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Seventy-five percent of processed foods on supermarket shelves—from soda to soup, crackers to condiments—contain genetically engineered ingredients. The long-term effects of these foods on human health and ecology are still unknown, and public concern has been steadily intensifying. This new book from the Council for Responsible Genetics gathers the best, most thought-provoking essays by the leading scientists, science writers, and public health advocates. Collectively, they address such questions as: Are GM foods safe and healthy for us? Will GM food really solve world hunger? Who really controls the power structure of food production? Are GM foods ecologically safe and sustainable? Why is it so difficult to get GM foods labeled in the US? What kinds of regulations and policies should be instituted? How is seed biodiversity, of lack thereof, affecting developing countries? Should animals be genetically modified for food? How are other countries handling GM crops? Ultimately, this definitive book encourages us to think about the social, environmental, and moral ramifications of where this particular branch of biotechnology is taking us, and what we should do about it. “This heartfelt, witty addition to women’s fiction will appeal to fans of Elizabeth Berg and Anna Quindlen.” (Booklist) Georgia Waltz has things many people only dream of: a plush Manhattan apartment overlooking Central Park, a Hamptons beach house, valuable jewels and art, two bright daughters, and a husband she adores, even after decades of marriage. It’s only when Ben suddenly drops dead from a massive coronary while training for the New York City Marathon that Georgia discovers her husband—a successful lawyer—has left them nearly penniless. Their wonderland was built on lies. As the family attorney scours emptied bank accounts, Georgia must not only look for a way to support her family, she needs to face the revelation that Ben was not the perfect husband he appeared to be, just as her daughters—now ensconced back at home with secrets of their own—have to accept that they may not be returning to their lives in Paris and at Stanford subsidized by the Bank of Mom and Dad. As she uncovers hidden resilience, Georgia’s sudden midlife shift forces her to consider who she is and what she truly values. That Georgia may also find new love in the land of Spanx and stretch marks surprises everyone—most of all, her. Sally Koslow’s fourth novel is deftly told through the alternating viewpoints of her remarkable female protagonists as they plumb for the grit required to reinvent their lives. Inspiring, funny, and deeply satisfying, *The Widow Waltz* explores in a profound way the bonds between mothers and daughters, belligerent siblings, skittish lovers, and bitter rivals as they discover the power of forgiveness, and healing, all while asking, “What is family, really?” ‘will have you gripped from start to finish, so much so that you really don’t want to stop reading!’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘I was hooked straight in from the first chapter and it really didn't let up. Fast paced and thrilling.’ (5 stars) Reader review You know everything about your husband. Don’t you? He loves you. He loves your children. He’d never put his family in danger. One of these is a lie. It started like any other day at the hairdressers where Sally works as a stylist... until her first client innocently shows her a family photograph; a photograph that causes Sally to collapse in shock. In one moment, Sally discovers that Tom has been hiding an explosive secret - one that could tear apart the life they’ve built together. Faced with an impossible dilemma - search for the truth, or keep her contented life? - Sally is about to discover that even those closest to us have secrets... and that sometimes the truth is the last thing we want to hear. A completely gripping, suspenseful psychological thriller that fans of T.M. Logan, *My Lovely Wife* and K.L. Slater won't be able to put down. Readers can't get enough of *The Secrets He Kept*: ‘I read this in one sitting, loved it!! Quickly paced, great story!! Kept me guessing to the very end!!’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘I loved, loved this book. It was engaging from the first page and kept me up half the night.’ Reader review ‘Every few chapters provide a new twist in this story, all ending with a very satisfying conclusion...I could not recommend this book more!’ (5 stars) ‘Wow, this was one gripping read!...A roller coaster of a read that thrills and excites.’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘a fast paced and twisty ride that kept me gripped from start to finish...kept me addicted till the very last page.’ Reader review ‘A fast paced, twisty domestic thriller...an engrossing read with a likable character and a host of thrilling twists and turns, enjoy!’ Reader review ‘I was intrigued by this book from the start... A highly recommended and enjoyable read’ Reader review ‘a very compelling thriller...I would definitely recommend this book to those who enjoy psychological thrillers.’ Reader review ‘The moment the first jaw-dropping bombshell landed in the first chapter, I was hooked... Clever cliff-hangers...and a twist you couldn't guess even if you tried. A gripping, hard-hitting read’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘a splendid thriller that will leave you guessing until the end...I would recommend this book to anyone who loves psychological thrillers.’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘What a brilliant fast paced book. I was guessing all the way through.’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘Fantastic read! Great plot that grabs you from the very beginning. A masterful story that keeps you endlessly intrigued...HIGHLY RECOMMEND!’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘A brilliant roller coaster of a read...full of twists and turns and I was gripped from the very first page’ Reader review ‘The characters were well drawn and the story flowed seamlessly. Highly recommended.’ (5 stars) Reader review ‘kept me fully engaged from beginning to end...a riveting and twisty tale that will have you racing to get to the bottom of it all.’ Reader review ‘The story is full of twists and turns and kept me hooked throughout...will have you flying through the chapters to see how it will all unravel.’ Reader review ‘loved all the twists and turns; kept me guessing! I really enjoyed this, read it in one sitting!’ (5 stars) Reader review *How to Lose a Guy in Ten Days* meets *Accidentally on Purpose* by Jill Shalvis in this head-over-heels romantic comedy. Miss Julia faces a double dose of trouble-this time right under her own roof. Miss Julia's iron will and kind heart have assured her a spot among the most beloved characters of Southern literature. In her latest adventure, Miss Julia whisks Hazel Marie off to the doctor when the latter admits she's been feeling poorly. The news floors them both: Hazel Marie is pregnant with twins. Unfortunately, she's also just sent her beau, Mr. Pickens, packing. Miss Julia needs a plan-and fast. So when Sam's house is robbed, Miss Julia declares that only J. D. Pickins, P.I., can get his things back. Playing Cupid and solving the crime might seem like a tall order but readers everywhere know that Miss Julia always delivers the goods. Stone Barrington must track down an enemy intent on disturbing law and order in the latest action-packed thriller from the #1 New York Times bestselling author. Upon returning from a dangerous coastal adventure, Stone Barrington is looking forward to some normalcy with the leading lady in his life. But when a grisly crime arrives on his doorstep, along with some suspicious new clients eager for his help, Stone realizes peace and quiet are no longer an option. As it turns out, the mastermind behind the malfeasance rocking New York City and the nation's capital wields a heavy hand of influence. And when Stone is unable to recruit those closest to the case to his side, he is left with few leads and a handful of dead-ends. But with the help of important people in high places--and the expertise of alluring new friends--Stone is more than ready to rise to the occasion. *The Bad Boy Series Collection* I've been in love with Hunter Saint my entire life. He was my first love and the one I could never forget. Then Fate intervened and we became enemies. Now, I must go to Hunter on my hands and knees to beg him to save my brother's life. I'll pay any price to save him. I'll do anything Hunter wants. Anything... *The Bad Boy Series* by S. E. Lund's is a sexy new novella series,

featuring a bad boy with a heart of gold and a heroine who can't get him out of her life or her heart. When Fate forces them back together again, can they deny what has long simmered between them? To Mr. Tate Howard, You are quite possibly the most infuriating, annoying and grumpy man I've ever met in my life. I know you think that you're God's gift to women, but I have a secret to let you in on: you're not. You're God's gift to yourself. Get over your wanna-be cool surfer self and grow up. I thought it was time that someone addressed your big head and told you straight to your face that you're not all that. Just because you have an Ivy league education doesn't mean you're the smartest man in the world. In fact, I'm not even sure if you would have gotten in if you didn't have rich parents. Yes, I went there. Every woman doesn't want to sleep with you and I'm sure you're not even good in bed. And I'm someone that would know. From, Your Secret Not Admirer It's a rockin' country Christmas in this 4th installment of Brown's country music inspired series! Back at the hottest little beer joint west of the Mississippi, a Honky Tonk Christmas is one sizzling holiday romance. Sharlene Waverly comes to Texas to finish her mystery novel come hell or high water. Inspired by the romantic success of the previous bar owners, Sharlene decides instead to write a romance novel as hot as the scorching West Texas sun. Art starts to imitate life when Sharlene meets the ruggedly handsome cowboy, Holt Jackson, the living embodiment of a romance hunk. Will the love-charmed Honky Tonk bring together these two confused hearts in time for them to kiss under the mistletoe? Now a Hallmark Original Channel Movie All he wants for Christmas...is an answer. Finn Knightly a.k.a. Finn Conrad wants to know why his recently deceased father left his nurse fifty thousand dollars after knowing her a mere six weeks. So he travels to Bramble House B&B in Marietta, Montana to find answers. But Willa Fairchild is not the conniving woman he expects to find. Before he knows it, Willa-and her six-year-old son Scout-are stealing his heart. And that's before he finds out Scout's secret and the real reason this Christmas is so important. 'Blew my mind... so magically written and most of all that it is based on true events... a hard-hitting, soul-crushing book... I loved every moment of it... immersive, heart-wrenching, I feel emotional writing this review.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars Wanted: Company Daughters. Virtuous young ladies to become the brides of industrious settlers in a foreign land. The Company will pay the cost of the lady's dowry and travel. Returns not permitted, orphans preferred. Amsterdam, 1620. Jana Beil has learned that life rarely provides moments of joy. Having run away from a violent father, her days are spent searching for work in an effort to stay out of the city brothels, where desperate women trade their bodies for a mouthful of bread. But when Jana is hired as a servant for the wealthy and kind Master Reynst and his beautiful daughter Sontje, Jana's future begins to look brighter. Then Master Reynst loses his fortune on a bad investment, and everything changes. The house is sold to creditors, leaving Jana back on the street and Sontje without a future. With no other choice, Jana and Sontje are forced to sign with the East India Company as Company Daughters: sailing to a colonial Dutch outpost to become the brides of male settlers they know nothing about. With fear in their hearts, the girls begin their journey - but what awaits them on the other side of the world is nothing like what they've been promised... Based on true history, this is a gripping and unputdownable historical novel, perfect for fans of Girl with a Pearl Earring, The Miniaturist and The Indigo Girl. WINNER OF THE 2021 GOLDEN CROWN LITERARY SOCIETY AWARD FOR DEBUT FICTION. FINALIST FOR THE 2021 BISEXUAL BOOK AWARDS. LONGLISTED FOR THE 2021 HWA DEBUT CROWN AWARD. What readers are saying about The Company Daughters: 'Blew my mind... a book I've told so many people about purely because I'm still in disbelief that it exists, that it's so magically written and most of all that it is based on true events... a hard-hitting, soul-crushing book of a woman's struggle to survive... I loved every moment of it. Breathlessly, and in a way that took up my entire brain... immersive, heart-wrenching, and I feel emotional writing this review.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'From the moment I started reading The Company Daughters, I was captivated by this historical tale. Although it does contain a love story, it's not a romance...This was a gripping read.' Goodreads reviewer 'This book is so stunningly tender and beautiful, all mixed in with some seriously tragic and heart-wrenching events... Rajaram is an extremely skilled writer, and I love her writing style... The themes of sisterhood and female love were so present in this book and I found it very moving.' Goodreads reviewer 'I was enchanted by this book! It's a delightful read that will have your emotions all over the place.' Goodreads reviewer 'I love historical fiction, and this book touched on a topic and time I knew nearly nothing about...There's love, there's loss, there's surviving, there's thriving... It was a very beautiful book.' Goodreads reviewer 'The Company Daughters is a beautifully written love story... a perfect example of the power of human will and the endurance and hope that love can give a person.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'This book has a beauty and grace to it. The author's writing just flows off the page, and although there are struggles and upsets by the time you close the book over you are filled with a warm glow.' Goodreads reviewer 'A powerful and insightful read. I look forward to reading more historical work by Samantha Rajaram!' Goodreads reviewer 'Heartbreaking... a moving book... vivid, with amazing characters... This is a great read.' Goodreads reviewer Spanning more than two centuries in Ireland, Castle on the Rise unites the legacy of three women who must risk mending their broken places for life, love, and the belief that even through the depths of our pain, a masterpiece of a story can emerge. When Laine Forrester travels overseas to attend her best friend's vineyard wedding, she expects to find the bride on the brink of a fairy-tale life. But after a series of unforeseen setbacks, it seems the storybook lives they'd imagined are suddenly ripping apart. With hopes of resurrecting a happy ending, Laine agrees to accompany the newlyweds to the groom's home in Ireland—never expecting she'd be the one drawn in by its wide-open moors, backroads bordering the Irish Sea, and a mysterious castle that dares to keep its secrets hidden. From the storied streets of Dublin to the shores of the Emerald Isle, Laine is drawn in to the land and its rich history. The castle ruins whisper stories of Issy—a photojournalist battling through the 1916 Easter Rising, and Maeve—the castle's lady of legend, fighting for survival through the 1798 rebellion that started it all. Praise for Castle on the Rise: "Enchanting and mesmerizing!" —PATTI CALLAHAN, New York Times bestselling author of Becoming Mrs. Lewis "Castle on the Rise perfectly showcases rising star Kristy Cambron's amazing talent! Perfect pacing, lovely prose, and an intricate plot blend together in a delightful novel I couldn't put down. Highly recommended!" —Colleen Coble, USA TODAY bestselling author of Secrets at Cedar Cabin and the Rock Harbor series "Cambron's latest is one of her best. Gripping and epic, this intricately woven tale of three generations seeking truth and justice will stay with you long after the last page." —Rachel Hauck, New York Times bestselling author Second in the Lost Castle series (The Lost Castle, Castle on the Rise, The Painted Castle) Can be read as a stand-alone, but best if read in order Sweet romance set in three time periods: present day, World War I/Easter Rising, and late 1700s Full-length novel (over 110,000 words) I don't know who to believe, but I know that this place is full of lies and secrets. Easton Bay has risked everything to protect me, but that doesn't mean that he didn't do what they had accused him of. I am in love with him. I am supposed to be his wife, but this changes everything. The King has turned on him. I'm Easton's only hope. But it's only a matter of time before they turn on me, too. Is my fate is sealed? \*Previously published as Throne of York Praise for Charlotte Byrd "Decadent, delicious, & dangerously addictive!" - Amazon Review "Titillation so masterfully woven, no reader can resist its pull. A MUST-BUY!" - Bobbi Koe, Amazon Review "Captivating!" - Crystal Jones, Amazon Review "Exciting, intense, sensual" - Rock, Amazon Reviewer "Sexy, secretive, pulsating chemistry..." - Mrs. K, Amazon Reviewer "Charlotte Byrd is a brilliant writer. I've read loads and I've laughed and cried. She writes a balanced book with brilliant characters. Well done!" -Amazon Review "Fast-paced, dark, addictive, and compelling" - Amazon Reviewer "Hot, steamy, and a great storyline." - Christine Reese "My oh my....Charlotte has made me a fan for life." - JJ, Amazon Reviewer "The tension and chemistry is at five alarm level." - Sharon, Amazon reviewer "Hot, sexy, intriguing journey of Elli and Mr. Aiden Black. - Robin Langelier "Wow. Just wow. Charlotte Byrd leaves me speechless and humble... It definitely kept me on the edge of my seat. Once you pick it up, you won't put it down." - Amazon Review "Sexy, steamy and captivating!" - Charmaine, Amazon Reviewer "Intrigue, lust, and great characters...what more could you ask for?!" - Dragonfly Lady "An awesome book. Extremely entertaining, captivating and interesting sexy read. I could not put it down." - Kim F, Amazon Reviewer "Just the absolute best story. Everything I like to read about and more. Such a great story I will read again and again. A keeper!!" - Wendy Ballard "It had the perfect amount of twists and turns. I instantaneously bonded with the heroine and of course Mr. Black. YUM. It's sexy, it's sassy, it's steamy. It's everything." - Khardine Gray, Bestselling Romance Author \*\*\*The sparkling Christmas novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author Heidi Swain!\*\*\* Will love bloom this winter? Freya Fuller is living her dream, working as a live-in gardener on a beautiful Suffolk estate. But when the owner dies, Freya finds herself forced out of her job and her home with nowhere to go. However, with luck on her side, she's soon moving to Nightingale Square and helping to create a beautiful winter garden that will be open to the public in time for Christmas. There's a warm welcome from all in Nightingale Square, except from local artist Finn. No matter how hard the pair try, they just can't get along, and working together to bring

the winter garden to life quickly becomes a struggle for them both. Will Freya and Finn be able to put their differences aside in time for Christmas? Or will the arrival of a face from Freya's past send them all spiralling? The Winter Garden is the perfect read this Christmas, promising snowfall, warm fires and breath-taking seasonal romance. Perfect for fans of Carole Matthews, Cathy Bramley and Sarah Morgan. Praise for HEIDI SWAIN: 'The queen of feel-good' Woman & Home 'Full of Heidi's trademark gentle charm. Lock the door, pour some mulled wine and settle into this wonderful Christmas treat!' Milly Johnson 'More Christmassy than a week in Lapland - we loved it!' heat 'Sprinkled with Christmas sparkle' Trisha Ashley 'Give yourself a Christmas treat and curl up with this magical book!' Sue Moorcroft, author of The Little Village Christmas 'A real Christmas cracker of a read!' Penny Parkes, author of Practice Makes Perfect 'Cosy, Christmassy and deeply satisfying! Another wonderful read!' Mandy Baggot, author of One Christmas Kiss in Notting Hill YOU KNOW NOTHING ABOUT HER. BUT SHE KNOWS EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU. A gripping psychological thriller about a ghostwriter tasked with writing the autobiography of a woman who is trying to bury the secrets of her past - from the author of WHERE THE MISSING GO. Olivia is the domestic goddess-turned-internet sensation who has won millions of followers by sharing her picture-perfect life online. And now she's releasing her tell-all autobiography. Nicky is the ghostwriter tasked with coaxing out the full story - including details of the tragic accident that blighted Olivia's golden childhood. But, as she delves into Olivia's life, Nicky discovers cracks appearing in the glamorous façade. From money worries to Olivia's strained relationship with her handsome husband, the truth belies her perfect image. As Olivia becomes increasingly hostile to the woman she's let into her life, Nicky becomes ever more relentless in her hunt for the truth. Has Olivia really escaped the ghosts of her past - or will Nicky find there are more sinister reasons she wants to leave an old tragedy well alone? In New York Times bestseller Allison Brennan's Cold as Ice, FBI Agent Lucy Kincaid must get into the head of a psychopath to save her family, and herself Two years ago, FBI Agent Lucy Kincaid put psychopath Elise Hansen Hunt in juvenile detention for her role in an organized crime syndicate. Now eighteen, Elise has been released with a clean slate, and plans to take her revenge by making Lucy's life hell. The plot begins with Lucy's husband Sean Rogan, who has been arrested for a murder he most certainly did not commit. Lucy is determined to prove Sean's innocence, but is warned off the case by her boss. As she calls in reinforcements, she learns that Sean's brother Kane is missing in Mexico, her partner Nate Dunning has been arrested for possession of cocaine, and her friend Brad Donnelly has been kidnapped outside DEA headquarters. Lucy realizes that Elise doesn't have the resources or patience to execute such a devious plan. Did Elise's father orchestrate everything from prison? Or is there someone even more calculating seeking revenge on Lucy by hurting the people she loves? One thing is certain: if Lucy doesn't find the answers fast, Sean will die. Jason is a cynical rich playboy. He doesn't take life seriously, He doesn't believe in settling down. Eileen's thirtieth birthday is almost here. But as always she's her parent's afterthought. Her family is too busy planning a shotgun wedding for her older sister—and she has to help. It's just another year where she's overlooked. But the best man is smoking hot and actually notices her and makes her feel special. Jason doesn't believe in commitment, but Eileen intrigues him. She's not the kind of girl he usually hooks up with. She doesn't even fall for his charm. He's made it his task to convince her that he's not the shallow man she thinks he is. But can Jason give up his playboy lifestyle to become what Eileen needs? A pledge to protect... That will be tested at the altar! After tragedy strikes, Daniela Avelar steps up as CEO to her brother's global yacht empire. But to prevent corporate mutiny, she needs the help of his business partner, Valerio Marchesi. Little does Daniela know that Valerio has already sworn to keep her safe. And when the tycoon discovers she's in grave danger, he insists she become his bride! He'll risk the unavoidable chemistry that sparks every time they lock eyes. Because this engagement of convenience is anything but... It's a red-hot fire burning out of control! Expert product evaluations and price analyses lead readers through the maze of merchandise to find the best buys on everything from computers and cameras to vacuum cleaners and bread machines. Included are valuable facts, features, prices, reviews, tips, and best budget buys for 465 products. 150+ photos. It took all of thirty seconds for two shots to bring the world of Margaret Tabaaha crashing down around her. After losing her husband in Afghanistan during the first year of Operation Enduring Freedom, her two sons were all she had left. Now they had been taken from her violently, deliberately, plunging her into a whiskey bottle and stripping away her reason for living. When Arthur Nakai receives a call from his first love, Margaret, her voice pleading for his help, it comes as he is attending a wake for one of the men he considered a brother from his days in the Marines 6th LAR Wolf Pack Battalion. Feeling a deep and responsible obligation to help her, Arthur soon finds himself involved in the multi-billion-dollar world of the oil and gas industry and coming face-to-face with an old adversary, Elias Dayton. Their paths had crossed when Arthur was a member of the Shadow Wolves, an elite tactical unit within US Customs and Border Protection. Now Dayton runs Patriot Security, a Blackwater-type firm that keeps the oil rigs, gas wells, and man camps secure from the Water Protectors, protesters pushing to stop the fracking and poisoning of Native lands. As Arthur works through the case from his end, Navajo police chief Jake Bilagody tackles it from another angle, looking into the strained relationship between the oil company and the Navajo people, all while searching for a missing Navajo man that may have become an unwilling piece on the reservation checkerboard. But when Arthur learns the identity of the boys' killer, he struggles to make sense of it. Because if the clues are right, he will be forced to make a decision that will haunt him for the rest of his life. love comes in many colors. this is a story of breaking and healing, of forgiving but not forgetting, of understanding and balance. it is not only something to enjoy, but something to learn from. here are the things i did right, and the many things i did wrong. i give them to you, so that when love comes knocking, you will have a sense of what to do when you open the door. Explore the experience of six different relationships in this moving collection that dives into the highs and lows of love. Provides information to students about usage of the atlas and how the continents on Earth are divided. I am not a liar or a thief or a criminal. At least, not anymore. But here I am doing the things that I promised myself I would never do again. Nicholas Crawford made me an offer I couldn't refuse. He is dangerous and damaged but so am I. Our relationship is an addiction that we have to feed. Now, things are about to get even more complicated. Allegiances will be tested. Lies will be told. Truths will be revealed. We have both made promises that we can't keep. The secrets we have uncovered only scratch the surface, and I'm afraid to find out what lies below. All is not what it seems but I have to figure out the truth before it's too late. Dive into the decadent and delicious 3rd book of the new and addictive Tell Me series by bestselling author Charlotte Byrd. \_\_\_\_\_ What readers are saying about Charlotte Byrd: "Extremely captivating, sexy, steamy, intriguing, and intense!" □□□□ "Addictive and impossible to put down." □□□□ "I can't get enough of the turmoil, lust, love, drama and secrets!" □□□□ "Fast-paced romantic suspense filled twists and turns, danger, betrayal and so much more." □□□□ "Decadent, delicious, & dangerously addictive!" □□□□ \_\_\_\_\_ \*Beware of spoilers in the reviews below that are without spoiler alerts.\* It's a summer internship. Never mind that the owners are hot. Never mind that there are three of them. Never mind that they are twice her age. Never mind that they have a secret "play" room in the basement. Never mind that she's never been more intrigued in her life. She only has three months. No matter how deeply she gets involved, she can't stay... "This book underscores what we have long known—Gurganus stands among the best writers of our time." —Ann Patchett Through memorable language and bawdy humor, Gurganus returns to his mythological Falls, North Carolina, home of Widow. This first work in a decade offers three novellas mirroring today's face-lifted South, a zone revolutionized around freer sexuality, looser family ties, and superior telecommunications, yet it celebrates those locals who have chosen to stay local. In doing so, Local Souls uncovers certain old habits—adultery, incest, obsession—still very much alive in our New South, a "Winesburg, Ohio" with high-speed Internet. Wells Tower says of Gurganus, "No living writer knows more about how humans matter to each other." Such ties of love produce hilarious, if wrenching, complications: "Fear Not" gives us a banker's daughter seeking the child she was forced to surrender when barely fifteen, only to find an adult rescuer she might have invented. In "Saints Have Mothers," a beloved high school valedictorian disappears during a trip to Africa, granting her ambitious mother a postponed fame that turns against her. And in a dramatic "Decoy," the doctor-patient friendship between two married men breaks toward desire just as a biblical flood shatters their neighborhood and rearranges their fates. Gurganus finds fresh pathos in ancient tensions: between marriage and Eros, parenthood and personal fulfillment. He writes about erotic hunger and social embarrassment with Twain's knife-edged glee. By loving Falls, Gurganus dramatizes the passing of Hawthorne's small-town nation into those Twitter-nourished lives we now expect and relish. Four decades ago, John Cheever pronounced Allan Gurganus "the most technically gifted and morally responsive writer of his generation." Local Souls confirms Cheever's prescient faith. It deepens the luster of Gurganus's reputation for compassion and laughter. His black comedy leaves us with lasting affection for his characters and the aching aftermath of human consequences. Here is a universal work

about a village. Here is the dramatic story of Scandinavia - from its earliest Germanic origins and Viking sea raids to its battles for independence and its involvement in World War II. Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden, writes award-winning historian Ewan Butler writes, struggled through unions and separations, with both outsiders and each other, developing their own personalities and languages yet retaining their ancient connections. A Discovery of Witches meets Twilight in this mesmerizing paranormal romance... Naomi Feldman has never understood the strange energy that hums beneath her senses. But when she comes across an ancient artifact that seems to beckon to her, she may finally find the answers she's been seeking. Alaric, a centuries-old vampire, lives a solitary life by choice. When he's assigned to protect Naomi, long dormant emotions stir to life. Pursued by a dangerous enemy and battling their growing attraction, Naomi and Alaric follow the mystery of the artifact from the museums of Athens, the streets of London, toward a confrontation that will decide the fate of two worlds... Fans of Charlaine Harris, Deborah Harkness, and Karen Marie Moning will love the Descendants series, where urban fantasy and paranormal romance collide. For a limited time, grab your copy of this series bundle deal at a discount compared to purchasing the individual books. ÜBER 700 SEITEN „ABSOLUT FESSELNDE“ UND „UNGLAUBLICH BERÜHRENDE“ DARK ROMANCE - ABGESCHLOSSENER ROMAN »Eine epische Dark Romance mit herzerreißender Tiefe und knisternder Sinnlichkeit!« - Anna Zaires, Bestsellerautorin der New York Times Vor sechs Jahren hat Harold Dalton mich mit einem fingierten Diebstahl reingelegt und mich ins Gefängnis gebracht, um meinen Diamantenfund zu stehlen. Im Austausch für die Grabungsrechte gab er seine Tochter Jack Clarke. Heute bin ich ein freier Mann, und will meine Rache. Sechs Jahre voller Grausamkeiten machen aus Menschen Bestien. Ich werde mir das zurückholen, was er mir gestohlen hat, und noch mehr. Ich bin nicht an seinen Immobilien oder Aktien interessiert. Ich will sein Kleingeld nicht. Ich will seinen größten Schatz, die schöne, mental instabile Angelina Dalton-Clarke. Mit ihren Milliarden ist sie die reichste Witwe des Landes, und auch die verrückteste. Ihre selbstverletzenden Tendenzen hatten Jack dazu veranlasst, sie für unzurechnungsfähig erklären zu lassen, bevor er sich eine Waffe an den Kopf hielt und sich das Gehirn rausblies. Lina darf keinen Cent ihres Reichtums anfassen. Ihr Vater verwaltet ihre Finanzen und hat alle Unterschriftsvollmachten. Als ihr Mann werden mir diese Aufgaben zufallen, aber wenn sie denkt, dass ich sie nur wegen ihres Geldes will, irrt sie sich gewaltig. The war is over and blackouts are a thing of the past, except in the village of Melchester, where the local council has refused to sully its streets with unsightly lamps. The night is pitch black, but hardly quiet. Young lovers are rendezvousing, a police constable is helping himself to a few of his neighbor's partridges, and a poet is going to visit his beloved, a new verse on his lips. She will never hear it, sadly, for the young man is stopped along his way - stopped forever, by the tight grip of the garrote. The local constabulary wastes no time reaching out to Scotland Yard, which sends its best man: the easygoing detective-inspector Littlejohn. In Melchester he will find unspeakable secrets - and one citizen whose soul is as dark as the village night. "You will not sleep until you are finished with AGENT ZERO. A superb job creating a set of characters who are fully developed and very much enjoyable. 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But enter sexy sheriff Spencer Lane...Tall, muscled, and made with an extra dose of sex appeal, he is exactly the kind of man that Haley should be avoiding. He's charming, he looks way too good in a Santa hat, and, oh, yes, he's her new landlord. The hits just keep coming. She can't afford to let Spencer learn all of her secrets, a tough job since she is living with the man. No sex, though. It's purely a business relationship. Except...the holidays in the South sure do get HOT. Or maybe that's just sexy Spencer. Usually, Haley falls for the bad guy. It's the whole reason she's running for her life. She can't help but wonder...What would it be like to fall for a man like Spencer? He just got his Christmas wish. Sheriff Spencer Lane can't believe his luck. The most beautiful, fascinating woman he's ever seen has just dropped into his life like a gift from, well, the big guy in red. Only the problem is that Haley seems to think Spencer is some by-the-book, nice guy. Probably because of the badge. And if she wants him to be the hero, that's a role that he's happy to play for her. But the truth is, Spencer has plenty of darkness inside, too. An ex Navy SEAL, he knows how to get sh—um, stuff done. He also knows how to be very, very naughty. When danger threatens his Haley, all bets are off. No one is going to hurt her. No one is going to threaten her. Not in his town. Not on his watch. The nice guy will show Haley just how bad he can be. Fake snow, a parade of wild elves, and a stalker ex don't make for the merriest of times, but in Point Hope, anything can happen—and it usually does. Ready for a steamy story that will get you in the ho-ho-ho spirit? Settle back, curl up with Spencer, and have yourself a jolly old time. Offers a detailed account of the shocking 1954 murder committed by two teenage girls in New Zealand, which led to headlines around the world and inspired the Academy Award-nominated film Heavenly Creatures. 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