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### The Seafarers

Sarah Madsen is a modern young rabbit with a cozy urban life. A yuppie, perhaps, though she'd disagree with the label. After all, yuppies don't hang with eccentric artists in beat-down studios, much less date them. And they don't get pushed out of their apartment by profit-hunting developers, forced to pick between an impossible market and an unsustainable rent. As she hunts for a new place to live, she learns how her comfortable lifestyle is seen by those around her. Some are sympathetic and kind, some cold and indifferent, some jealous and hostile. None can relieve her frustration from knowing that her easy life is slowly slipping out of her control. She'll take control anywhere she can find it, but not everyone appreciates her attempts to help. Not even herself. A story of class and success in the millennial age, The Latte Segment explores how well we can trust others, and ourselves, to do the right things in our lives - or, to do anything about them at all.

### The Devil's Detective

The "hilarious" (New York Times Book Review) collection of short stories from the award-winning humorist Simon Rich includes the story that inspired the Seth Rogen comedy An American Pickle. Twenty years ago, Barney the Dinosaur told the nation's children they were special. We're still paying the price. From "one of the funniest writers in America" comes a collection of stories culled from the front lines of the millennial culture wars (Jimmy So, Daily Beast). Rife with failing rock bands, student loans, and participation trophies, Spoiled Brats is about a generation of narcissists -- and the well-meaning boomers who made them that way. A hardworking immigrant is preserved for a century in pickle brine. A helicopter mom strives to educate her demon son. And a family of hamsters struggles to survive in a private-school homeroom. Surreal,

shrewd, and surprisingly warm, these stories are as resonant as they are hilarious.

## **Lord of the Flies**

## **Jackson Hope**

On October 28th 1890 the great wall of the Barsdon Dam gave way, and the Eagle Star reservoir buried the small Arizona town of Jackson Hope under forty feet of water. Men, women and children perished in the devastating flood, nobody survived. For over a hundred years the town lay forgotten at the bottom of a vast lake, but it has been a particularly harsh summer in Arizona, and the town is starting to emerge. Experts will come and survey the land, hoping to prospect for a bright and lucrative new project, but they will get more than they bargained for. Bit by bit they will uncover the truth behind the disaster which wiped a small farming community off the map, and as they do they will learn with devastating consequences that some secrets should stay buried forever.

## **The Vows of Silence**

Comet Press presents the ultimate collection of extreme creature horror with 17 deviant and gore-soaked stories featuring demons, cannibals, mutants, golems, werewolves, and many more vile creatures. Brace yourself for a wild and bestial ride in these disturbing tales of Sick Things. FANGORIA MAGAZINE REVIEW "Cover every orifice. Comet Press' new collection SICK THINGS: AN ANTHOLOGY OF EXTREME CREATURE HORROR is making a beeline for the soft contents of your body—and it doesn't care one bit where it makes its grand entrance, orbital sockets or otherwise. Rest assured this violation will be painful, given the tight confinements of our fallible frames of flesh—but anything less than a full-on ass-rape would probably seem insufficient in the eyes of editrix Cheryl Mullenax. Read on at your own stomach's peril." FATALLY YOURS REVIEW "If you are an extreme fan of horror looking for the ultimate in disgusting, vile and disturbing fiction, Sick Things: An Anthology of Extreme Creature Horror is a must-read...just make sure you have your barf bag handy!" TOXIC GRAVEYARD REVIEW "Recently I've discovered the awesomeness that is Comet Press. There is a myriad of small press horror publishers out there, and more seem to be popping up all the time. Many times these small press companies promise "extreme" horror but often what you get is a poorly edited book riddled with grammatical and spelling errors with mediocre unknowns sandwiched between old stories from established authors. Thank goodness for Comet Press. I've reviewed their previous releases Vile Things and The Death Panel and loved em both. The bar was set high for Sick Things, and it soared over it on cloven hoof."

## **The Latte Segment**

In the secret heart of London, under the cover of endless darkness, is the Nightside. But enter at your own risk. The party animals who live here may be as inhuman as their appetites My name is John Taylor. The Nightside is my home, and I've got a brand new full-time job there (in addition to my private eye work) as Walker—the Voice of the Authorities. I'm also marrying the love of my life, Suzie Shooter, the Nightside's most fearsome bounty-hunter. But nothing comes easy here. Not life. Not death. And for certain, not happily-ever-after. Before I can say "I do," I have one more case to solve as a private eye—and my first assignment as Walker. Both jobs would be a lot easier to accomplish if I weren't on the run, from friends and enemies alike. And if my bride-to-be weren't out to collect the bounty on my head

## **The Betrayal of Trust**

A little boy is snatched as he stands with his satchel at the gate of his home, waiting for his lift to school. A severely handicapped young woman hovers between life and death. And an ex-con finds it impossible to go straight. The Pure in Heart is a crime novel arising from character and circumstances, about the psychology of crime, something more enthralling than plain thrillers or whodunits. In Lafferton, Serrailer's town, Susan Hill has brilliantly created a community with detail so sharp and true to life that readers feel that these people are their own neighbors and friends. But there is terror and evil in their very midst. There are no easy answers in The Pure of Heart, a magnificent novel about the realities of police work and the sometimes desperate humanity of family. Haunting and truthful, gripping and convincing, it is a thrilling achievement.

## **Heart For The Game**

Simon Serrailer's story began in The Various Haunts of Men (about a serial killer) and continued with The Pure in Heart (about a kidnapped schoolboy). Susan Hill is not afraid to tackle difficult issues, nor to face up to the realities of stress in an ordinary English police station. Her third crime novel, The Risk of Darkness, even more compulsive and convincing, follows up the child abduction and explores the crazy grief of a widowed husband, a derangement which turns to obsession and threats, violence and terror. Meanwhile, handsome, introverted Simon Serrailer, whose cool reserve has broken the hearts of several women, finds his own heart troubled by the newest recruit to the Cathedral staff: a feisty female Anglican priest with red hair... The Risk of Darkness is packed with action and adventure. Like Various Haunts, it hinges on a terrific twist which comes as a complete surprise to the reader; and like The Pure in Heart, it deals in depth with complex daily problems. From the Hardcover edition.

## **The Devouring**

The Tinapa Free Zone and Resort is situated at the charming city of Calabar, the state capital of Cross River State, Nigeria. The beauty of Calabar together with the taste of her rich cultural heritage has made Tinapa Free Zone & Resort that magnificent scenario that captivates tourists. It comprises of an entertainment section that houses a digital cinema, a mini amphitheater, restaurants, casino, a Tinapa studio for Nollywood, children's arcade, a night club, pubs and also has 860,000 square feet retail space. The wonder of this resort has made tourists from wild and far to keep trooping into the area all year round. This photo book takes you round this magnificent resort with photos taken from every part of the resorts. Join me as we tour round this beautiful zone and the charming city of Calabar. The Tinapa Free Zone and Resort is truly a place to be!

## **The Tinapa Free Zone**

A short book of short stories

## **The Go Ahead Boys and Simon's Mine**

"Lead like the Best" is a revolutionary book filled with fundamental principles and tools to impact individuals who are serious about enhancing their leadership abilities. The term leadership has become diluted and overused through the years, but this book aims to bring true understanding and integrity back to this undervalued position. Leadership expert, Alford D. Simon, describes in detail the specific characteristics of a leader, discusses and personal development, the purpose and importance of being a leader, as well as providing exceptional strategies to challenge you to raise your standards and improve your leadership performance. Throughout there are thought-provoking questions to help you reflect on and assess your leadership experience. "Lead like the Best" will teach you how to triumph over personal barriers to function in a leadership position and achieve sustained results. This powerful, strategic guide was written to empower, inspire, and guide business and ministry leaders, global influencers, educational scholars, corporate officers, government officials and people who are looking for the necessary tools to climb the mountain of leadership and achieve success by leading like the best.

## **Wasteful Management**

## **Bangkok Burn**

Simon Serrailer faces his most dangerous challenge yet in the edge-of-your-seat thriller from Susan Hill, the bestselling

author of *The Woman in Black*. Going undercover, he must leave town immediately, change his identity and sever all contact with friends and family. And, more importantly, he must inhabit the mind of the worst kind of criminal. But can he do so without losing everything? 'Crime writing with a dark, fierce edge' Daily Mail 'Keeps the reader gripped until the last page' Sunday Express Discover the bestselling crime series that over ONE MILLION readers have devoured.

## **The Various Haunts of Men**

The classic ghost story from the author of *The Mist in the Mirror*: a chilling tale about a menacing spectre haunting a small English town. Now a major motion picture starring Daniel Radcliffe. Arthur Kipps is an up-and-coming London solicitor who is sent to Crythin Gifford—a faraway town in the windswept salt marshes beyond Nine Lives Causeway—to attend the funeral and settle the affairs of a client, Mrs. Alice Drablow of Eel Marsh House. Mrs. Drablow's house stands at the end of the causeway, wreathed in fog and mystery, but Kipps is unaware of the tragic secrets that lie hidden behind its sheltered windows. The routine business trip he anticipated quickly takes a horrifying turn when he finds himself haunted by a series of mysterious sounds and images—a rocking chair in a deserted nursery, the eerie sound of a pony and trap, a child's scream in the fog, and, most terrifying of all, a ghostly woman dressed all in black. Psychologically terrifying and deliciously eerie, *The Woman in Black* is a remarkable thriller of the first rate.

## **Spoiled Brats (including the story that inspired the major motion picture An American Pickle starring Seth Rogen)**

Debut novelist Simon Kurt Unsworth sends the detective novel to Hell. In *The Devil's Detective*, a sea change is coming to Hell . . . and a man named Thomas Fool is caught in the middle. Thomas Fool is an Information Man, an investigator tasked with cataloging and filing reports on the endless stream of violence and brutality that flows through Hell. His job holds no reward or satisfaction, because Hell has rules but no justice. Each new crime is stamped "Do Not Investigate" and dutifully filed away in the depths of the Bureaucracy. But when an important political delegation arrives and a human is found murdered in a horrific manner—extravagant even by Hell's standards—everything changes. The murders escalate, and their severity points to the kind of killer not seen for many generations. Something is challenging the rules and order of Hell, so the Bureaucracy sends Fool to identify and track down the killer. . . . But how do you investigate murder in a place where death is common currency? Or when your main suspect pool is a legion of demons? With no memory of his past and only an irresistible need for justice, Fool will piece together clues and follow a trail that leads directly into the heart of a dark and chaotic conspiracy. A revolution is brewing in Hell . . . and nothing is what it seems. *The Devil's Detective* is an audacious, highly suspenseful thriller set against a nightmarish and wildly vivid world. Simon Kurt Unsworth has created a phantasmagoric thrill ride filled with stunning set pieces and characters that spring from our deepest nightmares. It will

have readers of both thrillers and horror hanging on by their fingernails until the final word. In Hell, hope is your worst enemy. From the Hardcover edition.

## **The Shadows in the Street**

As the story begins, a lonely woman vanishes while out on her morning run. Then a 22-year-old girl never returns from a walk. An old man disappears too. When fresh-faced policewoman Freya Graffham is assigned to the case, she runs the risk of getting too invested--too involved--in the action. Alongside the enigmatic detective Chief Inspector Simon Serrallier, she must unravel the mystery before events turn too gruesome. Written with intelligence, compassion, and a knowing eye--in the tradition of the fabulous mysteries of Ruth Rendell and P.D. James--The Various Haunts of Men is an enthralling journey into the heart of a wonderfully developed town, and into the very mind of a killer.

## **A Philosophical Essay on Probabilities**

The classic manifesto of the liberated woman, this book explores every facet of a woman's life.

## **The Risk of Darkness**

Simon Keith is not only one of the longest-living heart transplant recipients, he is also the first to have ever played professional sports after a transplant. This is his remarkable story. It is the story of one of the most talented young soccer players in North America, on his way to playing for his country in the 1986 World Cup in Mexico. Unfortunately, Simon never made that trip. He was diagnosed with a fatal heart disease and given only a few weeks to live. Then something extraordinary happened. Perilously close to death, Simon received the gift of a heart donation. Simon was given a second chance, from the most ironic of donors. Following his heart transplant, not only did Simon return to play professional soccer becoming one of the best players in North America for the second time, he went on to live the life he always dreamed of having. He has lived a rich and glorious life, from professional and personal success, to the joys of family and fatherhood. More than 25 years after receiving his new heart, Keith reflected on all he gained and decided to seek out the Fields family in an effort to learn more about their son James who died tragically and whose heart still beats within Simon's chest. And to thank them for all he received. Keith's story is more than simply about the process of getting a transplant. It's about the will to survive and the lessons learned from friends and family along the way. It's about never giving up on a dream and persevering through what some people feel can be overwhelming. The journey ended at the gravesite of James Fields with Keith and James' father Robert staring at the headstone, reflecting upon the tragedy that allowed Simon to survive. The incredible coincidences in the lives of James and Simon are simply too much for this to be just a story about

overcoming the odds. It is a story that will have you believing in so much more. Their joyous reunion is enough to warm even the hardest soul, and enrich the lives of all who read this incredible, almost unbelievable, true story. "I have spent my professional career playing against some of the greatest athletes in the world. Each train hard, have a burning desire for their sport and have inevitably overcome some kind of adversity. I have never met an athlete who overcame Simon's circumstances. To say the odds of playing soccer again were overwhelming doesn't even begin to explain what he did."  
-Steve Nash, two time NBA MVP

## **Question of Identity**

A new Rona Parish mystery. - An old school photograph in which someone has been deliberately blacked out marks the start of a new case for Rona Parish. Who was this person and why would someone want to hide his or her identity? Rona sets out to uncover the secret and soon finds that the school in question closed down many years ago due, it was rumoured, to a long-forgotten scandal. Could this be the link that will solve the mystery? Meanwhile, a visit to a stage hypnotist results in more than Rona and her friends bargained for . . .

## **Perfect Chemistry**

When wealthy Brittany Ellis and Alex Fuentes, a gang member from the other side of town, develop a relationship after Alex discovers that Brittany is not exactly who she seems to be, they must face the disapproval of others.

## **The Benefit of Hindsight**

Follow in this book the odyssey of a man in search of an own global domain of personal identity, strength, and reason for living. This undertaken in a hard and hostile world of segregation, discrimination based on tribalism, racism, gender relations, status, as well as religious fundamentalism, among other things. He is along the way misunderstood everywhere, and he misunderstand things everywhere himself, making many mistakes and serious errors of judgement, especially with regard to the company he would keep sometimes. The latter would subject him to varying manifestations and degrees of jealousy and awe, often non-justifiable bouts of unfairness and unjustness, dishonesty, betrayals, including subtle but potentially executable threats on his well-being and life. For his own mistakes, intentional or otherwise, our mighty hero takes responsibility, and pays the price as he should. Against extreme, unprovoked, non-justifiable destructive behavioural tendencies from others, he will protect himself in a special hard line way. Being non-vindictive by disposition and inclination, if and when he has to fight back and exercise equally, if not more destructive powers of revenge and vengeance, our hero has another special modus operandi which often leaves him stronger by far relative to previous

conditions, once the enemies have been dealt with. If there is anything to learn from the mighty hero, it will be resiliency and non-indifferent detachment from joy and grief, success and failure; if it will not be the one, it will be the other. The secret is in knowing how to manage it all from the point of view of how much of external material, and or innate personal resources to apply in which direction, such that we come out, indeed, stronger, and even more resourceful, guaranteeing ourselves each our own personal optimal longevity on earth. Love is another powerful weapon on self-preservation for our main man, both in practice and conceptually. Much as evil forces shall prevail in given bad and hard times frames, love does also have its day. No panic, no stress, love will always find the way to raise and lift up deserving fallen once upon a time mighty heroes. Buy, read, and learn from the book about the joys and miracles of love in a man's hands, love in his fantasies, love inaccessible to but there within reach, forbidden love, love unknown, love of the future born yesterday. Thank you, and enjoy the read!

## **The Pure in Heart**

We met the enigmatic and brooding Simon Serrailer in *The Various Haunts of Men* and got to know him better in *The Pure in Heart* and *The Risk of Darkness*. *The Vows of Silence*, the fourth crime novel featuring Chief Inspector Serrailer, is perhaps even more compulsive and convincing than its predecessors. A gunman is terrorizing young women in the cathedral town of Lafferton. What, if anything, links the apparently random murders? Is the marksman with the rifle the same as the killer with the handgun? With the complexity and character study that earned raves for *The Pure in Heart* and the relentless pacing and plot twists of *The Various Haunts of Men*, *The Vows of Silence* is truly the work of a writer at the top of her form.

## **Elements of Astronomy**

The discovery of the mutilated corpse of a legal secretary in the garden of her employer's house presents an intriguing problem for the west Yorkshire police force. The absence of any motive or credible suspects make it seem that they are heading for a dead end. Unknown to the police, this murder was an act of revenge, carried out by an unsuspecting man, manipulated by a malevolent controller who has infiltrated his mind. For the controller, this act was retribution, but he soon escalates it to another level, regarding it as a game. He presents the police with yet another murder and as suspects line up, confusion reigns. He cares little about who suffers in this bizarre game. The outcome is uncertain and the reader is challenged to identify the real perpetrator. The first part of a trilogy, this book merely whets the appetite. For more information, contact [www.winemanauthor.com](http://www.winemanauthor.com)

## **The Comforts of Home**



Serrailer has just wrapped up a particularly exhausting and difficult case and is on sabbatical on a far-flung Scottish island when he is called back to Lafferton by the Chief Constable. Two local prostitutes have been found strangled. When the wife of the St. Michael's Cathedral Dean goes missing and then another respectable woman is taken on her way to work, the townspeople grow angry and afraid. Serrailer is in the greatest danger of his life.

## **Sick Things**

The sacred mysteries essential to Viking survival will be lost if Inge Andersdottir cannot find a daughter to inherit the ancient wisdom. Inge and her husband Karl-Eirik adopt Thora, a young thrall with skaldic (poetic) powers and more. Thora kills a glasscaster and the king condemns her to Lesser Outlawry: a long season of exile to the rivers of Russia and then Istanbul - on Karl's boat, The Seafarer. Reluctantly, Inge agrees to go along and finds a stormy voyage - a grueling portage, an encounter with the Overlord of Kiev, her former lover, with a suspected Greek spy and an attack by the savage Pechenegs. The crew must deal with an unexpected change in captains. Thora is captured and put into an Arab harem. It is up to Inge and her wondrous skills to save the boat, the crew and her daughter.

## **When the Mighty Fall**

Sometime in the present, corporate tyranny reigns supreme. To stop this madness, what can one person do? What can anybody do? Impassioned environmental activist and nightclub saxophonist Michael Quinn, and his techie guru sidekick, Simon, the mischievous circus clown, believe they, and the ubiquitous Wasteful Management team, have the answer for one day several multinational corporation chief executive officers (CEOs), infamously renowned for their egregious actions, are mysteriously disappearing across the globe. They are "removed" from society in ways that illustrate poetic justice, as exemplified by the CEO of big agribusiness Tyrannex Inc. who is trampled by a giant GMO tomato in a remote part of India. Michael and Simon realize their window of opportunity is narrow, as Harry Potter and Bilbo's nemeses pale in comparison to real life's Multinational CEO sociopaths, whom Michael and Simon must overcome to save the day and the planet! Jim Hightower says, "Wasteful Management is a refreshing combination of intrigue, humor, camp and serious politics, fusing the gravitas of a Noam Chomsky or a Bill Moyer with the edgy, stinging social commentary of a Jon Stewart or a Stephen Colbert, into a satirical mystery romp." Are you ready for the challenge? Bring your popcorn and come prepared to "boo, hiss" the villain and "cheer!" for the hero; sit back, and enjoy the ride!

## **In Search of the Northern Saints**

Simon Webb's book provides an introduction to the most important of the British northern saints, explores the links

between them, and sets them against the background of their turbulent times. Includes Cuthbert, Bede, Aidan, Oswald, Wilfrid, Hilda and Ninian, among others. Foreword by Mark Bryant, the Bishop of Jarrow.

## **Sefirim Chanok**

12 May 2010 A war is taking place on the streets of Bangkok as political cliques fire bullets and rockets at each other. Mysterious 'Men in Black' snipe combatants from both sides. It is a good time to settle old scores. Take a walk on the darkside with Chance. An enigma: family-orientated, loyal and loving and a cold-blooded killer. This chilling, high-octane thriller takes you to parts of Bangkok no tourist should ever go, a world where life is cheap and morality non-existent.

## **Lead Like the Best**

This book has been considered by academicians and scholars of great significance and value to literature. This forms a part of the knowledge base for future generations. We havent used any OCR or photocopy to produce this book. The whole book has been typeset again to produce it without any errors or poor pictures and errant marks.

## **Simon Says**

Mike Huntley is fighting the monotony of life and trying to keep his girlfriend interested. His famous brother Craig is a world away in Central America, and goes missing while reporting on a terrifying ISIS inspired plot to drive a spear into the underbelly of Great Satan itself. Governments hesitate and Mike is forced to act, as he knows only too well, politicians have their own rules, and if he wants his brother back, it means putting his own life on the line

## **Ready to Serve**

Welcome to THE INJURED DEER, the third in the series of Laura McNaughty books where we find Laura busy trying to help an injured deer she saw in Stokey's woods; and the grumpy Harbour Master has come to Laura's attention for being cruel to the sea birds living in and around the harbour. Laura McBean lives in the middle cottage of three with her brother Johnny and her mum on the edge of Stokey's Woods. Laura was quite a mischievous girl when she was growing up, and that is how she got the nickname of Laura McNaughty. She doesn't get into as much mischief now because she is that little bit older; but if she finds out that someone has been cruel to animals then that person, whoever he or she maybe, will have Laura and her friends to contend with.

## **The Risk of Darkness**

Susan Hill—the Man Booker Prize nominee and winner of the Whitbread, Somerset Maugham, and John Llewellyn Rhys awards—returns with a hair-raising new novel, the ninth book in one of the most acclaimed mystery series of our time. Featuring the enigmatic and brooding chief police inspector Simon Serrailer, this intricate and pulse-pounding series follows a collection of grisly crimes plaguing the city of Lafferton—and *The Comforts of Home* is the most chilling and unputdownable installment yet. In this gripping new thriller, Simon, eager to be back at work after recovering from a near-fatal injury, takes on a cold-case review for the Lafferton police about a girl who disappeared some years before. Meanwhile, his family adjusts to changes of its own; namely his sister's marriage to Chief Constable Kieron Bright. But when events take an unfavorable turn for the Chief Constable and an arsonist goes on a deadly rampage in Lafferton, Simon's personal and professional lives intertwine in more complex and devastating ways than ever before. In the tradition of the fabulous mysteries of Ruth Rendell and P.D. James, *The Comforts of Home* is Susan Hill's best work yet—a heart-pounding new addition to a highly-applauded and “elegant” (The New York Times) series.

## **Le Deuxième Sexe**

## **The Bride Wore Black Leather**

Ambitious Hayden Duke is beginning to wonder if he has put himself on the fast track to an early death when he signs on with a research firm and discovers that employees are dying in accidents or committing suicide. Original.

## **We All Fall Down**

The books of Enoch details the fall, the names of the angels, what happened in the beginning and what was the result of those fallen angels. Where are they now and what will happen to them. He also reveals the birth of Noah and some very important details around this about the African ancestry of the patriarchs. He reveals the Son of Elohim and reveals Yahushua upon a throne. And many other important details to complete your knowledge.

## **The American Jew as Patriot, Soldier and Citizen**

William Golding's unforgettable classic of boyhood adventure and the savagery of humanity comes to Penguin Classics in a stunning Graphic Deluxe Edition with a new foreword by Lois Lowry As provocative today as when it was first published in

1954, *Lord of the Flies* continues to ignite passionate debate with its startling, brutal portrait of human nature. William Golding's compelling story about a group of very ordinary boys marooned on a coral island has been labeled a parable, an allegory, a myth, a morality tale, a parody, a political treatise, and even a vision of the apocalypse. But above all, it has earned its place as one of the indisputable classics of the twentieth century for readers of any age. This Penguin Classics Graphic Deluxe Edition features an array of special features to supplement the novel, including a foreword by Lois Lowry, an introduction by Stephen King, an essay by E. M. Forster, an essay on teaching and reading the novel and suggestions for further exploration by scholar Jennifer Buehler, and an extended note by E. L. Epstein, the publisher of the first American paperback edition of *Lord of the Flies*. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

### **Laura Mcnaughty**

When Reggie finds an old journal and reads about the Vours, supernatural creatures who feast on fear and attack on the eve of the winter solstice, she assumes they are just the musings of some lunatic author. But soon, they become a terrifying reality when she begins to suspect that her timid younger brother might be one of their victims. Risking her life and her sanity, Reggie enters a living nightmare to save the people she loves. Can she devour own her fears before they devour her? Bone-chilling, terrifying, thrilling what are you waiting for?

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### **The Woman in Black**

"Not all great novelists can write crime fiction but when one like Susan Hill does the result is stunning." —Ruth Rendell A

cold case comes back to life in this sixth book in the highly successful Simon Serrailer detective series "eagerly awaited by all aficionados" (P.D. James). Freak weather and flash floods all over southern England. Lafferton is under water and a landslide on the Moor has closed the bypass. As the rain slowly drains away, a shallow grave--and a skeleton--are exposed; 20 years on, the remains of missing teenager Joanne Lowther have finally been uncovered. The case is re-opened and Simon Serrailer is called in as senior investigating officer. Joanne, an only child, had been on her way home from a friend's house that night. She was the daughter of a prominent local businessman, Sir John Lowther. Joanne's mother, unable to cope, killed herself 2 years after Joanne disappeared. Cold cases are always tough, and in this latest in the acclaimed series from Susan Hill, Serrailer is forced to confront a frustrating, distressing and complex situation. From the Hardcover edition.

### **That Blue Door & Other Stories**

Serrailer must confront his demons as Lafferton experiences a series of shocking crimes in this 10th book in Susan Hill's shattering crime series Susan Hill stuns readers once again in *The Benefit of Hindsight*, the 10th book in her celebrated mystery series. Now recuperated after the violent incident that cost him his arm—and nearly his life—DCS Serrailer has returned to work, though he prefers to spend his spare time sketching the medieval angels being restored on the cathedral roof. With crime rates down, Lafferton has been quiet, until one night when two men open their front door to a distressing scene. Serrailer makes a serious error of judgment when handling the incident, and the stress of this, combined with the ongoing trauma of losing his arm, takes its toll. In the tradition of the fabulous mysteries of Ruth Rendell and P. D. James, *The Benefit of Hindsight* is Susan Hill's best work yet—a chilling new addition to a highly acclaimed series.

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