

## ***Along Came Spider James Patterson***

*The fourth novel in Mercedes Lackey's magical Elemental Masters series reimagines the fairy tale The Snow Queen in a richly-detailed alternate Victorian England The letter that introduced twelve-year-old Sarah Jane Lyon-White to Isabelle Harton, who ran the Harton School in central London, seemed quite simple and straightforward. But it was what was not written in the letter that resonated to Isabelle's own finely tuned "extra" senses: "Sarah has gifts we cannot train," the letter whispered to her, "nor can anyone we know. Those we trust tell us that you can...." And it was true, for the Harton School was far from ordinary. It was Isabelle's job to train children who possessed the odd types of magic that could not be trained by London's powerful Elemental Masters: clairvoyants, telepaths, those with the ability to sense hidden danger, the vision to see into the past, and even that rarest of all talents: the ability to see and communicate with the dead. But Isabelle was uneasy, for though she knew that Sarah Jane had a touch of telepathy, there seemed to be something else about the girl—something that had not yet manifested. And Isabelle was right to be worried, for as soon as Sarah's full talents became evident, there was an attempt made on her life. For Sarah was that rarest of magicians: a true medium, and for some reason, a powerful Elemental Master wanted her dead. Isabelle knew that to protect her ward she would have to seek help from the Elemental Masters of the city. That meant she would also see Lord David Alderscroft, the man she had once loved, but who had inexplicably chilled toward her and broken her heart long ago—for he was the leader of the city's Elemental Masters, the man who was now called the Wizard of London.*

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*In this heart-stopping thriller, Detective Alex Cross and his beloved fiancé find themselves tangled in a complex murder investigation, threatening not only public safety, but their chance at happiness together. Alex Cross is happy, but his happiness is threatened by a series of chilling murders—murders with a pattern so twisted, it leaves investigators reeling. Cross's ingenious pursuit of the killer produces a suspect: a British diplomat named Geoffrey Shafer. But proving that Shafer is the murderer becomes a potentially deadly task. As the diplomat engages in a brilliant series of surprising countermoves, in and out of the courtroom, Alex and his fiancée become hopelessly entangled with the most memorable nemesis Alex Cross has ever faced. Pop Goes the Weasel reveals James Patterson at the peak of his power. Here is a chilling villain no reader will forget, a love story of great tenderness, and a plot of relentless suspense and heart-pounding pace. To read Pop Goes the Weasel is to discover why James Patterson is one of the world's greatest suspense writers.*

*THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER, PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED AS MURDER GAMES, NOW A HIT TV SERIES STARRING ALAN CUMMING* Dr Dylan Reinhart is an expert on criminal behaviour. But when his bestselling book is found at a gruesome murder scene, Dylan comes face to face with the real world of crime. And the killer is expecting him. Elizabeth Needham, the brilliant NYPD detective leading the case, recruits Dylan to help investigate another clue the killer has left behind - a playing card. Is this the killer's signature? Or will the cards lead them to the next victim, and right into the Dealer's hands... The Dealer's twisted game will test everything Dylan thought he knew about the criminal mind. Can Dylan put a stop to the killer before he deals his final card?

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*'Not many writers can smash out blockbuster books back-to-back, but one name leaps and bounds ahead in the juggernaut literature stakes: James Patterson. Known for his lightning-fast plots, cliff-hanger chapters and encyclopaedic crime scene knowledge, James has created the foundations for an unforgettable new drama series.'* - Mail Online

*When her nephew-in-law is accused of forging antiquities, Amelia Peabody investigates and is challenged by the reappearance of a detestable cousin, a newly discovered pyramid, the rising nationalist movement in Egypt, and a complication in love. Reprint.*

*The Thomas Berryman Number*

*Instinct*

*Nevermore*

*We Can See You*

*The Girls*

A threat from an anonymous caller sends D. C. into panic as Detective Alex Cross teams up with his wife to uncover the chilling truth. An anonymous caller has promised to set off deadly bombs in Washington, DC. A cruel hoax or the real deal? By the time Alex Cross and his wife, Bree Stone, uncover the chilling truth, it may already be too late . . . BookShots Lightning-fast stories by James Patterson Novels you can devour in a few hours Impossible to stop reading All original content from James Patterson

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This is it: one last incredible, explosive Maximum Ride adventure with an astonishing ending no one could have seen coming. Maximum Ride and her faithful friends stand ready to face the two greatest threats that humankind has ever known, now combining forces in an unbeatable plot to destroy life as we know it once and for all. And this time, the enemy truly can't be stopped. The danger mounts just as Dylan has worked his way into Max's heart-but then Fang unexpectedly returns to the flock. An explosive confrontation between the two boys grows into a battle to win Max's heart, and the entire world hangs in the balance. In this powerful and moving finale of James Patterson's epic fantasy series, fans will finally get the answers they've been waiting for-and an ending full of shock, surprises, and the greatest conclusion you never saw coming.

Annie Laird is Juror 224. A sculptor with a career going nowhere. A single mother struggling to raise a son. A good citizen who has been summoned to what looks like a routine tour of civic duty. But the trial she is called to serve on is no ordinary trial. It is a mob trial, whose outcome has been meticulously orchestrated by a man of insidious power and deadly precision. A man who lives by the teachings of Lao Tsu...whose magnetism is irresistible...whose mind is as brilliant as it is twisted. He is known to some as the Teacher, and he's

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set his sights on Annie Laird. Pulled into the most chilling depths of the criminal underworld, Annie will be seduced by double-edged promises, stalked by the specter of terror, then, finally, driven to a shocking decision by the most basic motivation a woman can know. THE JUROR is a tour de force of crime and obsession, evil and innocence -- a story that taps into fears so primal they linger long after the last page has been read.

When she finds her mentor lying in a pool of blood, clutching a priceless and supposedly cursed copy of Goethe's Faust, book restorer Brooklyn Wainwright is accused of murder and theft by an annoyingly attractive British security officer. Original.

Along Came a Spider

The Alex Cross Collection, Volume One

Kill Alex Cross

An Amelia Peabody Mystery

Cat and Mouse

The stakes are higher than ever for Alex Cross as he faces his most personal enemy yet: a criminal who threatens his family. Detective Alex Cross is a family man at heart: nothing matters more to him than his children, his grandmother, and his wife Bree. His love of his family is his anchor, and gives him the strength to confront evil in his work. One man knows

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this deeply, and uses Alex's strength as a weapon against him in the most unsettling and unexpected novel of James Patterson's career. When the ones Cross loves are in danger, he will do anything to protect them. But if he does anything to protect them, they will die. *Cross My Heart* is the most powerful Alex Cross novel ever, propelled by the ever-ingenuous mind of James Patterson, the world's #1 bestselling writer.

Could a superstar singer also be a cold-hearted killer? It's a trial that has electrified the world. Not only because the defendant is Maggie Bradford, the woman whose songs have captured hearts across the globe. And not only because the victim is Will Shepherd, the internationally admired athlete. But also because people are saying that Maggie has murdered not just one husband, but two. In Maggie's world – the world of fame and celebrity – things are never what they seem.

Written in the fearless voice of Detective Alex Cross, *Alex Cross's Trial* is a #1 New York Times bestseller of murder, love, and above all, bravery. From his grandmother, Alex Cross has heard the story of his great uncle Abraham and his struggles for survival in the era of the Ku Klux Klan. Now, Alex passes the family tale along to his own children in a novel he's written—a novel called *Trial*. As a lawyer in turn-of-the-century Washington D.C., Ben Corbett represents the toughest cases. Fighting against oppression and racism, he risks his family and his life in the process. When President Roosevelt asks Ben to return to his home town to investigate rumors of the resurgence of the Ku Klux Klan there, he cannot refuse. When he arrives in Eudora, Mississippi, Ben meets the wise Abraham Cross and his beautiful granddaughter, Moody. Ben enlists their help, and the two Crosses introduce him to the hidden side of the idyllic Southern town. Lynchings have become commonplace and residents of the

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town's black quarter live in constant fear. Ben aims to break the reign of terror-but the truth of who is really behind it could break his heart. Written in the fearless voice of Detective Alex Cross, Alex Cross's Trial is a gripping story of courage in the face of prejudice and terror. "Witty, scary, fast-moving and outrageous" - MARCEL BERLIN, THE TIMES "Simon Kernick is one of the most reliable purveyors of the edge-of-your-seat thriller... a more powerful adrenaline rush than an EpiPen" - JAKE KERRIDGE, SUNDAY EXPRESS WE HAVE YOUR DAUGHTER. WE KNOW YOUR SECRETS. WE CAN SEE YOU. The new high-octane thriller from Sunday Times bestselling author Simon Kernick \_\_\_\_\_ You have it all. Success, a beautiful home, a happy family. Until, in a heartbeat, it's gone. We've kidnapped your daughter, and we know everything about you. Including the dark secrets from your past you thought were forgotten. We tell you not to contact the police – and that we'll know if you do. Because we can see you. And now you know this is no ordinary abduction. It's worse. Within hours you're on the run, with only one thought in your head: That you will stop at nothing to get your daughter back. Even murder... \_\_\_\_\_ "Simon Kernick is an absolute master of the adrenaline-fuelled ride" - PETER JAMES "An emotionally punchy domestic noir blended with the pace and action of a high-octane thriller, WE CAN SEE YOU will keep you breathlessly on the edge of your seat, wondering which character you can trust, if any at all, until the final brilliant twist! A #WTFthatending indeed!" - SARAH PINBOROUGH, author of BEHIND HER EYES and CROSS HER HEART "A pacy thriller, with a body count that rises along with the tension levels" – SUNDAY MIRROR "Simon Kernick manages to ring fresh changes (and revelations) at every point... He remains one of the most consistently suspenseful and ingenious writers in the field" – CRIME TIME "Thriller-meister

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Simon Kernick's standalone books are always worth picking up – and his latest is no exception" – SUNDAY SPORT

Pop Goes the Weasel

Hope to Die

The Falcon at the Portal

The Final Maximum Ride Adventure

Just as Alex Cross is beginning to feel that life is good and he is finally coming out of the depression he's been in since the death of his wife, he is called to Union Station train terminal - a man is on the loose, firing at random into the swarming crowds of travellers. Psychopath Gary Soneji seems determined to go down in a blaze of glory, and he wants Alex Cross to be there. Will this be the final showdown

The murder of a glamorous DC socialite becomes Alex Cross's deadliest case since *Along Came a Spider*. Kay Willingham led a life as glamorous as it was public—she was a gorgeous Georgetown socialite, philanthropist, and the ex-wife of the vice president. So why was she parked in a Bentley



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convertible idling behind a DC private school, in the middle of the night, with the man who was the head of that school? Who shot them both, point blank, and why? The shocking double homicide is blazed across the internet, TV, newspapers—and across Alex Cross's mind. Kay had been his patient once. And maybe more. While John Sampson of DC Metro Police investigates the last movements of Christopher Randall, the educator killed along with Kay Willingham, detective Alex Cross and FBI special agent Ned Mahoney find unanswered questions from Willingham's past, before she arrived in DC and became known in DC society as someone who could make things happen. They travel to Alabama to investigate Kay's early years. There they find a world of trouble, corruption, and secrets, all of them closed to outsiders like Cross and Mahoney. Kay had many enemies, but all of them seemed to need her alive. The harder the investigators push, the more resistance they find when they leave behind the polite law offices and doctors' quarters of the state capital. Alex Cross will need to use all his

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skills as a doctor, a detective, and a family man to prevent that resistance from turning lethal . . . again.

The third novel in the bestselling Alex Cross series Murders. Assassinations. Washington D.C. is under siege, and Detective Alex Cross has work to do. A controversial Senator, found murdered in his bed. A little girl, savagely beaten to death. Alex Cross is under pressure from two fronts - but he knows even he can't solve both cases. Faced with an impossible choice, Cross has to come up with something incredible - because right now, nobody in Washington is safe, and it's only a matter of time before the killer sets their sights on the ultimate target...

'A fast-paced thriller that twists and twists again. Kyle Perry can sure spin a mighty tale.' - Chris Hammer On the Tasman Peninsula, nestled amidst the largest sea-cliffs in the southern hemisphere, is Shacktown. Here the Dempsey family have run a drug ring for generations, using the fishing industry and the deadly Black Wind as cover. But when thirteen-year-old Forest Dempsey walks out of the

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ocean, bruised and branded, everything is at risk - because Forest has been presumed dead for the last seven years. Mackerel Dempsey, out of jail on strict bail conditions, is trying to change his fate, doing his best to keep out of trouble before his next court date. His cousin Ahab has renounced the family altogether, in favour of working to keep the town and its fragile tourism economy safe. But in their search for answers about Forest, both Mackerel and Ahab can't help but be drawn back into the underworld. What happened to the boy all those years ago? And does it have anything to do with the infamous drug kingpin Blackbeard, who is rumoured to be moving in on Shacktown? When secrets long thought buried at sea wash up on shore, generations of the Dempsey family must stand up for what they believe in, even if it means sacrificing everything. But in the gritty fight between right and wrong, blood isn't always thicker than water, and everyone is at risk of being pulled under... From the bestselling breakout author of *The Bluffs* comes a heart-stopping new thriller set on the rugged coast of

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Tasmania about family bonds and betrayals, and the hidden dangers that lurk in the deep... Praise for Kyle Perry- 'The Bluffs establishes Perry as a fierce new talent.' Apple Books 'The narrative races along, pulling the reader from page to page with a freight-train momentum that starts with the first word and ends with the final full stop.' The Examiner 'A spine-tingling and absorbing crime thriller about small-town secrets and mythic bush tales. This atmospheric read will keep you turning the pages until the very end.' Who Weekly 'A riveting story that will give even a seasoned thriller reader goosebumps.' Better Reading Step on a Crack

Murder of Innocence

Now a hit TV series starring Alan Cumming

Kiss the Girls

An Alex Cross Story

*When Brad asks someone else to the senior prom, Nicole resorts to a desperate measure--she decides to make her next-door neighbor over into a dream date.*

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*The legendary thriller that launched the Alex Cross phenomenon Adapted into a major Hollywood movie starring Morgan Freeman*

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*Two children have been kidnapped from an elite private school in Washington DC, and Detective Alex Cross is charged with finding them. The kidnapper's identity is quickly determined as one of the children's teachers. But capturing him is the true challenge. As Cross gets pulled deeper into the strange world of the kidnapper, it becomes clear he is far more dangerous than anyone could have anticipated.*

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*'No one gets this big without amazing natural storytelling talent - which is what Jim has, in spades. The Alex Cross series proves it.'* LEE CHILD *'Alex Cross is a legend'* HARLAN COBEN *'I wrote, "Along Came a Spider is the best thriller I've come across in many a year. It deserves to be this season's no. 1 bestseller and should instantly make James Patterson a household name." A household name, indeed.'* NELSON DEMILLE *'Brilliantly terrifying! So exciting that I had to stay up all night to finish it! Packed with white-knuckle twists.'* DAILY MAIL *'An incredibly suspenseful read with a one-of-a-kind villain who is as terrifying as he is intriguing.'* CLIVE CUSSLER *'Terror and suspense that grab the reader and won't let go. Just try running away from this one.'* ED MCBAIN  
*Discover the classic thriller that launched the #1 detective series of the past*

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*twenty-five years, now one of PBS's "100 Great American Reads" Alex Cross is a homicide detective with a Ph.D. in psychology. He works and lives in the ghettos of D. C. and looks like Muhammad Ali in his prime. He's a tough guy from a tough part of town who wears Harris Tweed jackets and likes to relax by banging out Gershwin tunes on his baby grand piano. But he also has two adorable kids of his own, and they are his own special vulnerabilities. Jezzie Flanagan is the first woman ever to hold the highly sensitive job as supervisor of the Secret Service in Washington. Blond, mysterious, seductive, she's got an outer shell that's as tough as it is beautiful. She rides her black BMW motorcycle at speeds of no less than 100 mph. What is she running from? What is her secret? Alex Cross and Jezzie Flanagan are about to have a forbidden love affair-at the worst possible time for both of them. Because Gary Soneji, who wants to commit the "crime of the century," is playing at the top of his game. Soneji has outsmarted the FBI, the Secret Service, and the police. Who will be his next victim? Gary Soneji is every parent's worst nightmare. He has become Alex Cross's nightmare. And now, reader, he's about to become yours.*

*Dive into two dark stories of crime and murder from a New York Times bestselling author, inspired by true crime horrors where murder isn't always the worst thing that can happen to you . . . Murder of Innocence: It's*

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*impossible to resist Andrew Luster. He's rich, charming, and good-looking, and dozens of women have fallen under his spell. But Andrew is no mere womanizer. He's a predator, and it'll take a global effort to put him behind bars. (with Max DiLallo) A Murderous Affair: Mark Putnam is a rookie FBI agent given his first assignment in a remote part of Kentucky, a land of coal miners and meth dealers. Within his first months on the job, a young female informant named Susan Smith helps him make a big break in an important case. Rumors begin circulating that the agent and his informant are having an affair. After Susan starts telling people that she is pregnant with the FBI agent's baby, she suddenly disappears. (with Andrew Bourelle)*

*(Alex Cross 1)*

*Double Cross*

*Cross Kill*

*Homicide in Hardcover*

*When the Wind Blows*

***The twenty-fourth novel in the bestselling Alex Cross series \_\_\_\_\_ 'No one gets this big without amazing natural storytelling talent - which is what Jim has, in spades. The Alex Cross series proves it.' LEE CHILD, international bestselling author of the Jack Reacher***

*series \_\_\_\_\_ A killer with a twisted sense of justice has Washington DC under siege. Only Alex Cross can bring them down. When a police officer is killed, Detective Alex Cross steps up to take command of his force who are scrambling for answers. As a brutal crime wave sweeps the region, an intriguing connection links these deadly scenes. The victims are all criminals. The murderer has appointed themselves as judge, jury, and executioner, and it's up to Alex to take the law back into his hands before the city descends into chaos. I, Alex Cross Detective Alex Cross is pulled out of a family celebration and given the devastating news that his niece, Caroline, has been found brutally murdered. Cross vows to hunt down the killer, and soon learns that Caroline was mixed up in one of Washington's wildest scenes. And she was not this killer's only victim. The search leads Cross to a place where every fantasy is possible, if you have the credentials to get in. Alex is soon facing down some very important, very protected, very dangerous people in levels*



*of society where only one thing is certain - they will do anything to keep their secrets safe. Cross Fire Detective Alex Cross is planning his wedding to the woman he loves, Brianna Stone. But this blissful existence begins to unravel when Cross is called to the scene of the perfectly executed assassination of two of Washington DC's most corrupt and publically hated political figures. As more crooked politicians are picked off with similar long-range shots, public opinion is divided - is the marksman a vigilante or a hero? Media coverage of the case explodes, and the FBI assigns agent Max Siegel to the investigation. As Cross and Siegel battle over jurisdiction, Alex receives a call from his deadliest adversary, Kyle Craig. The Mastermind is in DC and will not stop until he has eliminated Cross, and his family, for good. For Alex Cross, the toughest cases hit close to home-and in this deadly thrill ride, he's trying to solve the most personal mystery of his life. When his cousin is accused of a heinous crime, Alex Cross returns to his North Carolina*

*hometown for the first time in over three decades. As he tries to prove his cousin's innocence in a town where everyone seems to be on the take, Cross unearths a family secret that forces him to question everything he's ever known. Chasing a ghost he believed was long dead, Cross gets pulled into a case that has local cops scratching their heads and needing his help: a grisly string of socialite murders. Now he's hot on the trail of both a brutal killer, and the truth about his own past-and the answers he finds might be fatal.*

*Along Came a Spider* Little, Brown

*They know everything about you...*

*Hide and Seek*

*How I Created My Perfect Prom Date*

*(Alex Cross 2)*

*Jack and Jill*

While grieving her husband's murder, a young Colorado veterinarian meets a troubled FBI agent and begins to uncover the world's most sinister secrets in this thriller from James

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Patterson. Frannie O'Neill is a young and talented veterinarian living in Colorado. Plagued by the mysterious murder of her husband, Frannie throws herself into her work, but it is not long before another bizarre murder occurs and Kit Harrison, a troubled and unconventional FBI agent, arrives on her doorstep. Late one night, near the woods of her animal hospital, Frannie stumbles upon a strange, astonishing phenomenon that will change the course of her life forever: an eleven-year-old girl named Max. With breathtaking energy, Max leads Frannie and Kit to uncover one of the most diabolical and inhuman plots of modern science. Bold and compelling, *When the Wind Blows* is a story of suspense and passion as only James Patterson could tell it. James Patterson is the world's #1 bestselling writer. With over 240 million copies of his books sold, he has created more enduring fictional characters than any other novelist writing today. His novels featuring Alex Cross are the most popular detective series of the past twenty-five years. This special boxed set includes three of his most thrilling Alex Cross novels. I, Alex Cross When a beloved family member is killed, Alex Cross faces his most chilling and personal case ever. The

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search for the murderer leads him to very dangerous people—and a revelation that could rock the entire world. Double Cross Rejoining the Washington, D.C. police force, Cross pursues a cunning mastermind whose public killings terrorize the whole city. Even as Cross plays this lethal game, another psycho killer is targeting him. Cross Country After the worst crime scene he has ever seen, Cross realizes he's chasing a new breed of killer—a predator whose trail leads to Africa. But in this land of sheer terror is Alex Cross the hunter or the hunted? Just when Alex Cross's life is calming down, he is drawn back into the game to confront a criminal mastermind like no other. The elaborate murders that have stunned Washington, DC, are the wildest that Alex Cross and his new girlfriend, Detective Brianna Stone, have ever seen. This maniac adores an audience, and stages his killings as spectacles in public settings. Alex is pursuing a genius of terror who has the whole city on edge as it waits for his next move. And the killer loves the attention, no doubt—he even sets up his own Web site and live video feed to trumpet his madness. And in Colorado, another criminal mastermind is planning a triumphant return. From his

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supermaximum-security prison cell, Kyle Craig has plotted for years to have one chance at an impossible escape. If he has to join forces with DC's Audience Killer to get back at the man who put him in that cell--Alex Cross--all the better. From the author Time magazine has called "the man who can't miss," Double Cross has the pulse-racing momentum and electrifying thrills that have made James Patterson a #1 bestselling storyteller all over the world.

Detective Alex Cross is being stalked by a psychotic genius, forced to play the deadliest game of his career. Cross's family--his loving wife Bree, the wise and lively Nana Mama, and his precious children--have been ripped away. Terrified and desperate, Cross must give this mad man what he wants if he has any chance of saving the most important people in his life. The stakes have never been higher: What will Cross sacrifice to save the ones he loves? Widely praised by the greatest crime and thriller writers of our time, Cross My Heart set a jaw-dropping story in motion. Hope to Die propels Alex Cross's greatest challenge to its astonishing finish, proving why Jeffery Deaver says "nobody does it better" than James Patterson.

Deadly Cross

The Midnight Club

Cross My Heart

Cross the Line

Cross Justice

**'No one gets this big without amazing natural storytelling talent - which is what Jim has, in spades. The Alex Cross series proves it.'** LEE CHILD, international bestselling author of the Jack Reacher series \_\_\_\_\_ **Detective Alex Cross is caught between two murderous masterminds, but he isn't the only one in danger this time... When his niece goes missing, Alex Cross follows the trail and discovers links to a string of abductions, murders, and a horrifying complication. Two killers are competing to commit worse crimes than the other and their collaboration becomes a national threat. With his family at risk, Alex knows that the investigation puts him directly in the firing line... Adapted as a major Hollywood movie starring Morgan Freeman**

**As he faces a devastating personal loss, Detective Michael Bennett is about to take on the most sinister challenge of his career: a kidnapping crisis that could destroy the most powerful people in America. The nation has fallen into mourning after the unexpected death of a beloved former First Lady, and the most powerful people in the world gather in New York for her funeral. Then the inconceivable occurs: Billionaires, politicians, and superstars of every kind are suddenly trapped within one man's brilliant**

**and ruthless scenario. Bennett, father of ten, is pulled into the fray. As the danger escalates, Michael is hit with devastating news: After fighting for many years, his wife has succumbed to a terrible disease. As New York descends into chaos, Bennett has lost the great love of his life and faces raising his ten devastated children alone-and rescuing 34 hostages. Day after day, Bennett confronts the most ruthless man he has ever dealt with, a man who kills without hesitation and counters everything the NYPD and FBI throw at him with impunity. As the entire world watches and the tension boils to a searing heat, Bennett has to find a way out-or face responsibility for the greatest debacle in history.**

**Gaming her way into becoming a writer for Northwest Extreme magazine, Meg Reed is assigned to cover a dangerous mountain-climbing expedition, which becomes deadly when a suspicious fall proves fatal. Original.**

**The President's son and daughter are abducted, and Detective Alex Cross is one of the first on the scene. But someone very high-up is using the FBI, Secret Service, and CIA to keep him off the case and in the dark. A deadly contagion in the water supply cripples half of the capital, and Alex discovers that someone may be about to unleash the most devastating attack the United States has ever experienced. As his window for solving both crimes narrows, Alex makes a desperate decision that goes against everything he believes--one that may alter the fate of the entire country. KILL ALEX CROSS is faster, more exciting, and more tightly wound than any Alex Cross thriller James Patterson has ever written!**

**The Wizard of London**

A Novel

Hostage

The Juror

The Alex Cross Collection: I, Alex Cross / Cross Fire

**#1 New York Times bestselling author James Patterson weaves a suspenseful tale of a powerful mobster who runs up against a very determined cop and his faithful crime fighters. A stunningly brilliant psychopathic killer who has skillfully eluded the police from London to Paris to New York. A beautiful woman journalist suddenly in grave danger. An unorthodox New York detective whose motive for stopping the killer couldn't be more personal or emotional. All bound by the chains of secrecy, wealth, and crime formed by the cabal called The Midnight Club. "The Midnight Club is the novel I wrote just before Along Came A Spider. I'm certain that both Alex Cross and Sampson originated in ideas I had while writing this story. It's one of my favorites." - James Patterson**

**In Lori Lansens' astonishing second novel, readers come to know and love two of the most remarkable characters in Canadian fiction. Rose and Ruby are twenty-nine-year-old conjoined twins. Born during a tornado to a shocked teenaged mother in the hospital at Leaford, Ontario, they are raised by the nurse who helped usher them into the world. Aunt Lovey and her husband, Uncle Stash, are middle-aged and with no children of their own. They relocate from the town to the drafty old farmhouse in the**



country that has been in Lovey's family for generations. Joined to Ruby at the head, Rose's face is pulled to one side, but she has full use of her limbs. Ruby has a beautiful face, but her body is tiny and she is unable to walk. She rests her legs on her sister's hip, rather like a small child or a doll. In spite of their situation, the girls lead surprisingly separate lives. Rose is bookish and a baseball fan. Ruby is fond of trash TV and has a passion for local history. Rose has always wanted to be a writer, and as the novel opens, she begins to pen her autobiography. Here is how she begins: I have never looked into my sister's eyes. I have never bathed alone. I have never stood in the grass at night and raised my arms to a beguiling moon. I've never used an airplane bathroom. Or worn a hat. Or been kissed like that. I've never driven a car. Or slept through the night. Never a private talk. Or solo walk. I've never climbed a tree. Or faded into a crowd. So many things I've never done, but oh, how I've been loved. And, if such things were to be, I'd live a thousand lives as me, to be loved so exponentially. Ruby, with her marvellous characteristic logic, points out that Rose's autobiography will have to be Ruby's as well — and how can she trust Rose to represent her story accurately? Soon, Ruby decides to chime in with chapters of her own. The novel begins with Rose, but eventually moves to Ruby's point of view and then switches back and forth. Because the girls face in slightly different directions, neither can see what the other is writing, and they don't tell each other either. The

reader is treated to sometimes overlapping stories told in two wonderfully distinct styles. Rose is given to introspection and secrecy. Ruby's style is "tell-all" — frank and decidedly sweet. We learn of their early years as the town "freaks" and of Lovey's and Stash's determination to give them as normal an upbringing as possible. But when we meet them, both Lovey and Stash are dead, the girls have moved back into town, and they've received some ominous news. They are on the verge of becoming the oldest surviving craniopagus (joined at the head) twins in history, but the question of whether they'll live to celebrate their thirtieth birthday is suddenly impossible to answer. In *Rose and Ruby*, Lori Lansens has created two precious characters, each distinct and loveable in their very different ways, and has given them a world in Leaford that rings absolutely true. The girls are unforgettable. *The Girls* is nothing short of a tour de force.

Discover James Patterson's stunning debut, an Edgar Award-winning novel of prejudice and murder in the American South. You are about to begin a classic award-winning novel of suspense. When an up-and-coming politician is murdered in a small Southern town, reporter Ochs Jones suspects that racism and prejudice had something to do with it—and when he learns about two other murders, tracking down the killer becomes more important than ever. No one tells a story quite like the world's #1 bestselling writer. As the manhunt begins, Patterson delivers the heart-

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