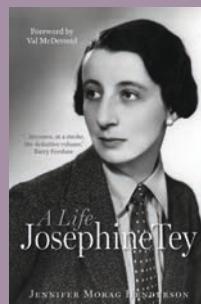
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