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## Domestic Duck

Most domesticated ducks are descended from the wild mallard and over the centuries many different breeds have been created. They have been kept as pets, or for their ornamental value, or have been farmed for their meat, eggs and down. In The Domestic Duck, Chris and Mike Ashton explain how these breeds have been developed and how to look after them. Contents include: Breeds, their origins and characteristics; Classic ducks from all over the world; 'Designer' ducks of the twentieth century; Management of adult stock; Breeding and rearing ducklings; Common problems and ailments. Fully illustrated with over 170 black & white photographs and 35 colour photographs depicting examples of the pure breeds and all aspects of their management, this is the essential manual for all duck-keepers.

## An August in Warsaw

Although the title suggests otherwise this book has absolutely nothing to do with either Warsaw, Poland or the month of August. Instead it's a satirical look at a small Midwestern town in the late 60's and early 70's. This book depicts bizarre behavior to the extent that I didn't feel it was necessary to state that the story was based on fictional characters. I'm assuming anyone who thought this book was about them is currently either in therapy or taking copious amounts of recreational drugs. If you don't normally read fiction consider reading it to use as an operator's manual on how not to screw up your life. Reviews from the books characters: Amos: "I intend to sue for defamation of character." Bernadette: "I think Ron is just misunderstood. I think basically he's a good person. However, I feel it's important to note that I've known him for less than a year." Grandpa: "This kid will end up killing me." Buttons the cat: "I will have my revenge."

## **Mind, Make-Believe and Medicine**

This book delves into the world of alternative medicine and related phenomena in several different ways, both from a scientific perspective and the perspective of supporters and practitioners of those phenomena. An attempt is made to explain not only what those perspectives are, but also why they are often so radically different. Why do lots of people believe things that other people don't? To find answers, we don't just examine the things people believe in or not, but also human traits in thinking, reasoning and belief.

## **Quick & Kosher**

Over 300 stories of children and critters here on Whitebriar Farms could not be contained in one book, but is a "book set". There is no rhyme or reason to the "numbering"

## **Around Town with Carol on Whitebriar Farm**

Game of Thrones meets Fourth Wing in this fantasy YA from viral BookTok author Rosaria Munda that's full of rivalry, romance and dragons – now available in the UK. When the revolution came, everything changed. The old rulers were overthrown and the city's traditions were shattered. Annie and Lee grew up in the aftermath, their lives shaped by the chaos. Brought together in the same orphanage and despite their differences, they became each other's closest ally. But years of training have turned their friendship into rivalry as they now compete to lead the city's legendary dragonriders. Just as they're finding their footing, a new threat arises: survivors of the old regime are back, determined to take revenge. As dragons soar into battle and the city's future hangs in the balance, Annie and Lee must decide what truly matters: the bonds of family, the loyalty of friendship, or the destiny they've been fighting for all along. This action-packed adventure of courage, betrayal, and the choices that shape us, written by internationally bestselling author Rosaria Munda, is a powerful story about discovering where you belong – and who you are willing to fight for. Three things you'll find in this book: Fantasy Adventure Romance

## **Fireborne**

Indianapolis Monthly is the Circle City's essential chronicle and guide, an indispensable authority on what's new and what's news. Through coverage of politics, crime, dining, style, business, sports, and arts and entertainment, each issue offers compelling narrative stories and lively, urbane coverage of Indy's cultural landscape.

## **Indianapolis Monthly**

Have you ever wondered where surfing waves come from, what makes every wave different, why some peel perfectly and others just close out; why, some days, the waves come in sets and other days they don't, and how the tides, the wind and the shape of the sea floor affect the waves for surfing? If you have, this book is for you. Now in its third edition, Surf Science is the first book to talk in depth about the science of waves from a surfer's point of view. It fills the gap between surfing books and waves textbooks, and will help you learn how to pre-empt surf. Surf Science is also a useful introduction to oceanography and the science of waves. You don't need a scientific background to read it – just curiosity and a fascination for waves.

## **Surf Science**

A teacher's guide to using fiction and nonfiction picture books to teach life sciences.

## Perfect Pairs

A blistering crime novel of the opioid epidemic--and its cops, villains, and victims--written by a twenty-five-year veteran of the DEA. Angel, Kentucky: Just another one of America's forgotten places, where opportunities vanished long ago, and the opioid crisis has reached a fever pitch. When this small town is rocked by the vicious killing of an entire infamous local crime family, the bloody aftermath brings together three people already struggling with Angel's drug epidemic: Trey, a young medic-in-training with secrets to hide; Special Agent Casey Alexander, a DEA agent who won't let the local law or small-town way of doing things stand in her way; and Paul Mayfield, a former police chief who's had to watch his own young wife succumb to addiction. Over the course of twenty-four hours, loyalties are tested, the corrupt are exposed, and the horrible truth of the largest drug operation in the region is revealed. And though Angel will never be the same again, a lucky few may still find hope.

## Lost River

Justin Imperiale is now the King of The Islands and the King of Zaya. Seeing that Colonel Dakon Harkand, the Ambassador from Dorond, is about to marry Norva Lemni, the Ambassador from the PCP, and never one to miss an opportunity, Justin plans for the arrival of advanced civilization representatives who will supposedly come to attend the wedding. They will come to discuss trade with The Islands and Zaya. Following the wedding, Justin is stalked by assassins who he manages to kill without the use of firearms. He then uses the incident to use some of Colonel Harkand's Dorond Marines to catch the mastermind behind the assassins. During the wedding, there are any number of advanced civilizations who are anxious to discuss the purchase of an anti-gravity barge from Justin. He sees that the gravity barge is one reason why his old enemies, the Arquellians, want to kill him, while the rest of the advanced civilizations want to keep him alive. He realizes that advanced technology is necessary to keep him alive. Justin also realizes that he must obtain more scrolls from the Temples of Vorell. A problem arises in Zaya, due to a water shortage and he is able to solve the problem with a simple device. However, the solution to the problem leads to a sort of micro-war with some Zayan's. Justin's forces win the war and he obtains a 'cheap copy' of an Arquellian energy weapon that he believes may not be a cheap copy. Justin also manages to extend his Kingdom a bit further South, as the farmers who accept his solution to the water shortage also accept his rule. As Justin tries to attract new business to Zaya, a man named Omaro approaches him. Omaro is the chief of a jungle tribe and his people are being abused by Zayans that Justin doesn't control. Omaro tells Justin about a magic sword and a scroll that contains secrets of the sky. Justin obtains the sword and the scroll at the cost of a war in the jungle and a visit to a mysterious temple in the jungle. He discovers that the 'magic sword' that he obtained is a sword used by a Prince of a centuries old civilization based in the South Continent. The sword is a high technology item and tells him the story of a march from the South Continent mountains to the jungle of Omaro's people. Needing money to finance his new Kingdom of Zaya, he then travels to the South Continent with some of Omaro's warriors to recover emeralds hidden by the Prince who carried the sword and the scroll from the South Continent to Omaro's jungle. The recovery of the emeralds involves a battle with a jungle tribe in the South Continent. During the adventures involving the emeralds, Justin discovers that the mysterious South Continent civilization that delivered him the magic sword probably came from an advanced civilization planet. The advanced civilization planet was home to a race of warrior priests and their religion is very similar to the teachings of the Priests of Vorell. Justin suspects a connection to Lord Vorell himself. Among the emeralds that Justin obtained from the South Continent is one called 'The Eye of The World.' The emerald has some magic/advanced technology properties and will aid Justin in the expansion of his kingdom. He then travels to Mervon for a meeting of the Association of Nations and to sell some of the emeralds. There is an attempt to rob his hotel room and the forces of the South Zayan government are caught red handed. The result is that Justin is now recognized by the Association of Nations as the King of Zaya.

## Second Chance

In a world where magic has supplanted science, those that can use it become the new upper class, while those that can't are cast out into the world, barely getting by. Eric, the last scientist, sets out to change all that, to

restore a balance lost decades ago. But when a young mage is killed in front of him, he must struggle to get away from the dogged pursuit of the Mage Authority and coerce anyone he needs to in order to finish his quest. Even those that would work against their own interest in the process. Bethany is the leader of her investigative team of the Mage Authority. When she gets assigned the case of the wrongful death of a young mage, she is thrown down the rabbit hole of conspiracies and intrigue. Will she be able to find the mage responsible before the politics of the guild system forces her to arrest the wrong man? Ardith is broke and in debt. Despite her own abilities, the world of magic just wasn't working for like it should have. So, when the mysterious man appeared with promises of silver, she jumped at the chance to make some money. It was her first real work out of the academy, but if she isn't careful, it may be her last.

## **The Last Scientist**

Hands-on lessons can be fun and compelling, but when it comes to life science, they aren't always possible, practical, effective, or safe. Children can't follow a lion as it stalks a gazelle, visit the exotic kapok tree in a rain forest, or swim alongside the underwater life in a pond. But they can explore a whole world of animals, plants, and ecosystems through the pages of beautifully illustrated, science-themed picture books. Perfect Pairs , which marries fiction and nonfiction picture books focused on life science, helps educators think about and teach life science in a whole new way. Each of the twenty-two lessons in this book is built around a pair of books that introduces a critical life science concept and guides students through an inquiry-based investigative process to explore that idea-;from animal/environment interactions to the role of structure in plant and animal survival, from inheritance of traits to variation of species. Each lesson starts with a Wonder Statement- and comprises three stages. Engaging Students- features a hands-on activity that captures student interest, uncovers current thinking, and generates vocabulary. The heart of the investigative process, Exploring with Students,- spotlights the paired books as the teacher reads aloud and helps students find and organize information into data tables. Encouraging Students to Draw Conclusions- shows students how to review and analyze the information they have collected. Bringing high-quality science-themed picture books into the classroom engages a broad range of students, addresses the Performance Expectations outlined in the Next Generation Science Standards, and supports the goals of the Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts. Even if you are science shy, Perfect Pairs can help you become a more confident teacher whose classroom buzzes with curious students eager to explore their natural world.

## **Perfect Pairs, K-2**

In its 114th year, Billboard remains the world's premier weekly music publication and a diverse digital, events, brand, content and data licensing platform. Billboard publishes the most trusted charts and offers unrivaled reporting about the latest music, video, gaming, media, digital and mobile entertainment issues and trends.

## **Fish and Wildlife Miscellaneous**

Get started raising your own ducks with this approachable guide by duck-fluencer Kristine Ellis (@dunkin.ducks).

## **Billboard**

Explores the forgotten history and lost folklore of “America's Most Beautiful City,” which has a haunting history that will captivate the reader with the secrets it holds from its intriguing past, while mystery and mystique follow Tulsa's urban legends and prove that truth can be stranger than fiction. Original.

## **Raising Ducks for Beginners and Beyond**

Whether used for thematic story times, program and curriculum planning, readers' advisory, or collection development, this updated edition of the well-known companion makes finding the right picture books for your library a breeze. Generations of savvy librarians and educators have relied on this detailed subject guide to children's picture books for all aspects of children's services, and this new edition does not disappoint. Covering more than 18,000 books published through 2017, it empowers users to identify current and classic titles on topics ranging from apples to zebras. Organized simply, with a subject guide that categorizes subjects by theme and topic and subject headings arranged alphabetically, this reference applies more than 1,200 intuitive (as opposed to formal catalog) subject terms to children's picture books, making it both a comprehensive and user-friendly resource that is accessible to parents and teachers as well as librarians. It can be used to identify titles to fill in gaps in library collections, to find books on particular topics for young readers, to help teachers locate titles to support lessons, or to design thematic programs and story times. Title and illustrator indexes, in addition to a bibliographic guide arranged alphabetically by author name, further extend access to titles.

## **Tulsa's Haunted Memories**

Brings together dozens of stories collected in 1927 by anthropologist Ruth Benedict during her only visit to the Pimas, plus songs and orations that accompanied a telling. It also includes a previously unpublished text by Benedict, \"Figures of Speech among the Pima.\"

## **A to Zoo**

From the early days of town ball to the latest seasons of the Twins and Saints, Stew Thornley offers the ultimate history of the Great American Pastime in the North Star State.

## **O'dham Creation and Related Events**

Foolproof recipes for over 150 easy dinners Global bestselling home cook, Nagi Maehashi, is back to solve the perennial problem of what's for dinner tonight ... and every night. RecipeTin Eats TONIGHT includes more than 150 brand-new foolproof, flavour-packed recipes, 800 variations on those recipes and 3000 possible combinations that match formulas (including Nagi's world-famous Charlie sauce) with different ingredients. You'll find crave-worthy crowd-pleasers – try slow-baked Italian meatballs in a rich tomato sauce with bubbling melted cheese or fall-apart Asian chicken cooked in a sticky-sweet soy glaze. 20-minute dinners; pantry staple dinners; high-impact guest-impressing; and turn-to Sunday suppers – the Vietnamese pulled pork is a festival of flavour – while the sweet chapter delivers on the promise of maximum decadence. There is a stunning photo and link to a how-to video for every recipe. RecipeTin Eats TONIGHT is a standout cookbook for every home kitchen, for every level of cooking ability, for every budget, for every set of taste buds - and for every single night of the week.

## **Baseball in Minnesota**

A quirky, literary love story like no other, one that veers wildly from contemporary Britain to Soviet Russia to a bizarre but recognizable future, from one of the UK's hottest young novelists... Rachel and Jaime: their story isn't simple. It might not even be their story. Augustus Fate, a once-lauded novelist and now renowned recluse, is struggling with his latest creation. But when Jaime and Rachel stumble into his remote cottage, he spies opportunity, imprisoning them inside his novel-in-progress. Now, the fledgling couple must try to find their way back home through a labyrinthine network of novels. And as they move from Victorian Oxford to a utopian Manchester, a harsh Russian winter to an AI-dominated near-future, so too does the narrative of their relationship change time and again. Together, they must figure out if this relationship of so many presents can have any future at all. The Watermark is a heart-stopping exploration of the narratives we cling to in the course of a life, and the tendency of the world to unravel them. Kaleidoscopic and wildly imaginative, it asks: how can we truly be ourselves, when Fate is pulling the strings?

## RecipeTin Eats: Tonight

Discover rare, never-before-collected tales of the duck with delusions of adequacy as Marvel's trawl through the annals of Howard history plunders the magazine era! As rendered by legends like Gene Colan, John Buscema and Michael Golden, Howie has never looked better, while his adventures get wilder than ever. As for the stories, who could resist epics like "Of Dice and Ducks," "Captain Americana" and "Duck Soup"? Howard will reunite with muck monster Man-Thing and meet Santa Claus, and one of horror's greatest icons may leave a lasting impression: prepare for Drakula, the undead duck! It's enough to make a furious fowl head back home to Duckworld - and Beverly comes along for the ride! Plus: In the name of all that's decent, Howard puts on some pants! COLLECTING: Howard the Duck Magazine #2-7.

## The Bottoms

This book includes Italian cases only. People around the world have a pale clue of well-known events from the land of spaghetti, pizza & O' Sole Mio. There are many other unknown Italian incidents that the world doesn't begin to imagine. So what's this book about? UFOs Reinvestigation in Italy is a study on prewar and postwar files of ufology in Italy. For example, it's about some episodes of the XIX century, some unreleased cases and some Vatican files. You can see the pictures of the revisited sites as they are today, original sketches, photos of the witnesses, if available and all the detailed reconstruction and remake of the incidents. Foreword is penned by Doctor Roberto Pinotti, the most important Italian researcher. He founded C.U.N. (the National Ufological Center) and he is also the director of UFO International Magazine, the national and worldwide journal of Italian ufology.

## The Watermark

New Song, Second Verse Gerrit and Joan discovered the beauty of second chances when they fell in love. But life isn't "happily ever after" when the widowed dairy farmer and big-city piano teacher get married. When they move to Chicago to pursue a teaching opportunity for Joan, Gerrit the country boy must find new purpose in an unfamiliar urban world. It's not an easy change for him, but his friendship with Zhao, a visiting Chinese musician, begins to give him new purpose. Meanwhile, Joan tries to accept her husband for who he is, even as she struggles to find her place as a music professor in this clash between small-town values and big-city ways. In this poignant sequel to *The Duet*, Joan and Gerrit redefine the meaning of love and home as they learn painful new lessons about mutual sacrifice. From the Trade Paperback edition.

## Howard the Duck

Resilient Kitchens is a stimulating collection of essays about the lives of immigrants in the United States before and during the COVID-19 pandemic, told through the lens of food. It includes a vibrant mix of perspectives from food writers, restaurateurs, scholars, and activists, accompanied by delicious recipes, gorgeous photography and hand-drawn illustrations.

## UFOs REINVESTIGATION IN ITALY

An unstoppable anthology of crime stories culled from *Black Mask* magazine the legendary publication that turned a pulp phenomenon into literary mainstream. *Black Mask* was the apotheosis of noir. It was the magazine where the first hardboiled detective story, which was written by Carroll John Daly appeared. It was the slum in which such American literary titans like Dashiell Hammett and Raymond Chandler got their start, and it was the home of stories with titles like "Murder Is Bad Luck," "Ten Carets of Lead," and "Drop Dead Twice." Collected here is best of the best, the hardest of the hardboiled, and the darkest of the dark of America's finest crime fiction. This masterpiece collection represents a high watermark of America's underbelly. Crime writing gets no better than this. Featuring • Deadly Diamonds • Dancing Rats • A Prize

Fighter Fighting for His Life • A Parrot that Wouldn't Talk Including • Dashiell Hammett's The Maltese Falcon as it was originally published • Lester Dent's Luck in print for the first time

## Young Oologist

Named a Best Cookbook of Spring 2025 by Eater, Los Angeles Times, and Epicurious \Between lush photos from Cheyenne Ellis, gorgeous descriptions from Andrews and recipes that make the most of local bounty (think perfect Meyer lemonade and Dungeness crab rice), it's a treat for all senses.\" —The Los Angeles Times “With his debut cookbook, Clark, chef and owner of Dad's Luncheonette, wanted to celebrate California's Central Coast. He succeeds on every count.” —Library Journal, starred review A celebration of California home cooking with 130 recipes and more than 300 photos that capture the beauty, magic, and bounty of the coast. From acclaimed chef Scott Clark, who flipped his fine dining chops into the ultimate railroad-car diner at the edge of the Pacific. Coastal is a visual feast of free-spirited Californian cooking and living, set against the surf, peaks, curving roads, and sunsets of the westernmost United States. This inspired collection of crave-worthy recipes, gorgeous photographs, and vivid stories takes us on a road trip beginning at Chef Scott Clark's beloved sandwich-and-pie shop, Dad's Luncheonette, in Half Moon Bay and ending in Ventura County. Along the way, it visits the fishermen, crabbers, farmers, winemakers, and foragers who stretch along the Pacific Coast Highway between San Francisco and Los Angeles. Clark's accessible seasonal recipes deliver the adventure of the coast in smart, creative, unfussy, and delicious ways. They express the breadth of California cooking and its regional and cultural influences, organized into thematic chapters, including: Road Trip Snacks (Furikake Popcorn, CA Muddy Buddies, Perfect Meyer Lemonade) Fishing and Foraging on the Coast (Dungeness Crab Rice, Lingcod Ceviche, Fries with Eyes) Lunch in the Vineyard (Smoked Mackerel with Lemon-Dill Relish, Deviled Quail Eggs, Barley and Wine Grape Salad) Back Home with the Kid (Fish Stick Hand Roll Bar, Matcha Mochi Waffles, Watermelon Aqua Fresca) Coastal is more than your average California cookbook; it brings the Californian table, way of life, and state of mind to home cooks and armchair travelers anywhere. QUINTESSENTIALLY CALIFORNIAN: Scott Clark's Californian culinary training shows through in his stellar recipe list, laidback storyteller's tone, and road trip-oriented approach. With transporting photographs by fourth-generation Californian Cheyenne Ellis, this book captures an outdoorsy, pioneering California spirit on every page. HOME COOK-FRIENDLY RECIPES: From simple flavor pairings to grilling, Clark's “aha!” techniques are perfect training for home cooks. He reaches into his deep knowledge to pass along big flavors and teachable techniques with a relaxed and flexible approach. His main goal is to energize food prep for home chefs of varying skill levels. MULTICULTURAL INFLUENCE: Coastal is inspired by the mash-up of cultures along the west coast: the Chumash, Portuguese, Italian, Korean, Chinese, Latin American, Vietnamese, and Japanese communities who have adapted their cuisines and made them staples of the state. This book celebrates and pays homage to all of these wonderful cuisines. Perfect for: Home cooks who cook locally and seasonally Residents and visitors of California or anyone who enjoys California cuisine Foodies who collect regional cookbooks rich with history and visuals Parents who want to put fun but healthy things to eat on the table for their kids Armchair travel readers Fans of regenerative/farm-to-table approaches Fans of The Bear and tough-yet-well-trained culinary personalities Readers of Six California Kitchens, Tartine, Gjelina, and The French Laundry Cookbook

## The Recital

The goal of \How I Ate a Live Scorpion and Survived\" is to help you avoid some of the mistakes I made in over two decades of doing business in China, and to aid you in Chinese business methodology. Relationship building is your key to success in China. This book will guide you in that endeavor, and will help you avoid some of the cultural traps awaiting all newcomers. The title of this book will show you how far the Chinese will go in their effort to build a business relationship. In addition to being an expert in the nuanced art of doing business in China, Michael S. Ward has traveled to over sixty countries, including more than 100 trips to China. He has founded and managed four companies, and has been an environmental consultant to U.S. senators and congressmen. In addition to being a businessman and consultant, the author is an inventor and has received five U.S. patents. As a proud Vietnam veteran, he was awarded the Bronze Star.

## **Resilient Kitchens**

"The ImpactAssets Handbook for Investors" offers an introductory overview for investors interested in generating financial returns with the creation of social and environmental impact. In addition to discussions of portfolio structure and strategy, the handbook offers an overview of due diligence necessary to assess potential investments, a discussion of communications and performance measurement issues and other factors key to managing capital for multiple returns. While not an "answer book," "The ImpactAssets Handbook for Investors"

## **The Black Lizard Big Book of Black Mask Stories**

Hollis Clayton is in trouble. Still haunted by his small son's death, stalled in his writing career and over fond of the bottle, he finds himself abandoned by his wife for the summer - or, if he doesn't shape up, for good. But without his emotional anchor, Hollis continues to unravel. Besides, he's busy spying on the neighbours and sharing his meals with a stray dog. When is he going to find the time to get his life back on track? Here, in the daily rhythms of Hollis's disintegrating life, lies an evisceratingly comic portrait of suburban despair. With this deeply affecting tale of grief and renewal, Elizabeth H. Winthrop makes a striking debut.

## **The Rod and Gun and American Sportsman**

Duck hunting has changed greatly since the days of unlimited duck kills, as the limit of fifty ducks a day established in 1902 has fallen to the present three. A legitimate hunter now, Dale Hamm learned the art of market hunting—taking waterfowl out of season and selling them to restaurants—from his father during the 1920s. During the 1930s and 1940s, he kept his family alive by market hunting. At the peak of his career, Hamm poached every private hunting club along the Illinois River from Havana to Beardstown. After market hunting died out, Hamm became a legendary and almost respected—albeit controversial—character on the Illinois backwaters. He was eventually invited to hunt on the same clubs from which he had once been chased at the point of a shotgun. He hunted with judges, sheriffs, and the head of undercover operations for the Illinois Department of Conservation, all of whom knew of his reputation. He passed on to these hunting partners a lifetime of outdoor knowledge gained from slogging through mud, falling through ice, hunting ducks at three o'clock in the morning, dodging game wardens, and running the world's only floating tavern. "I always said if anyone ever cut open one of us Hamms, all they'd find was duck or fish," Hamm once said of his family. Now in his eighties, Hamm still carries a pellet from a shotgun in his chin to remind him of a shotgun blast that ricocheted off the water and into his face. Bakke notes that it is appropriate that a man who spent his life with a shotgun in his hands should carry a bit of buckshot wherever he goes. Everyone who ever met Dale Hamm has a story about him. His own story is that of a one-of-a-kind character who, in his later years, used his considerable outdoor savvy to conserve the natural resources he once savaged. "His time and kind are gone," Bakke notes, "and there will never be another like him." This book will be of interest to anyone who has ever been hunting—or who enjoys reading about colorful people and times that exist no more.

## **Coastal**

From the author of *A Living Grave* comes a gripping police procedural featuring sheriff's detective Katrina Williams as she exposes the dark underbelly of the Missouri Ozarks . . . **DREDGING UP THE TRUTH** Still recovering from tragedy and grieving a devastating loss, Iraq war veteran and sheriff's detective Katrina Williams copes the only way she knows how—by immersing herself in work. A body's just been pulled from the lake with a fish haul, but what seems like a straightforward murder case over the poaching of paddlefish for domestic caviar quickly becomes murkier than the depths of the lake. Soon a second body is found—an illegal Peruvian refugee woman linked to a charismatic tent revival preacher. But as Katrina tries to investigate the enigmatic evangelist, she is blocked by antagonistic FBI agents and Army CID personnel.



When more young female refugees disappear, she must partner with deputy Billy Blevins, who stirs mixed feelings in her, to connect the lake murder to the refugees. Katrina is no stranger to darkness, but cold-blooded conspirators plan to make sure she'll never again see the light of day . . .

## **How I Ate a Live Scorpion and Survived**

Duck Macatarsney cares for her biker dad, Duke, whose MS is getting worse. Duke is a spliff-smoking (for medicinal reasons you understand), bike-riding, heavy-metal- and horror-movie-loving, pizza-eating widower who has brought up Duck since the death of her mum in a crash. The two of them are just about surviving when one morning the Duke wakes up blind and the Duck hears Social Services are coming to take her away. The Monster in the Hall follows Duck as she tries to protect her world from the terrifying prospect of change. David Greig's *The Monster in the Hall* premiered at the Citizens Theatre, Glasgow, in autumn 2010, and was staged at the Traverse Theatre, Edinburgh in 2011 as part of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe.

## **The ImpactAssets Handbook for Investors**

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