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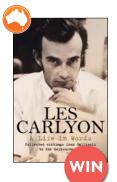
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## Welcome to our Reading Guide

We are excited to share with you this hand-picked selection of must-read new books. There is such an incredible range of books arriving in stores and the following pages is just a selection of what's hitting the shelves. As independent booksellers, we love to share our passion for books and reading and we are proud of our personalised service and loyal customers. If you don't find what you are looking for on the pages of this guide, we'd be happy to help you find something you'll love. We are always happy to help you find something new or place a special order for something hard to find. **HAPPY READING!** 



#### **A LIFE IN WORDS**

#### Les Carlyon

#### Hardback RRP \$39.99

Les Carlyon was one of Australia's greatest journalists and writers. From Don Bradman to Paul Keating, from Flemington to Flanders, from Henry Lawson to Clive James, A Life in Words is a collection of Les's very best writing, taken from across his career.

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#### **BLESSED:** THE BREAKOUT YEAR **OF RAMPAGING ROY SLAVEN**

#### John Doyle

#### Paperback RRP \$32.99

Who is Rampaging Roy Slaven? Blessed follows one year in the life of the boy who would become Rampaging Roy Slaven, a boy who, even at the age

of fifteen, knew he was destined for greatness but had to get through high school first.



#### **DARK AS LAST NIGHT**

#### **Tony Birch**

#### Paperback RRP \$29.99

This masterful collection from award-winning Indigenous writer Tony Birch captures the importance of human connection at pivotal moments: a girl struggling to protect her mother from her father's violence,

two teenagers clumsily getting to know one another through a shared love of music, and a man mourning the death of his younger brother.



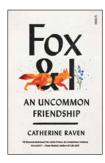
#### A WEEK IN **SEPTEMBER**

#### Peter Rees & Sue Langford

#### Paperback RRP \$34.99

Through a precious cache of WWII letters, a story of war is revealed. Scott Heywood, a POW on the infamous Burma Railway, wrote almost daily to his young wife, Margery, on

scraps of paper that had to be hidden from guards. This is the untold story of one man, one ordinary man, and his war. This is a powerful moving story of love, resilience and survival.



#### **FOX AND I**

#### Catherine Raven

#### Paperback RRP \$32.99

This uplifting, fable-like true story about the friendship between a solitary woman and a wild fox not only reveals the power of friendship and our interconnectedness with the natural world, but is an original, imaginative, and

beautiful work that introduces a stunning new voice. 'If Thoreau had read The Little Prince, he would have written this book.' - Yann Martel, author of Life of Pi



#### **NEW AUSTRALIAN** FICTION 2021

#### Rebecca Starford

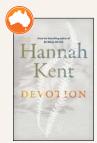
#### Paperback RRP \$24.95

#### 1 September release, advance orders welcome

A son becomes enthralled in his father's quest for treasure. A young woman is blamed for an unfathomable act. Strangers meet in the

night. The world is thrown into chaos when people spontaneously combust. New Australian Fiction features brilliant writers with distinct experiences, voices and styles from all corners of Australia.

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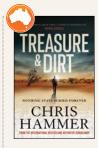


#### **DEVOTION**

#### Hannah Kent **Paperback**

**RRP** \$32.99 26 October release

The long-awaited new novel from the best selling author of Burial Rites. Devotion is a book to savour.



#### **TREASURE** & DIRT

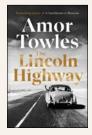
Chris Hammer

Paperback RRP \$32.99

28 September release

A superb standalone thriller from

the acclaimed and award-winning author of the international bestsellers Scrublands, Silver and Trust.



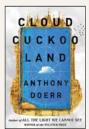
#### THE LINCOLN **HIGHWAY**

#### **Amor Towles** Paperback

RRP \$32.99 5 October release

Two brothers venture across 1950s America to New York in

the absorbing new novel by the author of the bestselling A Gentleman in Moscow.



#### **CUCKOO LAND**

**Anthony Doerr** 

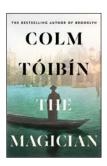
Paperback RRP \$32.99

29 September release

The spectacular and heartbreaking new novel from the

Pulitzer Prize-winning author of All the Light We Cannot See.

## **Great New Fiction**



#### THE MAGICIAN

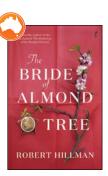
Colm Toibin

Paperback RRP \$32.99

31 August release, advance orders welcome

When the Great War breaks out in 1914 Thomas Mann, like so many of his fellow countrymen, is fired up with patriotism. He imagines the Germany of great literature and music

might be a cause of pride once again. But his flawed vision forces him to rethink his relationship with his homeland, and see the start of great conflict within his own brilliant and troubled family.



#### THE BRIDE OF **ALMOND TREE**

Robert Hillman

Paperback RRP \$32.99

This is a novel that journeys through the catastrophic mid-twentieth centuryfrom summer in Almond Tree, Australia to Moscow's bitter winter and back again-and a love story between two idealists that

just can't die. From the author of the acclaimed The Bookshop of the Broken Hearted.



#### THURSDAYS AT **ORANGE BLOSSOM** HOUSE

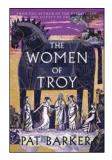
Sophie Green

Paperback RRP \$32.99

Set amid the lush beauty of tropical Queensland, Thursdays at Orange Blossom House is a heartwarming story of friendship and family, of chances missed and taken, and the eternal power of

love. From the author The Inaugural Meeting of the Fairvale Ladies Book Club and The Shelly Bay Ladies Swimming Circle.

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#### THE WOMEN **OF TROY**

Pat Barker

Paperback RRP \$32.99

31 August release, advance orders welcome

Sequel to critically acclaimed bestseller The Silence of the Girls, an extraordinary retelling of one of our greatest classical myths. In the

aftermath of the fall of Troy, the Greek army begins to turn on itself, allegiances breaking down and old feuds bubbling up - and captive queen Briseis is once again caught in the middle.



#### **EMPIRE OF THE** VAMPIRE

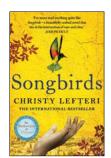
**Jav Kristoff** 

Paperback RRP \$32.99

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For nearly three decades, vampires have waged war against humanity; building their eternal empire even as they tear down our own. Now, only a few tiny

sparks of light endure in a sea of darkness. Gabriel de León, the last remaining silversaint dedicated to defending the realm from the creatures of the night - is all that stands between the world and its end.

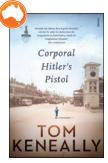


#### **SONGBIRDS**

Christy Lefteri Paperback RRP \$29.99

With infinite tenderness and skill, Christy Lefteri has crafted a powerful story about the unseen who walk among us, cleaning our homes and caring for our children - what it is to migrate in search of freedom, only

to find yourself trapped. Songbirds is a triumphant exploration of loss, the strength of the human spirit and the unbreakable bonds of courage, and of love.



#### **CORPORAL HITLER'S PISTOL**

Tom Keneally

Paperback RRP \$32.99

31 August release, advance orders welcome

Corporal Hitler's Pistol speaks to the neverending war that began with 'the war to end all wars'. Set in a town he knows very well, in this

novel Tom Keneally tells a compelling story of the interactions and relationships between black and white Australians in early twentieth-century Australia.



#### THE RIVIERA HOUSE

Natasha Lester

Paperback RRP \$32.99

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From wartime Paris to the sun-soaked French

Riviera. Lush, engrossing and deeply moving, this is the story of the brave women who worked against the Nazis, based on a true story and told by

the international bestselling author of The Paris Secret and The French Photographer.

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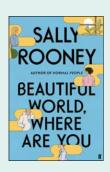
#### THE DEEP

**Kyle Perry** 

Paperback RRP \$32.99

From the bestselling breakout author of The Bluffs comes a heartstopping new thriller set on the rugged coast of Tasmania about modern-day pirates, family bonds and betrayals, and the hidden dangers that lurk in the

deep. When secrets long thought buried at sea wash up on shore, generations of the Dempsey family must stand up for what they believe in, even if it means sacrificing everything. But in the gritty fight between right and wrong, blood isn't always thicker than water, and everyone is at risk of being pulled under.



#### **BEAUTIFUL WORLD,** WHERE ARE YOU

Sally Rooney

Paperback RRP \$29.99

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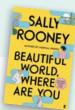
advance orders welcome

The new novel from the author of Normal People. Alice, Felix, Eileen and Simon are still young-but life is catching up with them. They desire each

other, they delude each other, they get together, they break apart. They have sex, they worry about sex, they worry about their friendships and the world they live in. Are they standing in the last lighted room before the darkness,

bearing witness to something? Will they find a way to believe in a beautiful world?

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# LIANE MORIARTY

#### **APPLES NEVER FALL**

Liane Moriarty

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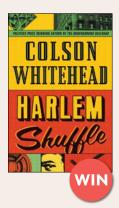
14 September release, advance orders welcome

From the outside, the Delaneys appear to be an enviably contented family. Even after all these years, former tennis coaches Joy and Stan are still winning tournaments, and now that

they've sold the family business they have all the time in the world to learn how to 'relax'. Their four adult children are busy living their own lives, and while it could be argued they never quite achieved their destinies, no-one ever says that out loud. But now Joy Delaney has disappeared and her children are re-examining their parents' marriage and their family history with fresh, frightened eyes. Were things never as rosy as they seemed in the Delaney household?







#### **HARLEM SHUFFLE** Colson Whitehead

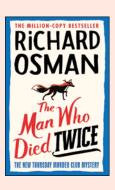
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From two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning author Colson Whitehead, a gloriously entertaining novel of heists, shakedowns and rip-offs. Harlem Shuffle is driven by an ingeniously intricate plot that plays out in a beautifully

recreated Harlem of the early 1960s. It's a family saga masquerading as a crime novel, a hilarious morality play, a social novel about race and power, and ultimately a love letter to Harlem.

Enter now for your chance to WIN a set of Colson Whitehead's previous novels, including the Pulitzer Prize-winning The Underground Railroad. For details go to the Competition page at www.indies.com.au



#### THE MAN WHO **DIED TWICE**

Richard Osman

Paperback RRP \$32.99

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The second novel in the number one bestselling Thursday Murder Club series featuring the old (but far from past-it) team as they pursue a brand new mystery. It's

the following Thursday, and Elizabeth has just had a visit from a man she thought was dead. It's (one of) her ex-husbands, and he's being hunted. His story involves some diamonds, some spies, and a very angry mobster. Can our team find the killer before the killer finds them?



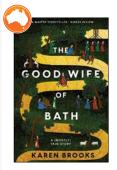
#### **MRS MARCH** Virginia Feito

Paperback RRP \$27.99

George March's latest novel is a smash hit. None could be prouder than Mrs. March, his dutiful wife A creature of routine and decorum, Mrs. March begins each morning with a visit to her favourite patisserie, but

her latest trip proves to be her last when she suffers an indignity from which she may never recover: an assumption by the shopkeeper that the protagonist in George March's new book is based on Mrs. March. A razor-sharp exploration of the fragility of identity and the smothering weight of expectations, Mrs. March heralds the arrival of a wicked and wonderful

## **More New Fiction**



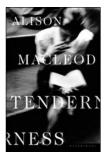
#### THE GOOD WIFE **OF BATH**

Karen Brooks

Paperback RRP \$32.99

This funny, picaresque, clever retelling of Chaucer's 'Wife of Bath' from The Canterbury Tales is a cutting assessment of what happens when male power is left to run unchecked, as well as a

recasting of a literary classic that gives a maligned character her own voice, and allows her to tell her own (mostly) true story.



#### **TENDERNESS**

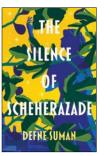
Alison Macleod

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The spellbinding story of Lady Chatterley's Lover, and the society that put it on trial; the story of a novel and its ripple effects across half a century, and about the transformative and

triumphant power of fiction itself. 'Powerful, moving, brilliant ... An utterly captivating read' - Elizabeth Gilbert



#### THE SILENCE OF **SCHEHERAZADE**

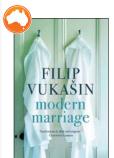
Defne Suman (translated by Betsy Goksel)

Paperback RRP \$32.99

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At the heart of the Ottoman Empire, in the ancient city of Smyrna, a devastating moment

determines the fates of four families. Told through the intertwining fates of a Levantine, a Greek, a Turkish and an Armenian family, this unforgettable novel reveals a city, and a culture, now lost to time.



#### **MODERN MARRIAGE**

Filip Vukašin

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Everything in Klara's life seems perfect. She runs a successful cosmetic clinic with her best friend, she has a beautiful house near the beach, and she and her adoring husband are

trying for a baby. Then one day she receives a call that punctures her perfect life. Modern Marriage will cause you to question what lies beneath the appearance of perfection.



#### **SNOW COUNTRY**

Sebastian Faulks

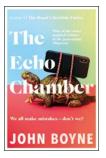
Paperback RRP \$32.99

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Sweeping across Europe as it recovers from one war

and hides its face from the coming of another, Snow Country is a landmark novel of exquisite yearnings, dreams of youth and the

sanctity of hope. In elegant, shimmering prose, Sebastian Faulks has produced a work of timeless resonance



#### THE ECHO CHAMBER

John Boyne

Paperback RRP \$32.99

From the author of The Heart's Invisible Furies and powered with the Boyne's characteristic humour and razor-sharp observation. The Echo Chamber is a satiric helter skelter, a dizzying downward spiral of action

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#### **BILLY SUMMERS**

Stephen King

Paperback RRP \$32.99

Billy Summers is part war story, part love letter to small town America and the people who live there, and features one of the most compelling and surprising duos in King fiction, who set out to avenge the crimes of an extraordinarily evil man.

It's about love, luck, fate, and a complex hero with one last shot at redemption.

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#### THE PERFECT FAMILY

Robyn Harding

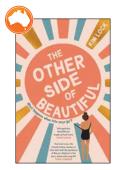
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## Australian Literature



## THE OTHER SIDE OF BEAUTIFUL

#### Kim Lock

#### Paperback RRP \$29.99

Starring the agoraphobic Mercy Blain, a broken-down campervan, a sausage dog named Wasabi and a road trip from Adelaide to Darwin, *The Other Side of Beautiful* is a celebration of the kindness of strangers,

discovering the beauty of just being present and about facing anxiety and embracing life.





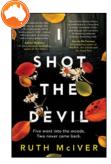


## **THE SHUT INS**Katherine Brabon

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A compelling story about isolation, duty, desire, fear and escape. As each character in *The Shut-Ins* feels increasingly trapped by societal pressure, they explore the possibility of retreating to some indefinable, unknowable

place. From the winner of the Australian/Vogel's Literary Award, this tour-de-force explores loneliness and desire, the peril and beauty of solitude - and our need for connection.



#### I SHOT THE DEVIL

#### Ruth McIver

#### Paperback RRP \$32.99

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Five went into the woods. Two never came back. An unforgettable story of murder, trauma and childhoods lost, *I Shot the Devil* is a taut, pageturning debut novel from an

electrifying new talent. 'A tense, irresistible thriller shot through with moments of unnerving darkness. A clever, compelling read.' - Dervla McTiernan

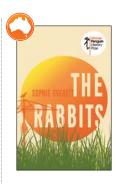


## THE TRIBUTE John Byron

#### Paperback RRP \$32.99

A serial killer is stalking through Sydney, hell-bent on recreating scenes from the Fabrica, the 16thcentury foundation text of modern anatomy. The spate of cold, methodical attacks has the city on edge, but the serial killer

may not even be the darkest player in this story.



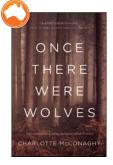
#### THE RABBITS

#### Sophie Overett

#### Paperback RRP \$32.99

The Rabbits is a multigenerational family story with a dose of magical realism. It is about family secrets, art, very mild superpowers, loneliness and the strange connections we make in the places we least expect.

From the winner of the Penguin Literary Prize and the Kathleen Mitchell Award.



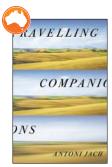
## ONCE THERE WERE WOLVES

#### Charlotte McConaghy

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From the author of the international bestseller *Migrations* comes a pulse-pounding new novel set in the wild Scottish Highlands. Propulsive and spellbinding, this is the unforgettable tale of a

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#### Antoni Jach

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Solitary travellers and a couple encounter Nina, an eloquent storyteller, on their travels through Spain, France and Italy, prompting her fellow travelling

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#### AFTER STORY

#### Larissa Behrendt

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When Indigenous lawyer Jasmine decides to take her mother, Della, on a tour of England's most revered literary sites, Jasmine hopes it will bring them closer together and help them reconcile the past. Ambitious and engrossing,

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The only things elevenyear-old Jacob knows for sure are what his father has taught him. Sheltered, protected, isolated. But who is his father protecting him from? And how far will his father go to keep the world at bay? All too soon, Jacob will learn that, sometimes, people do the

most terrible things. From the bestselling author of *Wimmera* and *The Rip* comes an unforgettable novel that explores the darkness in our world with the light only a child can find.

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## WHEN THINGS ARE ALIVE THEY HUM

#### **Hannah Bent**

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Marlowe and Harper share a bond deeper than most sisters. For Harper, living with what she calls the Up syndrome and gifted with an endless capacity for wonder, Marlowe and she are connected

by an invisible thread, like the hum that connects all things. For Marlowe, they are bound by her fierce determination to keep Harper, born with a congenital heart disorder, alive.

'When literature is alive it hums, and rattles and warms and hurts and heals. Hannah Bent and her wondrous Harper and Marlowe have changed the way I've been going about my days. What a gift.'

— Trent Dalton, author of Boy Swallows Universe.



#### CATCH US THE FOXES

#### Nicola West

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Some secrets you try to hide. Others you don't dare let out ...
Ambitious young journalist Marlowe 'Lo' Robertson would do anything to escape the suffocating confines of her small home town. But when a

gruesome murder in town makes headlines around the country, Lo seizes the opportunity to track down the killer and make a name for herself by breaking the biggest story of her life. Is her sleepy home town harbouring a deadly secret?

Twin Peaks meets The Dry in a deliciously dark and twisted tale that unravels a small Australian country town.

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## THE INHERITANCE



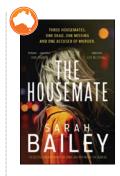
#### WHEN YOU ARE MINE Michael Robotham

#### Paperback RRP \$32.99

An exhilarating standalone thriller where you won't know who to trust. From the bestselling author of The Secrets She Keeps, this is Michael Robotham's finest page-turner yet. Enter now for your

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Thrilling Reads

#### THE HOUSEMATE

#### Sarah Bailey

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Three housemates. One dead, one missing and one accused of murder. Dubbed the Housemate Homicide, it's a mystery that has baffled Australians for

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standalone thriller from the award-winning writer of the bestselling Gemma Woodstock trilogy: The Dark Lake, Into the Night and Where the Dead Go.



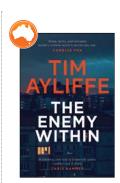
#### THE LAST GUESTS

#### J.P. Pomare

#### Paperback RRP \$32.99

Ever have the feeling you're being watched? Lina and Cain are doing their best to stay afloat. Putting Lina's inherited lake house up for rent at weekends seems like the solution to at least one of their problems. But letting strangers stay in

their house might not be the best idea. A darkly riveting psychological thriller from the awardwinning author of Call Me Evie.



#### THE ENEMY WITHIN

#### Tim Ayliffe

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Like Michael Connelly's Bosch, former war correspondent John Bailey will risk everything to get to the truth - and expose a deadly enemy. 'A cracking yarn told at breakneck speed. I couldn't put it down.' - Chris Hammer



#### THE LONG GAME

#### Simon Rowell

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Superbly plotted, and vividly set in the beachside suburbs and hilly retreats around Melbourne, The Long Game is a mystery about a tough and clever investigator who won't give up.

## Non-Fiction



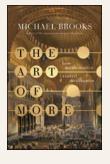
#### **POWER PLAY: BREAKING THROUGH BIAS, BARRIERS AND BOYS' CLUBS**

#### Julia Banks

#### Paperback RRP \$34.99

Power Play is an honest guide for women who aspire to leadership in the workplace and in the world, from the trailblazing Julia Banks. Power Play reveals

the unvarnished realities of any workplace where power disparities and gender politics collide. Julia shares personal stories, practical advice, and a resounding argument for why more women in decision-making positions will help us find the solution.



#### THE ART OF MORE

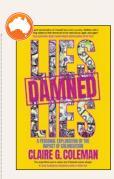
#### Michael Brooks

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From ancient Egyptian priests to the Apollo astronauts, and Babylonian tax collectors to the MIT professor who invented juggling robots, join bestselling science writer

Michael Brooks and his extraordinarily eccentric cast of characters in discovering how maths shaped the world.



#### LIES. DAMNED LIES

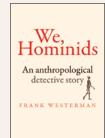
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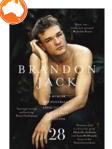
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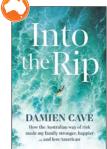


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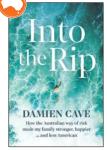
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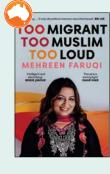
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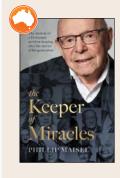
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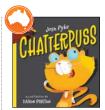
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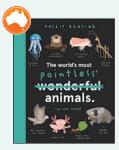
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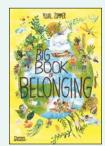
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We share our planet with some truly weird and wonderful creatures, from blobfish to pink fairy armadillos, who all

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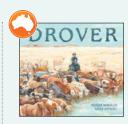
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## Children's Fiction



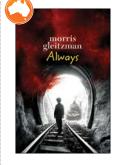
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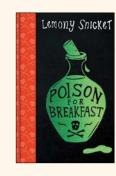
**WOLF GIRL, BOOK 5** 

Now comes the seventh and final part of Felix's story, bringing to a powerful climax a series that countless young readers around the world will remember - Always.

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Someone new will join the pack ... but who will

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#### **POISON FOR BREAKFAST**

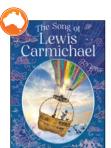
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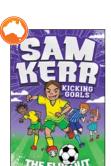
Sofie Laguna & Marc McBride (Illus)

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A beautiful, illustrated adventure story with a classic feel, about a quiet boy and a talking crow on an extraordinary hot-air

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Pets? Tick! TALKING

pets? Double tick! Silly

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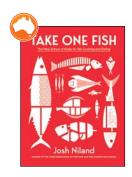
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Freaky Friday meets Pretty Little Liars - if the Liars were an all-girl punk band from the 1980s. A literally life-changing novel about time travel, soulmates and

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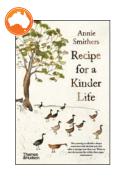
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#### **EVERY NIGHT OF** THE WEEK

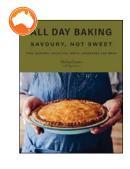
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Welcome to Every Night of the Week, a cookbook for people who don't like hard-and-fast recipes, by food and recipe writer, stylist and Instagram genie Lucy Tweed. A wildly

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## Living



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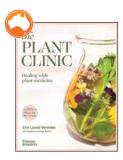


#### THE GOOD LIFE Hannah Moloney Paperback RRP \$39.99

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From growing your own food to fermentation, radical hope to cohousing, with The Good Life you'll gain the skills, self-reliance and

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From the bestselling author of Plants for the People comes the definitive guide to healing with plant medicine. Natural remedies for over

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## Nature & Science



#### **WOUNDED COUNTRY:** THE MURRAY-**DARLING BASIN - A CONTESTED HISTORY**

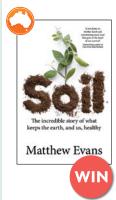
**Quentin Beresford** 

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Australia's food bowl is in crisis: for more than a century, the Murray-Darling Basin has faced

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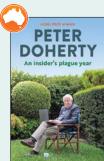
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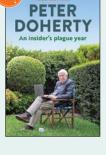
#### AN INSIDER'S **PLAGUE YEAR**

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## THE ARBORNAUT

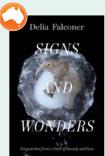
Meg Lowman

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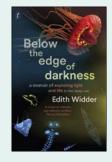
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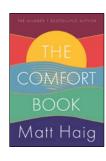
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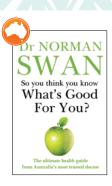
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