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Poppet Mo Hayder 2013-05-14 In this chilling, seamlessly-plotted thriller, British detective Jack Caffery must find a dangerous mental patient on the loose—before he can kill again . . . The Beechway High Secure Unit in Bristol, England, has a storied past—first as a nineteenth-century workhouse, then a poorhouse for the homeless, and now as a psychiatric hospital. With that troubled history come superstitions like the Maude, believed to be the ghost of a sadistic workhouse matron. But while some of the patients and staff think the Maude is behind a series of unexplained episodes of self-harm amongst the ward's patients, nursing coordinator AJ LeGrande thinks they might be the work of an all too human horror—a homicidal patient who was released back into the public in error. Calling on Det. Jack Caffery, LeGrande hopes his investigation will reveal what's truly been going on inside and outside the hospital's walls. But what Caffery discovers about former patient Isaac Handel is beyond anyone's imagining. "Enough evil to keep readers awake long after the cases are solved . . . Rich psychological portraits [and] a compelling mystery." —Los Angeles Times "Dipping into Poppet when the house was silent and the rain was spattering against the windows probably wasn't a good idea: The book oozes sinisterness from the first page . . . [Its] high-wire tension . . . never wavers." —Entertainment Weekly
The Doomsday Medallion Avanti Centrae 2022-03-08 Sixteenth-century French prophet Nostradamus predicted the Great Fire of London, Napoleon's conquest, Hitler's rule, and the atomic bomb. Can the VanOps team keep the old seer's secrets out of blood-stained hands? The next standalone installment of the six-time award-winning and #1 international bestselling VanOps thriller series, is a heart-stopping story of spies, lies, and family ties. Aikido black belt Maddy Marshall is celebrating the completion of her black ops training when news of a military takeover in the South China Sea shocks the world because it was predicted by a sixteen-year-old French student. When intel chatter spells danger to Avril, the young seer, VanOps Director Bowman assigns Marshall and her twin brother, Will Argones, to protect the girl. Emotions between the siblings are running hot due to their aunt's recent stroke, which has reminded them of the childhood accident that scarred both his chin and her heart. Tensions ratchet higher when they arrive at Avril's home to find the instant social media star has been kidnapped, leaving them with only clenched fists and cryptic clues that lead to a formula encoded on an etched-bronze medallion. While Taiwan fears an invasion that will set off an apocalyptic chain of events, Marshall and Argones race through medieval French towns, Italian cathedrals, and ancient Greek temples attempting to find Avril before their enemies use the girl to discover the Holy Grail of military intelligence. If the team fails, they won't need a crystal ball to know millions of innocent souls will be destined to join Nostradamus in the afterlife. The Doomsday Medallion is an electrifying, globe-trotting thriller that delves into humankind's timeless fascination with prophecy and illuminates the mesmerizing and dangerous potential of a weaponized oracle.
Where There's Smoke Simon Beckett 2015-11-19 Some moments burn in the mind for ever. The landing is dark. Light comes from a window at the far end, enough to run by. Breath comes hard. From the stairs sound heavy footfalls in pursuit. The landing ends in a last doorway. There is no more running, only the need to hide... Imagine not knowing the father of your child. Not knowing his name. What he looks like. Or what sort of person he is. Although she is desperate for a baby, that is something that Kate Powell cannot accept. Single, independent, she likes to be in control of her own life - even if it has, somehow, become strangely shallow and meaningless. Then Kate meets a man who seems to be the answer to all her problems. But we all know appearances can be dangerously deceptive. And Kate should too. Soon her life is out her hands. And out of control...
Hanging Hill Mo Hayder 2012-02-07 In this "powerful and frightening" British thriller, two estranged sisters confront a crime that exposes the nightmares that lurk at the edges of domesticity (Irish Independent). On a picture-perfect morning in Bath, England, a teenage girl's body is found on the towpath of a canal. Police detective Zoe Benedict is convinced the department head should look beyond the usual domestic motives to solve the brutal murder case. But no one wants to hear any far-fetched ideas from the department's black sheep. Meanwhile, Zoe's sister, Sally, has started working as a housekeeper for a wealthy entrepreneur whose eccentricities are beginning to seem increasingly repugnant, and possibly dangerous. As Zoe digs into the case and Sally's suspicions grow, all signs point to one conclusion: There's something very wrong at the house on Hanging Hill. "A chiller to the very end. Hayder deals with Britain at its grittiest." —Peter Millar, The Times (London) "Mo Hayder has crafted a powerful and frightening thriller that grips the reader from page one to the blood-freezing shock of the final page. Utterly compelling." —Irish Independent "[A] superbly plotted tale [with] an end more alarming than anything that comes before." —New York Daily News
Where the Bodies Are Buried Christopher Brookmyre 2012-07-03 Who cares if a lowlife is murdered? Two Glasgow investigators, in a thriller that'll "wake up crime fiction readers everywhere" (Val McDermid). When a small-time heroin dealer turns up dead one fine morning in Scotland, no one is that surprised. Sleeping with a big-time drug trafficker's girlfriend can bring around plenty of enemies. Little wonder that Detective Superintendent Catherine McLeod has no shortage of early leads. If only out-of-work actress Jasmine Sharp could get a lead. With a career in nosedive, she's helping her uncle Jim with his PI work and having more than a little trouble learning the ropes. When her uncle goes missing, Sharp is thrown into the deep end. To find him she'll have to solve his most recent case—and do it solo. No sooner does Sharp follow her first clue than she finds herself in the crosshairs of an unknown assailant—and headed down the same road as McLeod. When their investigations become intertwined, "Glasgow's mean streets come alive . . . [in] one of the best novels of the year" (John Lutz, New York Times–bestselling and Edgar award–winning author). "Smartly written . . . Brookmyre deftly twists one case around the other." —Marilyn Stasio, The New York Times Book Review "[For] fans of Lynda La Plante's Prime Suspect series and HBO's The Wire." —Library Journal "Tough Scottish humor . . . leavened with Elmore Leonard-like flourishes . . . finely controlled yet exuberant mayhem." —The Christian Science Monitor
Triple Homicide James Patterson 2018-07-17 Alex Cross faces a D. C. bomb threat, the Women's Murder Club investigates a millionaire's death, and Michael Bennett hunts down a Thanksgiving Parade attacker in this collection of detective novels. Detective Cross: An Alex Cross Story: An anonymous caller has promised to set off deadly bombs in Washington, DC. A cruel hoax or the real deal? By the time Alex Cross and his wife Bree uncover the chilling truth, it may already be too late . . . The Medical Examiner: A Women's Murder Club Story (with Maxine Paetro): A woman checks into a hotel room and entertains a man who is not her husband. A shooter blows away the lover and wounds the millionairess, leaving her for dead. Is it the perfect case for the Women's Murder Club -- or just the most twisted? Manhunt: A Michael Bennett Story (with James O. Born): Someone attacked the Thanksgiving Day Parade right in front of Michael Bennett and his family. The news called it "holiday terror" -- Michael Bennett calls it personal. The hunt is on . . .
The Chemistry of Death Simon Beckett 2006-09-26 Three years ago, David Hunter moved to rural Norfolk to escape his life in London, his gritty work in forensics, and a tragedy that nearly destroyed him. Working as a simple country doctor, seeing his lost wife and daughter only in his dreams, David struggles to remain uninvolved when the corpse of a woman is found in the woods, a macabre sign from her killer decorating her body. In one horrifying instant, the quiet summer countryside that had been David's refuge has turned malevolent—and suddenly there is no place to hide. The village of Manham is tight-knit, far from the beaten path. As a newcomer, Dr. Hunter is immediately a suspect. Once an expert in analyzing human remains, he reluctantly joins the police investigation—and when another woman disappears, it soon becomes personal. Because this time she is someone David knows, someone who has managed to penetrate the icy barrier around his heart. With a killer's bizarre and twisted methods screaming out to him, with a brooding countryside beset with suspicion, David can feel the darkness gathering around him. For as the clock ticks down on a young woman's life, David must follow a macabre trail of clues—all the way to its final, horrifying conclusion.
Written in Bone Simon Beckett 2012-07-27 A killer on the loose. A murder disguised as an accident. As a favour to a colleague, Dr David Hunter is on the remote Hebridean island of Runa to inspect a grisly discovery. He's familiar with death in all its guises but is shocked by what he finds: a body, incinerated but for the feet and a single hand. It appears to be a textbook case of spontaneous human combustion. The local police are certain it's an accidental death but to Hunter the scorched remains suggest otherwise, And as the isolated community considers the enormity of Hunter's findings, a catastrophic storm hits the island. The power goes down, communication with the outside world ceases . . . And the killing begins in earnest.
I Am Missing TIM. WEAVER 2017-07
The Chemistry of Death Simon Beckett 2012-07-27 'A classy debut' The Times 'Best thriller I've read all year' Tess Gerritsen Dr David Hunter hoped he might at last have put the past behind him. But then they found what was left of Sally Palmer . . . It isn't just that she was a friend that disturbs him. Once he'd been a high-profile forensic anthropologist and all too familiar with the many faces of death, before tragedy made him abandon this previous life. Now the police want his help. But to become involved will stir up memories he's long tried to forget. Then a second woman disappears, plunging the close-knit community into a maelstrom of fear and paranoia. And no one, not even Hunter, is exempt from suspicion. Gruesome and gripping, this startling new British crime thriller has an unnerving and original twist.
The One-Hour Miracle Andrew Hahn 2022-04-05 A revolutionary healing framework that is a blueprint for transforming most problems, ranging from the most pedestrian to the most treatment resistant. And sometimes, the transformation simply takes one hour. The One-Hour Miracle: A 5-Step Process to Guide Your Self-Healing presents the revolutionary Life-Centered Therapy (LCT), a healing framework that is a blueprint for transforming most problems--physical (such as chronic pain, asthma, addictions), emtional and mental (including depresssion, PTSD, OCD, paranoia) relational (releasing destructive patterns), and spiritual (alienation, despair, inertia), And sometimes, the transformation simply takes one hour. Filled with testimonials of real-life people who have benefitted from this approach when other attempts to end their suffering turned up fruitless, it provides people with an entirely new way of understanding their suffering, giving them inspiration and hope that they can create miracles in their lives. The One-Hour Miracle includes a protocol that allows people to facilitate this process on their own by finding the root cause of their suffering and shifting it. This framework helps them live engaged lives of freedom, peace, joy, wisdom, and vitality. In the book, co-authors Andrew Hahn, PsyD, and Joan Beckett, LMHC, will teach readers how to do this work for themselves and others. With step-by-step instructions, readers are led through a five-step process, an integration of mindfulness and body-centered therapy, that guides them through their own self-healing practices and how to do them. In addition, therapists who are reading the book will have enough information to immediately start using the approach with clients without needing more training
Death Watch Jim Kelly 2010-05-25 "Ever since the days of Agatha Christie, the great divide in the British detective story has been between plot and character...The novels of Jim Kelly are. . . a find." -The New York Times Book Review Rookie detective Peter Shaw teams up with his father's tough ex-partner to investigate both a gruesome series of present-day murders and some unfinished business from the past, in Death Watch, the second book in the Detective Shaw Mystery series.
Written in Bone Simon Beckett 2007-09-25 "I took the skull from its evidence bag and gently set it on the stainless steel table. 'Tell me who you are. . . .' " With this silent plea, forensic expert Dr. David Hunter ignites a harrowing murder investigation on a windswept Scottish island, and a tale of menace, sexuality, and revenge unravels—along with the chilling message that a killer has... Dr. David Hunter should be in London with the woman he loves and a past he can't quite shake off. Instead, as a favor to a beleaguered cop, Hunter travels to a remote island in the Outer Hebrides to inspect a baffling set of remains. A forensic anthropologist, he has seen bodies destroyed by all forms of violence, but even he is surprised at what he finds: human remains burned beyond recognition—all within the confines of an otherwise undamaged, unoccupied cottage. Local police want to rule the death accidental. But Hunter's examination of the victim's charred skull tells him that this woman, no doubt a stranger to the close-knit island of Runa, was murdered by someone nearby. Within days, two more people are dead by fire. Hunter's job is to coax the dead into telling their stories—but now that he's beginning to hear them, he is staggered by the truth. Working with only the barest of clues, he peels back the layers of mysteries past and present, exposing the tangle of secrets at the heart of this strange community—from the deceptions of a wealthy couple to the bitterness of an ex-cop and the secrets of a lonely single mother—as a tale of rage and perversion comes full circle...then explodes in a series of violent acts and shocking twists.
Whispers of the Dead Simon Beckett 2009-05-19 A field of corpses, laid out in a macabre display...A serial killer who confounds even the most seasoned profilers...A doctor whose life has been shattered by crime—plunged into the heart of a shocking investigation... In this masterful new novel by Simon Beckett, #1 internationally bestselling author of Written in Bone and The Chemistry of Death, forensic anthropologist David Hunter is thrust into his first murder investigation on U.S. soil—and his most devastating case yet. In the heat of a Tennessee summer, Dr. Hunter has come to Knoxville's legendary "Body Farm"—the infamous field laboratory where law enforcement personnel study real corpses—to escape London and the violence that nearly destroyed his life. He's also here to find out if he's still up to the job of sorting through death in all its strange and terrible forms.... Hunter will soon find his answer when he's called to a crime scene in a remote Smoky Mountain cabin—a scene as grisly as it is bizarre. The body is taped to a table. Everything about the crime scene—the wounds, the decomposition, the microscopic evidence—quickly short-circuits the tools and methods of forensic experts. Within days, Hunter knows he's dealing with a serial killer, someone intimately familiar with the intricacies of forensics. All around him, egos and hierarchies clash—from the boasts of a renowned criminal profiler to the dogged work of a young female investigator—but fate keeps pushing Hunter further into the heart of the manhunt. And the killer keeps coming up with surprises: booby-trapping corpses, faking times of death, swapping bodies—finally turning his sights on after Hunter himself.... An electrifying race against time, a fascinating journey into the world of forensic science, and a terrifying portrait of a killer in love with death itself, Whispers of the Dead is a thriller of the highest order.
The Lost Simon Beckett 2021-11-25 A MISSING CHILD Ten years ago, the disappearance of firearms police officer Jonah Colley's young son almost destroyed him. A GRUESOME DISCOVERY A plea for help from an old friend leads Jonah to Slaughter Quay, and the discovery of four bodies. Brutally attacked and left for dead, he is the only survivor. A SEARCH FOR THE TRUTH Under suspicion himself, he uncovers a network of secrets and lies about the people he thought he knew - forcing him to question what really happened all those years ago...
Fine Lines Ruth Heller 1996 A children's book illustrator shares her daily routine and creative life, showing how the two are intertwined.
Shadow Man Cody McFadyen 2006-06-13 Once, Special Agent Smoky Barrett hunted serial killers for the FBI. She was one of the best—until a madman terrorized her family, killed her husband and daughter, and left her face scarred and her soul brutalized. Turning the tables on the killer, Smoky shot him dead—but her life was shattered forever. Now Smoky dreams about picking up her weapon again. She dreams about placing the cold steel between her lips and pulling the trigger one last time. Because for a woman who's lost everything, what is there left to lose? She's about to find out. In all her years at the Bureau, Smoky has never encountered anyone like him—a new and fascinating kind of monster, a twisted genius who defies profilers' attempts to understand him. And he's issued Smoky a direct challenge, coaxing her back from the brink with the only thing that could convince her to live. The killer videotaped his latest crime—an act of horror that left a child motherless—then sent a message addressed to Agent Smoky Barrett. The message is enough to shock Smoky back to work, back to her FBI team. And that child awakens something in Smoky she thought was gone forever. Suddenly the stakes are raised. The game has changed. For as this deranged monster embarks on an unspeakable spree of perversion and murder, Smoky is coming alive again–and she's about to face her greatest fears as a cop, a woman, a mother . . . and a merciless killer's next victim.
The Last Letter Rebecca Yarros 2019-02-26 "The Last Letter is a haunting, heartbreaking and ultimately inspirational love story."—InTouch Weekly Beckett, If you're reading this, well, you know the last-letter drill. You made it. I didn't. Get off the guilt train, because I know if there was any chance you could have saved me, you would have. I need one thing from you: get out of the army and get to Telluride. My little sister Ella's raising the twins alone. She's too independent and won't accept help easily, but she has lost our grandmother, our parents, and now me. It's too much for anyone to endure. It's not fair. And here's the kicker: there's something else you don't know that's tearing her family apart. She's going to need help. So if I'm gone, that means I can't be there for Ella. I can't help them through this. But you can. So I'm begging you, as my best friend, go take care of my sister, my family. Please don't make her go through it alone. Ryan
The Chemistry of Death Simon Beckett 2007 Once a high-profile forensic anthropologist, Dr. David Hunter keeps his past a secret while hiding himself in an isolated English village, until he is asked by the police to use his arcane skills to help track down the killer of a young woman, whose murder becomes only the first in a series of twisted mutilation killings. Reprint.
The Scent of Death Simon Beckett 2019-10-03 'A superbly strong read' The Times What began as a straightforward case is about to become a twisted nightmare . . . Once a busy hospital, St Jude's now stands derelict, awaiting demolition. When a partially mummified corpse is found in the building's cavernous loft, forensics expert Dr David Hunter is called in to take a look. He can't say how long the body's been there, but he is certain it's that of a young woman. And that she was pregnant. Then part of the attic floor collapses, revealing another of the hospital's secrets- a bricked-up chamber with beds inside. And some of them are still occupied. And it soon becomes clear that St Jude's hasn't claimed its last victim . . . Chilling, visceral and masterfully paced, Simon Beckett's new crime thriller will leave you gasping.
Stone Bruises Simon Beckett 2014-01-30 'Somebody!' I half-sob and then, more quietly, 'Please.' The words seem absorbed by the afternoon heat, lost amongst the trees. In their aftermath, the silence descends again. I know then that I'm not going anywhere... Sean is on the run. We don't know why and we don't know from whom, but we do know he's abandoned his battered, blood-stained car in the middle of an isolated part of rural France at the height of a sweltering summer. Desperate to avoid the police, he takes to the parched fields and country lanes but his leg is caught in a vicious animal trap. Near unconscious from pain and loss of blood, he is freed and taken in by two women - daughters of the owner of a rundown local farm with its ramshackle barn, blighted vineyard and the brooding lake. And it's then that Sean's problems really start... This nail-shredder of a thriller - like the fiction of Nicci French or Gillian Flynn - holds you from the beginning, tightening its grip as the story unfurls and shocks you with its final twist.
Blood Born Kathryn Fox 2009 For pathologist and forensic physician Dr Anya Crichton, the death of a gang rape victim hours before she is due to give evidence at trial is more than only a tragedy. The psychotic Harbourn brothers, the girl's accused attackers, now look like getting away with two horrific crimes.But the Harbourn's trail of destruction doesn't end there. When two sisters are brutally assaulted and one of them is killed, Anya begins working round the clock to catch the Harbourns and nail their ringleader, the deviously clever Gary. With the help of Detective Kate Farrer and star litigator Dan Brody, she begins to discover just how twisted this family really is, and what they're capable of.In what will become Dr Anya Crichton's hardest case yet, she must piece together the evidence before the killer's attention is turned on her...
Maestra LS Hilton 2016-03-10 READ THE CONTROVERSIAL THRILLER THAT SHOCKED THE WORLD THE NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER GLAMOUR'S WRITER OF THE YEAR By day Judith Rashleigh is a put-upon assistant at a London auction house. By night she's a hostess in one of the capital's unsavoury bars. Desperate to make something of herself, Judith knows she has to play the game. She's learned to dress, speak and act in the interests of men. She's learned to be a good girl. But after uncovering a dark secret at the heart of the art world, Judith is fired and her dreams of a better life are torn apart. So she turns to a long-neglected friend. A friend that kept her chin up and back straight through every past slight. A friend that a good girl like her shouldn't have: Rage. Fatal attraction meets The Talented Mr Ripley in this darkly decadent thriller, soon to be a major Hollywood film, that asks: Where do you go when you've gone too far?
The Restless Dead Simon Beckett 2017-02-09 'Atmospheric . . . a tense, gripping read' Sunday Times It's not the dead we need to fear. . . Top forensics expert Dr David Hunter is facing an uncertain future - his career hangs in the balance and his personal life has taken a turn for the worse. So when he gets a call from Essex police, it comes at the perfect time. A badly decomposed body has been found in the mudflats and salt marshes of the Backwaters. Could it be linked to two unsolved missing-person cases? But as these desolate wetlands begin to give up their grisly secrets, more remains are discovered. With its eerie, claustrophobic sense of place, authentic forensics and explosive, heart-in-mouth moments, The Restless Dead is a masterclass in crime fiction.
The Lost Free eBook Sampler Simon Beckett 2021-11-17 *** FREE EBOOK SAMPLER *** 'A terrific thriller from one of our finest crime writers at the top of his game.' Peter James A MISSING CHILD Ten years ago, the disappearance of firearms police officer Jonah Colley's young son almost destroyed him. A GRUESOME DISCOVERY A plea for help from an old friend leads Jonah to Slaughter Quay, and the discovery of four bodies. Brutally attacked and left for dead, he is the only survivor. A SEARCH FOR THE TRUTH Under suspicion himself, he uncovers a network of secrets and lies about the people he thought he knew - forcing him to question what really happened all those years ago...
Animals Simon Beckett 1995
The Calling of the Grave Simon Beckett 2011-02-10 'As bone-chillingly bleak as its subject . . . this doesn't disappoint' Financial Times A serial killer is on the loose and David Hunter suddenly finds that the past is far from dead and buried. The escape of a psychotic rapist and multiple murderer brings DI Terry Connor to David Hunter's doorstep, years after their bitter rift. This unwelcome reminder of the past forces Hunter to confront the situation at hand: eight years earlier Hunter and an ill-fated Body Recovery team, has tried to find the graves of Monk's teenage victims on the bleak expanse of Dartmoor. Only one of the missing girls' bodies was ever found. Suddenly Hunter receives an appeal from Sophie Keller, a young woman who also worked on the operation, and nothing is quite as it seems. Hunter is forced to question who he can really trust. Especially when his own life depends on it.
Owning Jacob Simon Beckett 1998 Ben is devastated by the sudden death of his wife and her son, six-year-old Jacob, is a joy to him in spite of the effort his autism involves. But while cleaning out her cupboards Ben discovers a hidden box, and within it, proof that Jacob was never her child: she stole him from a maternity ward. Horrified, Ben immediately sets out to find Jacob's real family. But his mother is dead, and his father is a madman. Jacob can't decide his own future, so Ben must do it for him.
The Chemistry of Death: Dr. David Hunter Series Bk. 1 Simon Beckett 2006
The Lost Simon Beckett 2022-06-09 You fall asleep in the playground.Your son is gone.10 years later, will you finally get the truth?Ten years ago, the disappearance of firearms police officer Jonah Colley's young son almost destroyed him.A plea for help from an old friend leads Jonah to Slaughter Quay, and the discovery of four bodies. Attacked and left for dead, he is the only survivor.Under suspicion himself, he uncovers a network of secrets and lies about the people he thought he knew - forcing him to question what really happened all those years ago...'A terrific thriller from one of our finest crime writers at the top of his game.' Peter James 'A roaring, full-throated thriller.' Daily Mail 'First in a new series, this is a tense and twisty tale.' The Sun
The Restless Dead Simon Beckett 2018-01-25 A badly decomposed body has been found in the mudflats and salt marshes of the Backwaters. Could it be linked to two unsolved missing-person cases? But then more remains are discovered. And as these desolate wetlands begin to give up their grisly secrets, Dr David Hunter is reminded that it's not the dead we need to fear
The Chemistry of Death Simon Beckett 2022-06-14 Seeking refuge from a tragic past, a forensic pathologist must search for a devious killer in a rural English village in this crime thriller series debut. Three years ago, Dr. David Hunter left London for rural Norfolk to escape the tragic loss of his wife and daughter. Giving up his career in criminal forensics, he now works as a simple country doctor in the village of Manham. But when the corpse of a woman is found in the woods, a macabre sign from her killer decorating her body, David struggles to remain uninvolved. As a newcomer, David finds he must join the investigation in order to avoid suspicion. When another woman disappears, the case becomes personal. This time, she is someone David knows—someone who has managed to get past the barrier around his heart. With the killer's twisted methods screaming out to him and a brooding countryside beset with fear and distrust, David can feel the darkness gathering around him. As the clock ticks down on the young woman's life, David must follow a macabre trail of clues—all the way to its final, horrifying conclusion. "Brilliantly original . . . Simon's first crime novel The Chemistry of Death absolutely blew me away and he just gets better by the book!" —Peter James, UK No. 1 bestselling author
End of the World House Adrienne Celt 2022-04-19 Groundhog Day meets Ling Ma's Severance in End of the World House, a thought-provoking comedic novel about two young women trying to save their friendship as the world collapses around them. Bertie and Kate have been best friends since high school. Bertie is a semi-failed cartoonist, working for a prominent Silicon Valley tech firm. Her job depresses her, but not as much as the fact that Kate has recently decided to move from San Francisco to Los Angeles. When Bertie's attempts to make Kate stay fail, she suggests the next-best thing: a trip to Paris that will hopefully distract the duo from their upcoming separation. The vacation is also a sort of last hurrah, coming during a ceasefire in a series of escalating world conflicts. One night in Paris, they meet a strange man in a bar who offers them a private tour of the Louvre. The women find themselves alone in the museum, where nothing is quite as it seems. Caught up in a day that keeps repeating itself, Bertie and Kate are eventually separated, and Bertie is faced with a mystery that threatens to derail everything. In order to make her way back to Kate, Bertie has to figure out how much control she has over her future—and her past—and how to survive an apocalypse when the world keeps refusing to end.
The Chemistry of Death SIMON. BECKETT 2020-09-03
Rabbit Hole Mark Billingham 2022-01-20
Fine Lines Simon Beckett 1994 A wealthy, slightly sinister London art dealer develops a voyeuristic obsession with his assistant, Anna, and hires an amoral male model to seduce her while he watches from behind a screen--but his impulses lead to nasty surprises--including murder. A first novel. 12,500 first printing.
The Scarecrow Michael Connelly 2009-05 "As a rookiecrime reporter, Jack McEvoy stumbled onto a story that made his name - and almost got him killed - When he helped track down a serial killer nicknamed The Poet. Twelve years later, the former hot-shot is about to become the latest victim of budget cuts at the LA times - but Jack is determined to go out in a blaze of glory, with one last big story.
The Raven Room Ana Medeiros 2015-11-19 A searing erotic thriller perfect for those tantalized by A.R. Torre's Deanna Madden series . . . Anything you can imagine. Everything you crave. For the members of The Raven Room, it's every fantasy fulfilled. But for some, that desire is a matter of life and death. Drawn by a need he cannot control, Julian ventures to The Raven Room, a secret and exclusive sex club in the underbelly of Chicago. It goes beyond sex. It goes beyond kink. The Raven Room is the only place where Julian finds release from the dangerous urges that threaten to destroy the successful life he's worked so hard to build. Meredith's body can't get enough of Julian. He has opened her sexual horizons to tempting new possibilities. But out of bed she's an aspiring journalist, and The Raven Room is the story she's been looking for. By writing an exposé on the club and its elite clientele, she plans to launch her career. But when the police link the Raven Room to the death of a young woman, it threatens to expose a number of powerful people—people who would kill to stay anonymous. And Meredith much decide how much she can trust the man who has laid bare her erotic nature—and how much she will sacrifice in order to protect him . . . "The Raven Room will have everything you could possibly want and more." —San Francisco Book Review "With a cliffhanger ending, The Raven Room will leave readers wondering what will happen next." —RT Book Reviews
Exposed Alex Kava 2019-02-11 Get caught up in this terrifying psychological thriller, book 6 in Alex Kava's acclaimed Maggie O'Dell series. Veteran FBI profiler Maggie O'Dell and Assistant Director Cunningham believed the threat targeted Quantico. It targeted them. A deadly virus—virtually undetectable until it causes death from a million internal cuts. The victims appear random, but Maggie wonders if vengeance isn't the guiding hand. An aficionado of contemporary killers, using bits and pieces from their crimes—the Beltway Sniper's phrases, the Unabomber's clues, the Anthrax Killer's delivery. Maggie knows dangerous minds, but she must tackle this new opponent from within a biosafety isolation ward—while waiting to see if death is already multiplying inside her body. She just fears her last case might end with the most intelligent killer she's ever faced escalating from murder...to epidemic. Originally published in 2008
The Scent of Death Simon Beckett 2019-10-03 It's been a good summer for forensics expert Dr David Hunter. His relationship is going well and he's in demand again as a police consultant. Life is good. Then a call comes from an old associate: a body has been found, and she'd like Hunter to take a look. The empty shell of St Jude's Hospital now stands awaiting demolition, its only visitors society's outcasts, addicts and dealers. A partially mummified corpse has been discovered in the hospital's cavernous loft, but not even Hunter can say how long it's been there. All he knows for sure is that it's the body of a young woman. And that she was pregnant. But the collapse of the loft floor reveals another of the hospital's secrets. A sealed-off chamber, still with beds inside. Some of them occupied... For Hunter, what began as a straightforward case is about to become a twisted nightmare that threatens everyone around him. And as the investigation springs more surprises, one thing is certain. St Jude's hasn't claimed its last victim . . . With its viscerally authentic forensics, menacing atmosphere and nerve-shredding tension, Simon Beckett's new crime thriller will leave you gasping.

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