

BOOK CATALOGUE – MAY 2010

It's turned chilly outside, but May is a HOT month for romance fiction lovers with highly anticipated releases by Mary Balogh (*Seducing an Angel* – Huxtable Series), P.C. Cast (*Burned* – House of Night Series), Christine Feehan (*Wild Fire* – Leopard Series), Charlaine Harris (*Dead in the Family* – Sookie Stackhouse series), Nora Roberts (*Savour the Moment* – Bride Quartet) and J.R. Ward (*Lover Mine* – Black Dagger Brotherhood Series). Enjoy!

Top Books This Month		Books Available Soon	
Mary Balogh	<i>Seducing an Angel</i>	Ilona Andrews	<i>Magic Bleeds</i>
P.C. Cast & Kristin Cast	<i>Burned</i>	Keri Arthur	<i>Moon Sworn</i>
Suzanne Enoch	<i>Guide to Improper Behaviour</i>	Mary Balogh	<i>A Secret Affair*</i>
Christine Feehan	<i>Wild Fire</i>	Cindy Gerard	<i>Risk No Secrets</i>
Rachel Gibson	<i>Nothing But Trouble</i>	Lisa Kleypas	<i>Married By Morning</i>
Charlaine Harris	<i>Dead In The Family*</i>	Richelle Mead	<i>Spirit Bound</i>
Kat Martin	<i>Rule's Bride</i>	Julia Quinn	<i>Ten Things I Love About You</i>
Nora Roberts	<i>Savour the Moment</i>	Gena Showalter	<i>The Darkest Passion</i>
Alexander McCall Smith	<i>Double Comfort Safari Club*</i>	Sherry Thomas	<i>His At Night</i>
J.R. Ward	<i>Lover Mine</i>	Lynn Viehl	<i>Dreamveil</i>

Paperback Release

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& Anthology

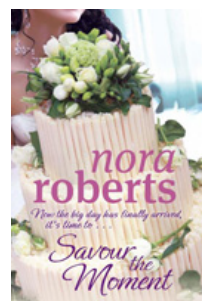
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Title: Wild Fire
Author: Christine Feehan
Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal
Book Type: Paperback
Price: \$24
Annotation: *Leopard Series.* Leopard shifter Connor Vega carries the scent of a wild animal in its prime, and bears the soul-crushing sins of past betrayals. Isabeau Chandler's never forgiven him – or forgotten him. The mating urge is still with her, and hotter than ever. Dangerously hot ...



Title: Dead In The Family
Author: Charlaine Harris
Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal
Book Type: Hardcover
Price: \$45
Annotation: *Sookie Stackhouse Series.* After enduring torture and the loss of loved ones during the brief but deadly Faery War, Sookie Stackhouse is hurt and she's angry. Just about the only bright spot in her life is the love she thinks she feels for vampire Eric Northman. But he's under scrutiny by the new Vampire King because of their relationship. And as the political implications of the Shifters coming out are beginning to be felt, Sookie's connection to the Shreveport pack draws her into the debate. Worst of all, though the door to Faery has been closed, there are still some Fae on the human side – and one of them is angry at Sookie. Very, very angry ...



Title: Savour the Moment
Author: Nora Roberts
Classification: Contemporary
Book Type: Trade Paperback
Price: \$28
Annotation: *Bride Quartet.* Chef Laurel McBane has worked hard all her life to secure her dream – to be an award-winning baker. Now, her wedding cakes are as close as anyone can get to edible perfection. Because Laurel has worked so hard to overcome her tough upbringing, she is wary about letting anything, or anyone, get in the way of her work. But a slowly simmering chemistry with Del, the brother of her childhood friend Parker, has suddenly become too hot to ignore ...



Title: Lover Mine
Author: J.R. Ward
Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal
Book Type: Paperback
Price: \$26
Annotation: *Black Dagger Brotherhood Series.* John Matthew has been through his vampire transition and taken to the life of the Brotherhood with a vengeance, but he still can't shake the nightmare of his past and is unsure of his future as a warrior hero. He's made a promise to honour the Brotherhood and their fight with the slayers at all costs, until the love of his life is kidnapped and he is forced to make a choice that could change his life and the Brotherhood's forever ...

Other Books Available This Month

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense

Dark Deceptions by **Dee Davis** (Paperback – \$22). *A-TAC Series*. Covert operations expert Nash Brennon has spent the last eight years trying to forget Annie Gallagher, his former field partner and the only woman he ever loved. Annie betrayed him when he needed her most, then vanished without a trace. Now suddenly she's back in the game – this time as a suspected traitor and threat to national security ... Annie's son has been kidnapped by political terrorists. The price for his life? Assassinate a UN ambassador. When Nash and his group find her, the smoldering passion between Annie and the man she swore she'd never contact again blazes out of control. But can Nash trust her? The stakes couldn't be higher: Their enemy's endgame is personal, and one false move could cost them their lives.

Line of Fire by **Jo Davis** (Paperback – \$22). *Firefighters of Station Five Series*. To his fellow firemen, Tommy Skyler has it all. But the golden boy of Station Five hides a private pain. He was once a star quarterback until tragedy derailed his dream. Since then, he's struggled with his choices – including his decision to become a firefighter. His one ray of light shines in beautiful nurse Shea Ford. When a dangerous rescue lands Tommy in the ER, what better opportunity to win her over? But when a conspiracy culminates in deadly arson, Tommy realizes that a ruthless enemy is closing in, threatening to destroy the couple's love – and their lives.

In Shelter Cove by **Barbara Freethy** (Paperback – \$24). *Angel's Bay Series*. The theft of three priceless paintings sent Derek Kane to prison and destroyed the dreams of his wife, Brianna. When Derek unexpectedly dies just weeks before his release, Brianna returns to Angel's Bay with her young son, determined to prove her husband's innocence and find the missing paintings. Her efforts are stymied by Jason Marlow, the police officer who sent Derek to jail – betraying his former friend. And when unexpected passion flares between Brianna and Jason, she must choose between the past and the present, the guilty and the innocent, the truth and the lies. For nothing is what it seems ...

Nothing But Trouble by **Rachel Gibson** (Paperback – \$24). Chelsea Ross's acting career has been a total bust. But leaving Hollywood to become the personal assistant to a famous hockey player could be her stupidest career move ever ... Injured superstar Mark Bressler's glory days are over. The bad-boy ex-jock could at least be civil to the pint-sized, pink-haired bombshell who the Seattle Chinooks hired to be his P.A. If Chelsea didn't need the money, she'd be running from the world's biggest jerk as fast as her feet could carry her ... Chelsea can deal with Mark's rotten attitude and dark moods. The problem is those biceps and that red-hot bod! And when the bad boy starts to put the moves on her, Chelsea knows it's time she banished him to the penalty box ... if only she could resist the kind of trouble he has in mind!

Men of Danger by **Lora Leigh, Red Garnier, Alexis Grant, Lorie O'Clare** (Paperback – Anthology – \$24). *Hannah's Luck* by **Lora Leigh** When burglars try to break into her home, kindergarten teacher Hannah Brookes is lucky to have Sheriff Rick Grayson on her side. Especially when their mutual attraction leads to distraction. *Reckless* by **Red Garnier** Police detective Zach Rivers isn't the only man in Phoenix who's obsessed with the beautiful Paige Avery – but he's definitely the sexiest and, quite possibly, the most dangerous. *Tempt Me* by **Alexis Grant** R&B star Anita

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense continued has beauty, talent, fame – and her very own stalker – which is why she needs a professional bodyguard. But can she resist mixing business with pleasure when the hired muscle is to die for? *Love Me 'til Death* by **Lorie O'Clare** Homicide detective Ashley Jones hates working with the FBI. But Chase Reed is one special agent whose rule-breaking methods, razor-sharp mind, and rock-hard body make for one killer combination ...

Summer on Blossom Street by **Debbie Macomber** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Blossom Street Series*. Knitting and life are both about beginnings and endings. That's why it makes sense for Lydia Goetz, owner of A Good Yarn on Seattle's Blossom Street, to offer a class called Knit to Quit. It's for people who want to quit something – or someone – and start over.

Chasing Perfect by **Susan Mallery** (Paperback – \$24). *Fool's Gold Series*. Welcome to Fool's Gold, California, a charming community in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada. There's lots to do and plenty of people to meet, especially women. Because there's just one tiny problem in Fool's Gold: the men don't seem to stick around. Maybe it's the lure of big-city life, or maybe it's plain old bad luck, but regardless of the reason, the problem has to be fixed, fast. And Charity Jones may be just the city planner to do it ... Charity's nomadic childhood has left her itching to settle down, and she immediately falls in love with all the storybook town has to offer – everything, that is, except its sexiest and most famous resident, former world-class cyclist Josh Golden. With her long list of romantic disasters, she's not about to take a chance on another bad boy, even if everyone else thinks he's perfect just the way he is. But maybe that's just what he needs – someone who knows the value of his flaws. Someone who knows that he's just “chasing perfect.”

Extreme Danger by **Shannon McKenna** (Paperback Release – \$24). Nobody's home at the millionaire's estate on remote Frakes Island. And nobody seems to be watching. Becca Cantrell dives in for an illicit midnight skinnydip – and gets hauled out by a towering, hard-muscled guy with burning dark eyes. He seems to be in charge. Good. The man is the embodiment of her most intense fantasies. And she's up for risky thrills ... Nick Ward can't tell her that he's spying on a vicious Russian crime boss. Becca could be his worst enemy: an assassin sent to kill him, a call girl sent to distract him, or the worst scenario of all – a clueless innocent. Anyway he looks at it, she's trouble: beautiful, bare, dripping-wet trouble. The kind he can't resist ... She's not scared. After one taste of his hot mouth, Becca soon discovers just how fearless she can be. She'll need it, too – because things are about to explode on Frakes Island, launching Becca and Nick into danger they could never have imagined – and a passion that could destroy them both.

Last Chance by **Christy Reece** (Paperback – \$24). *Last Chance Rescue Series*. McKenna Sloan saved Lucas Kane's life and then vanished. Lucas moved mountains trying to find her again, and finally McKenna relented – for one fleeting night. The truth is, McKenna's life is all about the dark, deception-filled world of Last Chance Rescue, and for her, there's no hope of love or Lucas. But fate, and Lucas's determination, soon change everything. A kidnapped young woman, a lure to out a killer and the fierce need to bring a criminal to justice combine for one explosive event. For a woman who specializes in staying away from relationships and staying in the heart of danger, this is the most

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impossible mission of all. Because the odds are deadly, and the passion won't die.

I Can See You by **Karen Rose** (Paperback Release – \$24). Eve Wilson's face was once marred by a vicious assault. Terrified and ashamed, she retreated to the virtual realm where no one could see her. Now, years later, her outer scars faded and inner scars buried, she's fought her way back to the real world, and is determined to help others do the same. Then her test subjects on the addictive powers of the Internet start turning up as "suicides." Detective Noah Webster is one of the few people who believe the deaths are connected murders. To find the twisted killer, he must rely on Eve. Together, they enter an intoxicating world of alternate identities and secret passions ... and find themselves trapped in the fight of their lives.

Play Dead by **Meryl Sawyer** (Paperback – \$24). When Newport Beach heiress Hayley Fordham heads to Costa Rica on an art commission, she has no idea she's narrowly escaped an assassin's car bomb. But before the paint's even dry on her mural, her stepsiblings have arranged her funeral and redivided the family trust. The fact that Hayley is still very much alive remains a secret to everyone but FBI investigator Ryan Hollister, who intercepts the "victim" returning home in the flesh ... Ryan has zero tolerance for the pampered elite. But there's something about the complex Hayley that sets his blood racing. With evidence pointing to a Fordham family associate, Ryan needs her cooperation – and her closeness – more than he dares admit. Because now, especially now, he's prepared to risk anything to stop Hayley from being killed ... again.

Sweet Tea at Sunrise by **Sheryl Woods** (Paperback – \$24). *Sweet Magnolias Series*. Emotionally wounded single mom Sarah Price has come home to Serenity, South Carolina, for a fresh start. With support from her two best friends – the newest generation of the Sweet Magnolias – she can face any crisis. But sometimes a woman needs more than even treasured friends can provide. Sexy Travis McDonald may be exactly what Sarah's battered self-confidence requires. The newcomer is intent on getting Sarah to work at his fledgling radio station ... and maybe into his bed, as well. Sarah has learned not to trust sweet words. She'll measure the man by his actions. Is Travis the one to heal her heart? Or will he break it again?

Crime & Mystery

First Family by **David Baldacci** (Paperback Release – \$27). *Sean King and Michelle Maxwell Series*. A daring kidnapping turns a children's birthday party at Camp David into a national security nightmare, but the hostage is not who anyone would expect. The First Lady enlists the services of King and Maxwell to bring the child back safely. Years ago, King saved her then-senator husband from an assassin's bullet; whether they shared anything else is their secret. With Michelle still recovering from her own demons, the pair are pushed to the limit, with forces aligned on all sides against them, and the line between friend and foe impossible to define ... or defend.

61 Hours by **Lee Child** (Trade Paperback – \$30). *Jack Reacher Series*. Sixty-one hours. Not a minute to spare ... A tour bus crashes in a savage snowstorm and lands Jack Reacher in the middle of a deadly confrontation. In nearby Bolton, South Dakota, one brave woman is standing up for justice in a small town threatened by sinister forces. If she's going to live long enough to testify, she'll need help. Because a killer is coming to Bolton, a coldly proficient assassin who never misses ...

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Reacher's original plan was to keep on moving. But the next 61 hours will change everything. The secrets are deadlier and his enemies are stronger than he could have guessed – but so is the woman whose life he'll risk his own to save.

Caught by **Harlan Coben** (Trade Paperback – \$30). A reporter's investigative work has resulted in a man being taken into custody in front of a shocked television audience. But months later, she realizes she may have unwittingly been part of a grand manipulation aiming to destroy an innocent man.

Night Killer by **Beverly Connor** (Paperback – \$24). *Diane Fallon Series*. Forensic investigator Diane Fallon is driving through a downpour on a windy mountain road after picking up a set of rare Indian artifacts when a tree suddenly slams across the hood of her car, revealing a human skeleton in its hollow trunk. As she starts to investigate, she's ambushed by a stranger and forced to run for her life. Stranded in the night with a killer, Diane must uncover a secret hidden away by time and distance – or she may not live to see another morning ...

The Double Comfort Safari Club by **Alexander McCall Smith** (Hardcover – \$36). *No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency Series*. Mma Ramotswe and Mma Makutsi head to a safari camp to carry out a delicate mission on behalf of a former guest who has left one of the guides a large sum of money. But once they find their man, Precious begins to sense that something is not right. To make matters worse, shortly before their departure Mma Makutsi's fiancé, Phuti Radiphuti, suffers a debilitating accident, and when his aunt moves in to take care of him, she also pushes Mma Makutsi out of the picture. Could she be trying to break up the relationship? Finally, a local priest and his wife independently approach Mma Ramotswe with concerns of infidelity, creating a rather unusual and tricky situation. Nevertheless, Precious is confident that with a little patience, kindness and good sense things will work out for the best, something that will delight her many fans.

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The Treasure Keeper by **Shana Abe** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Drakon Series*. She is a young drakon of untried powers. He is the powerful second son of the Alpha male from their clan of shapeshifting, supersensual beings. And what she is about to attempt will violate every taboo and break every law that bind the drakon together – and just may save them from destruction ... A mere seamstress's daughter, Zoe Cyprienne Lane isn't even in the same league as Lord Rhys Langford. Nothing could be more shocking than the notion that she'd set out to find her childhood friend and first true love. But when news arrives in the Carpathian Mountains of Transylvania that Rhys is being held captive, that's just what she does. Guided by her own hidden Gifts and her psychic link to Rhys – his presence and touch as electric as if he were beside her in the flesh – Zoe is his last lifeline to a world and a passion he thought he'd never regain. Only reunited, hunter and huntress, can they save the drakon from those who would destroy them all.

Demon Keepers by **Jessica Andersen** (Paperback – \$24). *Nightkeepers Series*. According to Mayan doomsday prophecy, 12/21/12 marks the end of the world in a global cataclysm that can only be prevented by the Nightkeepers, magical warriors enlisted to fight the rise of the underworld demons. To fulfill the final prophecy the Nightkeepers must find their mates, but when Lucius and Jade are charged with rescuing the

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Mayan sun god, they try to ignore their growing attraction. Unless they can confront their own demons and accept that love isn't a weakness, even destiny might not be able to save them ...

Running Scared by **Shannon K. Butcher** (Paperback – \$24). *Sentinel Wars Series*. Lexi Johns has one purpose: to free her best friend from the hands of the Sentinels. And the Sentinel she has been running from for months, Zach, has one goal: to convince her that their destinies are entwined. For the magic that Zach has absorbed could destroy him if he doesn't find the woman to channel it for him. And he knows Lexi is the one ...

Touch of Surrender by **Rhyannon Byrd** (Paperback – \$24). *Primal Instinct Series*. With his auburn hair and lean build, Kierland Scott looks more man than lycan. But his wolf instincts are aroused by the gray-eyed Morgan Cantrell. Not because of her beauty, but because of her long-ago betrayal, a fateful choice that made their love impossible ... Now, however, the two Watchmen must team up, leaving the placid Lake Country for the forests of Scandinavia. To rescue Kierland's brother, they must track a vampire – and use their combined shape-shifting sensitivities in a battle that will take them beyond death. As the two learn to seek together, they begin to understand the history that has driven them apart. But they will have to overcome death itself, if their shared passion is to have a chance.

Out of Sight by **Stella Cameron** (Paperback – \$24). *Court of Angels Series*. Psychic master talent Sykes Millet can vanish at will, read minds and control others with hypnosis. What Sykes cannot do is escape his destiny – an ancient curse foretelling the misery his dark beauty may bring to everyone he loves ... Poppy Fortune knows all too well the burden of having paranormal talent. The supernatural world has fractured her entire family – now it's keeping at bay the one man she wants more than life ... Driven by hatred for the Millets, a killing force has attacked New Orleans. The evil Embran race has no conscience and intends to terrorize the city into submission. Sykes and Poppy must set aside old distrust and use their bonded talents to save their families, themselves ... and New Orleans.

Soulless by **Gail Carriger** (Paperback – \$24). *Parasol Protectorate Series*. Alexia Tarabotti is laboring 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 (loud, messy, gorgeous, and werewolf) 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 soulless ability to negate supernatural powers prove useful or just plain embarrassing? Finally, who is the real enemy, and do they have treacle tart?

Changeless by **Gail Carriger** (Paperback – \$24). *Parasol Protectorate Series*. Alexia Tarabotti, the Lady Woolsey, awakens in the wee hours of the mid-afternoon to find her husband, who should be decently asleep like any normal werewolf, yelling at the top of his lungs. Then he disappears – leaving her to deal with a regiment of supernatural soldiers encamped on her doorstep, a plethora of exorcised ghosts, and an angry Queen Victoria ... But Alexia is armed with her trusty parasol, the latest fashions, and an arsenal of biting civility.

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Even when her investigations take her to Scotland, the backwater of ugly waistcoats, she is prepared: upending werewolf pack dynamics as only the soulless can ... She might even find time to track down her wayward husband, if she feels like it.

Burned by **P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast** (Trade Paperback – \$35). *House of Night Series*. Zoey Redbird, vampire High Priestess in training, seems to have lost herself. Her awesome powers over the elements were not enough to save someone close to her, and now her group must help her reclaim her centre and find herself again. But evil has its own plans, and these won't wait for Zoey to return to full power. The House of Night is facing its biggest threat yet and Zoey, and her BFFs, are needed at full strength to face the trials that have besieged it. And these trials go beyond any (un)usual red vampire, fallen immortal, or even boyfriend troubles. Darkness is taking on the world and only Zoey can fight a path through to the light ... if she dares.

Undead and Unwelcome by **MaryJanice Davidson** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Betsy Taylor Series*. Betsy Taylor has problems that only a vampire queen/suburban wife could possibly understand. Such as taking the body of her werewolf friend Antonia – who died in her service – to Cape Cod, where she's not sure if the Wyndham werewolves will welcome her with fangs or friendship. Meanwhile, her posse back in St. Paul is sending frantic e-mails alerting Betsy to her half-sister's increasingly erratic behavior. Looks like the devil's daughter is coming into her own – and raising hell.

Stealing Kathryn by **Jacquelyn Frank** (Paperback – \$24). *Gatherers Series*. Sandman. Angus. Morpheus. He is known by many names, except his true one, Adrian. When he departs his world, it is to enter the sacred space of sleep, and he is not there to sow sweet dreams. Adrian's mission is to reap the dark energy of nightmares, work that has twisted his soul as well as his once-handsome face. Now, he lives only to await the day darkness finally overcomes him ... and to collect exquisite reminders of what he's lost ... But there is one treasure that stands apart. Having risked everything to obtain her, Adrian soon realizes his mistake. For Kathryn has a wholly unexpected power over him, not only for what she represents, but for what for she is: a soul with desires as strong as his own, tempered by compassion that could save Adrian from his self-made hell – or condemn them both ...

Chaos Bites by **Lori Handeland** (Paperback – \$24). *Phoenix Chronicles*. It's not the end of the world – yet. But Doomsday once again lies in wait for demon-slayer Elizabeth Phoenix. Several weeks ago she had no choice but to kill a man she loved. Sawyer was a witch and shape-shifter, a sorcerer of incredible strength. And now he's started to invade her dreams ... in the most dangerous and sensuous ways imaginable ... Through her nighttime visits with Sawyer, Liz has acquired a new set of paranormal powers. She has also received a special new gift in the form of Sawyer's baby. Now nothing is as it seems as Liz combs through the chaos of her new life while trying to outrun death at every turn. She's going to need all the help she can get – even if that means dealing with her embittered ex-lover Jimmy Sanducci. He may be the only one left she can trust ... since every other demon on earth is hell-bent on her destruction.

Blood Born by **Linda Howard and Linda Jones** (Paperback – \$24). *Conduit Series*. When the human and the vampire worlds collide, there will be hell to pay ... Luca Ambrus is a rare breed: vampire from birth,

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begotten by vampire parents, blood born. He is also an agent of the Council – the centuries-old cabal that governs vampirekind, preserving their secrecy and destroying those who betray them ... When a cryptic summons leads him to the scene of the brutal killing of a powerful Council member, Luca begins the hunt for an assassin among his own people. But instead of a lone killer he discovers a sinister conspiracy of rogue vampires bent on subjugating the mortal world. All that stands in their way are the conduits, humans able to channel spirit warriors into the physical world to protect mankind. Chloe Fallon is a conduit – and a target of the vampire assassin who's killing them. When Luca saves her life, an irresistible bond of trust – along with more passionate feelings – is forged between them. As more victims fall, Chloe and Luca have only each other to depend on to save the world from the reign of monsters – and salvage their own future together.

Silent Truth by **Sherrilyn Kenyon and Dianna Love** (Paperback – \$24). *BAD Series*. Tough-as-nails Bureau of American Defense agent Hunter Thornton-Payne is no stranger to uncomfortable top-secret missions, but tonight takes the cake. He just needs to stick out a stuffy charity fund-raiser long enough to find the ruthless assassin he's hunted for four years. It's a rogue operation, but Hunter's got nothing to lose – until a beautiful brunette unexpectedly pulls him into her own dangerous agenda. Abbie Blanton will do anything to cure her mother's mysterious illness. When a high-profile heiress is murdered as Abbie tries to blackmail her for clues, Abbie realizes she's stumbled into an unforgiving conspiracy – and she's the next target. Soon, she and Hunter discover an alarming connection and begin a treacherous battle against an evil enterprise that someone will go to terrifying lengths to keep hidden.

Love In the Time of Dragons by **Katie MacAlister** (Paperback – \$24). *Light Dragons Series*. Tully Sullivan is just like any other suburban mom – except she's just woken up in a strange place surrounded by strange people who keep insisting that they're dragons – and that she's one too.

Blood Promise by **Richelle Mead** (Paperback Release – \$20). *Vampire Academy Series*. Guardian Rose Hathaway's life will never be the same ... The recent attack on St. Vladimir's Academy devastated the entire Moroi world. Many are dead. And, for the few victims carried off by Strigoi, their fates are even worse. A rare tattoo now adorns Rose's neck; a mark that says she's killed far too many Strigoi to count. But only one victim matters ... Dimitri Belikov. Rose must now choose one of two very different paths: honoring her life's vow to protect Lissa – her best friend and the last surviving Dragomir princess – or dropping out of the Academy to strike out on her own and hunt down the man she loves. She'll have to go to the ends of the earth to find Dimitri and keep the promise he begged her to make. But the question is, when the time comes, will he want to be saved?

The Demon In Me by **Michelle Rowen** (Paperback – \$24). *Living in Eden Series*. Hell hath no fury like a woman possessed ... After her hunky police detective partner guns down a serial killer in front of her, “psychic consultant” Eden Riley realizes that she's no longer alone. A voice in her head introduces himself as Darrak. He's a demon. But not in a bad way. He was cursed 300 years ago and he wants to find a way to break free. Eden's psychic energy helps him take form during daylight, and she's going to have to learn to live with this sexy demon ... like it or not.

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Touching Darkness by **Jaime Rush** (Paperback – \$24). *Offspring Series*. 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 ... Nicholas Braden has an uncanny psychic talent for finding things – which is why he's been recruited for a covert government program designed to hunt down terrorists. While his work for a shady controller named Darkwell is leading him down some very questionable alleyways, it's also bringing him closer to Olivia, Darkwell's stunning young assistant. A good girl with a wild, secret side, Olivia tempts Nicholas in ways he never believed possible – and in his business, a loss of control could prove fatal ... But there is something not right about the operation. And as Nicholas and Olivia's passion reaches a white-hot intensity, chilling reversals of good and evil, of right and wrong, suddenly threaten their very survival.

Destiny's Star by **Elizabeth Vaughan** (Paperback – \$24). *Epic of Palins Series*. Bethral, a beautiful warrior, and Ezren, a quick-witted storyteller, are confronted with a civil war and a tribe of warriors with their own code of honor and their own rules of pleasure and partnership. To stay alive, they must learn new customs, confront their enemies, and conceal Ezren's fiery power.

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Seducing an Angel by **Mary Balogh** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Huxtable Series*. He must be wealthy, wellborn, and want her more than he wants any other woman. Those are the conditions that must be met by the man Cassandra Belmont chooses for her lover. Marriage is out of the question for the destitute widow who stands accused of murdering her husband and must now barter her beauty in order to survive. With seduction in mind, she sets her sights on Stephen Huxtable, the irresistibly attractive Earl of Merton and London's most eligible bachelor. But Stephen's first intriguing glimpse of the mysterious, alluring Lady Paget convinces him that he has found the ideal woman to share his bed. There is only one caveat. This relationship fueled by mutual pleasure must be on “his” terms ... As the two warily circle each other in a sensual dance of attack and retreat, a single night of passion alters all the rules. Cassandra, whose reputation is already in tatters, is now in danger of losing the one thing she vowed never to give. And Stephen, who wants Cassandra more than he has ever wanted any woman, won't rest until she has surrendered everything – not as his mistress – but as his lover and wife ...

In Pursuit of a Scandalous Lady by **Gayle Callen** (Paperback – \$24). *Scandalous Lady Series*. The biggest secret in London is about to be ... revealed ... Every gentleman is wondering: Who is the beauty in the scandalous nude portrait hanging in one of London's most fashionable clubs? Is it true that she's a member of the ton? Who would be so daring? So reckless? ... Julian Delane, Earl of Parkhurst, has a good idea. So good, in fact, that he's willing to make a wager on it. If only the bet were all that's at stake ... Determined to clear the family name from a scandal that claimed his father's life, Julian believes the ravishing model will lead him to answers. Rebecca Leland – spirited, adventurous, with a bit of a wild streak – is just as determined to evade his questions. But when Julian finally corners his quarry, he may find Rebecca well worth the pursuit.

A Lady Never Tells by **Candace Camp** (Paperback – \$24). *Willowmere Series*. When Mary Bascombe's stepfather tries to sell her and her sisters to the highest bidder after their mother's death, she resolves to take

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drastic action. Although their British mother was estranged from her family, Mary decides the four will flee to London and take their place in society as granddaughters of the Earl of Stewkesbury ... Dashing Sir Royce Winslow doubts the honesty of the young women's claim – despite their charms, they seem to be hiding something. His attraction to feisty Mary, however, is no ruse, so when the sisters are shipped off to Willowmere, the earl's country estate, to acquire some polish, Royce is quick to join them. When an unknown villain attempts a kidnapping, Royce and Mary are thrown together as they confront the danger ... and Royce learns that while high society may sing the praises of proper behavior, it is a most improper American who is winning his heart.

A Lady's Guide to Improper Behavior by **Suzanne Enoch** (Paperback – \$24). *Adventurers Club Series*. Theresa Weller understands the rules of decorum, and is appalled when Colonel Bartholomew James disrupts a perfectly civilized dinner. This rude, insensitive man is the complete opposite of everything a gentleman should be – but with one searing kiss, Tess can think of no one else ... Aggravated beyond bearing by a man who speaks his mind, Tess wishes there was a guide to men like Bartholomew. Surely, with such an assortment of handsome, polite suitors to choose from, Tess should not ache for him ... But she invites him on carriage rides and dares him to dance, and almost makes him want to return to Society. Bartholomew knows Tess wants to be seen as a proper miss, but deep down, he knows she is precisely the sort to spark his desire ... A most “improper” lady.

Uncertain Magic by **Laura Kinsale** (Paperback Reissue – \$27). Dreadful rumors swirl around the impoverished Irish lord known as “The Devil Earl.” But Faelan Savigar hides a dark secret, for even he doesn't know what dreadful deeds he may be capable of ... Roderica Delamore fears no man will ever want a wife who can read his every thought and emotion, until she encounters Faelan. As the two find their way to each other against all odds, Roddy becomes determined to save Faelan from his terrifying and mysterious ailment. But will their love end up saving him ... or destroying her? A breathtaking historical romance filled with poignancy, darkness, love, and an unexpected twist of Gaelic magic ...

A Rogue of My Own by **Johanna Lindsey** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Reid Family Series*. For Lady Rebecca Marshall, a whirlwind of excitement begins when she becomes a maid of honor at the court of Queen Victoria. But when Rebecca unknowingly steps into the rivalry between the Queen's spymaster and a noblewoman who uses the maids as courtly spies, she is soon entangled in a web of deceit with the charming marquis Rupert St. John. The devastatingly handsome ne'er-do-well is the cousin of Raphael Locke, with whom Rebecca was once infatuated ... He's also a secret agent of the crown who leads a double life. Certain that guileless Rebecca is spying on him, Rupert seduces her – then, forced to wed, he believes she has set a trap of the worst sort in order to marry into his powerful family! But as he comes to know Rebecca's true heart, his vow of revenge and infidelity becomes a desire to share many passionate nights – only with his beautiful wife.

Rule's Bride by **Kat Martin** (Paperback – \$24). *Bride Trilogy*. Unrepentant rake Rule Dewar is living the good life when a most surprising event occurs – he falls in love with his wife ... After their strategic “marriage of commerce” three years ago, Rule quite forgot about

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Violet Griffin, the teenage heiress to a Boston manufacturing fortune. He simply spoke his vows, took over her father's business and returned to England to resume his usual pursuits: high-priced wine, high-stakes gambling and highborn women ... Yet when Violet, now a sophisticated woman, unexpectedly appears at Rule's London town house, husbandly duties no longer seem so odious – he can't wait to take his stunning bride to their marriage bed. Violet, however, is not so easily led: she has her own ideas and is seeking an annulment to marry another. But as Rule attempts to win her over, someone else is determined to frame him for murder and keep him out of the way for good ...

Never Less Than a Lady by **Mary Jo Putney** (Paperback – \$22). *Lost Lords Series*. As the sole remaining heir to the Earl of Daventry, battle weary Major Alexander Randall knows his duty: find a wife and sire a son. The perfect bride for a man in his position would be a biddable young girl of good breeding. But the woman who haunts his imagination is Julia Bancroft – a quiet village midwife with shattering secrets that thrust her into Randall's protection ... Within the space of a day, Julia has been abducted by her first husband's cronies, rescued, and proposed to by a man she scarcely knows – yet has been unable to forget. Though a union with the handsome, enigmatic major offers safety, she fears she can never trust any man again. But as passion slowly warms Julia's damaged heart, she starts to hope that perhaps a Lost Lord can teach her what a true marriage can be ...

Burning Lamp by **Amanda Quick** (Hardcover – \$45). *Dreamlight Trilogy*. The Arcane Society was born in turmoil when the friendship of its two founders evolved into a fierce rivalry. Nicholas Winters's efforts led to the creation of a device of unknown powers called the Burning Lamp. Each generation of male descendants who inherits it is destined to develop multiple talents – and the curse of madness ... Plagued by hallucinations and nightmares, notorious crime lord Griffin Winters is convinced he has been struck with the Winters Curse. But even as he arranges a meeting with the mysterious woman Adelaide Pyne, he has no idea how closely their fates are bound, for she holds the missing lamp in her possession. But their dangerous psychic experiment makes them the target of forces both inside and outside of the Arcane Society. And though desire strengthens their power, their different lives will keep them apart – if death doesn't take them together.

Patience by **Lisa Valdez** (Paperback – \$24). *Passion Series*. A woman called Patience ... A desire that would put her name – and love – to the test ... Known for her exceptional beauty, Patience Emmalina Dare fears she'll never find a man who touches her deeply – until she shares a passionate kiss with her enigmatic brother-in-law. But can she reconcile her desire for him with her desire for a life that's her own?

Sweetest Little Sin by **Christine Wells** (Paperback – \$24). The only man for Lady Louisa Brooke is the wild and ruthless Marquis of Jardine, who has suddenly left her with nothing except the secret they share. Her future in ruins, Louisa recklessly accepts a mission from the head of the secret service and becomes embroiled in a perilous operation in which nothing is as it seems.

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Sweet Temptation by **Maya Banks** (Trade Paperback – \$32). *Sweet Series*. Micah Hudson has painful secrets in his past that he's trying to forget, but he's about to be confronted with the one person who knows his secrets –

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Angelina, the sister of his oldest friend. And she'll use whatever it takes to reel him in.

Linger by **Maya Banks** (Trade Paperback – Anthology – \$32). *Songbird* Years ago, Greer and Taggart meant everything to Emily. Their cavalier rejection sent her into the arms of their youngest brother. Her angelic voice launches her to stardom – until tragedy shocks her into silence. Grieving for their brother, Taggart and Greer take Emily back to Montana, determined to help her heal and find her voice again. Under the protective shield of their love, she begins to blossom. Then an old threat resurfaces. Now the men who love her face a fight for what they once threw away. *Stay With Me* Catherine hopes her announcement to the two men in her life – she's pregnant – will be the perfect start to the vacation they promised her: two weeks on a Jamaican beach. No cell phones, no emails, no business. But when they blow her off for yet another business emergency, she packs her bags for her long-awaited vacation – alone. When Logan and Rhys come home to an empty house, they realize two things: One, it was a mistake to take Catherine for granted. Two, they're not willing to just let her walk out of their lives. Getting her back will be the toughest deal they've ever negotiated.

Wild West Boys by **Lorelei James** (Trade Paperback – Anthology – \$32). *Mistress Christmas* When accountant Holly North is guilted into filling in at a Christmas-themed strip club, she fears she'll be recognized – or worse, exposed as a fraud. Instead she's shocked at how deliciously wicked it feels to don a velvet mask and the Mrs. Claus-as-dominatrix outfit ... Detective Nick West is determined to find out who robbed his friend after a lap dance. Visions of revenge vanish faster than a flying sleigh when he encounters Mistress Christmas, a leggy brunette with a lush mouth made for mistletoe – and a holiday wish: for a secret Santa to sweep her away for a night of anonymous sexual pleasure. *Miss Firecracker* One year ago carpenter Willow Gregory accidentally won the Miss Firecracker crown. Now she's ready to cut loose, but celebrating didn't include waking up in a sexy stranger's bed. Nor agreeing to work off the damage she caused to his friend's bar – or go to jail ... Normally, bartender Blake West could ignore a drunken, horny, naked beauty queen. But there's something about Willow that makes him want to blow his Mr. Nice Guy persona all to hell. It was supposed to be a no-heartstrings-attached affair, but every grinding kiss, every stolen touch leads to another ...

Jared by **Sarah McCarty** (Trade Paperback – \$32). *Shadow Wranglers Series*. Jared Johnson has always been a force to be reckoned with, first as an outlaw and now as a vampire. Caught in a war between immortals,

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he doesn't have time to waste, but when a female vampire is attacked, he can't just walk away. He expects a quick goodbye, but what he gets is a vulnerable woman who intrigues and seduces while giving away nothing of the secrets holding her hostage ... Raisa may not have extreme physical strength, but she's been able to survive as a vampire longer than most by keeping to herself. But that's about to change. Forced to accept Jared's protection, Raisa finds it increasingly hard to resist his forbidden allure while keeping the secret that could destroy them both.

Mainstream & Chick Lit

One Day in May by **Catherine Alliott** (Trade Paperback – \$35). Single mother Hattie has plenty of reasons to be happy with her life. Her antiques business is flourishing, her teenage son is settled at boarding school and she's enjoying a fling with a younger, very sexy man. But all that changes one fine day in May when Hattie's job takes her back to the idyllic village of Lower Hamble and painful memories of her first love – Dominic Forbes, the married politician she worked for many years ago, the man who changed the course of her life – come flooding back ... Things come to a head when Hattie bumps into Dominic's widow and his gorgeous older brother, Hal, in the village and she finds her world turned upside down. Will Hattie come clean about what really happened with Dominic all those years ago? And, if she does, is she ready to face the consequences? Whatever happens, Hattie comes to realize that you can't keep running from your mistakes. It's time to move on and maybe, just maybe, let herself fall in love again.

Stolen by **Lesley Pearse** (Trade Paperback – \$35). When a beautiful blonde girl is found half-drowned on a beach, she has no memory of who she is or what horrors have left her there ... But an article about her in a Brighton newspaper rings alarm bells for beautician Dale, who shows the police photographs of Lotte Wainright. The girls met working on a cruise ship and their friendship blossomed as they sailed the seas of South America, until Lotte fell under the sinister influence of an older American couple. To her regret, Dale hasn't seen Lotte since leaving the ship months earlier ... but the girl on the beach – although badly bruised – is indeed her much missed friend ... Their reunion only marks the beginning of a dangerous tidal wave of secrets, lies and nightmares. Where has Lotte been? Who is the man who seems to want to kill her? And what has become of the baby she's recently given birth to? ... Dale and Lotte must dig deep and find the strength to hold on against the odds if they are to rebuild their friendship and survive Lotte's stolen – and deadly – past ...

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