

WINTER LIST 2024/2025

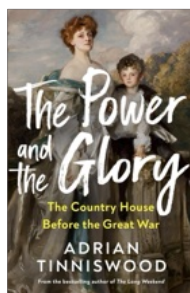
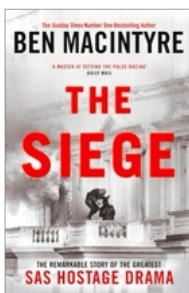
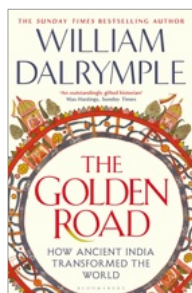
BIOGRAPHY & MEMOIR



- STANLEY TUCCI** *What I Ate in One Year* (368pp) **£20**
An appreciation of food & what it adds to the enjoyment of life
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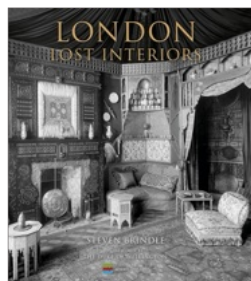
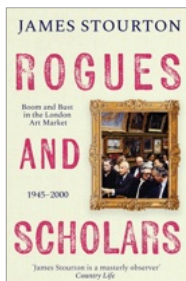
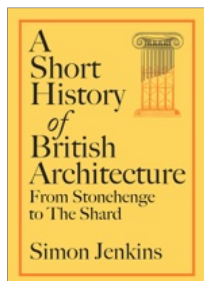
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How London dominated the post-war art market with Sotheby's & Christie's at its centre

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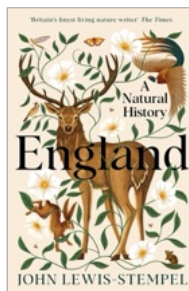
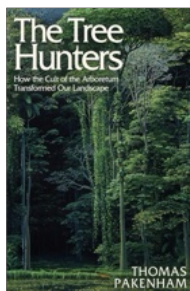
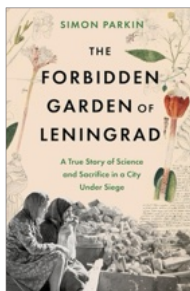
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A narrative of our island's architecture from earliest times to the present

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Musings on meals & pleasurable moments - drawn from his culinary notebooks

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The transformation of British cuisine by the people who have made Britain their home

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A seasonal approach to the versatility of bulbs, giving colour & structure to a garden

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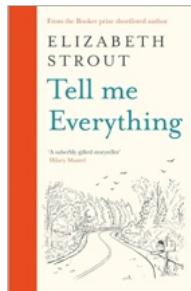
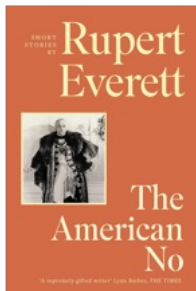
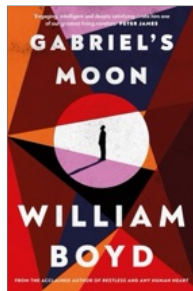
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How Spain's horticultural designs have mirrored the march of its history

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The value of friendship celebrated as Olive Kitteridge & Lucy Barton set the world to rights

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Could a playwright's ancestor be the true author of Shakespeare's plays?

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Post War Bristol & two sisters find their lives changed by a chance meeting

WENDY COPE *Collected Poems* (512pp) £20

From 'Making Cocoa for Kingsley Amis' to 'The Orange', celebrating her wide appeal

ALAN HOLLINGHURST *Our Evenings* (496pp) £22

Two men's lives cross & recross as one chooses the stage, the other politics

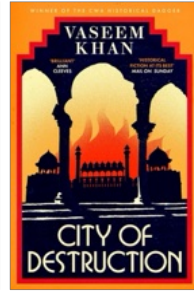
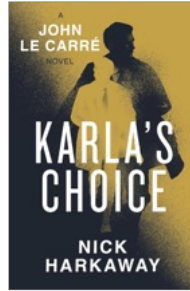
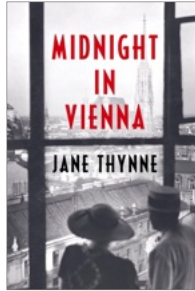
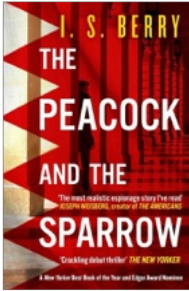
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Will saving his granddaughter give Kaspar the closure he desperately seeks?

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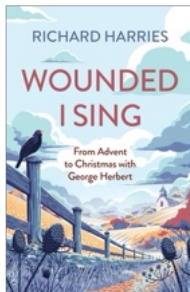
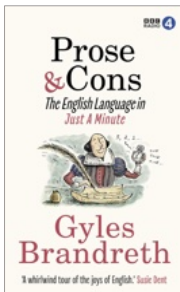
Phyl fancies a life writing cosy crime, but a murder at a right-wing conference shakes her

CRIME FICTION & THRILLERS



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George Smiley is called back into the Circus for one last simple task. By Le Carré's son
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Six couples discover that making up fictional murders can become deadly
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Whilst Persis Wadia heads to New Delhi on a case, Archie Blackfinch fights for his life
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- I.S. BERRY** *The Peacock and the Sparrow* (352pp) £9.99 pbk
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Campbell & Carter investigate the murder of a reclusive & disliked outsider

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George Herbert's poetry for Advent with commentary by the former Bishop of Oxford

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An idiosyncratic tour of the English language delighting in hyperbole & word play

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An A-Z of lamentable English & common confusions

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Humorous take on the frustrations of life from recycling fears to finding a parking space

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Filled with flamboyancy & fun: memories of that final live tour

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Celebrating the bicentenary of Britain's railways: architecture, locomotives & people

TIM MARSHALL *Prisoners of Geography: The Quiz Book* (272pp) **£16.99 pbk**

Expand your knowledge of the world & impress your friends

ANDREW LAMBIRTH *Craxton's Cats* (144pp) **£14.99**

Craxton's faithless felines slink across the page, full of wit & a little wisdom

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A paean to the pub; a personal nationwide search for the best inns, season by season

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A selection of articles from The Guardian's 'Country Diary'

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Whether your patch of green is vast or pocket-sized, claim it back from slugs & snails

INDIA HICKS *Lady Pamela* (256pp) **£46**

An illustrated biography of Lord Mountbatten's daughter, wife of David Hicks

ALAN BENNETT *Killing Time* (272pp) **£10**

Meet the residents of Hill Topp House, a 'superior' council home for the elderly. Novella

BRUNO VINCENT *You Can't Say That Any More* (240pp) **£14.99**

The many pitfalls of cherishing the books, films & TV programmes of yesteryear

CHILDREN'S WINTER LIST 2024/2025

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CAMILLA REID *Who's Jolly?* (12pp) **£7.99 BB**

Who is the jolliest? Is it the mouse seeing the first flakes of snow, or the polar bear on his sleigh? Or could it be the reflection in the mirror at the end of the book?

SAM TAPLIN *The Animal Orchestra Plays Vivaldi* (10pp) **£12.99 BB**

Discover the brilliance of Antonio Vivaldi as the members of the Animal Orchestra visit Venice. With five buttons to press, hear some of his wonderful music

ROBERT LACEY ED. *Nursery Rhymes* (128pp) **£20**

A collection of eighty-two traditional nursery rhymes chosen by the historian & biographer, with illustrations by Claud Lovat Fraser & Ben Coppin

JONATHAN FREEDLAND *King Winter's Birthday* (40pp) **£12.99**

King Winter invites his three siblings, Queen Spring, King Summer & Queen Autumn, to his birthday party. But even as they have fun, there are changes afoot outside....

ROB BIDDULPH *I Follow the Fox* (32pp) **£12.99**

A little boy has lost his beloved toy. Will a vixen help him find it? Follow their nighttime adventure across snowy fields & icy rivers

KES GRAY *Oi Dinosaurs!* (32pp) **£12.99**

Did Pterosaurs sit on bendy straws? Could Velociraptors sit on plug adaptors? Join Frog, Cat & Dog for some prehistoric rhyming fun in the latest in this series

OLIVER JEFFERS *Where to Hide a Star* (32pp) **£14.99**

A small boy plays hide & seek with his friends the star & the penguin. But one day star goes missing. Where has he gone? Sequel to 'Lost & Found' & 'How to Catch a Star'

RACHEL BRIGHT *The Camel Who Had the Hump* (32pp) **£12.99**

Join Cuthbert the camel as he discovers that a new friend can turn a grumpy, humpy start to the day into a happy ending. Illustrated by Jim Field

JULIA DONALDSON *Jonty Gentoo* (32pp) **£12.99**

One night, Jonty the penguin sneaks out of the zoo & sets off on an amazing adventure. His destination: Antarctica (via an unscheduled detour to the North Pole!)

ANNA KEMP *The Nutcracker* (32pp) **£12.99/£7.99 pbk**

A festive feel-good story based around putting on a production of 'The Nutcracker' & a very special dog who dreams of dancing the part of the Sugar Plum Fairy

JANE CHAPMAN *The Littlest Christmas Tree* (32pp) **£12.99**

Cubby the bear has found the perfect tree: small & fluffy just like her. But best of all, when Christmas is over, it grows in the garden until Christmas comes around again

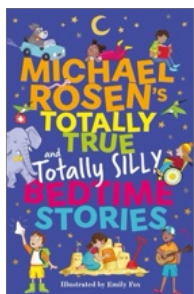
KARL NEWSON *Captain Christmas* (32pp) **£12.99/£7.99 pbk**

Did you know that Father Christmas' elves used to be fearsome pirates? That changed when they met Captain Christmas who taught them that giving was better than taking

ONJALI RAUF *The Girl at the Front of the Class* (32pp) **£12.99**

When a new girl, a refugee far from home, joins their class, her classmates try to make her feel welcome. Find out how they banish her loneliness

5 – 8 YEARS OLD



ELLY MACKAY *Frostfire* (44pp) **£16.99**

Two little foxes are on a walk through a snow-covered garden. Big sister Miriam claims to hear the sound of a snow dragon. But do such things exist?

JEREMY STRONG *Fox Goes North* (240pp) **£14.99**

Fox sets off with her blue suitcase to join the animals' expedition to the Snowlands to see the Northern Lights. Illustrated in blue, black & white

ANDY GRIFFITHS *The Land of Lost Things* (320pp) **£12.99**

From the author of the 'Treehouse' books, a new series of adventures set in the Land of Lost Things. Meet bazaar characters & have Adventures Unlimited

MICHAEL ROSEN *Totally True* (166pp) **£7.99 pbk**

Delight in these totally true (& totally silly) stories which feature dogs who drive cars, elephants who dance to music & a fish who's friends with a diver

PATRICK NESS *Chronicles of a Lizard Nobody* (208pp) **£7.99 pbk**

Welcome to a school with a difference: all its pupils are animals, the headmaster is a wombat & chaos rules. Can the Monitor Lizards restore order?

RICHARD AYOADE *The Fairy Tale Fan Club* (128pp) **£12.99**

Have you ever wondered whether the Prince & Princess *really* lived 'happily ever after'? Well, why not write to the only chap who knows: CC Cecily

HELEN RUTTER *Me and My Brian* (352pp) **£7.99 pbk**

Josh has always called his brain Brian. Brian helps with tests & ideas but also keeps Josh awake at night with worries. Is time with Gran the solution?

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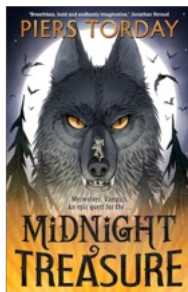
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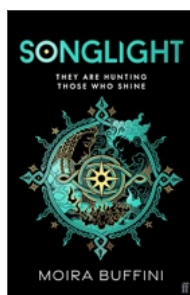
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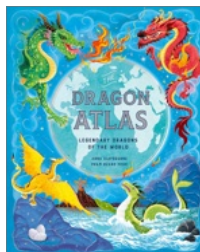
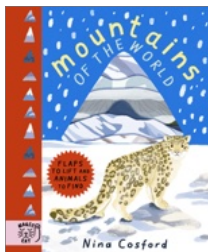
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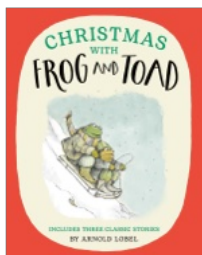
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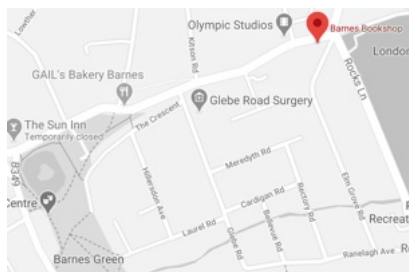
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