

BOOK CATALOGUE – NOV 2009

Nalini Singh's eagerly anticipated addition to her Psy-Changeling series *Blaze of Memory* is now available. This month also sees Stephanie Laurens kick off her Black Cobra series with *The Untamed Bride* as well as the next instalment in Nora Roberts' Bride series *Bed of Roses*. There are two releases by Charlaine Harris: *Grave Secret* in the Harper Connelly series and the *A Touch of Dead* short story collection in the Sookie Stackhouse series. Enjoy!

Top Books This Month		Books Available Soon	
Maya Banks	Sweet Seduction	Cherry Adair	Night Shadow
P.C. Cast	Tempted	Cecilia Ahern	There's No Place Like Here#
Charlaine Harris	Grave Secret	Mary Balogh	A Precious Jewel
Charlaine Harris	A Touch of Dead	MaryJanice Davidson	Undead and Unworthy#
Elizabeth Hoyt	To Desire a Devil	Laurell K. Hamilton	Swallowing Darkness#
Stephanie Laurens	The Untamed Bride	Kim Harrison	White Witch, Black Curse#
Susan Mallery	Hot On Her Heels	Linda Howard	Ice*
Nora Roberts	Bed of Roses	Sherrilyn Kenyon	Born of Fire
Nalini Singh	Blaze of Memory	J.D. Robb	Kindred in Death*
Alexander McCall Smith	The Lost Art of Gratitude	J.R. Ward	Lover Avenged#

Paperback Release

* Hardcover

& Anthology

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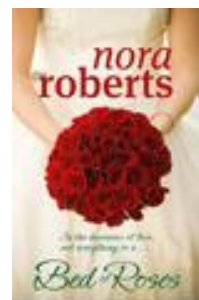


Title: Grave Secret
Author: Charlaine Harris
Classification: Crime & Mystery
Book Type: Trade Paperback/Hardcover
Price: \$35 / \$45
Annotation: *Harper Connelly Series.* Lightning-struck sleuth Harper Connelly and her stepbrother Tolliver visit the two little girls they both think of as sisters. But, as always happens when they travel to Texas, memories of their horrible childhood resurface. To make

matters worse, Tolliver learns that his father is out of jail and trying to reestablish contact with other family members. Tolliver wants no part of the man – but he may not have a choice. Soon, family secrets ensnare them both, as Harper discovers what happened to her missing sister, Cameron, so many years before. What she finds out will change her world forever ...

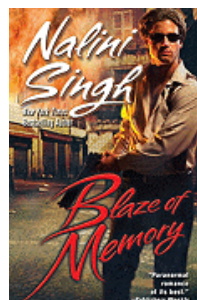


Title: The Untamed Bride
Author: Stephanie Laurens
Classification: Historical
Book Type: Paperback
Price: \$24
Annotation: *Black Cobra Series.* He is a man who has faced peril without flinching, determined to fight for king and country ... She is a bold, beautiful woman with a scandalous past, destined to become an untamed bride ... Together they must vanquish the ruthless enemy, while confronting the dangers of the heart.



Title: Bed of Roses
Author: Nora Roberts
Classification: Contemporary
Book Type: Paperback
Price: \$28
Annotation: *Bride Quartet Series.* Florist Emma Grant is finding career success with her friends at Vows wedding planning company. But, though men swarm around her, she still hasn't found Mr. Right. And the last place she's looking is

right under her nose. But that's just where Jack Cooke is. He's so close to the women of Vows that he's practically family, but the architect has begun to admit to himself that his feelings for Emma have developed into much more than friendship ...



Title: Blaze of Memory
Author: Nalini Singh
Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal
Book Type: Paperback
Price: \$24
Annotation: *Psy-Changeling Series.* Dev Santos finds a woman with amnesia – and all she can remember is that she's dangerous. Stripped of her memories by a shadowy oppressor and programmed to kill, Katya's only hope is Dev. But he could very well be her next target.

Other Books Available This Month

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense
Hot as Sin by **Bella Andre** (Paperback – \$24). *Hot Shots: Men of Fire Series*. Only desperation could reunite Dianna Kelley with Sam MacKenzie, the bad boy she walked out on years ago. But the fearless firefighter with wilderness skills is the only one who can take her where she needs to go – into a remote corner of the Rockies. It's a gamble – tracking down her sister while keeping Sam and their undeniable attraction at arm's length. Despite their past, Sam never could refuse a damsel in distress, especially one who has haunted his dreams. He'll help find her sister and get Dianna out of his system once and for all. But soon it's hard to tell whether the greatest threat is from the enemy on their trail, or the passion sending them into the line of fire.

A Highlander Christmas by **Janet Chapman** (Paperback – \$24). *Highlander Series*. Camry MacKeage has absolutely no intention of telling her parents that she left her job as a NASA physicist for the small-town life of a dog-sitter – which is why she's spending the holidays alone in coastal Maine with her furry friends Tigger and Max. Unfortunately, her handsome rival, scientist Luke Pascal, accidentally spilled the beans. Now he's on a mission from her mother to tempt Camry home for the family's annual winter solstice celebration. But Luke is hiding his own secret, and he'll need a little bit of magic to earn Camry's trust ... and her heart.

Deadlock by **Iris Johansen** (Paperback Release – \$24). While searching for a legendary treasure, renowned archeologist Emily Hudson and her partner are taken hostage. Former CIA operative John Garrett is sent in to save the treasure hunters, but soon he and Emily are catapulted into an astonishing adventure in which nothing – and no one – is as it seems.

Hot On Her Heels by **Susan Mallery** (Paperback – \$24). *Lone Star Sisters Series*. Dana Birch vowed never to be at the mercy of a powerful man. She became a deputy so that she could take care of herself and protect those she loves. Especially her friends, the Titan sisters ... Years ago, Garth Duncan swore revenge on Jed Titan for abandoning Garth and his mother. Now he's back to fulfill that promise, even if Jed's daughters get caught in the crosshairs. All that stands between him and his goal is Dana, her gun and a passion that can't be denied.

Luke by **Cheyenne McCray** (Trade Paperback – \$35). *Armed and Dangerous Series*. After four years abroad, Trinity MacKenna has returned home to her family's ranch in Arizona. Everything in her life is going just the way she planned – a home in London, a brilliant career, and she's practically engaged to a gorgeous English gentleman. But when Trinity meets Luke, the cowboy turns her world upside down. Everything about him is virile and sexy, dark and dangerous – and not part of Trinity's plans ... From the moment Luke Denver sees the strawberry blond, he knows he's got to have her. Even when Trinity tells him she's taken, Luke doesn't let that stop him, because he's determined to make her his.

The Perfect Liar by **Brenda Novak** (Paperback – \$24). *Last Stand Series*. After he is charged with rape, a shocked Luke Trussell knows he had not forced himself on the woman who'd been stalking him. Determined to isolate Luke, the woman goes to victim's rights advocate Ava Bixby of The Last Stand, who soon realizes she's defending the wrong victim.

The Perfect Murder by **Brenda Novak** (Paperback – \$24). *Last Stand Series*. Once married to a serial killer, Jane Burke, an investigator with The Last Stand, has spent the past five years rebuilding her life. And with

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 Sebastian Costa she finally has a chance at happiness. But the man they're after is after them, too.

The Lone Texan by **Jodi Thomas** (Paperback – \$24). *Whispering Mountain Series*. Three days after arriving in Galveston, Sage McMurray is taken hostage in a robbery. The outlaws decide to auction their pretty captive off to the highest bidder, and a tall stranger offers twice the highest bid.

Crime & Mystery

The Associate by **John Grisham** (Paperback Release – \$27). Kyle McAvoy possesses an outstanding legal mind. He also has a dark secret that could destroy his dreams, his career, even his life. One night that secret catches up with him. The men who accost Kyle have a compromising video they'll use to ruin him – unless he does exactly what they say. What they offer Kyle is something any ambitious young lawyer would kill for: a job in Manhattan as an associate at the world's largest law firm. If Kyle accepts, he'll be on the fast track to partnership and a fortune. But there's a catch. Kyle won't be working for the firm but against it in a dispute between two powerful defense contractors worth billions. Now Kyle is caught between the criminal forces manipulating him, the FBI, and his own law firm – in a malignant conspiracy not even Kyle with all his intellect, cunning, and bravery may be able to escape alive.

Bleeding Kansas by **Sara Paretsky** (Paperback Release – \$27). In Kansas, three families have coexisted not-peacefully for more than one hundred and fifty years: the Grelliers, the Fremantles, and the Schapens. Into their lives comes Gina Haring, a relative of the Fremantles who is house-sitting the derelict family mansion while she puts her own life in order. Her lifestyle and beliefs will put her at odds with her neighbors – and test the mettle of a community being swept up in events beyond its control.

Eclipse by **Richard North Patterson** (Paperback Release – \$27). Damon Pierce's life is crumbling. The California attorney's wife is divorcing him and his work seems soulless. So when he receives a frantic email from Marissa Brand Okari, a woman he loved years ago, he decides to risk everything and respond to her plea for help. Marissa's husband, Bobby Okari, is the leader of a freedom movement in Luandia, West Africa, a nation that's being torn apart by the world's craving for its vast oil supply. When Bobby stages a protest against a giant American oil company with close ties to Luandia's brutal government, all hell breaks loose. Everyone in Bobby's home village is massacred and Bobby is thrown in jail. Pierce agrees to defend Bobby, but the lethal politics of Luandia could cost him his own life.

The Lost Art of Gratitude by **Alexander McCall Smith** (Trade Paperback – \$30 Special This Month). (RRP \$38.99). *Isabel Dalhousie Series*. Isabel and her son, Charlie, attend a birthday party, where she finds Minty Auchterlonie, the high-flying financier from "The Sunday Philosophy Club." When Minty confides to Isabel about the troubles at the investment bank she heads, Isabel wonders if Minty can be trusted.

Fantasy & Paranormal Romance

Bound to Shadows by **Keri Arthur** (Paperback – \$24). *Riley Jenson Guardian Series*. Part vampire, part werewolf, Riley Jenson knows what can happen when vamps don't play well with others. But she's never seen anything like this: a series of murders surrounding the latest hot spot for vampire-human hookups – and the victims aren't just killed, they're beheaded. Now Riley is

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launching into action, toying with a seductive – and suspicious – club owner, and finding herself in the middle of another mystery: women being killed one by one, without a trace of violence ... For Riley, solving multiple cases would have been tough enough. She also has two jealous lovers on her hands: Kye Murphy, the amber-eyed werewolf who makes Riley's wolf blood howl – and Quinn, the cool, elegant vamp who has over a thousand years' experience at fulfilling women's desires. While she's busy juggling these two sexy beasts, Riley's detective work takes a violent turn. Finding a murderer is now a matter of life and death. Especially since the killer has long since found her ...

Possess Me at Midnight by **Shayla Black** (Paperback – \$24). *Doomsday Brethren Series*. As a mysterious dark cloud drains the life of her beloved brother, Doomsday Brethren leader Bram, Sabelle Rion can think of little else. Still, every time she meets Ice Rykard's intense green gaze, her body aches for the sexy warrior. Their attraction is explosive – and forbidden. As dangerous as he is unpredictable, Ice is her brother's sworn enemy. But as Bram weakens, a more sinister force is gaining power ... Evil Mathias and his ruthless Anarki army are on a bloodthirsty hunt for the Doomsday Diary. Sabelle must guard the potent book with her life – and Ice vows to protect the beautiful witch with his.

Finding the Lost by **Shannon K. Butcher** (Paperback – \$24). *Sentinel Wars Series*. Sentinel warrior Paul has been searching for centuries for a woman like Andra. To find her, he strikes a bargain with a bloodhunter that could cost him his life. Now, his desire for Andra threatens to destroy his much-needed control. Against her wishes, Andra agrees to join Paul on a journey fraught with danger – and leading directly to the Synestryn who victimized her family eight years ago.

Tempted by **P.C. Cast** (Paperback – \$22). *House of Night Series*. Zoey needs a break after some serious excitement. Sadly, the House of Night school for vampyres doesn't feature breaks on its curriculum – even for a High Priestess in training. Plus juggling three guys is no stress reliever, especially when one is a sexy Warrior so into protecting Zoey that he's sensing her emotions. Wider stresses lurk too, and the dark force in Tulsa's tunnels is spreading. Could Stevie Rae be responsible for more than a group of misfit fledglings? And Aphrodite's visions warn Zoey to stay away from the immortal Kalona and his dark allure – but they also show that only Zoey can stop him. She's not exactly keen to meet up, but if Zoey doesn't go to Kalona he'll exact a fiery vengeance on those closest to her. She just has to find the courage to do what's necessary, or everything that's important to her will be destroyed.

Deep Kiss of Winter by **Kresley Cole, Gena Showalter** (Hardcover – \$45). *Untouchable*. Murdoch Wroth will stop at nothing to claim Daniela the Ice Maiden – the delicate Valkyrie who makes his heart beat for the first time in three hundred years. Yet Danii is part ice fey, and her freezing skin can't be touched by anyone but her own kind without inflicting pain. Soon desperate for closeness, in an agony of frustration, Murdoch and Danii will do anything to have each other. Together, can they find the key that will finally allow them to slake the overwhelming desire burning between them? *Tempt Me Eternally* Aleaha Love can be anyone – literally. With only skin-to-skin contact, she can change her appearance, assume any identity. Her newest identity switch has made her an AIR (alien investigation and removal) agent and sends her on a mission to capture a group of otherworldly warriors. Only she becomes the

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captured. Breean, a golden-skinned commander known for his iron will who is at once dangerous and soul-shatteringly seductive, threatens her new life. Because for the first time, Aleaha only wants to be herself ...

Winter Kiss by **Deborah Cooke** (Paperback – \$24). *Dragonfire Series*. The Dragon's Blood Elixir gives immortality to Magnus, the Pyr's greatest enemy, and his minions – so it must be destroyed. Outcast from the Pyr because of his own dangerous impulses, Delaney will do anything to vanquish Magnus – and vows to complete a mission which will either redeem him or end his suffering. But his plans don't take into account his sudden firestorm – or the hot-tempered Ginger Sinclair. The firestorm reforms Delaney closer to his old self. And when Ginger learns about Delaney's scheme, she cannot resist a strong man with a noble agenda.

Bitter Night by **Diana P. Francis** (Paperback – \$24). *Horngate Witches Series*. Once, Max dreamed of a career, a home, a loving family. Now all she wants is freedom ... and revenge. A witch named Giselle transformed Max into a warrior with extraordinary strength, speed, and endurance. Bound by spellcraft, Max has no choice but to fight as Giselle's personal magic weapon – a Shadowblade – and she's lethally good at it. But her skills are about to be put to the test ...

A Touch of Dead by **Charlaine Harris** (Trade Paperback – Anthology – \$35). *Sookie Stackhouse Series*. A collection of Sookie Stackhouse short stories: "Fairy Dust," "One Word Answer," "Dracula Night," "Lucky," and "Giftwrap."

Me and My Shadow by **Katie MacAlister** (Paperback – \$24). *Silver Dragons Series*. After a nearly dead man appears on her doorstep, May Northcott finds herself fighting to control the dragon shard. With May's employer Magoth wrangling to regain his powers and a mysterious dragon bent on their destruction, May's lover Gabriel has his work cut out for him.

Dark Stranger by **Susan Sizemore** (Paperback – \$24). *Primes Series*. A twist of fate made Zoe Pappas heir to the Byzant throne. Bound by duty and devotion to keep the Empire safe, Zoe is captured while on a secret diplomatic mission and sent to an underground prisoner-of-war camp. In this strange, shadowy place, residents are governed by fellow inmate General Matthias "Doc" Raven, whose powerful magnetism rouses an urgent desire in Zoe. But the intensity of her attraction is matched by her surprise at discovering that Doc has a secret of his own: he is a vampire ... Zoe's presence puts everyone in the camp in danger. Doc knows it, and knows too that Zoe's royal status makes it impossible for her to bond with a vampire. The only way to save her is to help her escape, and lose her forever. But some fires are impossible to quench, even when following your heart is the ultimate taboo ...

Shadowlight by **Lynn Viehl** (Paperback – \$24). *Kyndred Series*. With just one touch, Jessa Bellamy can see anyone's darkest secrets, thanks to whoever tampered with her genes. What she doesn't know is that a biotech company called GenHance has discovered her talent, and intends to kill her and harvest her priceless DNA. When GenHance is poised to strike, Gaven Matthias is forced to take action. After months of tracking Jessa, he abducts her himself so he can protect her in his underground fortress. Matthias tries to explain what she is and how she can protect others like her, but Jessa has a hard time believing the one man whose secrets she can't read. She senses he's hiding a terrible truth, and yet his touch ignites a passion she's never known.

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Dragon Moon by **Rebecca York** (Paperback – \$24). *Moon Series*. 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 keep himself 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.

Historical and Regency Romance

The Heart of Christmas by **Mary Balogh, Nicola Cornick, Courtney Milan** (Paperback Anthology – \$24). *A Handful of Gold* Not only is Julian Dare dashing and wealthy, but he's the heir to an earldom. So what do you get a man who has everything? Verity Ewing plans on giving Julian her heart – the most precious gift of all. *The Season for Suitors* After some close encounters with rakes in which she was nearly compromised, heiress Clara Davenport realizes that she needs some expert advice. And who better for the job than Sebastian Fleet, the most notorious rake in town? But the tutelage doesn't go as planned, as both Sebastian and Clara find it difficult to remain objective when it comes to lessons of the heart! *This Wicked Gift* Lavinia Spencer has been saving her hard-earned pennies to provide her family with Christmas dinner. Days before the holiday, her brother is swindled, leaving them owing more than they can ever repay. Until a mysterious benefactor offers to settle the debt. Innocent Lavinia is stunned by what the dashing William White wants in return.

Rainwater by **Sandra Brown** (Hardcover – Available by Order – \$45). A historical novel from bestselling, award-winning author Sandra Brown, "Rainwater" follows an independent woman who runs a boarding house in Texas. The story bears witness to a bittersweet truth: that love is worth whatever price one must pay for it.

Captive of Sin by **Anna Campbell** (Paperback – \$22). Returning home to Cornwall after a tragedy, Sir Gideon Trevithick comes upon a defiant beauty in danger and vows to protect her. He discovers that she's none other than Lady Charis Weston, England's wealthiest heiress – and that the only way to save her from the violent stepbrothers determined to steal her fortune is to wed her himself! Now Gideon must hide the dark secrets of his life from the bride he desires ... Charis has heard all about Gideon, the hero with the mysterious past. She's grateful for his help but unwilling to endure a marriage of convenience to a man whose touch leaves her breathless. Desperate to drive him mad with passion, she would do anything to make Gideon lose control.

The Care and Taming of a Rogue by **Suzanne Enoch** (Paperback – \$24). After years away from London, Captain Bennett Wolfe is back – and alive, much to Society's surprise. Having been presumed dead, this adventurer is now much sought after by every marriage-minded young woman ... but Bennett only has eyes for the intriguing Lady Phillipa Eddison. Phillipa would rather read than flirt, but she does know a thing or two about courtship rituals. A gentleman does not kiss a lady senseless, and he certainly does not bring his pet monkey when he comes calling. Lady Phillipa's never been so scandalized ... or tempted. She simply must teach Bennett some manners – before she succumbs to temptation as wild as the man who offers it.

Midnight Pleasures with a Scoundrel by **Lorraine Heath** (Paperback – \$22). *Scoundrels of St. James Series*. On a quest to avenge her sister's death, Eleanor Watkins never expected to fall for the man following her

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through pleasure gardens and into ballrooms. But soon nothing can keep her from the arms of the scoundrel, not even the dangerous secrets she keeps. Strong, compassionate, and irresistible, James is all she desires. But can she trust him enough to let herself succumb to all the pleasures that midnight allows? ... James Swindler has worked hard to atone for his past. He is now as at home in London's salons as he is in the roughest streets. But when the inspector is tasked with keeping watch on a mysterious lady suspected of nefarious deeds, he is determined to use his skills at seduction to lure Eleanor into revealing her plans. Instead, he is the one seduced, turning away from everything he holds dear in order to protect her.

To Desire a Devil by **Elizabeth Hoyt** (Paperback – \$22). *The Legend of the Four Soldiers Series*. Reynaud St. Aubyn has spent the last seven years in captivity. Now half mad with fever he bursts into his ancestral home and demands his due. Can this man truly be the last earl's heir? ... Beatrice Corning, the niece of the present earl, is a proper English miss. But she has a secret: No real man has ever excited her more than the handsome youth in the portrait in her uncle's home. Suddenly, that very man is here, in the flesh – and luring her into his bed ... Only Beatrice can see past Reynaud's savagery to the noble man inside. For his part, Reynaud is drawn to this lovely lady, even as he is suspicious of her loyalty to her uncle. But can Beatrice's love tame a man who will stop at nothing to regain his title – even if it means sacrificing her innocence?

The Wicked Duke Takes a Wife by **Jillian Hunter** (Paperback – \$24). *Boscastle Series*. Lord Griffin Boscastle has no intention of ending his career as a rakehell now that he has inherited a dukedom. Still, there are responsibilities he must discharge, including finding a bride, and depositing his niece at a relative's academy outside London. It is at this so-very-proper finishing school that flame-haired instructress Harriet Gardner awakens in Griffin emotions so intoxicating that he must avoid her. Yet when Harriet finds work in the townhouse where Griffin resides, her presence tempts him at every turn ... Harriet has survived London's streets far too long to let an arrogant duke woo a bride he doesn't want when she desires him for herself, and she has seen too much of life not to recognize a man ripe for redemption. But just as Harriet finds the perfect cure for His Lordship's devilish ways, an enemy intervenes, and the duke whom Harriet has plotted to save suddenly becomes her devoted protector.

Indiscreet by **Carolyn Jewel** (Paperback – \$24). Edward, Marquess of Foye, would have been happy to continue his life as an unmarried gentleman rake, until his brother's death changes everything. As the last of his line Edward must now marry. Having already had his heart broken by a capricious young girl, he vows to find an older woman who is seasoned, mature ... and no threat to his feelings. Then he meets a woman who will require him to risk everything for their love.

To Love a Wicked Lord by **Edith Layton** (Paperback – \$22). Phillipa Carstairs is lovely and any gentleman would thrill to make her his bride. Yet Pippa is all alone, waiting for a fiancé who disappeared months ago. She's long forgotten why she loved him, and she's nearly given up hope ... At first glance, Maxwell, Lord Montrose, is nothing but a dandy – albeit a handsome one! But his foppish demeanor hides a keen mind and a steely resolve. A spy for the Crown who knows everyone, he's the only one who can help Pippa find her missing fiancé ... Crossing England on the trail of the elusive husband-to-be, Maxwell and Pippa have the best of intentions.

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But a simmering attraction builds in close quarters ... with a sinful passion that will be impossible to deny.

A Courtesan's Scandal by **Julia London** (Paperback – \$24). *Scandalous Series*. Kate Bergeron is the former mistress of a cloth merchant ... and the latest beauty to capture the interest of the Prince of Wales. Mired in a disastrous divorce, the Prince attempts to distract attention from his next amorous pursuit by ordering Grayson Christopher, the Duke of Darlington, to pretend to London society that he is having an affair with Kate. But as Grayson and Kate mimic ardor for the world to see, what started as a deception becomes all too real. And when passion flames into love, their predicament becomes extreme. Marriage between a duke and a courtesan could never happen, but Kate knows that she is willing to accept nothing less.

Stealing Midnight by **Tracy MacNish** (Paperback – \$20). While Olwyn Gawain lives as a virtual prisoner in her home, her scientist father conducts chilling experiments on stolen corpses in the dungeon. One night, Olwyn is shocked to discover that her father's latest subject – a handsome young man – is still clinging to life. Refusing to let him die, Olwyn stops her father at gunpoint and flees, determined to bring the man to safety ... The son of aristocrats, Aidan Mullin doesn't know what to make of the intriguing Olwyn. But as the pair make their way toward Aidan's home, he finds himself drawn to the woman who saved him from death. Olwyn's very touch fuels a desire in Aidan too fierce to deny. But when Olwyn learns he is hiding a heartbreaking secret, Aidan must face a difficult choice – or risk losing forever the love he so desperately needs.

Royal's Bride by **Kat Martin** (Paperback – \$24). *Bride Trilogy*. After years abroad, Royal has returned to Bransford Castle to find his father dying and the family treasury empty. Then the old duke wrests a promise from his son: that Royal will marry heiress Jocelyn Caulfield and restore the estate. However, it is not his fiancée who quickens Royal's pulse, but rather her beautiful cousin Lily Moran ... Penniless Lily knows that nothing can come of their attraction – but there is a way she can help Royal. Enlisting some questionable characters from her past, Lily concocts an elaborate ruse to recover some of the Bransford fortune from a notorious confidence artist. As the dangerous scheme unfolds, Lily and Royal are thrown together in pursuit of the very thing – money – that keeps them apart.

Lord of Pleasure by **Delilah Marville** (Paperback – \$16). It's been months since Lady Charlotte Chartwell's philandering husband met his untimely end at the hands of an angry mistress. But his death proves to be an even harsher blow. For not a farthing of his estate has passed on to her – she is destitute and without hope ... Then, as Charlotte is considering the worst, a man steps into her carriage. His intentions are quite indecent, but the more he learns about her, the more an unfamiliar – and undesirable – emotion creeps over him. Could it be compassion? Never! For this is Alexander Baxendale, third Earl of Hawksford. He is known throughout the ton as the Lord of Pleasure, ruthless in his pursuit of sensual gratification. Yet never in all his exploits has he met a woman who could intrigue him as Charlotte does. Can this mysterious beauty make him hang up his title and see to her pleasure alone?

The Bargain Bride by **Barbara Metzger** (Paperback – \$22). It was a match not made in heaven, but in pound notes – an arranged engagement between a girl of thirteen and a lord's younger son. Since then, thirteen years have passed, and as her betrothed has been

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sowing his wild oats, Penny has grown up, grown impatient, and grown resentful. In fact, she's vowed never to marry the man who blighted her life and destroyed her dreams ... Viscount Westfield is happy enough to return the bridal dowry. But one look at Penny and Westfield knows he can never let her go ...

How to Tame a Lady by **Kasey Michaels** (Paperback – \$22). *Daughtry Series*. Lady Nicole Daughtry has vowed never to be vulnerable to any man. Despite the many suitors vying for the beauty's hand, she has seen the damage love can inflict and wants no part of it. Until she meets Lucas Paine, Marquess of Basingstoke, whose aura of danger and mystery draws her like no other ... Lucas is a man with a mission – and a thirst for revenge. The last thing he can afford is the distraction of a pretty face. But a scandalous affair with Nicole could be just the cover he needs to outwit his enemies. With treachery everywhere, and Nicole's very life in his hands, Lucas will face his greatest challenge yet – to keep the lady safe from harm ... and his heart safe from her.

What the Duke Desires by **Jenna Petersen** (Paperback – \$22). As the new Duke of Billingham, Simon Crathorne has one main duty to fulfill: find a proper wife and continue his family's exalted name. But of all the eligible women who have come to his country party, he desires only one. And she may be the most unsuitable bride of all ... Lillian Mayhew is desperate to expose a devastating secret about Simon's distinguished late father so she can salvage her family's reputation. Yet from the moment she meets her rakishly handsome host, she begins to question if she can destroy his world so callously. She once wanted nothing more than to destroy his good name – and now she wants nothing more than his kiss ... Caught between vengeance and ecstasy, Simon and Lillian begin a passionate affair. But betrayal lurks behind every stolen touch – and the duke's shocking past may be his ultimate undoing ...

Hot Romance

Sweet Seduction by **Maya Banks** (Trade Paperback – \$35). *Sweet Series*. Salon owner Julie Stanford wanted Nathan Tucker ever since she gave him his first massage. Getting paid to feel every inch of his body, stripped, oiled, and spread out in front of her? Stuff dreams are made of. But the sexy guy was oblivious to the signals she was sending – until she finished off his final rub-down with something extra. In fact, the best extra he ever had. Unfortunately, he came around too late. Now Julie's moving on ... The woman was driving him crazy. She lit fire to his insides then ran like a scalded cat. And now she's going to someone else to have all her fantasies fulfilled? Over his dead body... He's more than willing to give her what she wants, and as soon as he pins the little minx down, he'd show her his own brand of sweet seduction.

Dangerous Boys and Their Toy by **Shayla Black** (Trade Paperback – \$28). Trading orgasms for information isn't their usual way of doing business, but when a missing criminal-turned-star-witness and fifty grand are on the line, bounty hunter R. A. Thorn and Detective Cameron Martinez are prepared to put their bodies to the task and give Brenna Sheridan everything she needs ... An exchange they never anticipated becomes an experience none can forget – or walk away from. Sexual hunger sizzles, but the stakes and danger rise as a mafia bad-ass stalks Brenna ... Soon, their deal is no longer about information – or sex. Emotions bind Brenna, Cam and Thorn together more tightly than they ever imagined as the men protect – and serve – the beloved woman neither can live without.

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