

## **Diamonds and Rubies and Pearls, Oh My!**

**The Property of a Lady** by Elizabeth Adler [F/ADL]

Agents from both superpowers converge on a fine gem auction where it is believed that a stone from the Ivanoff treasure, last seen in the tiara of a Russian princess killed during the revolution, is to be sold.

**The Relic** by Evelyn Anthony [LP/F/ANT][F/ANT]

When Lucy Warren's immigrant father dies, she takes his St. Valdimir's cross to the Ukrainian dissident leader, Dmitri Volkov, in Geneva.

**Destiny** by Sally Beauman [F/BEA]

Across continents and through the decades of the postwar era, two people – a now celebrated woman born in a trailer and the scion of a devastated jewel empire – struggle to find love and success.

**Stone 588** by Gerald Browne [LP/F/BRO]

The theft of a mysterious octahedron crystal that had fallen into the hands of diamond merchant Phillip Springer leads Springer on a desperate quest to reclaim the stone, which he believes can help his critically ill son.

**Breakfast at Tiffany's** by Truman Capote [VID/BRE][F/CAP]

This is the tale of a fun-loving, amoral playgirl in New York City and is accompanied by "House of Flowers," "A Diamond Guitar," and "A Christmas Memory."

**The Moonstone** by Wilkie Collins [LP/F/COL][F/COL]

When the Moonstone, a huge diamond from India, disappears, Miss Verinder believes that her lover is the thief, but others are also suspected.

**The Double-Minded Men** by Philip Craig [M/CRA]

Former Boston cop Jeff Jackson finds his anticipated enjoyment of an idyllic summer on Martha's Vineyard threatened by the arrival of a royal potentate in search of a stolen necklace, the kidnapping of his friend Zee Madieras and murder.

**Shock Wave** by Clive Cussler

[LP/F/CUS][F/CUS]

While studying a deadly plague in the Pacific, Dirk Pitt rescues a band of rich castaways who were deserted by their cruise ship and learns that the plague had been caused by a passenger's father, who uses ultrasound to mine diamonds.

**The Jewel That Was Ours** by Colin Dexter

[M/DEX]

When an American tourist is found dead of a heart attack in the posh Randolph Hotel and an irreplaceable piece of ancient jewelry is missing, Inspector Morse begins an investigation.

**Straight** by Dick Francis

[LP/M/FRA][M/FRA]

The death of his brother Greville – an enigmatic figure with numerous enemies – bodes ill for Derek Franklin, who inherits numerous aspects of his life, including its dangers.

**A Palm for Mrs. Pollifax** by Dorothy Gilman

[CAS/M/GIL][LP/M/GIL][M/GIL]

An innocent looking Grandmother who has knowledge of karate agrees to help the CIA recover plutonium that has been stolen.

**The Rescuer** by Dee Henderson

[F/HEN]

Overwhelmed by the loss of his sister and by his work as a paramedic, Stephen O'Malley is still happy to help his friend Meghan, and when her life is endangered, they find that faith may be the only thing to get them both out alive.

**Always A Thief** by Kay Hooper

[LP/F/HOO]

Uneasy about the forthcoming exhibition of the priceless Bannister collection, show director Morgan West finds herself forced into an uneasy alliance with master cat burglar Quinn, who enlists her assistance to catch an adversary.

**Once a Thief** by Kay Hooper

[LP/F/HOO][F/HOO]

While preparing for the showing of the Bannister collection, exhibit director Morgan West has a late-night run-in with international cat burglar Quinn and also experiences strong premonitions of danger as the display opening draws closer.

**Treasurers** by Johanna Kingsley [F/KIN]

Struggling to reach the heights of the glamorous jewelry design business, beautiful Pietra D'Angeli finds romance, betrayal and frustrating setbacks as she searches for a long-lost collection of family jewels stolen by her uncle.

**The Jewels of Tessa Kent** by Judith Krantz [F/KRA]

A woman tries to reconcile with the estranged daughter she gave birth to when she was fourteen years old.

**Amber Beach** by Elizabeth Lowell [F/LOW]

When her favorite brother, Kyle, vanishes along with a fortune in stolen amber, Honor Donovan ventures to the San Juan Islands to find him, accompanied by Jake Mallory, a secret amber broker for her powerful family and together they find danger, long lost treasure and love.

**Jade Island** by Elizabeth Lowell [F/LOW]

Kyle Donovan leaves his father's gem trading empire to become a treasure hunter. His first job is to find cultural treasures from the Tang vaults. Lianne Blakely has been accused of the theft. The two fall in love and vow to find the real thief together, a venture that draws them into international power plays.

**Pearl Cove** by Elizabeth Lowell [LP/F/LOW][F/LOW]

Confronted by her late husband's suspicious death, the prospect of bankruptcy and the disappearance of a priceless black pearl necklace called the "Black Trinity," young widow Hannah McGarry reluctantly turns for help to the seductive Archer Donovan, the silent partner in her husband's pearl farm enterprise.

**Midnight in Ruby Bayou** by Elizabeth Lowell [F/LOW]

A story of greed, corruption and betrayal involving Faith Donovan, a jeweler and Owen Walker, a man very knowledgeable about the ruby trade.

**Diamond Eyes** by John Lutz

[M/LUT]

Private detective Alo Nudger matches wits with an unscrupulous insurance investigator, a sadist and a terminally ill killer as he searches for a million-dollar cache of stolen diamonds and the murderer of his client, Vanita White.

**The Family Vault** by Charlotte MacLeod

[LP/M/MAC][CAS/M/MAC]

A determined Sarah Kelling, of the aristocratic Kellings of Boston, tries to single out the relative responsible for the burial of the notorious Miss Ruby Redd in the family mausoleum.

**Dead Girls Don't Wear Diamonds** by Nancy Martin

[M/MAR]

Ex-debutante Nora, who cast aside her life of wealth and privilege to be a columnist for a Philadelphia newspaper, rushes to the aid of her old flame, Flan Cooper, when he is accused of murdering a high society jewel thief.

**Into the Darkness** by Barbara Michaels

[LP/F/MIC][F/MIC]

When Meg Venturi inherits a share in her eccentric grandfather's antique jewelry business, she becomes part owner with an aloof and attractive young man who is stirring up controversy throughout the town.

**The Goddess Affair** by Lillian O'Donnell

[M/ODO]

While investigating a series of jewelry thefts on a luxurious ocean liner, private investigator Gwenn Ramadge suddenly switches gears as she hunts for the murderer of the owner of a dressmaking firm.

**Getting Mother's Body** by Suzan-Lori Parks

[CD/F/PAR][F/PAR]

Learning that a company plans to dig up the area where her mother is buried, supposedly with a cache of jewels, Billy Beede, poor and pregnant, heads for Arizona to rescue her mother's body and search for the jewels that could bring her a new life.

**But He Was Already Dead When I Got There** by Barbara Paul [M/PAU]

The murder of miserly Vincent Farwell confronts Police Lieutenant Frederick Toomey with a case in which there is a surplus of suspects, all of whom had motive and opportunity and had been with the body before its official discovery.

**Don't Look Back** by Amanda Quick [CAS/F/QUI][F/QUI]

Lavinia Lake and Tobias March are back in a case of intrigue involving an ancient cameo bracelet, known as the Blue Medusa, said to possess terrifying powers.

**Honest Illusions** by Nora Roberts [LP/F/ROB][F/ROB]

Roxy Nouvelle, daughter of a world-renowned magician, inherits her father's penchant for jewel thievery, but when escape artist Luke Callahan enters her world, she is forced to make some changes.

**Sweet Revenge** by Nora Roberts [LP/F/ROB]

Adrienne, daughter of a Hollywood star and an Arab playboy, lives a double life as a highly successful jewel thief.

**Seventh Commandment** by Lawrence Sanders [LP/F/SAN][F/SAN]

When Hartford insurance investigator Dora Conti and NYPD detective John Wenden probe the street murder of jewelry magnate Lewis Starrett, they uncover a dark web of corruption behind the Starrett empire's glittering façade.

**Selling the Lite of Heaven** by Suzanne Strempek Shea [F/SHE]

The lives and hopes of the colorful inhabitants of a close-knit Polish-Catholic neighborhood in Massachusetts intermingle in a story of broken dreams, romance, family and faith.

**Flashfire** by Richard Stark [LP/M/STA][M/STA]

Parker seeks revenge on the criminals who betrayed him as Melander and his gang head for Palm Beach to score a fortune in stolen jewelry.

**Jewels** by Danielle Steel [LP/F/STE][F/STE]

A young couple survives World War II and rebuilds their lives by benevolently purchasing family jewels from war survivors and beginning their own gem business.

**The Ring** by Danielle Steel [F/STE]

In pre World War II Germany, Kassandra von Gotthard's daughter Ariana has a love affair with her Nazi captor before she escapes to New York.

**The Jewels of the Seven Stars** by Bram Stoker [LP/M/STO]

A young lawyer is called to the home of a beautiful woman he has just met, where her archaeologist father lies in a coma, the victim of a mysterious attack and the injured man is discovered to be dabbling in ritual magic in an attempt to raise an ancient Egyptian queen from the dead.

**A Cup of Death** by Gene Thompson [M/THO]

San Francisco lawyer Dade Cooley investigates the murder of his friend Paul Vandamm, a professor of classics obsessed with Schliemann's controversial discovery of Troy and the site of Agamemnon's tomb.

**The Bulgari Connection** by Fay Weldon [F/WEL]

Grace, fresh out of jail from trying to run over her ex-husband's new wife, Doris, falls in love with Walter, an artist who recently painted a portrait of Lady Juliet wearing a Bulgari necklace with which Doris becomes obsessed.

**The Hot Rock** by Donald Westlake [CAS/M/WES][M/WES]

John Dortmund proves he has what it takes to be a habitual offender. Dortmund steals the same jewel not just once, not twice, but again, and again, and again. Dortmund didn't want to steal the Balabomo Emerald, but when one of two competing African countries – the nation of Talabwo – finances the scheme, he can be persuaded. Talabwo has purchased a fiasco. As Dortmund's gang strikes by car, helicopter and train, one heist after another goes wrong. The gem keeps slipping away, fast becoming an emerald with a sense of humor.

**Honolulu Red** by Lue Zimmelman

[M/ZIM]

Rachel Starr, an LAPD detective, enlists the aid of Nicholas Snow, a jewel thief, to help her uncover the high-level jewelry ring responsible for her partner's murder.

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**M=Mystery**

**LP=Large Print**

**CAS=Book on Cassette**

**NB=New Book**