

FICTION

Death Angels: An Inspector Erik Winer Novel / by Ake Edwardson; trans. from the Swedish by Ken Schubert
FIC EDWARDSO

Swedish Chief Inspector Erik Winer teams up with Scotland Yard in order to solve a series of serial killer slayings which have recently targeted a number of Swedish and British tourists.

The Princess of Burundi / by Kjell Eriksson; trans. by Ebba Segerberg
FIC ERIKSSON

When a renowned ecktheologist (fish expert) is found dead in the snow in a Gotheburg park, homicide detective Ann Lindell and her partner Ola Haver proceed with the investigation, soon discovering some very startling revelations about the victim and his professional endeavours.

The Quiet Girl / by Peter Hoeg; trans. by Nadia Christensen
FIC HOEG

Kaspar Krone is a well-known performer in a traveling circus. He's a clown, well-known for his hearty, laugh-inducing performances. But his real face isn't the only thing his makeup conceals; he's also a gambling addict in debt for a very large sum of money to some pretty shady characters now out for blood.

The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo / by Stieg Larsson; trans. from the Swedish by Reg Keeland
FIC LARSSON

Elderly man Henrik Vanger belongs to one of the wealthiest, most revered families in Sweden. Yet in the twilight of his life, he's unable to shake the memory of the tragic disappearance of his niece Harriet four decades earlier. Determined to find answers before he dies, Vanger hires a rogue journalist and wild-child hitchhiker to hunt down the truth about what really happened so many years ago.

To Siberia / by Per Petterson; trans. from the Norwegian by Anne Born

FIC PETTERSON

In the years leading up to World War II, two young Danish youths live a near-blissful existence in the Jutland countryside. But with the onset of the war, the German occupation and the plight of their nation, their idyllic childhood is cruelly brought to a close and their world changes tragically forever.

Box 21 / by Anders Roslund and Borge Hellstrom

FIC ROSLUND

In Stockholm, veteran detective Ewert Grens arrives at a crime scene where two Lithuanian prostitutes have been nearly beaten to death by their Russian pimp. This routine encounter leads Grens down a path which intersects another, very personal case from the detective's past.

Echoes From the Dead / by Johan Theorin; trans. by Marlaine Delargy

FIC THEORIN

Twenty years ago on the island of Oland in the Danish archipelago, a young boy named Jens vanished without a trace. Now in the present day, a package suddenly appears in the mail of the boy's grandfather bearing the lost youth's sneaker worn the day he disappeared.

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MYSTERY

Missing / by Karin Alvtengen; trans. from the Swedish by Anna Paterson

MYS ALVETEGEN

Despite her privileged upbringing in a wealthy part of Stockholm, young Sybilla lives as a vagrant on the cold streets. But after a one night stand with a stranger who winds up dead the next morning, Sybilla is targeted as the leading suspect. Now she must hide out while trying to clear her name simultaneously.

The Draining Lake / by Arnaldur Indridason; trans. from the Icelandic by Bernard Scudder

MYS ARNALDUR

Indridason's fourth Inspector Erlendur Sveinsson mystery begins with an earthquake on the volcanic island of Iceland. Afterwards a skeleton appears at the bottom of a precipice, intentionally drowned years earlier, and Erlendur and his team must look back to history and the Cold War in order to find answers to the mysterious murder.

The Demon of Dakar / by Kjell Eriksson; trans. by Ebba Segerberg

MYS ERIKSSON

Swedish Inspector Ann Lindell must investigate the case and profile of Manuel Alaveza, a man on the trail of a local Stockholm restaurant owner who may have killed his brother and deceived him in a double-crossing business deal.

Black Seconds / by Karin Fossum; trans. from the Norwegian by Charlotte Barslund

MYS FOSSUM

In Oslo, grizzled Inspector Sejer must seek out answers behind the disappearance of a young girl. In this, Fossum's seventh Inspector Sejer novel, familiar themes of vicious criminals lurking among the everyday world and psychological suspense are intriguingly brought to the forefront.

What Is Mine / by Anne Holt; trans. by Kari Dickson

MYS HOLT

Johanne Vik is an Oslo psychology professor who worked for the FBI in her former career profiling some of the world's most dangerous criminals. When a series of child abductions start happening all over Norway, Vik is recruited to help catch the villain.

The Inner Circle / Mari Jungstedt; trans. from the Swedish by Tiina Nunnally

MYS JUNGSTEDT

On a small island off the coast of Sweden, several archaeology students are working at a site unearthing some ancient Viking relics when one of the group, a girl named Martina Flochland turns up dead, her body hung from a tree. Inspector Anders Knutas must now sift through the evidence, including some actual Viking warrior remains, to find the culprit.

The Ice Princess / by Camilla Lackberg; trans. by Steven T. Murray

MYS LACKBERG

Erica Falck, a moderately successful Swedish author, returns to her recently deceased parents small coastal fishing village to deal with their estate issues only to discover that her best friend from childhood has committed suicide. Or has she? When Erica decides to seek out some answers, she discovers more than she bargained for concerning the true goings-on in her quaint childhood hometown.

The Blood Spilt / by Asa Larsson; trans. by Marlaine Delargy

MYS LARSSON

It is midsummer in the Kiruna region of Sweden when the light of day strangely lingers on through the night. Despite the lack of natural cover, a brutal murder has been committed, the victim a Lutheran priest who's been hung inside the church. Tax attorney and former local woman Rebecka Martinsson is drawn into the mystery of the strange crime and all of its murky details.

Faceless Killers: A Kurt Wallander Mystery / by Henning Mankell; trans. from the Swedish by Steven T. Murray

MYS MANKELL

This first novel of the series introduces Mankell's hero Chief Inspector Kurt Wallander who's thrust into an investigation involving a murdered Malmo man. Anti-foreigner prejudice and xenophobia figure prominently into the story as Mankell's brilliant exposition initiates a fascinating new character on the crime fiction scene.

The Fifth Woman / by Henning Mankell; trans. from the Swedish by Steven T. Murray

MYS MANKELL

In Algeria, four Catholic nuns and an unidentified fifth woman are found viciously murdered, each victim's throat slit. It falls on the keen detecting skills of Inspector Kurt Wallander to find the link between this crime and a recent murder in Sweden in which a man has been speared to death with sharpened bamboo sticks. The Fifth Woman is actually Mankell's fifth book in the series.

The Man From Beijing / by Henning Mankell; trans. from the Swedish by Laurie Thompson

MYS MANKELL

In this standalone by Sweden's most famous mystery author, terror grips the country when police find a mass grave of eighteen people in a small village, all of them recently murdered execution style. While the authorities believe it may be the work of a psychopathic serial killer, two local young persons think it may be the same man who murdered their parents some years back.

The Redbreast / by Jo Nesbo; trans. from the Norwegian by Don Bartlett

MYS NESBO

Two soldiers involved in the final days of World War II confront the transition in their native Scandinavia from Nazi occupation to Russian communism. Deciding to get away from things for a while, they travel halfway across the world to South Africa where they become embroiled in a mysterious murder case.

Mind's Eye: An Inspector Van Veeteren Mystery / by Haykan Nesser; trans. from the Swedish by Laurie

Thompson

MYS NESSER

A man named Janek Mitter falls asleep after a night of heavy binge drinking only to awake the next morning to find his wife dead in the bathtub, murdered. Then, only weeks after Mitter is swiftly convicted of the crime (despite only circumstantial evidence) and sentenced to a mental institution, he's found murdered in his own bed. It's now up to Inspector Van Veeteren to see real justice manifested.

Roseanna / by Maj Sjowall & Per Wahloo;

MYS SJOWALL

Sjowall and Wahloo's debut novel begins when a young woman's body is dredged out of a resort-town lake in Sweden, Inspector Martin Beck takes the case only to come up empty. After several weeks of investigating, Beck knows only that the victim was a free-spirited hitchhiker named Roseanna and that her killer was likely among the hundred or so individuals on a party boat cruise.

The Man On the Balcony / by Maj Sjowall and Per Wahloo

MYS SJOWALL

In this third mystery by the renowned husband and wife writing team, a killer is stalking young girls in the colloquial parks around Stockholm. Police Superintendent Martin Beck must now rely on some very dubious witnesses—a homeless vagrant and a recently convicted mugger—for his only leads.

Snow Angels / by James Thompson

MYS THOMPSON

Helsinki (Finland) detective Kari Vaara is the chief inspector in charge of catching a killer who's trademark is laying his victims out in the snow. Vaara must delve into the country's unseen, but still very real underbelly of crime, corruption, savagery and evil.

The Glass Devil / by Helene Tursten; trans. by Katarina E. Tucker

MYS TURSTEN

A divorced school teacher is found dead at his apartment home sparking an investigation headed by Detective Inspector Irene Huss. When the detective and her team proceed to seek out the man's parents, they discover them brutally murdered as well. This very dark, suspense-driven novel can't fail to entertain true mystery fans.

Last Rituals: An Icelandic Novel Of Secret Symbols, Medieval Witchcraft, and Modern Murder / by Yrsa

Sigurdartottir; trans. from the Icelandic by Bernard Scudder

MYS YRSA

An Iceland detective must wade through the past and present, legend and myth to solve one of the country's most mysterious murder cases.