

MURDER MULTIPLIED

Recent Novels Featuring Serial Killers

Psychopath by Keith Albow

[F/ABL]

Enlisted by FBI, forensic psychiatrist Frank Clevenger is assigned the case of the elusive Highway Killer, who engages in a confrontational letter campaign with Clevenger through a national newspaper.

A Cat In Wolf's Clothing by Lydia Adamson

[LP/M/ADA]

Part time actress, amateur sleuth and cat expert Alice Nestletom becomes involved in the search for a serial killer who is stalking New York's cat owners and she stumbles into a mysterious cult devoted to felines and murder.

Now or Never by Elizabeth Adler

[LP/F/ADL][F/ADL]

Knowing that a serial killer is responsible for a string of murders but lacking any evidence, Boston detective Harry Jordan enlists the aid of television star Mallory Malone and is surprised when they are attracted to one another.

River of Darkness by Rennie Airth

[M/AIR][LP/M/AIR]

In rural England, slowly emerging from the sorrow of World War I, the peace of a small Surrey village is shattered by a murderous attack on a household that leaves five butchered bodies and no explanation for the killings. Sent by Scotland Yard to investigate is Inspector John Madden. With the help of Dr. Helen Blackwell, Madden sets out to identify and capture the killer, even as the murderer sets his sights on his next innocent victims.

Person or Persons Unknown by Bruce Alexander

[M/ALE]

Sir John Fielding and Jeremy Proctor investigate several murders in Covent Garden and actually discover two murderers trying to kill prostitutes.

Indian Killer by Alexie Sherman

[F/ALE]

While a serial killer stalks and scalps white men in Seattle, John Smith, a Native American adopted into a white family, becomes dissatisfied with his life, and, as the killer searches for his next victim, John descends into the madness of Seattle's homeless.

The Crime of the Century by Kingsley Amis

[M/AMI]

A string of murders of young women in a London park brings Detective Bill Barry out of retirement and attracts a slew of politicians, psychologists and lawyers, as well as a detective novelist suffering from writer's block.

The Innocents by Richard Barre

[M/BAR]

When the skeletons of seven children are unearthed in a stretch of California desert, private investigator Wil Hardesty discovers a brutality more extreme than anything he saw in Vietnam, when he is hired to find the killer.

Irresistible by Ethan Black

[F/BLA]

Nora Clay knows your secrets. She knows everything about you: your cravings, your indiscretions, and your crimes. She knows what terrifies you. Devastatingly sexy and deceptively lethal, Nora Clay can expose the liars, phones, tricksters and fools. And she will make them pay.

Private Justice by Terri Blackstock

[F/BLA]

A serial killer begins to stalk the town of Newport, Louisiana and when it seems like Mark Branning's wife is next on the hit list, he is determined to protect her, but first the two must move to save their dying marriage.

Forty Words for Sorrow by Giles Blunt

[F/BLU]

The discovery of the body of a supposed thirteen-year-old runaway and the disappearance of another youngster in the rural town of Algonquin Bay force local cops John Cardinal and his new partner, Lisa Delorme, into a desperate search for a possible serial killer.

Badlands by Peter Bowen

[M/BOW]

A secretive millennial cult from California purchases a ranch on the outskirts of the Montana badlands and the townsfolk are none too pleased. The cult members keep to themselves but the suspicious circumstances under which they've arrived have Gabriel Du Pre questioning their motives and seeking answers. He soon learns from a friend in the FBI that seven of the cult's recently defected members were killed, each shot to death but no arrests have been made.

The Cat Who Went Underground by Lilian Jackson Braun

[CAS/M/BRA]

[LP/M/BRA]

Quill and his cat's vacation in Mooseville, but when the carpenter he hires disappears, he begins to investigate what may be a serial killer's plan to wipe out the area's woodworkers.

Exquisite Corpse by Poppy Z. Brite

[F/BRI]

Escaping from prison and joining forces with a playboy murderer, serial killer Andrew Compton targets a young runaway boy as an ideal victim in his quest to perfect the art of creative killing.

Charade by Sandra Brown

[F/BRO][LP/F/BRO]

Cat Delaney is a TV personality, who experiences a lifesaving medical miracle, only to be trapped in an ever-tightening web of danger. One of several patients who receive transplants on the same day, Cat doesn't know her donor's identity. She only knows that instead of returning to her glamorous, high profile career, she feels compelled to change her life.

Chill Factor by Sandra Brown

[LP/F/BRO][F/BRO]

When a serial killer who leaves a blue ribbon at the site of his victims' last sightings appears in the peaceful town of Cleary, North Carolina, police chief Dutch Burton finds the case complicated by his ex-wife's disappearance during a blizzard.

Garden of Evil by Edna Buchanan [LP/M/BUC][M/BUC]

Miami reporter Britt Montero's faith in human nature will be tested when a female serial killer forces her to watch the execution of one of her male victims and kidnaps his daughter.

In the Electric Mist With Confederate Dead by James Lee Burke [M/BUR]
[CAS/M/BUR][LP/M/BUR]

Haunted by the reemergence of a forty-year-old unsolved murder, detective Dave Robicheaux must also contend with a spate of serial killings of prostitutes and local dissension about the movie company that is shooting in town.

Bones by Jan Burke [M/BUR]

For four long years, no one has known what became of Julia Sayre. On the morning after this mother of two disappeared, her family sought the help of reporter Irene Kelly. But despite Irene's best efforts, until now only one person had known where to find Sayre: her killer.

Nine by Jan Burke [F/BUR]

When a brutal felon on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list turns up dead in Los Angeles County, few mourn him; in fact the public begins to cheer his unknown assailants as heroes. But as more brutalized corpses of fugitive outlaws are found, Sheriff's Homicide Detective Alex Brandon knows that the vigilante group the public has nicknamed "The Exterminators" may be far more ruthless and sadistic than its victims.

Coffin Knows the Answer by Gwendoline Butler [M/BUT]

When his wife receives an anonymous cache of disturbing photographs, chief commander John Coffin enlists the help of a colleague to track down a stalker and wonders if the case is linked to a string of London murders.

Final Victim by Stephen J. Cannell

[F/CAN]

Leonard Land is a seven-foot-tall, completely hairless computer genius, wired to the cyberpunk subculture of Death Metal and Satan worship. He is also a twisted, multi personality maniac who is systematically murdering women. When he is The Rat, he is smart and cunning; when he becomes The Wind Minstrel, he is God and the Devil. The Rat only covets women; The Wind Minstrel possesses them.

The Alienist by Caleb Carr

[CAS/F/CAR][F/CAR]

In 1896, the New York reform police commissioner Theodore Roosevelt asks upper class police reporter and psychologist to investigate the serial killer of boy prostitutes, but crime bosses oppose their questions.

Running Blind by Lee Child

[M/CHI]

Women are dying and they only thing they have in common is they all worked for the military and they knew Jack Reacher years ago. How and why these women are in danger baffles the elite FBI team working the case. A new kind of killer is at work, one so calm and cautious that even the brilliant Jack Reacher is left running blind.

The Fractal Murders by Mark Cohen

[M/COH]

Learning that three instructors who were researching fractals have died under mysterious circumstances, fractal geometry professor Jane Smythe turns for help to former marine and private investigator Pepper Keane.

Dragonfly Bones by David Cole

[F/COL]

Laura Winslow is hiding from her past, but it has found her in the Arizona desert. The daughter she lost years ago is now an angry young woman serving prison time. But Spider's agreement to help the authorities uncover an identity theft ring in exchange for leniency has led the police to a secret burial ground near Casa Grande Monument, where mother and child are reunited...in terror.

Bride and Groom by Susan Conant [M/CON]

On the eve of her wedding, dog trainer Holly Winter investigates the crimes of a serial killer who targets female dog lovers, a case complicated by Holly's discovery that she may be next on the killer's list of potential victims.

The Concrete Blonde by Michael Connelly [LP/M/CON]

Having shot the notorious serial killer, the "Dollmaker," four years earlier, maverick LAPD homicide detective Harry Bosch finds himself in court, defending himself against a lawsuit that claims he killed the wrong man.

A Darkness More Than Night by Michael Connelly [M/CON][LP/M/CON]
[CAS/M/CON]

Former FBI agent Terrence McCaleb comes out of retirement to help the LAPD investigate a baffling and bizarre killing, one starkly similar to the murders he once profiled for the FBI. Most horrifying is that his chief suspect is a homicide detective for the LAPD.

Dark Hollow by John Connolly [F/CON]

Grieving over the murder of his family, private detective Charlie "Bird" Parker returns to Main in search of refuge and becomes caught up in the murders of a young mother and her child, a crime that could be linked to the troubled history of Parker's own grandfather.

Poison Flowers by Natasha Cooper [M/COO]

Convinced that a single serial killer is responsible for three seemingly unrelated murders, Willow King, a dowdy civil servant and best selling romance novelist, must use her novelist's imagination to search for the missing link.

The Empire of Shadows by Richard E. Crabbe [F/CRA]

When his son is falsely accused of a murder that he believes was actually committed by a serial killer, Tom Braddock endeavors to clear his son's name by capturing the killer and launches a chase through the Adirondack wilderness.

Partners by David Cray

[F/CRA]

On July 8, Jorge “Finito” Rakowski is released from the Otus Bantam Correctional Center on Rikers Island. He has served ninety days for Criminal Mischief in the Fourth Degree: he’s a thief. The papers are calling him Break-In Killer.

Three Hands in the Fountain by Lindsey Davis

[M/DAV]

First century Roman sleuth Marcus Didius Falco seeks a serial killer who keeps leaving the body parts of his murdered victims in the city’s water system after festivals.

The Blue Nowhere by Jeffrey Deaver

[F/DEA]

A notoriously sadistic computer hacker, code-named PHATE, is cutting down people all over the Silicon Valley, but LAPD computer crimes geek and former felon Wyatt Gillette is on the warpath, hoping to bring him down.

Jinn by Matthew B.J. Delaney

[F/DEL]

Investigating a string of unusual murders in Boston, two police detectives find themselves tracing leads back to a group of World War II marines and a South Seas Island that harbors an ancient secret.

Murder in Montparnasse by Howard Engel

[M/ENG]

As a serial killer stalks the streets of 1925 Paris, journalist Michael Ward joins a close-knit group of artists and writers, but rumors of a damaging manuscript and the brutal murder of one of their company leads Ward into a dangerous investigation to uncover the truth.

The Killing Hour by Lisa Gardner

[CD/F/GAR][LP/F/GAR][F/GAR]

Rookie FBI agent Kimberly Quincy faces a race against time when she tackles a disturbing serial killer who routinely abducts two intended victims and leaves on the body of one clues to prevent the death of the other.

The Other Daughter by Lisa Gardner

[F/GAR][LP/F/GAR]

What you don't know can kill you. In Texas a serial killer is executed, taking to his grave the identity of his only child. In Boston a nine-year-old girl is abandoned in a hospital, then adopted by a wealthy young couple. Twenty years later, Melanie Stokes still considers herself lucky, until the terrifying visions begin. Until a has-been reporter starts investigating her past, until the first note arrives saying YOU GET WHAT YOU DESERVE.

Heartbreaker by Julie Garwood

[F/GAR]

In the still shadows of the confessional, a madman tauntingly reveals his plan for a murder he is going to commit, pulling Father Thomas Madden into a twisted game by disclosing his next intended victim: Tom's sister, Laurant. In a frantic race to protect her, Tom calls upon his best friend, elite FBI agent Nick Buchanan, to track the predator who is closing in on Laurant. Now, as an electrifying attraction grows between Laurant and Nick, so does the danger and one false move will cost both of them everything that matters.

The Visitant by Kathleen O'Neal Gear

[F/GEA]

In the upper Sonoran desert of present day New Mexico, a charismatic yet troubled archeologist named Dusty Stewart is unearthing a mystery that began about A.D. 1200. While excavating a site of the Chaco Anasazi Indians, Stewart and his team discover mass graves containing the bodies of young women, all with their skulls smashed.

The Summoning God by Kathleen O'Neal Gear

[F/GEA]

This book is based on real archaeological sites that tell a terrifying story of North America eight hundred ago.

The Apprentice by Tess Gerritsen

[F/GER][CAS/F/GER]

It is a boiling hot Boston summer. Adding to the city's woes is a series of shocking crimes in which wealthy men are made to watch while their wives are brutalized: a sadistic demand that ends in abduction and death. The pattern suggests one man, serial killer Warren Hoyt, recently removed from the city's streets.

The Surgeon by Tess Gerritsen

[F/GER][LP/F/GER]

Dr. Catherine Cordell investigates when a murderer referred to by the press and the public as “The Surgeon” strikes with a precision that suggests he is a deranged man of medicine.

Blood by Joseph Glass

[F/GLA]

Susan Shader is a renowned psychiatrist and criminal profiler for the Chicago Police Department whose uncanny gift of second sight has made her a celebrity among law enforcement professionals. When a young woman is found dead in a body bag in Chicago’s Lincoln Park, Detective David Gold, Susan’s longtime friend at the Police Department, once again calls upon her psychic powers.

Under Cover of Darkness by James Grippando

[F/GRI]

Gus Wheatley thinks he’s found success. Money, power, and prestige – they all come with the territory for the youngest lawyer ever to grab the helm of Seattle’s most prominent law firm. Nothing can interfere with his meteoric rise to the top, until his wife vanishes. Beth dropped off their six-year-old daughter at the youth center one afternoon and no one has seen her since.

Incubus Dreams by Laurell K. Hamilton

[F/HAM]

In her role as consort of Jean-Claude, the seductive Master Vampire of the City, Anita Blake is faced with a dangerous conflict of interest when she assists with the search for a vampire serial killer who is stalking strippers.

The Man Who Loved Women to Death by David Handler

[M/HAN]

The Answer Man, a serial killer of single women, chooses Steward “Hoagy” Hoag, the celebrated, reluctant ghostwriter to the stars, as his literary collaborator and begins mailing him detailed descriptions of his crimes.

The Silence of the Lambs by Thomas Harris

[VID/SIL][F/HAR]

FBI trainee Clarice Starling is assigned to interview a brilliant, imprisoned psychopathic killer for what she thinks is a standard Bureau profile. But the FBI has another reason for sending Clarice to Dr. Hannibal Lecter. Someone is kidnapping young women and committing an unspeakable kind of murder and Lecter just may have a clue to who the killer is.

Hannibal by Thomas Harris

[F/HAR][LP/F/HAR][CAS/F/HAR]

Seven years have passed since Dr. Hannibal Lecter escaped from custody, seven years since FBI Special Agent Clarice Starling interviewed him in a maximum-security hospital for the criminally insane. The doctor is still at large, pursuing his own ineffable interests savoring the scents, the essences of an unguarded world. But Starling has never forgotten her encounters with Dr. Lecter and the metallic rasp of his seldom-used voice still sounds in her dreams.

Cry Wolf by Tami Hoag

[LP/F/HOA]

All attorney Laurel Chandler wanted was to escape the painful memories of a case that had destroyed her career, her marriage and nearly her life, so she came home to the peaceful tree lined streets of her Louisiana hometown. When a serial killer who's terrorizing the town commits a fourth brutal murder, Laurel knows that in the face of temptation, she must keep her head if she's going to track down the ruthless killer who may already have her heart.

Out of the Shadows by Kay Hooper

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

When a picture-perfect Tennessee town becomes the victim of a serial killer, Sheriff Miranda Knight is determined to make the small town safe once more.

Sense of Evil by Kay Hooper

[F/HOO]

The victims are always the same: beautiful, successful and blond. Someone was able to gain their trust long enough to do the unthinkable. Their shocking murders terrified the small peaceful town. Police chief Rafe Sullivan knows he has to find answers fast before another woman is lured to her death.

Touching Evil by Kay Hooper

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

When a madman seizes Seattle, blinding his victims and leaving them barely alive, police sketch artist Maggie Barnes uses her skills to help catch the assailant.

Dead Sleep by Greg Iles

[F/ILE][LP/F/ILE]

A photojournalist traveling in Hong Kong is hurled into a nightmare she has fought desperately to put behind her – the search for her missing sister, gone now for more than a year.

Leaving Atlanta by Tayari Jones

[F/JON]

A tale based on the Atlanta child murders of 1979 finds Tasha coping with her parents' separation in the wake of a first crush, Rodney struggling to make friends while vying for his father's approval and Octavia facing down the in crowd at school.

At the Stroke of Madness by Alex Kava

[F/KAV][LP/F/KAV]

With only an old man afflicted with Alzheimer's as a witness, FBI Special Agent Maggie O'Dell is on the trail of a serial killer who targets people with physical disabilities, removing each victim's imperfections to keep as a twisted trophy.

A Perfect Evil by Alex Kava

[F/KAV][LP/F/KAV]

Months after a heinous murderer is executed, another body is found, killed in the same style as his victims. Sheriff Nick Morreli calls in FBI profiler Maggie O'Dell and they begin to put together the gruesome picture of a killer.

The Soul Catcher by Alex Kava

[LP/F/KAV]

FBI Special Agent Maggie O'Dell, an expert on serial killers, is assigned to two seemingly unrelated crimes.

A Cold Heart by Jonathan Kellerman

[M/KEL][CD/M/KEL]

Milo Sturgis summoned his friend Alex to the trendy gallery where a promising young artist has been brutally garroted on the night of her first major showing. Alex compares notes with Milo's associate, Petra Connor, and her new partner, a strange detective with a past of his own named Eric Stahl. As more and more killings are discovered, unraveling the maddening puzzle assumes a chilling new importance – stopping a vicious psychopath who's made cold-blooded murder his chosen art form.

The Conspiracy Club by Jonathan Kellerman [M/KEL][CAS/M/KEL]

When his brief, passionate romance with nurse Jacelyn Banks is cut short by her kidnapping and brutal murder, Dr. Jeremy Carrier is left emotionally devastated. To escape the pain, he buries himself in his work as staff psychologist at City Central Hospital, only to be drawn deeper into a waking nightmare when more women turn up murdered in the same gruesome fashion. Now, the only way to prove his innocence and put his torment to rest is to follow the trail of a cunning psychopath.

Birthday Party by Marne Davis Kellogg [M/KEL]

Marshall Lily Bennett pursues an unlikely murderer when a serial killer targets members of the Johnson family, owners of the much-maligned Johnson Land Company of developers and finds herself hanging out with a bevy of Las Vegas showgirls, dining with mobsters and hosting a party for Wayne Newton.

The Water Clock by Jim Kelly [M/KEL]

When two long dead bodies are discovered near wintry Cambridgeshire Fens, new reporter Philip Dryden discovers that both victims are linked to an event from 1966 during which his own life was saved while his wife was left to die.

The Blue Edge of Midnight by Jonathan King [M/KIN][LP/M/KIN]

Haunted by the past, ex-cop Max Freeman starts a new life in the Florida Everglades, only to find himself embroiled in a murder investigation when he discovers the corpse of a child, and, fueled by the need for redemption, Max races against time to catch a killer.

Black House by Stephen King & Peter Straub [F/KIN][CAS/F/KIN]

Jack Sawyer, who traveled to a parallel universe to save his mother and is now a retired homicide detective, helps a Wisconsin policeman track down a serial killer, who abducts and murders children.

The Walls of Jericho by Jon Land [F/LAN]

When a serial killer stalking Jericho threatens peace talks taking place between the Palestinians and the Israelis, an Arab-American detective and an Israeli Shin Bet agent must set aside their differences and stop the killer before he single-handedly destroys the peace talks.

Darkness, Take My Hand by Dennis Lehane [F/LEH]

Wisecracking private detective Patrick Kenzie and Angela Dimassi Gennaro find themselves mixed up with Boston's Irish mafia and a maniacal serial killer.

Darkly Dreaming Dexter by Jeffrey Lindsay [LP/F/LIN][F/LIN]

Hiding a secret life as an assassin while working as a murder analyst for the Miami police, Dexter Morgan is intrigued by the work of a new serial killer whose style mimics his own.

The Reaper by Peter Lovesey [M/LOV][LP/M/LOV]

Otis Joy, the popular and handsome young rector of St. Bartholomew's Church in Oxford, England, is accused of embezzling church funds and ordered to resign, but only until the bishop who accuses him commits suicide, followed by another death and then another.

The Last Place by Laura Lippman [M/LIP]

P.I. Tess Monaghan dives into a book of unsolved cases and uncovers danger and possibly a serial killer, as she confronts her own demons and finds echoes of her own past that could lead to the truth about the murder of her former lover.

First Lady by Michael Malone [F/MAL]

In the quiet Southern college town, a young woman's body is found mutilated, tagged and addressed to Lt. Justin Savile V and Police Chief Cuddy R. Mangum. The media and the mayor demand a suspect but police have no idea who the victim is and they have no leads. Their only clue is that she is wearing nothing but a Guess T-shirt, like another young woman found dead a few months earlier. A third body is discovered in a nearby luxury resort and they find themselves taunted, stalked and threatened by a sinister killer who clearly knows what matters most to each of them.

Wild Justice by Philip Margolin [F/MAR][LP/F/MAR]

Vice squad detective Bobby Vasquez, for months on the trail of a slippery underworld figure, receives an anonymous tip that directs him to a mountain cabin. He races through the idyllic Oregon woods, expecting to close the book on a long-standing vendetta. What he finds instead opens a Pandora's box of horror that will haunt him to his dying day.

Death in A Mood Indigo Francine Mathews [M/MAT]

Crimes and passions from the past return to haunt the present as Nantucket police detective Merry Folger investigates the appearance of a skeleton who may be the latest victim of a serial killer of women.

Killing the Shadows by Val McDermid [F/MCD]

When a killer who stalks crime writers murders her boyfriend, a prominent author, Professor Fiona Cameron is on the case, using her computer knowledge to hunt him down.

The Last Temptation by Val McDermid [F/MCD]

Coming to terms over her breakup with criminal profiler Dr. Tont Hill, Chief Inspector Carol Jordan plunges into a risky undercover sting to track down a European drug trafficker and gain his confidence. But she's being tracked as well by a serial killer whose psychosexual madness is born out of the darkest corners of history. As the danger closes in and as Tony and Carol cross paths to navigate the terrain of a shattered human mind, they have no one left to trust but themselves and fear that there's no place left to run as a killer promises to fulfill his most twisted dreams.

Burn Factor by Kyle Mills [F/MIL]

Quinn Barry desperately wants to be an FBI agent. Testing her new database program, Quinn uses her computer savvy to turn up a mysterious DNA link among five gruesome murders. A link that the old FBI system had been carefully programmed to miss. The discovery lands her a demotion to the hinterlands, followed by a series of unfortunate "accidents" that nearly end her life.

Deception by Denise Mina

[F/MIN]

Refusing to believe that his psychologist wife is guilty of the murder of a paroled serial killer, Lachian Harriot searches his wife's home office for proof of her innocence and discovers unsettling clues that prompt him to search for the truth.

Clean Cut by Theresa Monsour

[F/MON]

When a young prostitute is brutally murdered in St. Paul, homicide detective, Paris Murphy, aided by detective Gabriel Nash, tracks down a serial killer by using herself as a snare.

Deviant Ways by Chris Mooney

[F/MOO]

This novel is a breathtaking and unforgettable first novel that catapults Chris Mooney into suspense fiction's highest ranks. A harrowing journey through ordinary streets turned into scenes of unimaginable terror, it careens from cries of mass murder to whispers within the mind in a disturbing cat and mouse game of righteousness, loss and vengeance.

Point Deception by Marcia Muller

[M/MUL][LP/M/MUL]

Thirteen years after the brutal murders of two families at Point Deception, Sheriff's deputy Rhoda Swift investigates the mysterious death of a young woman who happened at the same spot.

Make Them Cry by Kevin O'Brien

[F/OBR]

This book follows a diabolical serial killer who terrorizes the streets of Seattle, collecting the bones of his victims in order to construct a monument of insanity.

Stone Cold by Robert B. Parker

[M/PAR][LP/M/PAR]

Jesse Stone has a problem no officer of the law likes to face: dead bodies keep appearing but clues do not. Hunting down a serial killer is difficult and dangerous in any town, but in a town like Paradise, where the selectmen and the media add untold pressures, Jesse feels considerable heat. As tough, clear-eyed and sardonic as Jesse Stone himself, this is the Grand Master working at the peak of his powers.

The Visionary by Don Passman

[F/PAS]

Lisa Cleary is desperate to stop the uncontrollable hallucinations that threaten to take over her life and she seeks treatment from Dr. Michael Rennick, a psychiatrist-lawyer on the faculty of UCLA. A violent serial killer has committed three murders and the mayor is publicly demanding an immediate arrest. They seek Rennick's help to develop a forensic profile. Professor Rennick won't take on the task until Lisa tells him of her psychic experiences and her visions that describe the serial killer's crime scenes.

1st To Die by James Patterson

[F/PAT][LP/F/PAT]

Four women, a police detective, an assistant D.A., a reporter and a medical examiner who call themselves the Women's Murder Club, develop lifelong bonds as they pursue a killer whose twisted imagination has stunned an entire city.

Cottonwood by Scott Phillips

[F/PHI]

In the late nineteenth century frontier town of Cottonwood, a family of serial killers known as The Bloody Benders takes advantage of local corruption and vice in order to pursue their deadly causes.

Blindsided by Clyde Phillips

[M/PHI]

An ex-San Francisco cop turned junkie is savagely murdered and hideously mutilated and six cops at his former precinct die in a similar fashion. A man who spent fifteen years of hard prison time waiting and planning has returned to San Francisco to prey on the officers connected with the destruction of his life. Now a devastating challenge faces two good cops trapped in a waking nightmare, as they watch their friends and colleagues fall one by one.

Still Life With Crows by Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child

[F/PRE]

[LP/F/PRE][CD/F/PRE]

Special agent Pendergast arrives in the stifling August heat to tell the townsfolk of Medicine Creek that the unknown murder victim that was placed in a clearing in a sea of corn was the work of a serial killer.

Taking Lives by Michael Pye [LP/M/PYE]

This story presents a psychological portrait of a young serial killer who takes on the identities of his victims after he has killed, in the belief that he can live their lives better than they did.

Adam and Eve and Pinch Me by Ruth Rendell [LP/M/REN]

After a womanizing con man fakes his own death, somebody really does him in and the intersections of his past collapse in a way that destroys some lives and rebuilds others.

Conspiracy in Death by J.D. Robb [M/ROB]

With the precision of a surgeon, a serial killer preys on the most vulnerable souls of the world's city streets. The first victim: a sidewalk sleeper, found dead in New York City. No bruises, no signs of struggle, just a laser-perfect, fist-sized hole where his heart had once been.

Bury the Lead by David Rosenfelt [F/ROS]

Asked to help safeguard the innocence of a reporter who has been selected as the mouthpiece for a serial killer, defense attorney Andy Carpenter finds his job getting more difficult when the reporter is arrested for the murders.

Chosen Prey by John Sandford [LP/F/SAN][F/SAN]

Deputy Chief Lucas Davenport takes on a murder case involving an art history professor who is a suspect in a serial murder case involving the murder of women who have modeled for photographers.

The Death Artist by Jonathan Santlofer [F/SAN]

Art historian and PBS host Kate McKinnon finds herself drawn back into her past as an NYPD officer when a series of ritualistic murders makes victims of her peers in the New York art world.

The Manhattan Hunt Club by John Saul [F/SAU][LP/F/SAU]

The promising future of a New York City college student is suddenly shattered when he is falsely convicted of a brutal crime.

Scavenger by Tom Savage

[F/SAV]

In a novel that speeds from Manhattan to New Orleans, Los Angeles to Chicago, to a final showdown in a decaying mansion, the author takes you on a terrifying journey into the darkest labyrinths of the mind, creating a chilling portrait of a human monster that will not be soon forgotten.

Unwanted Company by Barbara Seranella

[F/SER]

A favor for an old friend embroils ex-con-turned-limo-driver Munch Mancini in a search for a serial killer and results in a murder and the disappearance of her limo.

Bone Cold by Erica Spindler

[F/SPI]

A madman who cut off her pinkie and vanished kidnapped twenty-three ago Anna North. Now Anna lives in New Orleans, writing dark thrillers under another name. Suddenly her quiet life takes a frightening turn. Letters start to arrive from a disturbed fan. Anna is followed, her apartment broken into and a close friend disappears. Her past has caught with her. The nightmare has begun again.

The Last to Know by Wendy Corsi Staub

[F/STA]

Tash Bank's perfect dream is turning into a terrifying nightmare. Someone is targeting women in Townsend Heights and not just any women. A serial killer is looking for a particular kind of prey...young, stay-at-home mothers, exactly like Tasha. Tasha's friends are disappearing, only to die in horrific ways. Now, terror is transforming the town into a sinister place of fear and foreboding, a place where evil lurks behind every corner.

River: A Novel of the Green River Killings by Roderick Thorp [F/THO]

A fictional account of the Green River Killer case, in which a serial murderer was responsible for the deaths of at least fifty women in the 1980s in the Northwest, follows a veteran detective's obsessive search for an elusive perpetrator.

Monkeewrench by P.J. Tracy

[F/TRA][LP/F/TRA]

Grace McBride and the team at her software company are horrified when a ruthless killer replicates events in their murder mystery computer game in the real world.

The Ax by Donald E. Westlake

[M/WES]

Eighteen months after being laid off and still unemployed, Burke Devore, a mild-mannered middle manager, transforms himself into a ruthless murderer as he systematically tracks down and kills the seven men who could take the job that rightfully should be his.

Blinded by Stephen White

[F/WHI]

Psychologist Alan Gregory is juggling his responsibilities as a father, husband and doctor when a beautiful woman walks into his office with an astounding admission...she thinks her husband may have murdered a woman. She also thinks there are other victims and that her husband is not finished killing yet.

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F=Fiction

M=Mystery

CAS=Book on Cassette

LP=Large Print

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