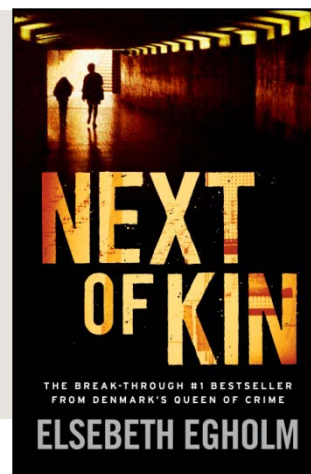


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Title	Next of Kin
Author	Elsebeth Egholm
ISBN	9781742662510
Imprint	Pier 9
Binding	Trade paperback
Extent	368 pages
Dimensions	234 x 153 mm
RRP	\$29.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Fiction/Crime Thriller



Description

Terror Begins at Home...

**A gripping thriller from a No.1 Danish crime writer
A European bestseller published in English for the first time**

Fear and unease have spread to Denmark in the aftermath of the London bombings. Late one evening, journalist Dikte Svendsen receives a movie in the mail, sent anonymously and addressed to her personally. From the moment the images scroll across the screen, her world is no longer the same... A bestial decapitation. Murder. A movie suggesting that perhaps a Muslim terrorist is involved.

Before long, Dikte, Inspector John Wagner and the Danish secret intelligence are involved in solving the case. But their investigation poses uncomfortable questions about the freedom of the press and renewed nationalism. And Dikte is concerned for the safety of her nineteen-year-old daughter in these volatile times. It won't be long before Dikte discovers that true terror is closer to home than she can ever imagine.

Sales Points

- o **Pier 9 will publish the first ever English language translation of Elsebeth Egholm in April 2011**
- o Elsebeth Egholm is a bestselling crime author in Denmark – the last 3 books in the series have gone to No. 1
- o Rights to this series starring journalist Dikte Svendsen have been sold to Germany, Sweden, the Netherlands, Italy, Poland, Norway, Italy, Iceland, France – and now Australia
- o Pier 9 will publish the next book in the series – *Life and Limb* – in January 2012
- o Book 6 in the series, *Brute Force*, has sold 75,000 copies since it was released in Denmark last year
- o Danish crime has a loyal following on SBS TV with 'Anna Pihl', 'Unit One' and 'The Eagle' all attracting dedicated viewers
- o **Backed by a huge marketing and publicity campaign**
- o A Reading Group Guide is available from our website
- o **POS available:** A2 Poster (ISBN: 9787777006657), Pack of 50 Bookmarks (ISBN: 9787777006817), Shelftalkers (ISBN: 9787777006732)
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Author Profile

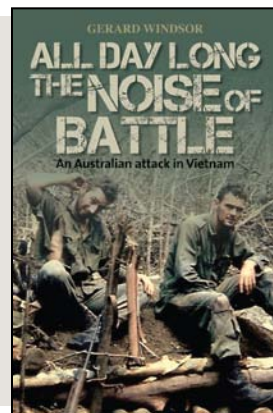
Elsebeth Egholm is an author and journalist, born in Denmark in 1960. Her first novel, *De frie kvinders klub* (*The Free Women's Club*) was published in Danish in 1999, followed by *Scirocco* and *Opium*. Egholm first introduced Danish readers to the journalist Dicte Svendsen from Aarhus in 2002. There are now six novels in the series. She divides her time between living in the countryside in Jutland in Denmark and on the Maltese island of Gozo.

Miso Film has rights to the first six Dicte Svendsen novels and is currently filming them as a TV series, *Den som dræber* (*Those Who Kill*). The series has already been sold into all of Scandinavia and territories across Europe.

Praise for *Next of Kin*

- o *Politiken*: 'You are fully engrossed from the first page.'
- o *Weekendavisen*: 'With *Next of Kin* Egholm shows she is one of the best.'
- o *Jyllands-Posten*: 'Alternates brilliantly between real-life fictitious events, and the action is bone chilling...She is excellent.'
- o Lisa H Kuang, *Jyske Vestkysten*: 'Brave, topical and intricate plotting – Elsebeth Egholm's best so far.'
- o Katinka Bruun, *Weekendavisen*: 'Egholm's grip of the plot is as dexterous and elegant as ever... She walks into a minefield of mutual prejudice without any fear.'
- o *Børsen*: 'There's not only bone-chilling action, but also a lot to think about in *Next of Kin*...Egholm has a lot in common with the Swedish queen of crime, Lisa Marklund.'
- o *Ekstra Bladet*: 'Top-class Egholm. She confirms her position with each new book. Five stars.'

Title	All Day Long the Noise of Battle
Author	Gerard Windsor
ISBN	9781741969184
Imprint	Pier 9
Binding	Paperback
Extent	288 pages
Dimensions	234 x 153 mm
RRP	\$29.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	History/Military and Australian



Description

During the Tet Offensive in Vietnam in February 1968 an Australian infantry company assaulted a North Vietnamese bunker complex. In the longest sustained attack fought by Australians during the Vietnam War the soldiers went forward again and again over three days. Yet the battle passed without any notice in Australia at the time, and the men who fought it were further insulted by higher command's apparent failure to acknowledge what they had done. Above all, decorations for their bravery seemed pitifully meagre. What happened? Why did these men fall through the net of our historical memory?

In answering these questions Gerard Windsor brings up into relief so many of the individual soldiers who went into this battle. *All Day Long the Noise of Battle* is a book about the strengths and problems of this group of men, their alliances and tensions, their relaxations and misbehaviour, their morale, their internal tensions, their reactions to combat, their stand-out characters and their leaders. And throughout, *All Day Long the Noise of Battle* becomes an essay on the nature of men's memory of battle.

Gerard Windsor brings the eye of a writer of fiction to this episode of Australian heroism and tragedy. Full of memorable personalities and their stories, *All Day Long the Noise of Battle* is a ground-breaking and moving book.

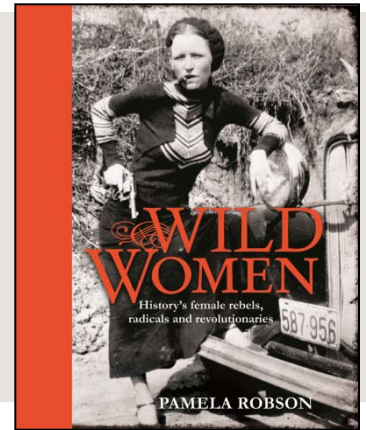
Sales Points

- Includes contemporary photos of many of the men in this battle, bringing you closer to the people at the heart of the story
- Written with extensive research and input from fifty of the men in the Company, this is a very personal insight into the men and their story, in the context of the trials of the Vietnam War
- A highly factual, explosive contribution to the ongoing debate about recognition and fitting decorations for the men who fought in Vietnam
- This is an important contribution to the personal literature of the Vietnam War and is released in time for Anzac Day

Author Profile

Gerard Windsor is one of Australia's most versatile and respected writers. His publications have included two novels, three collections of short stories and essays and three volumes of memoir. His most recent books have been the novel *I Have Kissed Your Lips* and a set of fifty comic biographies of famous Australians, *Ned Kelly and the Odd Rellie*. He won the Pascall Prize for Critical Writing in 2005, has appeared in either *The Best Australian Short Stories* or *The Best Australian Essays* most years since the series' inception in 1998, and is represented by his fiction in the *Norton Anthology of Australian Literature*. *All Day Long the Noise of Battle* is his first published work of history. He lives in Sydney.

Title	Wild Women
Author	Pamela Robson
ISBN	9781741966329
Imprint	Pier 9
Binding	Paperback + quarter binding
Extent	304 paper
Dimensions	228 x 184 mm
RRP	\$39.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Non-Fiction/History



Description

History's female rebels, radicals & revolutionaries

Wild Women details the lives and deeds of some of the most extraordinary women in history. Trailblazers, hell-raisers and firebrands, these women showed a level of daring and disregard for traditional gender roles completely atypical of their time and culture.

This collection features women like Njinga, guerrilla fighter and queen of seventeenth century Angola; Moll Cutpurse, underworld matriarch of the streets of Elizabethan London; Irish pirate and rebel, Anne Bonny; and infamous American bank robber, poet and songwriter Bonnie Parker.

Whether fighting for their country, political beliefs, or for personal gain, whether loners or leaders, these women were prepared to push through and beyond society's boundaries to achieve their ends.

Sales Points

- o An engaging and illuminating read about women who were ahead of their time or just plain wild – including Janis Joplin; a Russian Princess who was the world's first fighter pilot; a woman who was Sydney's biggest crime boss; Lady Lamb, British Prime Minister's wife and lover of Lord Byron; a resistance fighter; a revolutionary and many more...
- o The stories cover the globe and range through several centuries
- o *Wild Women* presents a richly layered, broad spectrum of historical themes, including political, social and military
- o The ideal gift for Mother's Day
- o Why not read about more women in history in *Bad Girls and Wicked Women* (ISBN: 9781741960433, RRP: \$39.95) and *First and Only Women* (ISBN: 9781741964912, RRP: \$45.00)

Author Profile

Pamela Robson is an Australian-based journalist and author with a passion for early 19th century history - and horseracing. Her books include *The Bush* and *Great Australian Speeches* (ISBN: 9781741965575, RRP: \$34.95).

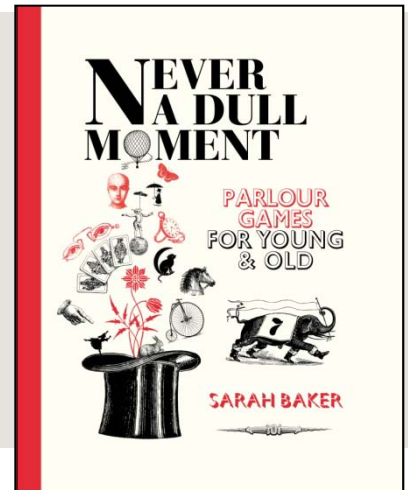


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Never a Dull Moment

Sarah Baker

Title	Never a Dull Moment
Author	Sarah Baker
ISBN	9781741967838
Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Hardback
Extent	256 pages
Dimensions	270 x 214 mm
RRP	\$39.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Non-Fiction/Games



Description

Parlour Games for Young & Old

Packed with more than 200 ingenious games and entertainments, *Never a Dull Moment* will take you back to a time before computers and television, when families devised innovative ways to entertain each other. All you need is your imagination, a spirit of fun and a few practical items that you might find in your 'parlour' — pens and paper, a dictionary, a box of matches and some candles.

Some parlour games give you the chance to show off your wit and learning, while others are frivolous frippery. All the games are delightful entertainment for all ages. Try your hand at games of word play, logic or memory; mount a theatrical evening with clever games of charades; or simply catch each other out with guessing games and games of speed and agility, both mental and physical. With references to famous works of literature as well as fascinating historical background on the origins of some games, *Never a Dull Moment* will provide hours of fun for the whole family.

Sales Points

- o Includes hundreds of games, pastimes, riddles and tricks for endless amusement at home
- o Entertain friends and family with some old-fashioned fun
- o Full of tricks, hoaxes, charades and riddles, *Never a Dull Moment* makes an ideal present and is the perfect book for holidays, with games for all occasions and all ages

Author Profile

A Sydney-based writer and editor, Sarah Baker grew up playing parlour games such as 'Oranges and Lemons' and 'Musical Chairs' at children's birthday parties, where the prize was typically a toy ring or a hair clip. Since then she has graduated to playing chaotic and hilarious games of charades with her extended family.



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The Book of Gabrielle

The Boy Who Wasn't There The Boy Without a Soul

by Michael Panckridge

The words came to Gabrielle in a dream and yet upon waking, she could recall every one of them...

You are a special child. You have a power that others dream of having. There will come a time in your life when you will be given the opportunity to save another. And if you can save this child, you will also be saving yourself. Think of this as a quest. A journey that will bring you home.

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About the Author

Michael Panckridge is pretty mad on sport and all things spooky. He has played cricket, football, soccer, tennis, hockey, golf, and is the author of the acclaimed *Legends* and *Anniversary Legends* books, *The Cursed*, *The Immortal* and *The Vanishing*.

Specifications

Book one: The Boy Who Wasn't There
ISBN: 978-1-74203-182-8
Book two: The Boy Without A Soul
ISBN: 978-1-74203-183-5
Format: 208mm x 138mm (B+)
RRP: \$16.99 (TBC)
Extent: 144 pp (TBC)
Binding: P/b
Reading level: 8+
Interest level: 12+
Category: Middle fiction
Release date: April 2011

The selling points

- The first two books in a new series for readers aged 8–13, a market that has been all but ignored in the recent YA boom.
- A combination of suspense, mystery and spooky themes, as well as an intriguing heroine, make this a must-read series unlike anything else currently on the market.
- Will appeal to fans of adventure and fantasy, and will speak to both male and female readers.
- Read the entire series as a sequence to unravel the mystery of Gabrielle — or read each book as a stand-alone novel with individual characters and storyline, and a 'twist' in each tale.
- Michael Panckridge has a solid fan base through *The Legends Series* and *The Anniversary Legends* — 16 books in all.
- A next step for fans of *Goosebumps*.
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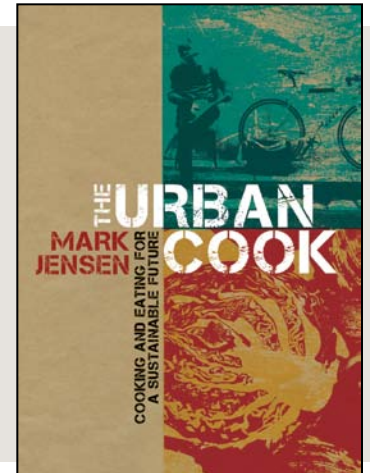


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The Urban Cook

Mark Jensen

Title	The Urban Cook
Author	Mark Jensen
ISBN	9781741967234
Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Hardback with jacket
Extent	288 pages
Dimensions	260 x 190 mm
RRP	\$49.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Cooking
Recipes	106



Description

As the Head Chef at Sydney's Red Lantern restaurant, Mark Jensen is passionate about producing great tasting food. He is also passionate about creating simple recipes that take sustainability into consideration. More and more people are looking at where their food comes from so they can make choices that are healthy and informed. It's easier than you think - from buying seasonally and growing your own vegetables, to using all parts of the animal and selecting free range options.

In *The Urban Cook*, Mark shows you how to make over 100 seasonal recipes that are good for you and the planet. From eggplant and mozzarella bake or rainbow trout cooked in yoghurt with Indian spices, to chicken roasted with lemongrass, chilli and garlic or apple and pecan pie, it's never been easier to cook and eat for a sustainable future.

Sales Points

- o Mark Jensen is co-owner and chef of acclaimed Sydney restaurant Red Lantern and has made guest appearances on Channel Ten's 'Ready Steady Cook' and 'Junior MasterChef'
- o *The Urban Cook* contains 106 seasonal and easy-to-prepare recipes that cover beef and veal, poultry, pork and lamb, vegetables and desserts – the vegetarian recipes are particularly good!
- o Mark provides illuminating facts about food production across the food groups so people can make ethical choices about what they eat. He travelled all over Australia visiting food production sites to research this book.
- o All the recipes are accompanied by stunning photographs
- o Will appeal to fans of Michael Pollan's *The Omnivore's Dilemma*
- o **Point-of-sale available:** A1 Poster (ISBN: 9787777006893) and Pack of 50 Recipe Cards (ISBN: 9787777006978)

Author Profile

Mark Jensen left a career in hairdressing to become a chef at the age of 27. He worked in Matt Moran's Paddington Inn Bistro and also the Bennelong Restaurant. Before making his mark on the Sydney dining scene when he opened The Dining Room at the Olympic Hotel in 1995. In 2001 his brother in-law Luke Nguyen invited him to join his new restaurant, Red Lantern, and he has been there ever since. Mark is passionate about ethical eating and is currently transforming Red Lantern into an environmentally sustainable restaurant.

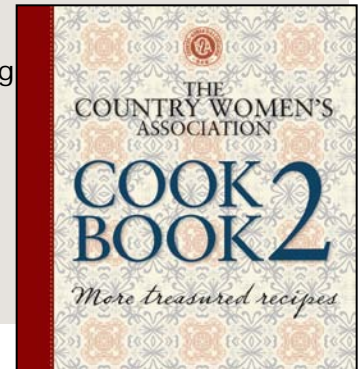


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Title	The Country Women's Association Cookbook 2
Author	The Country Women's Association of NSW
ISBN	9781741969290
Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Hardcover with concealed wiro binding
Extent	256 pages
Dimensions	210 x 170 mm
RRP	\$29.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Cooking
Recipes	285



Description

Following on from the hugely successful *The Country Women's Association Cookbook*, published in 2009 by Murdoch Books, this volume presents another 285 treasured recipes from CWA members.

Celebrating a long tradition of country cooking skills, *The Country Women's Association Cookbook 2* features much-loved recipes for scones, cakes, biscuits, slices, soups, main courses, desserts, jams, confectionery and more. With a truly nostalgic feel, this book is nonetheless perfect for today's cooks, offering simple, reliable recipes for everything from morning tea to a hearty dinner.

Sales Points

- o Makes the perfect Mother's Day gift for mums and grandmas
- o *The Country Women's Association Cookbook* (ISBN: 9781741963595, RRP: \$29.99) has sold over 48,000 copies to date and has been reprinted several times
- o Practical and appealing format with quarter-binding and concealed wiro, to lay open flat on the kitchen bench
- o *The Country Women's Association Cookbook 2* contains traditional recipes with metric quantities
- o Features a wide range of recipes including chapters dedicated to traditional family meals, sauces and accompaniments, salads and starters, and iconic country desserts

Author Profile

The Country Women's Association of New South Wales, a not-for-profit association formed in 1922, is part of the largest voluntary women's organisation in Australia. Members work for the welfare of all women and their families - country and city - through representation to all levels of government, fundraising events and the teaching of life skills.

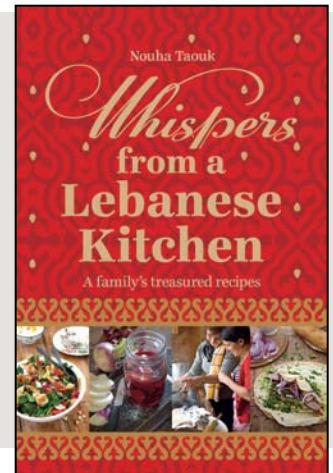


MURDOCH BOOKS

Whispers From a Lebanese Kitchen

Nouha Taouk

Title	Whispers From a Lebanese Kitchen
Author	Nouha Taouk
ISBN	9781741968224
Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Hardback with jacket
Extent	256 pages
Dimensions	270 x 200 mm
RRP	\$59.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Cooking
Recipes	80



Description

A family's treasured recipes

Nouha Taouk is a Lebanese-Australian woman from a vibrant family with a strong cooking tradition. In *Whispers From a Lebanese Kitchen*, she tells the stories of her grandmother, family matriarch Citi Leila, and the unique bond between the women in her family, created through cooking together.

Culinary secrets and childhood memories are shared over the kneading of bread, pickling of vegetables and hand-moulding of falafel. Peppered among authentic recipes for baba ganoush, spinach pie and baklava are the traditions and techniques passed down from generation to generation. Locate the very heart and soul of Lebanese cooking with Citi Leila and her daughters.

Sales Points

- o Through the stories of Citi and her daughters, be privy to the rituals that surround the welcoming of a guest into the home along with the sumptuous banquets that accompany any Lebanese festival or celebration
- o The collection of family anecdotes and cooking secrets are accompanied by 80 authentic Lebanese recipes
- o Full of stunning photography, stories and recipes from three generations of Lebanese-Australian women, this cookbook makes a lovely gift for Mother's Day
- o Point-of-sale available: A2 Poster (ISBN: 9787777007135)

Author Profile

Nouha Taouk is the oldest of five siblings, all born in Australia to Lebanese parents. She began cooking with her grandmother, Citi Leila, and mother, Joumana, when she was five years old, and continues to reinvent traditional Lebanese food in a modern Australian setting. Her life in the multicultural metropolis that is Sydney has inspired Nouha to record the unique history, traditions and recipes of her family.

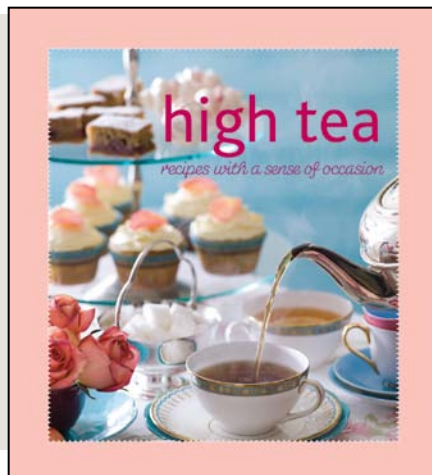


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Title	High Tea
Author	Murdoch Books Test Kitchen
ISBN	9781742660141
Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Paperback with flaps
Extent	256 pages
Dimensions	220 x 200 mm
RRP	\$29.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Cooking
Recipes	170



Description

With the morning coffee or the afternoon cuppa...any time, really, is a good time to have a cookie or a cupcake. This collection of fabulously good-looking and great-tasting cupcakes, cookies, muffins and slices is worth staging a stop-work meeting for. Or, perhaps, reintroducing that grand custom from a bygone era — high tea. Take out the best china, polish up the silver cake slice, iron the lovingly embroidered linen napkins and make an event of it. Peach and sour cream slice, anyone?

Sales Points

- o Features a range of traditional and modern recipes for cakes, cookies, muffins and slices of all shapes and flavours
- o The photographs of stylish table settings are a source of inspiration
- o Brings the refinement of old-fashioned social mores and manners to a modern audience





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Quilting: From Little Things

Sarah Fielke

Title	Quilting: From Little Things
Author	Sarah Fielke
ISBN	9781741967609
Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Paperback with flaps
Extent	216 pages
Dimensions	265 x 225 mm
RRP	\$49.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Craft



Description

It can be challenging to master the many different quilting techniques and *Quilting: From Little Things* provides an accessible way to try out new colours, textures and methods, and in the process build upon your quilting skills.

The ten pairs of quilts featured in this new book from quilting expert and teacher Sarah Fielke are designed to be like little lessons: a dolly quilt – so-named because it is small enough to cover a doll – and a larger quilt made from the techniques learned in the construction of the dolly. Discover how, from little things, big and exciting things can grow.

Sales Points

- o Includes 150 practical, user-friendly diagrams and templates to simplify instructions
- o Start with a dolly quilt to perfect the techniques and then move up to a full-sized quilt
- o The quilts in this book are grouped into 10 pairs and are great for novice and experienced quilters alike
- o There are two photographs of each quilt to guide and inspire the quilter and Sarah tells you what equipment and techniques you will need to make each quilt
- o Sarah has co-authored two hugely successful quilting books – *Material Obsession* (ISBN: 9781741960952, RRP: \$49.95) and *Material Obsession Two* (ISBN: 9781741964103, RRP: \$49.95)
- o Visit Sarah's popular quilting blog - www.thelastpiece.net
- o Point-of-sale available: A2 Poster (ISBN: 9787777007050)

Author Profile

Sarah Fielke is a quilter, teacher, designer and author. She has co-authored two hugely successful quilt books – *Material Obsession: Contemporary Quilt Designs*, and *Material Obsession Two: Shared Inspiration*. In these books, which have been published in four languages, she inspires quilters to be more creative, find their own style and step outside their comfort zone.

Sarah publishes patterns for magazines around the world, including *Down Under Quilts*, *Quilters Companion*, *Quilting Arts*, *Quilters Newsletter* and *Quiltmania* magazine. She appears regularly in quilting features in international home magazines and is the creative editor of www.sewn.net.au, a website for all things sewn. You can also find her at her popular quilting blog, www.thelastpiece.net.



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Author	Holly Becker & Joanna Copestick
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Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Hardback
Extent	288 pages
Dimensions	270 x 210 mm
RRP	\$59.99
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Decorating



Description

1000 Inspirational Design Ideas for Every Room in Your House

Whether you are designing a brand new home or simply updating one room's interior, *Decorate* is teeming with clever, creative and quirky advice from the world's best designers and architects. Top interior designers like Sibella Court, Shannon Fricke and Pia Jane Bijerk, reveal essential tools of the trade, from where to put your furniture to how to dress a room with your own individual style. The book is a gorgeous source of essential expert guidance, featuring both quick fixes for small budgets and indulgent ideas for more ambitious projects.

Decorate features a selection of styles and key elements to help you create a similar look in your home and prioritise your needs. Collectors will discover ingenious storage ideas that provide display and decoration as well as practical solutions, while minimalists will relish ideas on how to create understated cupboards that hide away the clutter. In addition, other inspirational spreads offer ways of dealing with a specific theme, technique or design element – such as sofas, colour tricks, chairs, wallpaper, china and glass, flowers and display – to help you on your way.

Sales Points

- o *Decorate* is an invaluable resource for anyone with an interest in how their home looks, and will provide fresh inspiration every time you dip inside it
- o Includes creative advice from internationally renowned interior designers and decorators Sibella Court, Pia Jane Bijerk, Amy Butler, Shannon Fricke, Kelly Hoppen, Jonathan Adler and Vicente Wolf
- o Focuses on assessing space, setting a style, identifying room specific essentials and working with smaller details to transform a space
- o Includes a vast selection of styles, from Natural and Flea-market Style to Modern Glamour and Eclectic
- o Complete with room plans for furniture placing ideas, top tips for decorating success and designer secrets and short-cuts
- o Will appeal to those who loved *Home* and *The Complete Book of the Home* (ISBN: 9781741963052, RRP: \$49.95)

Author Profile

Holly Becker, an American freelance journalist and design consultant, launched the decor8 blog in January 2006, and it is now an established site known as a reliable design resource to 35,000 daily readers. She is a weekly columnist at Real Simple magazine online and has been featured in publications including *Elle Décor*, *People*, the *Times*, and the *Washington Post*.

Joanna Copestick is a British writer and editor specialising in interior design and decoration. She has written more than ten books including *The Family Home* and *Perfect Palettes*.

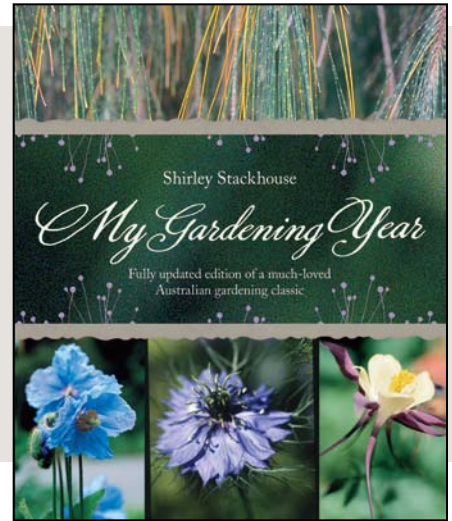


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My Gardening Year PB

Shirley Stackhouse

Title	My Gardening Year
Author	Shirley Stackhouse
ISBN	9781741966701
Imprint	Murdoch Books
Binding	Paperback with flaps
Extent	352 pages
Dimensions	270 x 255 mm
RRP	\$45.00
Release Date	April 2011
Category	Gardening



Description

A much loved Australian gardening classic – now in paperback

Combining beauty with practicality, and written by one of Australia's leading horticultural authorities, *My Gardening Year* will appeal to novices and old gardening hands alike.

Full of solid and reliable advice to help the gardener get the most from their plants and gardens, this information-packed book has been updated for modern conditions, taking into account concerns about water, climate change and sustainability.

Which is the best month to prune spring-flowering shrubs? What's flowering in December? What can be done to treat pests such as aphids, and diseases such as mildew? The answers to every conceivable practical gardening question are easily accessible in this month-by-month guide, illustrated with photographs and Shirley Stackhouse's own beautiful line drawings.

Sales Points

- o This fully updated edition of a bestselling Australian gardening classic, first published in the 1970s, is now available in paperback
- o Includes sensible gardening advice from a renowned 'household name' horticulturalist with a high profile in the horticulture industry and the media
- o With beautiful and elegant design and solid content, this is the perfect Mother's Day gift for any mum with an interest in gardening
- o Up-to-date and relevant for today's gardener concerned about water, climate change and sustainability
- o This paperback edition features a fresh, beautiful new cover.

Author Profile

Shirley Stackhouse was born into a nursery-owning family in Brisbane and studied at Sydney's Ryde School of Horticulture. Her gardening media career has included writing and illustrating a popular column for both *The Sydney Morning Herald* and *Woman's Day*, presenting a top-rating gardening show on Sydney radio and writing and illustrating several books.

Shirley has been honoured as Horticulturalist of the Year by the Horticultural Media Association and been awarded an Order of Australia.

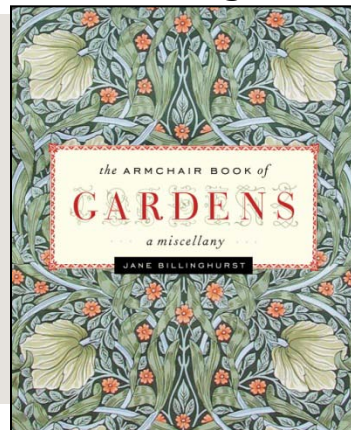


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Description

People have always created gardens. Why are we so passionate about gardens and what do they represent? This fabulous collection of prose and visual imagery looks at gardens from many angles, celebrating their sensual, practical, spiritual, aesthetic, social, and even political dimensions.

Writers from around the world evoke the garden in its many incarnations, sometimes lightheartedly, sometimes wittily, sometimes expressing regret or sorrow. Like a garden itself, *The Armchair Book of Gardens* blooms with a variety of heady offerings, providing flowery fantasies, patches of wildness, sensuous surprises, and satisfaction for the soul.

Sales Points

- o This collection of prose and images makes the perfect Mother's Day gift for gardeners and art lovers
- o Writers as varied as Homer, Ji Cheng, A.A. Milne, Thomas Hardy and Tom Stoppard are featured in this book
- o There is beautiful, full colour artwork throughout
- o POS available: Pack of 50 Bookmarks (ISBN: 9787777007371)

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