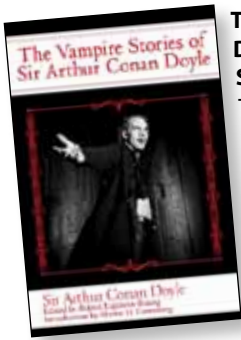


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The first collection of vampire stories from the creator of Sherlock Holmes! Who would suspect that the same mind that created the most famous literary detective of all time also took on the eternally popular genre of vampires? From a bloodsucking plant, to a bloodsucking wife; from a medical student haunted by a heat-draining Eskimo vampire, to a tale in which vampirism is used

as a metaphor for capitalism - this collection features an introduction by world-renowned vampire expert, Robert Eighteen-Bisang. Tp \$29.95 288pp *Due Oct*

**The Everything Vampire Book: From Vlad the Impaler to the Vampire Lestat - A History of Vampires in Literature, Film, and Legend**  
**Barb KARG et al**

From Bram Stoker's *Dracula*, to Stephenie Meyer's *Twilight* series, vampires have fascinated and frightened young and old alike for centuries. Whether it is an evil, sharp-fanged creature who appears from the mist, or a handsome, erotic man or woman of mystery, the vampire in all its incarnations is one of the most popular and intriguing characters of literature and film. Vampires alternately terrorise and become objects to be idolised and desired. This title examines their notorious history and legends, their evolution and portrayal in books, television and cinema, and the on going fascination with the 'vampire lifestyle'. Tp \$26.95 304pp *Due Oct*

**The Sookie Stackhouse Boxed Set**  
**Charlaine HARRIS**



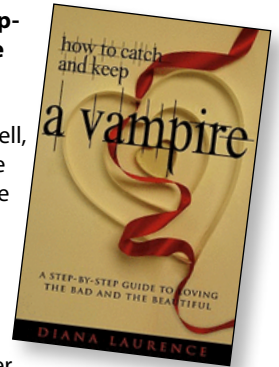
Cocktail waitress Sookie Stackhouse is no typical Southern belle. She can read minds and she's got a thing for vampires - which, in a town like Bon Temps, Louisiana, means she'll have to watch her back - and neck! Includes *Dead Until Dark*, *Living Dead in Dallas*, *Club Dead*, *Dead to the World*, *Dead as a Doornail*, *Definitely Dead*, *All Together Dead* and *From Dead to Worse*. Pb \$115.00

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**Diana LAURENCE**

Who needs a book on dating a vampire? Well, Bella Swan and Sookie Stackhouse to name just two. They are fortunate enough to have vampire boyfriends. But what the heroines of *Twilight* and *True Blood* don't have and could use is some advice on getting along with them. Everything they and every other red-blooded girl (and guy) wants to know about finding a dreamy blood-drinker

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**The Zombie Handbook: How to Identify the Living Dead and Survive the Coming Apocalypse**

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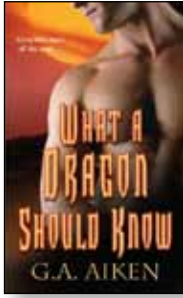
**G A AIKEN**



**What a Dragon Should Know**

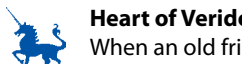
*Dragon Kin*

#3. Only for those I love would I traipse into the merciless Northlands to risk life, limb and my exquisite beauty. But do they appreciate it? Do they say, 'Gwenvael the Handsome, you are the best among us - the most loved of



all dragons?' No! For centuries my family has refused to acknowledge my magnificence as well as my innate humility. Yet for them, and because I am so chivalrous, I will brave the worst this land has to offer. So here I stand, waiting to broker an alliance with the one the Northlanders call The Beast. A being so fearful, the greatest warriors will only whisper its name. Yet I, Gwenvael, will courageously face down this terrifying... woman? Who better than a dragon to thaw out an icy demeanor? Who better than a beast to finally tame a mighty dragon's heart? Pb \$13.95 384pp

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When an old friend gives him a strange artefact, Jacob Burn – pilot, criminal and the disgraced son of one of the founding families of the ancient city of Veridon – goes up against a dark entity that forces him to question everything he knows about himself. Pb \$15.95 384pp

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One day, without warning, Jasmyn's husband died of an aneurysm. Since then, everything has been different. Wrapped up in her grief, Jasmyn is trapped in a world without colour, without flavour - without Liam. But even through the haze of misery she begins to notice strange events. Things are not as they should be and eventually Jasmyn begins to explore the mysteries that have sprung up after her husband's death and follow their trail back into the events of his life. But the mysteries are deeper than Jasmyn expects and are leading her in unexpected directions - into fairytales filled with swans, castles and bones; into a tale of a murder committed by a lake and a vicious battle between brothers; into a story of a lost past and a stolen love. She's entering a magical story. Jasmyn's story. Pb \$32.99 320pp

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**Greg EGAN**



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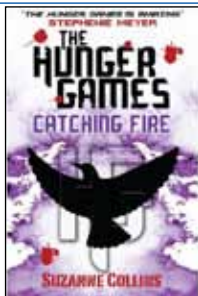
## FAVE NEW

### Catching Fire

#### The Hunger Games #2

SUZANNE COLLINS

Pb \$18.99



**The Hunger Games** (Pb \$18.99) was hands down the best Young Adult title this year! I read my eyes out and I'm finally starting to feel like it will be less hard work now that Collins has two brilliant books and not just one. Be warned though: this review says very little about the plot, as I wouldn't spoil it for the world. It has to be read to be believed!

**Catching Fire** is the utterly brilliant, breathlessly-paced sequel to **The Hunger Games** and its plot, writing and action can be summarised in one word: INCENDIARY.

Collins is vividly descriptive but never dull, and manages to write the dramatic without steering into the melodramatic. Those who read the first novel will recognise that the consequences of victory were never going to be good. But in this latest instalment, the consequences become painfully clear, and Katniss and Peeta are caught in the middle. They are symbols of defiance, victims of their victory, and role models and rebels all wrapped into one. They only survived because they stuck together... So what happens when the Capitol insists on maintaining the farce that may drive them apart? Even more importantly, what could be happening on the borders outside the Capitol's control? Even while these questions are answered, Collins does a brilliant job of raising more questions still. The rules of the Game have changed for the first time in years and on every page there is the quietly lingering threat of things to come. **Catching Fire** is much more ominous, deadly and calculating than its predecessor, but Collins handles the tension beautifully. It's a testament to her skill as a writer that the entire novel is utterly engrossing from start to finish.

For me, it's quite hard to believe at times that these two brilliant books are firmly categorised as Young Adult fiction. Clearly this is because we experience the story through the eyes of Katniss and her straightforward narration. She is a teenage heroine who I have the highest respect for, because she is a hunter who kills in the blink of an eye. Yet beneath her calm and dignified mask, she also feels heartache, fear and loss. She cannot waver, she must survive, and I love her quiet will of iron. The Hunger Games were never a game, and especially not now that the stakes are so high. The Districts around the Capitol are a powder keg and Katniss' defiance could be the spark... and I *cannot wait* to see the inferno that will barely be contained in the next book! I can't fault Collins' writing, and especially not her pace. Perhaps it's the combination of subject matter and style that makes her so compulsively readable and difficult to put down; whatever it is, it's a magic that she possesses in spades!

From the first book, the plot and writing style compelled me to read like a woman possessed, and I feel oddly dizzy at the thought of the third book which feels so excruciatingly far away. Perhaps my reason for so highly recommending **Catching Fire** is so that lots of other people can suffer the wait with me... But I won't know until you all read it, so hurry up! – Sofia

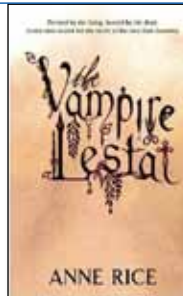
## FAVE CLASSIC

### The Vampire Lestat

#### Vampire Chronicles #2

ANNE RICE

Pb \$22.99



These days, it seems you can't cross the street without being hit by a vampire! John Polidori and Bram Stoker may have first staked them down in the 1800's – and current writers like Charlaine Harris and Laurel K Hamilton continue to redefine them – but for me, Anne Rice's *Vampire Chronicles* will always be what comes to mind when I think of the undead. The second novel, **The Vampire Lestat**, is in my opinion the best of the bunch.

This instalment is the tale of Lestat's existence prior to 'unlife' right on through to 1980's rock stardom. As a poor but noble aristocrat living a Spartan existence in 18<sup>th</sup> century France, he must hunt to feed his parents. Coming to despise the bare halls of his family home, the precocious youth takes the first opportunity he gets to run away with the theatre. He experiences the thrills of big city life in Paris, only to be dragged back home by his family. But escape his family he does... only to turn his back on mortal life forever!

The story then follows his embrace of the unlife, guided by the ancient and weird vampire Magnus. Through new eyes, he describes the world he now sees as a 'savage garden' (sadly being the inspiration for the loathsome 1990's pop group of the same name). For the next 200 years, Lestat embarks on a search for the truth behind his immortal existence. He encounters various other vampires, such as the Vampire Armand (can I make Antonio Banderas into a vampire?), an enigmatic and brooding character who sets Lestat onto the cold trail of Marius, the oldest known vampire. Fast-forward to the year 1984... the age of MTV. Lestat arises from torpor with the ambition of becoming a famous rock star and outing all vampires in one fell swoop!

I like this book because it's essentially the tale of a country boy making good in the big smoke – only with the romance of frilly shirts and endless nights of abandon in all manner of exotic locations. The friendships Lestat establish continue to resurface over the ages, providing the only continuity in his long unlife of debauchery. Lestat's character is vivid and passionate, searching for meaning behind the strange and perverse existence which he has embraced. Rice's imagery is lush and colourful, really bringing life to the places and the people she describes. After almost a quarter of a century, **The Vampire Lestat** is still required reading for vampire fans, and for those who are just looking for an engaging read. – Geoff



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**Greg EGAN****Incandescence**

The galaxy is divided between the vast, cooperative meta-civilisation known as the Amalgam and the silent occupiers of the galactic core known as the Aloof. The Aloof have rejected all attempts by the Amalgam to enter their territory, but have permitted travellers to take a perilous ride as unencrypted data in their communications network. When Rakesh encounters a traveller, Lahl, who claims she was woken by the Aloof on such a journey and shown a meteor full of traces of DNA, he accepts her challenge to try to find the uncharted world deep. The search leads him to a civilisation trapped in cultural stagnation and startling revelations about the true nature and motives of the Aloof. Pb \$22.99 304pp

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**Eric FLINT (Ed)****Grantville Gazette #5**

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**David FORBES****The Commanding Stone**

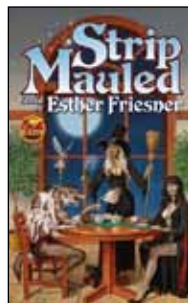
*The Osserian Saga #3.* Gerin, King of Khedesh, has long since accepted the mantle of Amber Wizard - the first in a millennium - with all the terrible responsibility that accompanies it. He has prevented the dread wizard-king, Asankaru, from attaining the all-powerful Words of Making, but the enemy grows stronger by the day. And now Gerin must be resolute and pursue the secret of the Words at any and all cost. For a new foe has emerged in a furious race toward a magical artefact that can awaken and command monsters long thought dead and nothing will survive the devastation wrought by dragon fire. Pb \$15.95 416pp

**Dave FREER****Dragon's Ring**

Tasmarin is a place of dragons, a plane cut off from all other worlds, where dragons can be dragons and humans can be dinner. It's a place of islands, forests, mountains and wild oceans, filled with magical denizens. Fionn, the black dragon, calmly tells anyone who will listen that he's going to destroy the place. Of course he's a joker, a troublemaker and a dragon of no fixed abode. No one ever believes him. But, he's dead serious. Others strive to refresh the magics that built this place. To do so they need the combined magics of all the intelligent species, to renew the ancient balance and compact. There is just one problem. They need a human mage and dragons systematically eliminated those centuries ago. Their augury has revealed that there is one and they seek her desperately. Unfortunately, she's fallen in with Fionn... Hb \$47.00 352pp *Due Oct*

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Chase Insteadman, lives off residuals earned as a child star, and owes his current social cachet to an ongoing tragedy much covered in the tabloids - his teenage sweetheart and fiancée, Janice Trumbull, is trapped by a layer of low-orbit mines on the International Space Station, from which she sends him rapturous and heartbreaking love letters. Into Chase's cloistered city enters Perkus Tooth, a wall-eyed free-range pop critic whose soaring conspiratorial riffs are fuelled by high-grade marijuana, mammoth cheeseburgers and a desperate ache for meaning. Perkus's countercultural savvy and voracious paranoia draw Chase into another Manhattan, where they attempt to unearth the answers to several mysteries that seem to offer that rarest of artefacts on an island where everything can be bought: Truth. Hb \$54.00 496pp *Due Oct*

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**Audrey NIFFENEGGER**



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When Elspeth Noblin dies of cancer, she leaves her Highgate, London apartment to her twin nieces, Julia and Valentina. These two American girls never met their English aunt, although she was their mother's twin. Julia and Valentina are semi-normal American teenagers with seemingly little interest in college, finding jobs or anything outside their cosy home in the suburbs of Chicago, but with an abnormally intense attachment to one another. The girls move to Elspeth's flat, which borders Highgate Cemetery in London, and come to know the building's other residents. As they become embroiled in the fraying lives of their neighbours, they also discover that much is still alive in Highgate, including perhaps their aunt, who can't seem to leave her old apartment - and life - behind. Tp \$32.99 384pp *Due Oct*



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**Philip REEVE**



**Mothstorm**

*Larklight #2.* When the festive season arrives at Larklight, so does some unsettling news. A sinister-looking cloud is fast approaching the outskirts of the Known Universe. The closest planet, Georgium Sidus, has but two human inhabitants: the missionary Revd Cruet and his daughter Charity. Their most recent communication read: 'Great danger... imperative that...' And so, aboard a naval gunship, Art, Myrtle and family bravely go where only one man and his daughter have gone before, to determine the nature of the menacing cloud and rescue the Cruets. But the evil which awaits them is far beyond their imagining... Pb \$16.99 416pp

**John RINGO & Tom KRATMAN**



**The Tuloriad**

*Posleen War: The Legacy of Aidenata #12.* Of the once innumerable battle clans of the Posleen, only a handful survive and only on the sufferance of a group of despised Indowy and Himmit. Plucked from the maelstrom on Earth, they are cast out into the eternal blackness of the stars, with only a slightly insane Indowy and a computer virus to guide them. What follows is a trail of tears and remembrance as the Posleen retrace the footsteps of their ancestors in a search for their homeland. A search to determine if the Posleen possess the one thing no Human would give them credit for - a soul. Hb \$49.95 384pp *Due Oct*



**Kim Stanley ROBINSON**



**Galileo's Dream**

Late Renaissance Italy still abounds in alchemy and Aristotle, yet it trembles on the brink of the modern world. Galileo's new telescope encapsulates all the contradictions of this emerging reality. Then one night a stranger presents a different kind of telescope for Galileo to peer through. The blasted wasteland he sees when he points the telescope at Jupiter, of harsh yellows and reds and blacks, looks just like hell as described by the Catholic church. What he is looking at the world of Jovian humans, 3,000 years hence, from the vantage point of one of its moons, whose inhabitants maintain that Galileo has to succeed in his own world for their history to come to pass. By day Galileo's life unfurls in early 17th century Italy, leading inexorably to his trial for heresy. By night Galileo struggles to be a kind of sage, or an arbiter in a conflict, but understanding what that conflict might be is no easy matter and resolving his double life is even harder. Pb \$32.99 496pp

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**Quatrain**

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**Sarah Jane STRATFORD**



**The Midnight Guardian**

*Millennial #1*. It's 1938, and the tentacles of Hitler's Third Reich have commenced their stranglehold on Europe. The Nazi empire will soon be clean of all bloodlines deemed tainted or undesirable... including vampires. London's ancient tribunal of vampires is aghast at the destruction taking place on the Continent. Though vampires try not to interfere with human politics, Hitler's terrible plans force them into action. They resolve to send five of their most formidable vampires to Berlin - millennials that have lived over 1000 years and whose age and wisdom make them close to invulnerable - to infiltrate, disrupt and destroy the growing Nazi war machine. But as they soon discover that the Nazis are more capable than any human force they've yet encountered and more monstrous than they'd ever imagined. Hb \$48.00 320pp *Due Oct*

**Tim STRETTON**



**The Dog of the North**

*Annals of Mondia #1*. En-route to her wedding in the fortified city of Croad, Lady Isola is kidnapped. What is worse, her captor is the infamous Beauceron. But Beauceron is no ordinary brigand - it is his life's ambition to capture Croad itself - and he will stop at nothing to achieve it. In Croad, a young man named Arren has been taken under the wing of the city's ruler, Lord Thaum. Although of low birth, Arren is destined to become a knight of valour and renown. But as his fortunes rise, so those of his childhood friend Eilla fall. Meanwhile, Isola struggles to adapt to her new life and finds herself reassessing her former loyalties. Pb \$22.99 304pp

**Theodore STURGEON**



**Slow Sculpture**

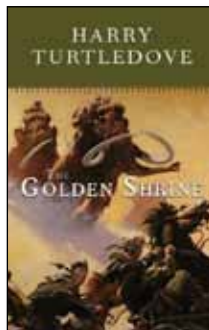
*The Complete Stories of Theodore Sturgeon #12*. Theodore Sturgeon was a model for his friend Kurt Vonnegut's legendary character Kilgore Trout, and his work was an acknowledged influence on important younger writers from Harlan Ellison and Robert Silverberg to Stephen King and Octavia Butler. His work has long been deeply appreciated for its sardonic sensibility, dazzling wordplay, conceptual brilliance, memorable characters and unsparing treatment of social issues such as sex, war and marginalised members of society. Sturgeon also authored several episodes of the original *Star Trek* TV series and originated the Vulcan phrase "Live long and prosper." The book includes a new foreword, an illuminating section of story notes and a comprehensive index for the entire series. Hb \$65.00 352pp *Due Oct*

**Harry TURTLEDOVE**



**The Golden Shrine**

*Gap #3*. The glaciers came and covered the world with ice. Now they are in retreat. North of the city of Nidaros, north of the forest, north of the steppes where the nomadic Bizogots hunt, a gap has opened in the ice-wall. And down through that gap come the men who call themselves Rulers. Their terrifying cavalry rides woolly mammoths. Their bows can shoot arrows farther than those of the southerners. Their wizards wield power that neither the shamans of the Bizogots nor the wizards of Raumsdalian Empire can match, a magic that can melt the stone beneath a man's feet, call down blasting fire from the sky, or decimate a tribe with plagues that have no cure. The Empire is shattered. Perhaps Hamnet and his allies can save their lands from the Rulers, but first they must seek out the legendary Golden Shrine which has not been seen since the time before the glaciers came. Hb \$48.00 336pp *Due Oct*



**S L VIEHL**



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Genetically engineered interstellar surgeon, Dr Cherijo Torin, her husband Duncan Reeve and a handpicked crew journey to the planet oKia to locate a strange black mineral that is the source of an intergalactic epidemic. When one of the crew members becomes infected, his body slowly begins to crystallise. While Cherijo races to save the crew member, mercenaries arrive in the oKia system, wanting Cherijo's genes and her near immortality. It will take all of her abilities to elude the mercenaries and discover the black crystal's secrets before it's too late. Pb \$16.95 384pp

**GREG VAN EEKHOUT**



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Is this Ragnarok, or just California? The NorseCODE genome project was designed to identify descendants of Odin. What it found was Kathy Castillo, a murdered MBA student brought back from the dead to serve as a valkyrie in the Norse god's army. Given a sword and a new name, Mist's job is to recruit soldiers for the war between the gods at the end of the world and to kill those who refuse to fight. But as the twilight of the gods descends, Mist makes other plans. Journeying across a chaotic American landscape already degenerating into violence and madness, Mist hopes to find her way to Helheim, the land of the dead, to rescue her murdered sister from death's clutches. To do so, she'll need the help of Hermod, a Norse god bumming around Los Angeles with troubles of his own. Together they find themselves drafted into a higher cause, trying to do what fate long ago deemed could not be done - save the world of man. Pb \$16.95 292pp

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## Ilona ANDREWS

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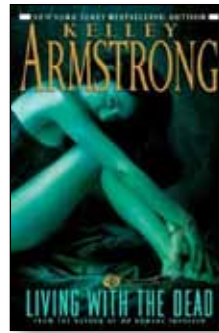
*The Edge #1.* The Broken is a place where people shop at Wal-Mart and magic is nothing more than a fairy tale. The Weird is a realm where blueblood aristocrats rule and the strength of your magic can change your destiny. Rose Drayton lives on the Edge, the place between both worlds. A perilous existence indeed, made even more so by a flood of magic-hungry creatures bent on absolute destruction. Pb \$16.95 320pp



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## Shayla BLACK

### Seduce Me in Shadows

*The Doomsday Brethren #2.* Ex-marine Caden MacTavish has shunned his magical heritage all his life, but he will do anything to heal his desperately ill brother, a Doomsday Brethren warrior in mourning for his missing mate. Posing as a photographer, Caden must convince firecracker tabloid reporter Sydney Blair to reveal the source of her recent exposé on a supernatural power clash. Unfortunately, keeping his hands off the sizzling redhead proves as hard as getting them onto the potent and mystical Doomsday Diary he discovers at her bedside. Caden has never trusted magic's cruel and dangerous powers, but he will protect Sydney with his life and magic – even if it means risking his heart. Pb \$15.95 336pp

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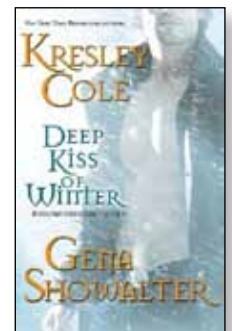
### Soulless

*The Parasol Protectorate #1.* Alexia Tarabotti is labouring under a great many social tribulations. First, she has no soul. Second, she's a spinster whose father is both Italian and dead. Third, she was rudely attacked by a vampire, breaking all standards of social etiquette. Where to go from there? From bad to worse apparently, for Alexia accidentally kills the vampire – and then the appalling Lord Maccon is sent by Queen Victoria to investigate. With unexpected vampires appearing and expected vampires disappearing, everyone seems to believe Alexia responsible. Can she figure out what is actually happening to London's high society? Will her ability to negate supernatural powers prove useful or just plain embarrassing? Finally, who is the real enemy, and do they have treacle tart? Pb \$15.95 400pp

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*Dark Days #3.* Those of her race fear Mira for the lethal fire she bends to her will - a power unique among *nightwalkers*, both a gift . . . and a curse. The *naturi* prepare the final sacrifice that will destroy the barriers between the worlds and once they are unchained, blood, chaos, and horror will reign supreme on Earth. Mira can trust only Danaus, the more-than-mortal vampire slayer, though he is sworn to destroy her kind. As the titanic forces prepare to duel under cover of darkness, destiny draws them toward an apocalyptic confrontation. But all is not lost, for a wild card has been dealt to them - a rogue enemy princess who can change the balance of power. Pb \$15.95 384pp



**Georgia EVANS**  
**Bloody Good**

*Nazi Vampires #1.* While the sounds of battle echo through the sky, a lady doctor has more than enough trouble to keep her busy even in a sleepy hamlet outside London. But the threat is nearer home than Alice knows. German agents have infiltrated her beloved countryside - Nazis who can fly, read minds and live forever. They're not just fascists. They're vampires. Alice has no time for fantasy, but when the corpses start appearing sucked dry, she'll have to accept help where she can get it. If that includes a lowly Conscientious Objector who says he's no coward though he refuses to fight and her very own grandmother, a sane, sensible woman who insists that she's a Devonshire Pixie, so be it. Pb \$14.95 320pp

**Georgia EVANS**  
**Bloody Awful**

*Nazi Vampires #2.* As the district nurse for a country village outside London, Gloria has the respect of the town and the satisfaction of helping those who need it most. She'd lose both if anyone discovered that she turns into a furry red fox and runs through the Surrey hills by moonlight. But what she sees on those wild nights suggests Brytewood is under attack - from a saboteur with superhuman powers and the force of the Nazi Lufewaffe behind him. What can one werefox do against a predator with devastating weapons at his command - and the strength of the undead besides? With the help of a couple of Devonshire Pixies, a Welsh dragon and two men too stubborn to admit they're outnumbered, Gloria might just find the answer... Pb \$14.95 320pp

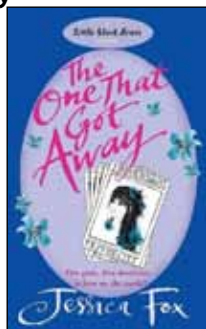


**Christine FEEHAN**  
**Dark Curse**

*Carpathian #16.* Lara Calladine is haunted by childhood memories of being held prisoner in an ice cave and kept sane by the whispered stories told to her by her imprisoned aunts. They instilled mage and Carpathian magic deep within her and then helped her escape. She has spent years searching for the cave in hopes of finding the answers to the riddle of her past as well as finding her aunts who may have given their lives saving her. Nicolas De La Cruz has returned to the Carpathian Mountains, his homeland, on orders from his brother to bring news of a conspiracy to the prince of their people. He is weary of his long existence and plans to end it away from his brothers where they will be unable to stop him. Pb \$19.99 480pp

**Jessica FOX**  
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*The Pendragon Legacy.* Lucan Rourke is on a mission to find the Holy Grail, a prize with the power to heal his world and ensure the continuation of mankind. Lady Cael of Pendragon is the only dragonshaper on her moon, fated to live life without a mate. Lady Cael needs to bring down Avalon's impenetrable shield so Pendragon can avail itself of their rightful heritage, a prize that can heal their beleaguered planet. The passion between Lucan and Cael is immediate and undeniable, but it's also dangerous. Can they join forces and work together to find the Holy Grail? Or will their growing desire leave them vulnerable to the forces dedicated to stealing the Grail and destroying the universe? Pb \$14.95 368pp

**Julie KENNER**  
**Demon Ex Machina**

*Tales of a Demon-Hunting Soccer Mum #5.* Demon Hunter Kate Connor is having one hell of a month... In between demon patrols and teaching self-defence classes to the local mums, Kate has to deal with a teenage daughter who is wants to be train as a demon slayer and a toddler son entering a tantrum phase that rivals anything from the pits of Hell. That's a lot for one woman to juggle, but on top of it all, Kate has to find a way to release the demon possessing her first husband, Eric, without destroying the man inside. Tp \$27.95 336pp *Due Oct*



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*A Breed Novel.* Reporter Cassa Hawkins has always supported Breed rights - especially in light of a specimen like Cabal St Laurents, the epitome of the male animal. But when the Breeds are incriminated in a series of violent murders, it's left to Cassa and Cabal to discover the truth before they become prey. Pb \$16.95 352pp



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*Chicagoland Vampires #2.* Ten months after vampires revealed their existence to the mortals of Chicago, they're enjoying a celebrity status usually reserved for the Hollywood elite. But if people learn about the mass feeding parties where vampires round up humans like cattle, the citizens will start sharpening their stakes. So now it's up to the new vampire, Merit, to reconnect with her upper class family and act as liaison between humans and bloodsuckers and keep the more unsavoury aspects of the vampire lifestyle out of the media. Pb \$29.95 352pp *Due Oct*

**Kate PERRY**  
**Chosen by Desire**

*Guardians of Destiny #2.* Carrie Woods is leaving China without the proof she needs for her thesis: Wei Lin's journal. While on a final tour of the monastery, Carrie finally locates the scrolls and attempts to photograph the documents. Caught in a sticky situation, Carrie takes the scrolls, only to notice a mysterious monk watching her. Unable to return the scrolls, she travels back to California and isn't too thrilled when she notices the monk at the airport. Maximillian Prescott first came to the monastery as an orphaned teenager when he inherited the Book of Metal from a distant uncle he hardly knew. After spotting a woman stealing from the monastery, he follows her to get back the documents he knows she's stolen. Max is further intrigued when he finds out that the chatty woman is friends with his archrival, Rhys Llewellyn, and he will stop at nothing to get back everything he's lost. Pb \$14.99 368pp *Due Oct*

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*Jaz Parks #6.* Jaz Parks hear's voices in her head - and they're not hers. The problem, or maybe the solution, is work. And the job's a stinker this time -- killing the gnomes that are threatening to topple NASA's Australian-based space complex. It should be easy, but Hell has thrown up a demon named Kyphas to knock her off track. Pb \$27.95 320pp *Due Oct*

**Jaime RUSH**  
**Out of the Darkness**

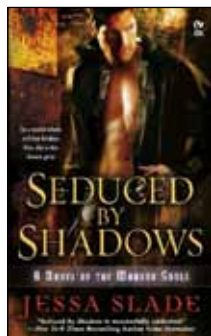
They live ordinary lives, but they are extraordinary. They are the Offspring, children of a mysterious experiment gone awry - and they are in terrible danger. Rand Brandenburg can see the future, yet thus far all he has done with his unique ability is become a skilful gambler. But his power has made him a target and could get him killed. So this loner is now hiding out with others just like him, including Zoe Stoker, a mysterious redhead who has his heart soaring. But that's not the only thing Zoe's got flying. All her life, whenever she felt anything too intensely, objects would start moving, so she's shut down her emotions. Now, as a powerful enemy approaches, she's losing control of her heart. But letting love lead her out of the darkness might save her life. Pb \$13.95 384pp

**Lynsay SANDS**  
**The Renegade Hunter**

*Argeneau #12.* Having agreed to be fixed up by her sister, Josephine Willan unfortunately finds herself very bored. The gorgeous men she'd been introduced to are all looking at her strangely and they're barely speaking to her. So Jo steps out for a breath of fresh air. Before she knows it, she's attacked, then rescued... and being kissed senseless by her rescuer! Nicholas Argeneau went rogue after the death of his life mate 50 years ago, but he's never stopped hunting for the evil vampires that torment mortals. He's tracked one of them to the enforcer house and when he finds a woman in danger, all of Nicholas' protective instincts kicked in. But life on the run is all he has to offer... or is it? Pb \$15.95 384pp *Due Oct*

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*Marked Souls #1.* When Sera Littlejohn meets a violet-eyed stranger, he reveals a supernatural battle veiled in the shadows and Sera is tempted to the edge of madness by a dangerous desire. Ferris Archer takes Sera under his wing, now that she is a talyan - possessed by a repentant demon with hellish powers. Archer's league of warriors has never fought beside a female before, and never in all his centuries has Archer found a woman who captivates him like Sera. Pb \$15.95 400pp *Due Oct*



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At last, Miranda is the life of the party - all she had to do was die. Elevated and adopted by none other than the reigning King of the Mantle of Dracul, Miranda goes from high-school theatre wannabe to glamorous royal fiend overnight. Meanwhile, her reckless and adoring guardian angel, Zachary, demoted to human guise as the princess's personal assistant, has his work cut out for him trying to save his girl's soul and plan the Master's fast-approaching Death Day gala. Pb \$24.95 307pp

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*Soul Screamers #1.* She doesn't see dead people, but she senses when someone near her is about to die and when that happens, a force beyond her control compels her to scream bloody murder. Literally. Kaylee just wants to enjoy having caught the attention of the hottest guy in school, but a normal date is hard to come by when Nash seems to know more about her need to scream than she does. And when classmates start dropping dead for no apparent reason, only Kaylee knows who'll be next... Pb \$19.95 384pp

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**Dragon Moon**

*Moon #11.* As a werewolf, Talon is no stranger to secrets and he can sense that the psychic Kenna is keeping something from him. But Talon is powerfully drawn to the mysterious stranger and the urge to claim her is just as strong as the instinct to be guarded. With impossible secrets keeping them apart and the threat from the other world drawing near, their fate hangs in the balance - unless they can learn to trust each other. Pb \$15.95 304pp

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**Cursed to Death**

*Crimson Moon #4.* Secret government operative Sasha Trudeau arrives at the scene of a murder, only to discover that a Fae creature has been killed - in a whole new kind of way. What is the meaning behind this mysterious ritualistic killing? What did the victim do to deserve it? Sasha fears that the Vampires and Unseelies have formed an unholy alliance and they're ready to unleash their darkest arsenal of magick yet. Teaming up with her mate and fellow Shadow Wolf, Max Hunter, Sasha tries to penetrate the paranormal community for clues. Meanwhile, members of the Wolf Clan are turning against one another as they race to uncover the meaning behind an ancient Unseelie curse. Pb \$15.95 352pp *Due Oct*

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Iris Villiers wandered the stone-hedged gardens and the steep cliffs along the coast of Cornwall near her ancestral home. Surrounded by the stern judgments of her grandfather and the taunts of her cruel governess, Iris finds solace in her beloved older brother who has always protected her. But when a tragic accident occurs from the ledge of an open window, Iris discovers that she possesses the ability to speak to the dead... Hb \$29.95 120pp

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Ray Lilly is living on borrowed time. He's the driver for Annalise Powliss, a high-ranking member of the Twenty Palace Society, a group of sorcerers devoted to hunting down and executing rogue magicians. But

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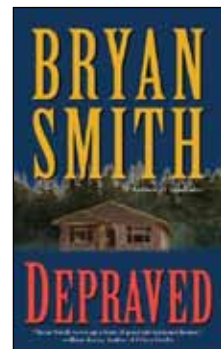
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In the early days of the Civil War, rumours of gold in the frozen Klondike brought hordes of newcomers to the Pacific Northwest. Anxious to compete, Russian prospectors commissioned inventor Leviticus Blue to create a great machine that could mine through Alaska's ice. Thus was Dr. Blue's Incredible Bone-Shaking Drill Engine born. But on its first test run the Boneshaker unearthed a subterranean vein of blight gas that turned anyone who breathed it into the living dead. 16 years later, a wall has been built to enclose the toxic city. Just beyond it lives Blue's widow, Briar Wilkes. Life is hard, but she and her son, Ezekiel are managing, until he undertakes a secret crusade to rewrite history. His quest takes into a city teeming with ravenous undead, air pirates, criminal overlords and heavily armed refugees and only Briar can bring him out alive. Pb \$32.00 416pp *Due Oct*



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**Night Runner**

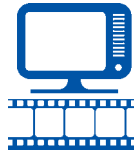
For Zack Thomson, living in the Nicholls Ward isn't so bad. After his parents died, he developed strange and severe allergies and the mental institution was the only place where he could be properly looked after. Of course, that didn't mean he had it easy. His allergies restricted his diet to strawberry smoothies and being the only kid at the hospital could get lonely. But it never once crossed Zack's mind to leave... until the night someone crashed through the front doors and told him to run. Now he's on a race for answers - about his past, his parents and his strange sickness - even as every step takes him closer to the darkest of truths. Pb \$19.95 752pp



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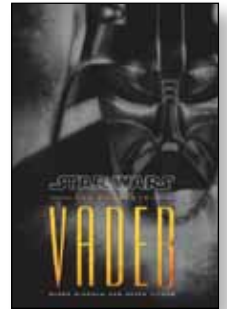
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# What We've Been Reading



**Fever Crumb** by Philip Reeves (Hb \$29.99). I hadn't read any of Philip Reeve's *Mortal Engines* series but I'm going to now. This is a prequel of sorts, set a generation before London begins devouring its rivals. Fever Crumb is a foundling girl, raised by the Guild of Engineers. The people of London are still in the throes of xenophobia after having overthrown and mostly killed their former rulers (lead by the Skinners guild). Fever looks a bit different and that's enough to get the most well-known Skinner on her trail... 7/10. *Due Nov.* - Adam



**The Stolen Throne** (*Dragon Age: Origins*) by David Gaider (Pb \$29.95). This tale sets the scene for the new Bioware video game 'Dragon Age: Origins'. After two generations of Orlesian oppression, the people of Ferelden rally around the young prince Maric, his friend and mentor Loghain Mac Tir, and his warrior betrothed Rowan. Maric leads his army of rebels in a desperate fight against the forces of the Orlesian usurper, King Meghren. - Matt

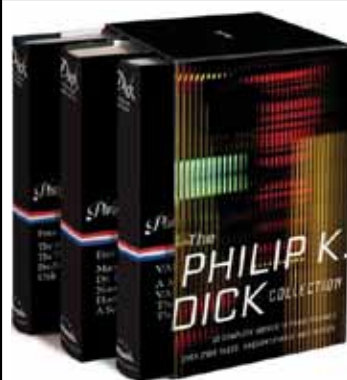


**On the Edge** (*The Edge #1*) by Ilona Andrews (Pb \$16.95). A great new tale of urban fantasy from the bestselling author of **Magic Bites** (Pb \$14.95). Rose Drayton lives in the Edge, a place that lies between the world of magic and the world without magic. In her teenage years, Rose's demonstration of magic showed a great talent that made her the target of unscrupulous nobles from the World of Magic and the criminal elements of the Edge itself. But now a flood of magic-hungry creatures bent on absolute destruction of the Edge threatens them all, and it is Rose who has the power to save them. - Mark



**Intertwined** (*Intertwined #1*) by Gena Showalter (Hb \$32.00). I've read some staggeringly good young adult fiction this year, and while this particular 'young paranormal romance' wasn't quite on par with those, it had some really interesting ideas and I'm keen to see what happens in the next instalment. I think this would be something that younger *Twilight* fans would enjoy. - Steph

**Catching Fire** (*Hunger Games #2*) by Suzanne Collins (Pb \$18.99). OMG - this was just as good as the first book, if not better for the simple fact that Collins pulled some tricks out of the bag that I did not see coming. If you haven't read this series, do yourself a favour and make time - it's well worth it! - Steph



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