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Across The Nightingale Floor-Lian Hearn 2016-01-27

Across the Nightingale Floor-Lian Hearn 2016-01-27 Across the Nightingale Floor is Book 1 in the five-part Tales of the Otori series. More than four million copies have been sold in over 36 countries.'The best story of magic, love, sex, revenge and suspense to have come this way since Philip Pullman' Independent On Sunday (UK) In his fortress at Inuyama, the murderous warlord Iida Sadamu surveys his famous nightingale floor. Constructed with exquisite skill, it sings at the tread of each human foot. No assassin can cross it unheard. Brought up in a remote village among the Hidden, a reclusive and spiritual people, Takeo has learned only the ways of peace. Why, then, does he possess the deadly skills that make him so valuable to the sinister Tribe? These supernatural powers will lead him to his violent destiny within the walls of Inuyama - and to an impossible longing for a girl who can never be his. His journey is one of revenge and treachery, beauty and magic, and the passion of first love. 'masterful storytelling ... a fantastic read' The Age Coming soon - the spellbinding new TALE OF SHIKANOKO, set 300 years before Otori: THE EMPEROR OF THE EIGHT ISLANDS (Books 1 & 2 in THE TALE OF SHIKANOKO) and THE LORD OF THE DARKWOOD (Books 3 & 4).PRAISE FOR THE TALES OF THE OTORI 'An engrossing fantasy saga of literary quality.' The Age'Lian Hearn’s marvellous storytelling talent ... makes reading these books a moment of pure bliss.' Le Monde'an enthralling and original work of fantasy' The Times

Across The Nightingale Floor-Lian Hearn 2003

In his black-walled fortress at Inuyama, the warlord Iida Sadamu surveys his famous nightingale floor. Constructed with exquisite skill, it sings at the tread of each human foot. No assassin can cross it unheard. But Otori Takeo, his family murdered by Iida’s warriors, has magical skills that allow him to enter Samadu’s lair.

Across The Nightingale Floor-Lian Hearn 2003-06-03

An international bestseller, Across the Nightingale Floor is the first book in the Tales of the Otori series by Lian Hearn. Don't miss the related series, The Tale of Shikanoko. In his black-walled fortress at Inuyama, the warlord Iida Sadamu surveys his famous nightingale floor. Constructed with exquisite skill, it sings at the tread of each human foot. No assassin can cross it unheard. The youth Takeo has been brought up in a remote mountain village among the Hidden, a reclusive and spiritual people who have taught him only the ways of peace. But unbeknownst to him, his father was a celebrated assassin and a member of the Tribe, an ancient network of families with extraordinary, preternatural skills. When Takeo's village is pillaged, he is rescued and adopted by the mysterious Lord Otori Shigeru. Under the tutelage of Shigeru, he learns that he too possesses the skills of the Tribe. And, with this knowledge, he embarks on a journey that will lead him across the famed nightingale floor—and to his own unimaginable destiny...

Across The Nightingale Floor-Lian Hearn 2006

Across the Nightingale Floor-Lian Hearn 2006 Lord Otori, Takeo, and Takeo's teacher Kenji set off to meet Kaede, a fifteen-year-old girl chosen as the future Lady Otori by a group of political collaborators. When Takeo and Kaede first meet, they are drawn to each other, and fall in love. But events are doomed to pull them apart, and soon they are each thrust into a battle for their lives.

Across The Nightingale Floor: Book 1 Tales of the Otori-Lian Hearn 2014-05-11

FOUR MILLION COPIES SOLD. In 40 languages. One of the most thrilling series of our time. Enter the feudal world of the Otori - filled with magic, treachery and intrigue - inspired by medieval Japan and created by acclaimed Australian author, Lian Hearn. 'The best story of magic, love, sex, revenge and suspense to have come this way since Philip Pullman.' INDEPENDENT ON SUNDAY Otori Takeo's future is uncertain. If he is to reclaim his Otori heritage, he must fight for it - but his army is untrained and Takeo, despite his legendary skills as an assassin, knows nothing of warfare. Can he defeat those who seek to destroy him, and so bring peace to the Three Countries? To take what is rightfully his, Takeo must conquer the warlord Arai Daiichi and the nobleman Lord Fujiwara, but every step is fraught with danger for him and his great love, Shirakawa Kaede. Their destinies are determined by forces beyond their control. INCLUDES an extract from THE HARSH CRY OF THE HERON PLUS three chapters of EMPEROR OF THE EIGHT ISLANDS, the first novel in Lian Hearn's spellbinding new Tale of Shikanoko series. 'One of the most thrilling series of our time.' THE TIMES '... a world that is rich with character and detail, yet effortless to read' SYDNEY MORNING HERALD 'An engrossing fantasy saga of literary quality.' THE AGE 'Lian Hearn's marvellous storytelling talent ... makes reading these books a moment of pure bliss.' LE MONDE

Grass for His Pillow-Lian Hearn 2017-01-12

Grass for His Pillow-Lian Hearn 2017-01-12 Grass for His Pillow is the second novel in Lian Hearn's astonishingly beautiful series inspired by feudal Japan, Tales of the Otori.In the ancient Oriental lands of the Otori, amidst a time of violent war, famine and treacherous alliances, the fate of the young lovers Otori Takeo and Shirakawa Kaede hangs in the balance ... Takeo, heir to the great Otori clan, has pledged his life to the secret Tribe. His supernatural skills of virtual invisibility and acute hearing make him their most deadly assassin. But he must deny the solemn oath of vengeance he made, his adopted birthright of wealth, land and power - and his love for Kaede. If he does not devote himself entirely to the brutal ways of the Tribe, they will kill him. Whichever path he chooses, it will lead to hardship and sacrifice in the bitter winter of the high mountains, and test him to the limits of his being. Kaede, heiress to vast lands, is now the valuable pawn of ruthless warlords. She must use her intelligence, beauty and cunning to assert her place in a world of all-powerful men - who must never suspect the dangerous secret she hides. The beauty, savagery and strangeness of Hearn's gripping tale is heightened by her exquisite, crystalline prose. The second instalment in the Tales of the Otori is, astonishingly, even better than Across the Nightingale Floor Independent on Sunday

Brilliance Of The Moon-Lian Hearn 2014-05-11

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Heaven's Net is Wide-Lian Hearn 2007-08-16

The new beginning and the grand finale of Lian Hearn's celebrated Tales of the Otori is "rivetingly elegant" (Washington Post). Don't miss the related series, The Tale of Shikanoko. Heaven's Net Is Wide is the prequel that reveals the full story of Lord Otori Shigeru—the figure who has presided in both life and death over the entire series, the man who represents the true spirit of the Otori Clan. The first and the last tale, it introduces readers to the strange and beautiful world of the Otori and closes the circle where it opened in Across the Nightingale Floor. Set in a mythical, medieval Japan, this epic historical fantasy of revenge and betrayal, honor and loyalty, beauty, passion, and the overwhelming power of love, has enthralled millions of readers the world over—and now, with the cycle complete, its audience will only continue to grow.

Tales of the Otori Trilogy-Lian Hearn 2004

The mythical world of the Otori is unforgettable. What the critics said: '...an exquisite tale of revenge, love, beauty and honour...' - Australian Financial Review 'A remarkable smooth-flowing triumph of the imagination' - Woman's Day 'Lian's writing sweeps you along and leaves you tingling in anticipation of the final instalment in this epic tale' - The Sydney Morning Herald 'The beauty, savagery and strangeness of Hearn's gripping tale is heightened by her exquisite, crystalline prose' - The Independent on Sunday

Autumn Princess, Dragon Child-Lian Hearn 2016-06-07

A self-assured warrior stumbles into a game of Go that turns fatal. An ambitious lord leaves his nephew for dead and seizes his lands. A stubborn father forces his son to give up his wife to his older brother. A powerful priest meddles in the succession to the Lotus Throne. A woman of the Old People seeks five fathers for her five children, who will go on to found the Spider Tribe and direct the fate of the country. As destiny weaves its tapestry in Lian Hearn's Tale of Shikanoko series, an emotionally rich and compelling drama plays out against a background of wild forests, elegant castles, hidden temples, and savage battlefields in Autumn Princess, Dragon Child. The Tale of Shikanoko, Book One: Emperor of the Eight Islands (April 2016) The Tale of Shikanoko, Book Two: Autumn Princess, Dragon Child (June 2016) The Tale of Shikanoko, Book Three: Lord of the Darkwood (August 2016) The Tale of Shikanoko, Book Four: The Tengu's Game of Go (September 2016)

The Tengu's Game of Go-Lian Hearn 2016-09-27

An epic four-volume adventure in mythical medieval Japan: a world of warriors and assassins, demons and spirits In The Tengu's Game of Go, the final book of Lian Hearn's epic Tale of Shikanoko—all of which will be published in 2016—the rightful emperor is lost; illness and murder give rise to suspicions and make enemies of allies. Unrest rules the country. Only Shika can end the madness by returning the Lotus Throne to its rightful ruler. As destiny weaves its rich tapestry, a compelling drama plays out against a background of wild forests, elegant castles, hidden temples, and savage battlefields. This is the medieval Japan of Lian Hearn's imagination, where animal spirits clash with warriors and children navigate a landscape as serene as it is deadly. The Tale of Shikanoko, Book 1: Emperor of the Eight Islands (April 2016) The Tale of Shikanoko, Book 2: Autumn Princess, Dragon Child (June 2016) The Tale of Shikanoko, Book 3: Lord of the Darkwood (August 2016) The Tale of Shikanoko, Book 4: The Tengu's Game of Go (September 2016)

Emperor of the Eight Islands-Lian Hearn 2016-06-16

An ambitious warlord leaves his nephew for dead and seizes his lands. A stubborn father forces his younger son to surrender his wife to his older brother. A mysterious woman seeks five fathers for her children. A powerful priest meddles in the succession to the Lotus Throne. These are the threads of an intricate tapestry in which the laws of destiny play out against a backdrop of wild forest, elegant court, and savage battlefield. Set in a mythical medieval Japan inhabited by warriors and assassins, ghosts and guardian spirits, Emperor of the Eight Islands by Lian Hearn is a brilliantly imagined novel, full of drama and intrigue - the beginning of an enthralling, epic adventure: The Tale of Shikanoko.

The Harsh Cry of the Heron-Lian Hearn 2008-09-04

Set fifteen years after the seismic events of Brilliance of the Moon, The Harsh Cry of the Heron is an elegiac and bittersweet successor to the bestselling series by Lian Hearn, Tales of the Otori. Their realm is held in balance by their union . . . Break that union and the Three Countries will fall apart. Otori Takeo and Kaede have ruled the Three Countries peacefully for over sixteen years, following the events laid out in the epic Tales of the Otori. They have three daughters: Shigeko, fifteen years old and heir to the Otori, and Maya and Mikì, thirteen-year-old twins who have inherited the supernatural skills of their father. Kaede knows nothing of the prophecy that Takeo will die at the hands of his son and longs to give him a male child. Nor does she know of the boy he fathered sixteen years ago - a boy whose heart is filled with hatred and whose skills as a Ghostmaster give him the power to incite the dead. Takeo is determined that clan conflicts will never again ravage the Three Countries, but warriors are born to fight: the warlord Arai Zenko has deadly ambitions, the Emperor himself has challenged Takeo's rule and, despite a delicate truce between the deadly Tribe and the Otori, revenge still eats at the heart of renegade leader Kikuta Akio . . . Against these gathering threats Takeo draws strength from his love for Kaede, but even this is not beyond the reach of their enemies . . .

Blossoms and Shadows-Lian Hearn 2014-08-21

From the author of the phenomenal and bestselling TALES OF THE OTORI series comes a stand-alone historical novel set in 19th century Japan. Japan, 1857 For centuries Japan has been on its own, isolated by choice from the rest of the world. But the Western powers are now at its shores, its government is crumbling and revolution is building. The age of the samurai is ending and in its place a new Japan will be born. Into this turmoil steps a young woman. Tsuru expects to marry a man of her parents' choice but her life is taken over by the beliefs of the new age and by the passionate men around her. Their slogan is sonnoji (revere the Emperor, expel the foreigners), their preferred method is violence. BLOSSOMS AND SHADOWS is a compelling and beautiful tale of love and war, women and men, and the rise of modern Japan. **INCLUDES an extract from EMPEROR OF THE EIGHT ISLANDS, the first novel in Lian Hearn's spellbinding Tale of Shikanoko series** 'a fascinating historical epic' Sunday Telegraph 'all births are bloody and the characters in this strong novel pay a high price for living in interesting times' Sunday Age

Genpei-Kara Dalkey 2015-07-07

Throughout the twelfth century, two rival clans, the Minamoto and the Taira, struggled for supremacy in Imperial Japan. Each attempted a rebellion and, for a time, the Taira gained ascendancy. But their rule turned despotic and at last, during the Genpei War of 1179-1185, the Minamoto drove the Taira out of the capital and took control for themselves. At the final battle of Dan-no-ura, the Taira-born child-emperor and his family all jumped into the Inland Sea to avoid capture and drowned. With them was lost the Imperial Sword, never to be seen again. The Minamoto leader took control, moved the capital, and became the first Shogun of Japan. That much is history. But wherefore come the tales of superhuman strength, the incredible insight, the clandestine knowledge of the Genpei War's heroes? There has been much speculation throughout the generations. Some have called the Minamoto's rise to power destiny, others call it a deal between humans and spirits—since even in death, the eternal Japanese warrior's spirit cannot be laid to rest. How much is truth, how much legend? One can never tell, for there are older, stranger tales as well... At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

His Kikuta Hands-Lian Hearn 2016-02-21

A FREE ebook exclusive short story, including a personal letter to readers, by the bestselling Australian author of TALES OF THE OTORI, Lian Hearn. The publication of my new series, THE TALE OF SHIKANOKO, sees me celebrating a career that has spanned fourteen years and nine novels. ACROSS THE NIGHTINGALE FLOOR was published in 2002 and I'm delighted that new readers are still discovering the Tales of the Otori. I'm very grateful to all my readers - many of you who've stayed with me from the beginning. To show my gratitude I'm making available this very short story, HIS KIKUTA HANDS (first published by Ragnarok in their anthology Backguards). It takes place behind the scenes of BRILLIANCE OF THE MOON, the third Otori novel. I'd always wanted to expand these pages where a lot happens in a short space of time: Otori Takeo has come to Maruyama, the furthest city to the west in the Three Countries, to confront the Tribe families and secure what is his by right. The Tribe don't believe he possesses the requisite ruthlessness of a competent ruler. They will be proved wrong. I also hope you will enjoy this early extract from my new novel, EMPEROR OF THE EIGHT ISLANDS, set 300 years before Otori. Lian

Barefoot on the Wind-Zoë Marriott 2016-09

A magical retelling of "Beauty and the Beast" set in a fairytale Japan. A companion title to Zoe Marriott's critically acclaimed Shadows on the Moon. There is a monster in the forest ... Everyone in Hana's remote village on the mountain knows that straying too far into the woods is a death sentence. When Hana's father goes missing, she is the only one who dares try to save him. Taking up her hunting gear, she goes in search of the beast, determined to kill it - or be killed herself. But the forest contains more secrets, more magic and more darkness than Hana could ever have imagined, and the beast is not at all what she expects ...

Inda-Sherwood Smith 2007-08-07

Acclaimed Inda series within Sherwood Smith's epic fantasy Sartorias-deles universe • Military fantasy woven with courtly politics, vast worldbuilding, and diverse characters Indevan-Dal is the second son of the Prince and Princess of Choraed Elgar, destined to become his elder brother Tarrid's Shield Arm—his military champion. Like all second sons, he is to be privately trained at home by Tarrid, the brother whose lands he will one day protect. When the King's Voice comes to summon Inda to the Military Academy, he might well feel foreboding, or even fear—war is imminent—yet youthful Inda feels only excitement. But there are things that Tarrid hasn't prepared him for, and Inda will soon learn that the greatest threats to his safety will not come from foreign enemies, but from supposed allies within his own country.

Tales of the Otori Collection-Lian Hearn 2008-11-01

A stunning gift box containing all five books in the Tales of the Otori, presented for the first time as a complete set.

The Grisly Wife-Rodney Hall 1993

This second volume of a trilogy, beginning with 'The Second Bridegroom' and ending with 'Captivity Captive', tells the story of an English missionary's epic journey through remote parts of nineteenth-century Australia, her charismatic husband and his band of followers. Author has written six other novels, including the Miles Franklin award-winning 'Just Relations', and is currently chairperson of the Australia Council.

Bundori-Laura Joh Rowland 2011-11-23

The sequel to the acclaimed novel Shinju again features detective Sano Ichiro as he trails a serial killer stalking feudal Japan. In 1689, an all-powerful shogun controls the state, surrounded by bitter machinations and political intrigues. When an ancient tradition suddenly and brutally reappears, Sano risks everything to bring the killer to justice. "Bundori is terrific. . . . So good you won't want to put it down, even to get off a plane. . . . [Laura Joh] Rowland hits her stride as a writer who can deal equally well with the pacing of plot and the nuances of character development. . . . Rowland clearly knows how to build suspense and action, a talent that she demonstrates with great skill."—New Orleans Times-Picayune "Bundori is one of those mysteries in which the itch to find out whodunit recedes before the pleasure of prowling through a different world."—Washington Post Book World "Sano may carry a sword and wear a kimono, but you'll immediately recognize him as an ancestor of Philip Marlowe or Sam Spade."—Denver Post "A colorful pictorial style that conveys . . . excitement and . . . danger."—The New York Times Book Review

Thieves of Weirdwood-Christian McKay Heidicker 2020-04-07

Thieves of Weirdwood-Christian McKay Heidicker 2020-04-07 Thieves of Weirdwood is the first in William Shivering and Newbery Honor winner Christian McKay Heidicker's brand-new fantasy series—illustrated by Anna Earley—about two kid thieves who are plunged into a battle between the Real and Imaginary worlds! Action, laughs, and monsters beyond imagining abound! "[W]ill delight and satiate those besotted with Harry Potter, Percy Jackson, Artemis Fowl, Miss Peregrine, the Spiderwicks." —New York Times Book Review Twelve-year-old thieves Arthur and Wally are determined to steal their way up the ranks of the notorious Black Feathers gang. With loan sharks chasing after Arthur's father and Wally's brother's hospital bill due, they're in need of serious cash. Fast. When Arthur spots some wealthy strangers exiting a seemingly deserted mansion, he smells an opportunity for a big score. Little do the boys realize, they've stumbled upon Weirdwood Manor, the headquarters of a magical order who protect the Balance between the Real and Imaginary worlds. When Kingsport is besieged by nightmarish creatures, it's up to a pair of thieves to save their city. Filled with giant tentacle monsters and heroes literally ripped from the pages of adventure stories, this imagination-bending series is perfect for fans of Keeper of the Lost Cities, Aru Shah, and Nevermoor. "Startling, original and epic." —Eoin Colfer, creator of Artemis Fowl! "An imaginative, page-turning adventure." —Shannon Messenger, New York Times bestselling author of Keeper of the Lost Cities

The Storyteller and His Three Daughters-Lian Hearn 2014

'For readers who want to be entertained, but not at the cost of good writing. The Storyteller and his Three Daughters is the best kind of novel - exquisitely crafted prose, fully developed, believable characters, well-researched historically - and above all, a gripping plot' The Sydney Morning Herald TOKYO 1884: Sei has devoted his life to storytelling, captivating audiences with his tales. But now he is starting to wonder if the new world has left him behind. Just when he thinks he will never write again, his own wife and the lives of the people around him begin to spiral out of control - providing the inspiration for the greatest story he has ever told. A story of love, jealousy, intrigue, and betrayal. Set against the background of Japan's first incursions into Korea, Sei offers a wise and witty reflection on the nature of storytelling, its perils and delights, its lies and, ultimately, its truth. PRAISE for the Tales of the Otori books and Blossoms and Shadows, also by Lian Hearn: 'a tour de force of pure storytelling' The Sydney Morning Herald 'intelligent, accomplished, audacious and finely written' The Age 'uniquely charming, flowing and seductive' The Courier-Mail 'beautifully crafted' The Herald Sun

A Hero Born-J.JN. YONG 2019-01-24

THE CHINESE "LORD OF THE RINGS" - NOW IN ENGLISH FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE SERIES EVERY CHINESE READER HAS BEEN ENJOYING FOR DECADES - 300 MILLION COPIES SOLD. China: 1200 A.D. The Song Empire has been invaded by its warlike Jurchen neighbours from the north. Hal's territory and its historic capital lie in enemy hands; the peasants toil under the burden of the annual tribute demanded by the victors. Meanwhile, on the Mongolian steppe, a disparate nation of great warriors is about to be united by a warlord whose name will endure for eternity: Genghis Khan. Guo Jing, son of a murdered Song patriot, grew up with Genghis Khan's army. He is humble, loyal, perhaps not altogether wise, and is fated from birth to one day confront an opponent who is the opposite of him in every way: privileged, cunning and flawlessly trained in the martial arts. Guided by his faithful shifu, The Seven Heroes of the South, Guo Jing must return to China - to the Garden of the Drunken Immortals in Jiaying - to fulfil his destiny. But in a divided land riven by war and betrayal, his courage and his loyalties will be tested at every turn. Translated from the Chinese by Anna Holmwood

NewsPrints-Ru Xu 2017-01-31

Blue is an orphan who disguises herself as a newsboy. There's a war going on, and girls are expected to help the struggling economy by selling cookies. But Blue loves living and working at the Bugle, the only paper in town that tells the truth. And what's printed in the newspapers now matters more than ever. But Blue struggles with her secret, and worries that if her friends and adopted family at the Bugle find out that she's a girl, she'll lose everything and everyone she cares about. And when she meets and befriends Crow, a boy who is also not what he seems, together they seek the freedom to be their true selves... and to save each other.

Heathrow Nights-Jan Mark 2002-02-01

Banned from the school trip for disrupting a performance of Hamlet, Russell and his friends run away to London. But when their plans go wrong, Russell is left alone at Heathrow Airport. Sleeping rough, he finds plenty of time to think about the parallels between his life and Hamlet's.

Shinju-Laura Joh Rowland 2011-12-14

When beautiful, wealthy Yukiko and low-born artist Noriyoshi are found drowned together in a shinju, or ritual double suicide, everyone believes the culprit was forbidden love. Everyone but newly appointed yoriki Sano Ichiro. Despite the official verdict and warnings from his superiors, the shogun's Most Honorable Investigator of Events, Situations, and People suspects the deaths weren't just a tragedy - they were murder. Risking his family's good name and his own life, Sano will search for a killer across every level of society - determined to find answers to a mystery no one wants solved. No one but Sano... As subtle and beautiful as the culture it evokes, Shinju vividly re-creates a world of ornate tearooms and quady pleasure-palaces, cloistered mountaintop convents and deathly prisons. Part love story, part mystery, Shinju is a tour that will dazzle and entertain all who enter its world. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Laura Joh Rowland's The Shogun's Daughter.

The Red Wolf Conspiracy-Robert V. S. Redick 2009-04-28

Already a publishing sensation in England, The Red Wolf Conspiracy marks the debut of a remarkably gifted young writer. Robert V. S. Redick has been compared to Philip Pullman, George R. R. Martin, and China Miéville, among others, and like them he is a spellbinding storyteller, unafraid to sail his imagination into uncharted waters. With The Red Wolf Conspiracy he launches the first book of a trilogy destined to take its place among the classics of epic fantasy. The Imperial Merchant Ship Chathrand is the last of her kind. Six hundred years old, the secrets of her construction long forgotten, the massive vessel dwarfs every other sailing craft in the world. It is a palace with sails, a floating outpost of the Empire of Arqual. And it is on its most vital mission yet: to deliver a young woman whose marriage will seal the peace between Arqual and its mortal enemy, the secretive Mzithrin Empire. But the young woman in question-Thasha, the daughter of the Arquali ambassador-has no intention of going meekly to the altar. For the ship's true mission is not peace but war-a war that threatens to unleash an ancient, all-consuming evil. As the dark conspiracy at the heart of the voyage unfurls, Pazel Pathkendle, a lowly tarboy with an uncanny gift, will find himself in an unlikely alliance with Thasha and her protectors: Hercól, a valet who is more than he appears; Dri, the queen of a race of tiny stowaways who have their own plans for the great ship; and Ramachni, a powerful sorcerer from another world. Arrayed against them are the Chathrand's brutal captain, Nilus Rose; the Emperor's spymaster and chief assassin, Sandor Ott; and the enigmatic Dr. Chadfallow, a longtime friend to Pazel's family whose kind words may hide a vicious betrayal. As the Chathrand navigates treacherous waters to complete its mission, Pazel, Thasha, and their allies-including a singularly heroic rat-must also navigate a treacherous web of intrigue to uncover the secret of the legendary Red Wolf. Praise for The Red Wolf Conspiracy "What can I say about a book as exciting and fresh as The Red Wolf Conspiracy? I can't remember when I've been so enthralled. Maybe when I first read Philip Pullman. This is one terrific read."—Terry Brooks "Wonderfully inventive—Robert Redick is an extraordinary talent."—Karen Miller, author of The Innocent Mage

Virtuoso-Grace Burrowes 2011-11

Starred review for The Soldier: "Captivating. . .Burrowes' sensual love story is intelligent and tender." Publishers Weekly (starred review) A genius with a terrible loss. . . Gifted pianist Valentine Windham, youngest son of the Duke of Moreland, has little interest in his father's obsession to see his sons married, and instead pours passion into his music. But when Val loses his music, he flees to the country, alone and tormented by what has been robbed from him. A widow with a heartbreaking secret. . . Grieving Ellen Markham has hidden herself away, looking for safety in solitude. Her curious new neighbor offers a kindred lonely soul whose desperation is matched only by his desire, but Ellen's devastating secret could be the one thing that destroys them both. Together they'll find there's no rescue from the past, but sometimes losing everything can help you find what you need most. Praise for The Heir: "Sweet, sexy, tender romance between two characters so vibrant they seem to leap off the page." Meredith Dunan, author of Wicked Becomes You "Burrowes' enchanting romance charms from the beginning!" RT Book Reviews, 4 stars "Refreshing. . .a luminous and graceful erotic Regency." Publishers Weekly

The Immortal Prince-Jennifer Fallon 2009-06-02

When a routine hanging goes wrong and a murderer somehow survives the noose, the man announces he is an immortal. And not just any immortal, but Cayal, the Immortal Prince, hero of legend, thought to be only a fictional character. To most he is a figure out of the Tide Lord Tarot, the only record left on Amyrantha of the mythical beings whom fable tells created the race of half-human, half-animal Crazal, a race of slaves. Arkady Deseen is an expert on the legends of the Tide Lords so at the request of the King's Spymaster, she is sent to interrogate this would-be immortal, hoping to prove he is a spy, or at the very least, a madman. Though she is set the task of proving Cayal a liar, Arkady finds herself believing him, against her own good sense. And as she begins to truly believe in the Tide Lords, her own web of lies begins to unravel... At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Healthy Cookbook for Beginners-Liam Hearn 2020-02-02

The Mediterranean Diet Cookbook facilitates the transition to a Mediterranean diet, one of the healthiest diets in the world, with 150 delicious and easy-to-follow Mediterranean diet recipes. These healthy recipes use fresh whole foods that are low in carbohydrates and fats and, of course, high in phytonutrients and antioxidants that fight disease. The Mediterranean diet is full of tasty foods that have been scientifically proven to reduce the risk of cancer and cardiovascular disease.Let The Mediterranean Diet Cookbook change your diet forever with: salty recipes for a delicious breakfast, salads, soups, seafood and meats, snacks, desserts and more.Healthy ingredients and super foods full of omega-3, antioxidants and fiber.Concrete information on how a Mediterranean diet can aid weight loss, feel better and significantly improve your heart healthSous vide cooking is the latest trend in the household kitchen.Because of their cost and size, sous vide kitchen appliances were only available in professional kitchens, but everything changed when affordable models reached the retail market. Domestic chefs now record sous vide in record numbers.In vacuum cooking, the food is sealed in plastic bags and immersed in hot water (but not boiled) to allow slow and longer cooking. The end result is a juicy and tender meal. Cooking sous vide also means that temperatures can be kept in tents of a degree, which is essential for certain pieces of meat. Hot water also intensifies preferences, and the resulting food texture is perfect.Not too long ago, the term sous vide was only found in luxurious and expensive restaurants and in certain episodes of Top Chef. Thanks to the influx of affordable circulation pumps, this is no longer regulated in the area of upscale restaurants. With instructions and this best sous vide cookbooks in your library, every home cook can use this culinary magic for themselves. If you're worried, don't be. Although it has a French name and sounds complicated, sous vide is relatively simple. It's just a way of cooking food using the precisely regulated water temperature.Vacuum cooking enthusiasts state that it delivers accurate and consistent results, helping to maintain taste and nutrition, and preserving the natural juices of the meat. The disadvantage of sous vide is that it is not quick (to say the least) and requires planning. But if you're the type who likes to use a slow cooker, sous vide is definitely the best choice.This book entails: -Affordable, Quick & Healthy and budget-friendly Recipes for Your Whole Family with 30-Day Meal Plan-Quick and Simple Sous Vide Recipes for the Entire Family (with Nutritional Facts)-Tasty, Easy & Simple Recipes for Your Anova Sous Vide to Make at Home Everyday-Effortless Everyday Meals.-Sous Vide Recipes for Beginners and Pros

Peasprout Chen, Future Legend of Skate and Sword-Henry Lien 2018-04-03

It's Hermione Granger meets 'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon' meets the Ice Capades meets 'Mean Girls.'" For all its disparate ingredients, though, PEASPROUT CHEN: FUTURE LEGEND OF SKATE AND SWORD speaks in a single, strong voice, thanks to its spirited heroine." —The New York Times "Massively entertaining...Peasprout Chen is a future legend, indeed." —Publishers Weekly, Starred Review Welcome to Pearl Famous Academy of Skate and Sword, where the blades are sharp and the competition is fierce. Peasprout Chen dreams of becoming a legend of wu liu, the deadly and beautiful art of martial arts figure skating. As the first students from the rural country of Shin to attend Pearl Famous Academy of Skate and Sword, Peasprout and her little brother Cricket have some pretty big skates to fill. They soon find themselves in a heated competition for top ranking. Tensions rise when the dazzling pearl buildings of the Academy are vandalized and outsider Peasprout is blamed for the attacks by her rivals ... and even some friends. Now, she must uncover the true vendal to ensure peace between Shin and Pearl - all while enjoying a champagne.

Andersen's Stories-Hans Christian Andersen 2017

After Ever After-Jordan Sonnenblick 2012-05-01

Lord of the Darkwood-Lian Hearn 2016-08-09

The second and final instalment of THE TALE OF SHIKANOKO: a bold epic of a fantastical medieval Japan from the creator of the global phenomenon Tales of the Otori, Lian Hearn, whose books have sold over four million copies worldwide Against a background of wild forest, elegant castles, hidden temples and savage battlefields, the adventure that began with Emperor of the Eight Islands draws to its thrilling conclusion in Lord of the Darkwood, the second instalment of Lian Hearn's the Tale of Shikanoko. The rightful emperor is lost. Shikanoko is condemned to live, half-man and half-doe, an outlaw in the Darkwood. Yet the mighty lords who now rule the Eight Islands are prey to suspicion and illness, and drought and famine choke the realm. Only Shikanoko can bring healing, by restoring the preordained ruler to the Lotus Throne. And only one person can bring him back from the Darkwood . . . Praise for the TALE OF SHIKANOKO: 'Brutally thrilling historical fantasy' Herald Sun 'Wildly successful... Convince[s] as if being read in translation, as if Hearn is merely the medium for some lost and ancient text. Much like Game of Thrones, the book can be read as political intrigue, with great strength deriving from the character studies. Nobody is black or white, rather shades of grey' The Age 'Moves onwards with the narrative force of a flood. It is easy to let the book sweep the reader away, to engage with strange events... very compelling characters [and] huge imaginative vitality' Sydney Morning Herald 'The action comes thick and fast . . . Compelling characters and captivating worldbuilding' Japan Times 'A must-read' Aurealis 'One of the great joys of genre novels is that they usually care deeply about plot, satisfying the innately human desire for story. And there is story aplenty here. The unfolding events are so fascinating, the writing so lithe and seductive. There's no need to have read Hearn's earlier Otori series, set in the same remarkable fantasy world, to enjoy this one. Indeed, her new epic seems sure to recruit a fresh legion of fans' The Saturday Paper 'Stands alone

for fine storytelling' West Australian 'Colourful and fascinating characters' Courier Mail Available now EMPEROR OF THE EIGHT ISLANDS: Books 1 and 2 in THE TALE OF SHIKANOKO. Don't miss any of the novels in the OTORI saga ACROSS THE NIGHTINGALE FLOOR GRASS FOR HIS PILLOW BRILLIANCE OF THE MOON THE HARSH CRY OF THE HERON HEAVEN'S NET IS WIDE

The Disfavored Hero-Jessica Amanda Salmonson 2015-04-07 Forced to betray her lord, a disgraced samurai fights to regain her honor In the fabled land of Naipon, there is no warrior more feared, no samurai more respected than the legendary Tomoe Gozen, whose twin blades can change the course of any battle. After years of service to Lord Shigeno, she is about to renew her oath of loyalty when the sky darkens and a cry of rebellion comes from the hills. Possessed by an evil wizard, the peasants are marching against their master. Tomoe holds off the wave of pitchfork-wielding farmers for as long as she can. Finally, the battle overwhelms her, and the greatest samurai in Naipon falls dead. She awakes in hell, on a slope lined with bloody corpses. After an eternity of fighting, she reaches the summit and finds herself in the chamber of a wizard who restores her to life. She is alive—but now she must do his bidding. Her honor has been shattered, but Tomoe Gozen will do whatever it takes to win it back.

Dragon Bones-Patricia Briggs 2002-02-26 From #1 New York Times bestselling author Patricia Briggs comes the first "thrilling"* novel in the Hurog duology. Most everyone thinks Ward of Hurog is a simple-minded fool—and that's just fine by him. But few people know that his foolishness is (very convincingly) feigned. And that it's the only thing that's saved him from death. When his abusive father dies, Ward becomes the new lord of Hurog...until a nobleman declares that he is too dim-witted to rule. Ward knows he cannot play the fool any longer. To regain his kingdom, he must prove himself worthy—and quickly. Riding into a war that's heating up on the border, Ward is sure he's on the fast track to glory. But soon his mission takes a deadly serious turn. For he has seen a pile of magical dragon bones hidden deep beneath Hurog Keep. The bones can be dangerous in the wrong hands, and Ward is certain his enemies will stop at nothing to possess them...

A Secret Atlas-Michael A. Stackpole 2005-03-01 From New York Times bestselling author Michael A. Stackpole comes the first book in a fantasy saga unlike any you've ever read. "[A Secret Atlas] has it all—wild magic, the excitement of epic fantasy, and the adventure of exploration in the age of sail."—Publishers Weekly In Nalenyr, the family of the Royal Cartographer not only draw the maps, they also explore uncharted territories, expanding the existing knowledge of the world. Their talent has yielded them enormous power—and dangerous enemies. Now a younger generation of the Anturasi clan embarks on an expedition that may cost them their lives. Keles and Jorim have been sent on a mission to explore the darkest corners of the unknown. As one charts the seas, looking for new lands, the other braves a region torn apart by ancient magics. Meanwhile, back at home, their sister, Nirati, struggles to protect her brothers from the lethal plots of their rivals. For what Keles and Jorim discover threatens the fragile peace maintained since the near-apocalyptic Cataclysm and provokes a murderous act that sets off a chain of events shaking the world—both discovered and undiscovered—to its core. . . .

Burned by Passion-Dez Burke 2013-08-19 An Amazon #1 Bestseller in African American Romance An Amazon #1 Bestseller in Multicultural Romance An Amazon #1 Bestseller in African American Literature Even good girls make mistakes. Kira Taylor was shocked to meet her boss's handsome, long-absent son and find him even more lethal in the flesh. He'd always been just a face in a photo - and nothing had prepared her for the way they clashed and burned when they finally met. Blake Carter returned to America for a reunion with a father he hadn't seen since he was ten. But Blake had never bargained for falling for his father's sexy secretary, the beautiful and impressionable Kira Taylor... Blake caught one glimpse of the gorgeous beauty from across the crowded room and felt the primal taste of desire like he'd never known. The sparks were more antagonism than attraction on her part as they collided over differences about the way he treated his father. But Blake had very strong persuasive skills when it came to bringing the vulnerable Kira to bend to his carnal passions... Excerpt: His eyes narrowed, smile disappearing once again. "You're going to come out of the tub right now; unless you want me to help you out myself?" Glaring at him hatefully, Kira muttered feelingly, "Damn you, Blake." But he merely smiled. She knew he realized she had no choice but to give in. And the water was starting to cool uncomfortably. He straightened, holding up the towel patiently. Taking a deep breath, Kira rose from the water, resisting the urge to place her arms across her nudity. Even though she knew he was looking at her unabashedly. He wrapped the towel securely around her streaming body and waited until she'd stepped out onto the bathmat before surprising her by swinging her easily off her feet and into his arms, carrying her back into the bedroom. "Really, Blake?" she muttered, instinctively wrapping her arms around his neck and fighting the pounding in her chest at how easily he'd lifted her, as if she weighed little more than a bag of feathers. In the bedroom, he placed her gently down to stand on the thick rug and Kira instantly curled her toes into the thickness underfoot. The room was deliciously warm by now, a beautiful June night in London. What wasn't great though was Blake doing the unexpected and whipping the towel off her slightly damp body. Kira gasped. She felt too paralyzed with shock to move. What on earth...? "Why would you wish to deny me the pleasure of seeing your gorgeous body, Kira?" he asked softly, head cocked to one side. He held her gaze with almost hypnotic intensity. "You're unbelievably beautiful and now you're mine." Kira didn't know what to say. She felt outraged, and...well, a bit goey in places as she let his words wash over her. She'd sworn to herself he'd never again get a glimpse of her without her clothes on but she couldn't have foreseen this scenario.

Spellbound in His Arms-Angel Sefer 2016-06-07 #1 Bestseller, Winner of the Crowned Heart Award for Excellence from InD'tale Magazine, Finalist for the 2014 RONE Award in the Mystery Category Reporter Jackie Alexander and Detective Michael Apostolou are forced to work together to investigate the mysterious deaths of the heirs to the incredible fortune of Greek tycoon Andreas Demiris. But their suspicions and unanswered questions are devouring them, just like their rising passion for each other.