

Cut Short A Di Geraldine Steel Thriller Book 1

Geraldine Steel is reunited with her former sergeant, Ian Peterson. When two people are murdered, their only connection lies buried in the past. As police search for the elusive killer, another body is discovered. Pursuing her first investigation in York, Geraldine Steel struggles to solve the baffling case. How can she expose the killer, and rescue her shattered reputation, when all the witnesses are being murdered?

‘ BRILLIANT ’ – JEFFERY DEEVER * ‘ UNMISSABLE ’ – LEE CHILD * ‘ COMPELLING ’ – PETER JAMES

Headmistress Abigail Kirby is dead. A potential witness has been murdered. And for DI Geraldine Steel, the stakes have been raised yet higher. Abigail ’ s teenage daughter, Lucy, is missing, believed to have run away with a girl she met online. Time is quickly running out for Geraldine before her naivety costs Lucy her life. But with a serial killer on the loose, Geraldine ’ s own life is in danger, and though her Sergeant Ian Peterson makes a shocking discovery, could it be too late to save her from a dreadful fate? 'Good, old-fashioned, heart-hammering police thriller...a no-frills delivery of pure excitement ’ - SAGA Magazine For fans of Peter James,

Angela Marsons and Robert Bryndza Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

Caroline's husband is killed, but she can't turn to the police without implicating herself in his murder. When one of her 10-year-old twins is kidnapped, the desperate mother is forced to resort to drastic measures to get him back. As time runs out, Geraldine realizes she has a secret that might just help solve the case, but the truth could destroy her career. Faced with the unenviable decision of protecting herself or the widow she barely knows, Geraldine must grapple with her conscience and do the right thing before the death count mounts any further.

THE NEW NOVEL IN THE MILLION-COPY SELLING DETECTIVE GERALDINE STEEL SERIES When a sex worker dies in suspicious circumstances in York, Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel struggles to remain focused on the murder investigation: she is distracted by her worries about her colleague and life partner, Ian Peterson, who has disappeared. As Geraldine becomes close to her new DS, Matthew, she is unaware that Ian is working undercover in London, trying to identify a criminal gang who have been targeting her. As a second victim is discovered in York, and Ian's life is threatened by a psychopath the tension mounts. If he fails in his mission, both he and Geraldine may die... Perfect for fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ

Ross PRAISE FOR DEEP COVER 'Leigh Russell is my alternative Martina Cole, writing with the same realism, grit and edge. Deep Cover is three stories woven into one and it pulls you in like a rip tide. Always believable, always compelling, Leigh has done it again' - Helen Fields, bestselling author of the Perfect Remains crime series 'Exceptional crime writing' - M.W. Craven Sunday Times bestselling author & CWA Gold dagger-winner 'Leigh Russell tells a tangled tale in which guilt catches up with the innocent. It kept me guessing until the end' - Lesley Thomson, bestselling author of The Detective's Daughter series 'Deep Cover is edge of the seat stuff. A highly entertaining thriller I could not put down' - Marion Todd, author of the DI Clare Mackay series (Shortlisted for the Bloody Scotland Crime Debut of the Year 2020) If you enjoyed Deep Cover, look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer, Deathly Affair, Deadly Revenge and Evil Impulse, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe The Gripping Times & Sunday Times Crime Club Star Pick

Books 1-3

A Geraldine Steel Short Story

The Body Beneath the Willows

The Body Under the Bridge

When Henry's wife is stabbed to death, he pays a prostitute to give him an alibi. Her body is discovered, strangled, and the police realize they are dealing with a serial killer who will stop at nothing to cover his tracks. While they are hunting for evidence, another prostitute is brutally murdered. On the track of a vicious killer, DS Ian Peterson doesn't realize he is risking the life of his young colleague, Polly.

The first three murder investigations in the million-selling Detective Geraldine Steel series: Cut Short, Road Closed and Dead End. 'Unmissable' – Lee Child Meet Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel: fierce, dependable, and committed to her job, she has dedicated her life to finding justice for the voiceless dead.

Relocated to a quiet rural town, she expects respite from the stresses of the city; a space where she can battle her demons in private. But when she finds herself pitted against a twisted killer preying on young women, she quickly discovers how wrong she is... 'A rare talent' – Peter James 'You're just plain going to love Geraldine Steel' – Jeffery Deaver What Amazon readers are saying: 'Amazing' 'Brilliant' 'A terrific read' 'Thriller from the start' 'If you like James Patterson you will love this author' 'If fast paced crime action is what you're after then this book will not disappoint.' 'Geraldine is a brilliant detective - used to seeing gruesome sights, but her work has not hardened her. She is a human, vulnerable woman with her own problems.' 'Gritty, gripping and well written. Can highly recommend it.' The next book in the series, Death Bed, is available now.

You can never escape the past. Especially on the moors... After the National Crime Agency cracks a major drug gang, junior barrister Julia McGann finds herself defending the violent enforcer Terrence Bonner. This high-profile case is a coup for her, but almost immediately things start to go wrong. Intruders break into her house and then a young girl turns up at her door with a horrifying story to tell. Three months later, DCI Craig Gillard and his team struggle with the shocking

murder of a much respected local headmaster, found dead in his own car. The baffling crime fills the newspapers but yields few clues. As Gillard sifts the evidence, a pair of blood-spattered gloves seems important. Why were they used for both the murder, and for the burglary at Julia 's house? What secrets is the barrister hiding... and what happened on the Derbyshire Moors two decades ago that could be the key to these shocking events? A story of deceit, vengeance and blackmail, bestseller Nick Louth will leave you reeling in this unputdownable, unpredictable crime thriller.

THE 19TH INSTALMENT IN THE DI GERALDINE STEEL SERIES When a pupil accuses a teacher of molesting her, his career and marriage are threatened...The girl's corpse is discovered in the woods, and the teacher becomes a suspect in a murder enquiry. The victim's best friend is then murdered so she cannot reveal the killer's identity. The investigating team are satisfied the teacher is guilty, apart from Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel, who believes the wrong man has been arrested.All of her colleagues disagree... but if she is right, the real killer remains at large.Perfect for fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross'Gripping' - Times & Sunday Times Crime Club (Star Pick)'Unmissable' - Lee Child'An impressive series' - Daily Mail

Medieval Romance and the Politics of Cultural Fantasy

Fake Alibi

An absolutely gripping crime thriller

Class Murder

DCI Craig Gillard will be pushed to his limits... But will he break? It seems like a routine disappearance, a case of musician's stage fright. As a senior detective, Craig Gillard isn't sure why he's even involved. Until it turns out the woman's father is the German Minister of Justice, and the British Home Secretary is on the case too. But nothing about the case is simple. How does a woman on a train simply vanish? What do you do when a trail runs cold and the pressure is on? Before long the perpetrator has another target: DCI Gillard himself. What if the detective isn't just running the case, but is part of it? The victim merely a lure for a bigger fish. The answer is under the bridge. The chilling setting for the biggest challenge of his life. The latest DCI Gillard Crime Thriller is a knockout: fast and completely gripping, perfect for fans of Stuart Macbride, Mark Billingham and Robert Bryndza. Readers are hooked on The Body Under the Bridge 'I couldn't turn the pages quickly enough, firstly to find out who'd committed the crimes and then if they'd be brought to justice. It's a cracker of a book and I thoroughly enjoyed it.' Reader review

????? 'I say this every time but this hands down is my favourite book in the series so far. I was glued from the beginning and kept finding ways to squeeze in one more chapter until I'd reached the end.' Reader review *????? 'This is book #5 in the DCI Craig Gillard series and, dare I say this - it is THE best yet! Wow! the content of this plot is absolutely mind-boggling; so intricately woven through the fast-paced investigation, the reader is right there alongside Craig and his team as they navigate all the twists and turns of this cleverly constructed story. Excellent writing, dialogue and characterisation. You just don't know what's going to happen next: there really are some extremely harrowing and heart-stopping moments.' Reader review* *????? 'The Body Under the Bridge sets a pace few can match. I devoured it.' Reader review* *????? 'Another book in the Craig Gillard series that gets better as the series evolves. There are many surprises and twists in this book making it difficult to put down. A really enjoyable read.' Reader review* *?????*

Empire of Magic offers a genesis and genealogy for medieval romance and the King Arthur legend through the history of Europe's encounters with the East in crusades, travel, missionizing, and empire formation. It also produces definitions of "race" and "nation" for the medieval period and posits that the Middle Ages and medieval fantasies of race and religion have recently returned. Drawing on feminist and gender theory, as well as cultural analyses of race, class, and colonialism, this provocative book revises our understanding of the beginnings of the nine hundred-

year-old cultural genre we call romance, as well as the King Arthur legend. Geraldine Heng argues that romance arose in the twelfth century as a cultural response to the trauma and horror of taboo acts -- in particular the cannibalism committed by crusaders on the bodies of Muslim enemies in Syria during the First Crusade. From such encounters with the East, Heng suggests, sprang the fantastical episodes featuring King Arthur in Geoffrey of Monmouth's chronicle The History of the Kings of England, a work where history and fantasy collide and merge, each into the other, inventing crucial new examples and models for romances to come. After locating the rise of romance and Arthurian legend in the contact zones of East and West, Heng demonstrates the adaptability of romance and its key role in the genesis of an English national identity. Discussing Jews, women, children, and sexuality in works like the romance of Richard Lionheart, stories of the saintly Constance, Arthurian chivalric literature, the legend of Prester John, and travel narratives, Heng shows how fantasy enabled audiences to work through issues of communal identity, race, color, class and alternative sexualities in socially sanctioned and safe modes of cultural discussion in which pleasure, not anxiety, was paramount. Romance also engaged with the threat of modernity in the late medieval period, as economic, social, and technological transformations occurred and awareness grew of a vastly enlarged world beyond Europe, one encompassing India, China, and Africa. Finally, Heng posits, romance locates England and Europe within an empire of magic and knowledge that surveys the world and makes it intelligible -- usable -- for the future. Empire of Magic is expansive in scope, spanning the eleventh to the fifteenth centuries, and detailed in coverage, examining various types of romance -- historical, national, popular, chivalric, family, and travel romances, among others -- to see how cultural fantasy responds to changing crises, pressures, and demands in a number of different ways. Boldly controversial, theoretically sophisticated, and historically rooted, Empire of Magic is a dramatic restaging of the role romance played in the culture of a period and world in ways that suggest how cultural fantasy still functions for us today.

'Fear the north wind. Because no one will hear you scream...' A family is gunned down in the snow but one of the children survives. Three years on, that child takes revenge and the Snow Killer is born. But then, nothing - no further crimes are committed, and the case goes cold. Fifty years later, has the urge to kill been reawakened? As murder follows murder, the detective team tasked with solving the crimes struggle with the lack of leads. It's a race against time and the weather -- each time it snows another person dies. As an exhausted and grizzled DI Barton and his team scabble to put the pieces of the puzzle together, the killer is hiding in plain sight. Meanwhile, the murders continue... The first in a new series, Ross Greenwood has written a cracking, crackling crime story with a twist in its tale which will surprise even the most hardened thriller readers. Perfect for fans of Mark Billingham and Stuart MacBride. Praise for The Snow Killer 'Move over Rebus and Morse; a new entry has joined the list of great crime investigators in the form of Detective Inspector John Barton. A rich cast of characters and an explosive plot kept me turning the pages until the final dramatic twist.' author Richard Burke 'Ross Greenwood doesn't write clichés. What he has written here is a fast-paced, action-filled puzzle with believable characters that's spiced with a lot of humour.' author Kath Middleton 'With The Snow Killer, master of the psychological thriller genre Ross Greenwood once again proves his talent for creating engrossing and gritty novels that draw you right in and won't let go until you've reached the shocking ending.' Caroline Vincent at Bitsaboutbooks blog What readers think of The Snow Killer: 'Absolutely brilliant!!' 'A crime novel with a social conscience.' 'It grabbed me a few pages in and wouldn't let go' 'Great stuff dripping with tension and intrigue.' 'it was so easy to get inside each characters head and it felt almost like I was part of the story' 'Ross Greenwood takes us on a journey that is both full of thrills and emotion. I absolutely loved it.' 'It was a story which gripped me from the off and kept me glued to the page right' 'The book had a feeling of authenticity about it, and was full of surprises and genuine emotion'

Welcome to the 2nd Diana Rivers, Mystery Suspense Murder Boxed Set featuring the fourth, fifth and six books in the bestselling series,

'Camera Action Murder, 'CHILDHUNT! and 'A Deadly Learning.' All three books feature our heroine Diana Rivers - writer, sometime actor and amateur sleuth. Diana loves nothing more than getting embroiled in the middle of a mystery – especially one which involves MURDER! Camera Action Murder! Diana Rivers hadn't intended to visit England that summer but the invitation to take part in a film-shoot seemed too exciting an opportunity to miss. Life had been quiet for the last year or so & she looked forward to renewing old friendships and meeting a handful of well-known film stars. The only possible fly in the ointment was the venue. Years before, Diana had suffered a terrifying experience in England - an encounter which she thought she'd resolved. Reassuring her partner Steve all was well & that terrifying episode was behind them, she went ahead & confirmed their acceptance. Little did she know that the filming was only a minor part of the show as she is drawn into events which threaten to spiral out of control. When a beautiful young actress is accidentally killed, Diana's thoughts are opposite to everyone else's. Was it an accident or ...MURDER? A second body leaves everyone reeling - this time there is no doubt. A callous and vicious murderer is at large. Diana is fast embroiled in discovering the hard facts, not knowing she is placing herself in great danger. Watch out Diana! You could be next... CHILDHUNT! Two weeks before Christmas. The villagers of Agios Mamas, in Cyprus, are preparing for the season's festivities. Without warning terror strikes the heart of the sleepy little village. Two small children disappear without trace and a frantic search is called. Who has targeted and stalked the family for the last six years; knowing their every move? What is the kidnappers' ultimate goal? Will local author and amateur sleuth, Diana Rivers and visiting CID Police Chief Inspector, Adam Lovell find the children in time? Join Diana and her friends as they try to unravel the horrific nightmare which has hit the village. A Deadly Learning. When author and private investigator, Diana Rivers travels to Portugal for a holiday, murder is the last thing on her mind. On the first day of her visit, nothing bodes well at the International College of Portugal when a woman's body is found interred behind a wall during renovation work. The striped plastic tape around the crime-scene portrays a sense of unease. What with students practicing sexual rituals in the sand dunes, a suspicion of a drug factory and money laundering plus a rash of killings, her plans for a quiet break go awry. Diana is in her element.

A Christmas Memory

The Secret Chord

Stop Dead

Death Bed

The Body on the Moor

"A hand gripped her upper arm so suddenly it made her yelp. Biting her lower lip, she spun round, lashing out in terror. As she yanked her arm out of his grasp, her elbow hit the side of his chest. Struggling to cling on to her, he lost his footing. She staggered back and reached out, leaning one hand on the cold wall of the tunnel. Before she had recovered her balance he fell, arms flailing, eyes glaring wildly as he disappeared over the edge of the platform onto the rails below." Geraldine Steel is plunged into a double murder investigation which threatens not only her career, but her life. When her previously unknown twin Helena turns up, her problems threaten to make Geraldine's life turn toxic in more ways than one.

'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD * 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER * 'COMPELLING' - PETER JAMES When the bodies of two black girls are discovered in North London, the pressure is on to find a killer before the case divides the local community. But motive seems to go far beyond race in DI Geraldine Steel's first investigation in the nation's capital. Two teeth were

extracted from each victim, and when this information is leaked to the press, there is a media frenzy over the unusual MO. As the police pursue their lead suspect, a third girl goes missing. With the death toll mounting, time is running out for Geraldine as she hunts for the elusive killer the media are calling 'The Dentist'. 'A nail biting, murderous puzzle that will keep you guessing until the very end' - Fresh Fiction Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

As The Giving Tree turns fifty, this timeless classic is available for the first time ever in ebook format. This digital edition allows young readers and lifelong fans to continue the legacy and love of a classic that will now reach an even wider audience. "Once there was a tree...and she loved a little boy." So begins a story of unforgettable perception, beautifully written and illustrated by the gifted and versatile Shel Silverstein. This moving parable for all ages offers a touching interpretation of the gift of giving and a serene acceptance of another's capacity to love in return. Every day the boy would come to the tree to eat her apples, swing from her branches, or slide down her trunk...and the tree was happy. But as the boy grew older he began to want more from the tree, and the tree gave and gave and gave. This is a tender story, touched with sadness, aglow with consolation. Shel Silverstein's incomparable career as a bestselling children's book author and illustrator began with Lafcadio, the Lion Who Shot Back. He is also the creator of picture books including A Giraffe and a Half, Who Wants a Cheap Rhinoceros?, The Missing Piece, The Missing Piece Meets the Big O, and the perennial favorite The Giving Tree, and of classic poetry collections such as Where the Sidewalk Ends, A Light in the Attic, Falling Up, Every Thing On It, Don't Bump the Glump!, and Runny Babbit. And don't miss the other Shel Silverstein ebooks, Where the Sidewalk Ends and A Light in the Attic!

*Have yourself a deadly little Christmas... 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD * 'A RARE TALENT' - DAILY MAIL * 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEEVER A standalone short story featuring Detective Geraldine Steel It's Christmas Eve but not all is merry and bright for Detective Geraldine Steel. With her family abroad and her friends booked up, she finds herself alone in York for the holidays. But when a man collapses at the local fair, it's clear that this isn't a case of winter flu. There's a killer in the crowds. Can Geraldine find the culprit before another life is taken? For fans of Peter James, Angela Marsons and Robert Bryndza Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring , Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe*

The Diana Rivers Mysteries - Volume Two

Boxed Set of 3 Murder Mystery Suspense Novels

A Detective Geraldine Steel Mystery

Deathly Affair

Deep Cover

The new novel in the million-copy selling Detective Geraldine Steel series 'Brilliant and chilling, Leigh Russell delivers a cracker

—Martina Cole When a hysterical mother reports her baby's sudden disappearance, suspicion immediately falls on the absent Detective Geraldine Steel's gut instinct tells her this case is not as simple as her colleagues think . . . Complications in the surface, including her relationship with her controlling father, a controversial political figure. As the police investigate, their missing infant grows ever more urgent. Steel is forced to suspect everyone associated with the family and when a body is discovered, the case takes a deadly turn. "Unmissable." —Lee Child "Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field." —Jeffery Deaver Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer and Deathly Affair plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

Everyday, around the world, women who work in the Third World factories of global firms face the idea that they are disposable. Wright explains how this notion proliferates, both within and beyond factory walls, through the telling of a simple story: the disposable Third World woman. This myth explains how young women workers around the world eventually turn into living factories. Disposable Women and Other Myths of Global Capitalism follows this myth inside the global factories and surrounding cities in Mexico and in southern China, illustrating the crucial role the tale plays in maintaining not just the constant flow of global capital but the present regime of transnational capitalism. The author also investigates how women challenge the story and its meaning for themselves and their firms. These innovative responses illustrate how a politics for confronting global capitalism must include the many creative ways in which people resist its dehumanizing effects.

'COMPELLING' – PETER JAMES * 'UNMISSABLE' – LEE CHILD * 'A RARE TALENT' – DAILY MAIL When a man dies in a gas explosion, the police suspect arson. But the case takes on a new and terrible twist when the prime suspect, a local felon, is found dead. As police enquiries lead from the expensive Harchester Hill estate to the local brothel, their key witness dies in a hit-and-run. Who is the cold-blooded murderer? With so many lives lost already, DI Geraldine Steel must put her problems aside, to protect others. After the truth for justice, sacrifices must be made. 'A well-written, soundly plotted, psychologically acute story' - Times For fans of Peter James Durrant and Angela Marsons Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

'A nail-biting chiller that will make your heart race and send shivers up and down your spine. Her Sister's Bones is a spellbinding and sensational crime novel that is impossible to put down.' Bookish Jottings, ?????? 'She reached into the pram and placed her hand on the cotton blanket. It was still warm. But her smiling, new baby sister, with her wide blue-grey eyes, was gone...' Twenty five years later, bodies are found at a ramshackle cottage in the Irish countryside, and Detective Iris Locke is sick to her stomach. The victim is a woman and her two young children. Iris has only recently joined the Limerick Murder Squad. Against her father's advice, she's working in the lanes and green hills of her childhood. Iris still remembers Anna, who was just a small girl when her baby sister was snatched. Now she's back again. It was the one case Iris' own father never solved, and Iris can't help but wonder if the two crimes are connected. She

to find Anna justice, but a fire has destroyed almost all the physical evidence, and Limerick is the same small town she remembers. Iris protects their neighbours, and Iris has been away for too long. Can Iris unpick the lies beneath the surface of her pretty home? The most twisted individual of her career, when reopening the old case means reopening old wounds for her team, the rest of the team, and her own father? Fans of Patricia Gibney, Angela Marsons and L.J. Ross won't want to miss this – the first book in a gripping, unputdownable new crime series. Previously published as 'Silent Night'. Readers are hooked on Her Sister's Bones! 'Fantastic! heart wrenching, overall wonderful read, definitely have you feeling all the feels... I will be anxiously awaiting the next book in the series.' Goodreads Reviewer ????? 'I couldn't read it fast enough. All the characters were believable even down to the inevitable drunk and personal problems. The ending is mind-blowing and totally unexpected. I loved it and look forward to the next in the series.' Reviewer ????? 'Wow! amazing book! tons of twists and turns and suspense. held my attention from the first page to the last. I will definitely be recommending this to others and can't wait to read more by this author!' Goodreads Reviewer ????? 'Kept me gripped from beginning to end... no hesitation in recommending.' Goodreads Reviewer ????? 'Brilliant... can't wait for book 2' Goodreads Reviewer 'Great read... kept me gripped... I'm glad that there will be more books to follow.' Goodreads Reviewer ????? 'Well what a FANTASTIC BRILLIANT characters with strong storylines, excellent plot I did not guess at all took me by total surprise. I can highly recommend this as an OUTSTANDING book.' Goodreads Reviewer ????? 'I thoroughly enjoyed this book. Amazing plot twist and the end that I never saw coming. I'll def be looking for more in this series' Goodreads Reviewer 'A great start to a new series and I can't wait to read more of this author.' Maze of Books 'The wonderful characters and great storyline had me hooked.' Goodreads Reviewer 'This is a new author for me and I'm looking forward to reading this. It's a good start to a new police procedural series and I really enjoyed the storyline. It was great to know the characters of Iris and Slattery and hopefully will find out more about them in future books in this series. I would really look forward to reading more of the series.' NetGalley Reviewer ?????

Disposable Women and Other Myths of Global Capitalism

Cold Sacrifice

Empire of Magic

Evil Impulse

Crime Scene

In the tradition of Ruth Rendell, Lynda La Plante, Frances Fyfield, and Barbara Vine, Cut Short is a gripping psychological thriller that introduces Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel, a woman whose past is threatening to collide with her future. D.I. Geraldine Steel relocates to the quiet rural town of Woolsmarsh, thinking she's found a restful place where she can battle her demons in private. But when she finds herself pitted against a twisted killer preying on young local women in the park, she quickly discovers how wrong she is ... When an unwitting bystander comes forward as a witness, she quickly becomes the murderer's next obsession. And Geraldine Steel is locked in a race against time, determined to find the killer before yet another victim is discovered. But can she save the lives of the town's young women—or will Geraldine herself become the killer's ultimate trophy?

THE NEW NOVEL IN THE MILLION-COPY SELLING DETECTIVE GERALDINE STEEL SERIES A wheelchair-using woman is strangled and her son, Eddy, is arrested. When his alibi falls apart, the police are satisfied that he is guilty. Only Geraldine doubts whether Eddy is cunning enough to kill his mother and cover his tracks so successfully. The situation becomes more complicated when the girlfriend Eddy claims he was with at the time of the murder denies having met him. Shortly after the girl thinks she is being stalked, her dead body is discovered outside Eddy's house. As the body count grows, the investigation team become confused, putting Geraldine under almost unbearable pressure. Perfect for fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross 'Gripping' - Times & Sunday Times Crime Club (Star Pick) 'Unmissable' - Lee Child 'Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field' - Jeffery Deaver 'An impressive series' - Daily Mail If you enjoyed Fake Alibi, look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer, Deathly Affair, Deadly Revenge, Evil Impulse, Deep Cover and Guilt Edged, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe - available now!

'Brilliant and chilling, Leigh Russell delivers a cracker of a read!' - Martina Cole The eleventh novel in the million-copy selling Detective Geraldine Steel series 'UNMISSABLE' – LEE CHILD * 'A RARE TALENT' – DAILY MAIL * 'BRILLIANT' – JEFFERY DEEVER Mark Abbott is dead. His sister refuses to believe it was suicide, but only Detective Sergeant Geraldine Steel will listen. When other members of Mark's family disappear, Geraldine's suspicions are confirmed. Taking a risk, Geraldine finds herself confronted by an adversary deadlier than any she has faced before... Her boss Ian is close, but will he arrive in time to save her, or is this the end for Geraldine Steel? For fans of Peter James, Faith Martin and LJ Ross Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

When headmistress Abigail Kirby's corpse is discovered in the woods, police are shocked to learn that her tongue was cut out while she lay dying. Then, shortly after a witness comes forward, he is blinded and murdered. With mangled bodies appearing at an alarming rate, Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel must race against time to find the killer before he claims his next victim ...

The Giving Tree

Death Rope

Rogue Killer

Her Sister's Bones

A Novel

'A RARE TALENT' – DAILY MAIL * 'UNMISSABLE' – LEE CHILD * 'BRILLIANT' – JEFFERY DEEVER How far would you go to find a murderer? DI Geraldine Steel, known for pushing the boundaries of her position in the name of justice, is on the hunt for a conviction, even if it

threatens her life. A glamorous young TV soap star dies in a car crash but despite the severity of the incident, the driver of the second vehicle has somehow survived – and is now missing. When an almost identical case occurs resulting in the murder of another young actress, Geraldine finds herself on the hunt for a serial killer. With mounting evidence, the killer's identity seems within her reach. But with her sergeant's life on the line, Geraldine has a sacrifice to make. 'The best yet from Leigh Russell - she keeps you guessing all the way through and leaves you wanting more' – Crime Book Club Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

The dead body of unassuming David Lester is discovered in a dark side-street, and DI Geraldine Steel is plunged into another murder investigation. The clues mount up along with the suspects, but with the death of another man in inexplicable circumstances, the case becomes increasingly complex. As Geraldine investigates the seemingly unrelated crimes, she makes a shocking discovery about her birth mother.

Two weeks before Christmas. The villagers of Agios Mamas, in Cyprus, are preparing for the season's festivities. Without warning terror strikes the heart of the village. Two small children disappear...without trace... the frantic search is on. Who has been stalking the family for the last six years and knows their every move? Why has this family been targeted? What is the kidnappers' ultimate goal? Will local author and amateur sleuth, Diana Rivers and CID Police Chief Inspector, Adam Lovell find the children in time? Join Diana and her friends as they try to unravel the horrific nightmare which has hit the sleepy little village.

In the eternal city of Rome, it's easy to disappear. But finding someone is a different story... After a year in Paris working as an investigative reporter, Lucy Hall is ready for her next big scoop. While researching a spate of missing persons, she learns of the mysterious disappearance of a young man, Dominique. The case is cold in the city of lights, but there's another lead: in Rome. When Lucy arrives, she realises that the eternal city is as dangerous as it is beautiful. She's not the only one looking for Dominique: a criminal gang is hot on his trail, and Lucy's investigation has put her squarely in their sights. With her life in peril, Lucy will have track down the missing man—before his pursuers catch up with her...

The Wrong Suspect

Cut Short

Road Closed

The new thriller in the million copy selling series

Britain and Ireland

"A page turner. . .Brooks is a master at bringing the past alive. . .in her skillful hands the issues of the past echo our own deepest concerns: love and loss, drama and tragedy, chaos and brutality." – Alice Hoffman, The Washington Post A rich and utterly absorbing novel about the life of King David, from the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of People of the Book and March. With more than two million copies of her novels sold, New York Times bestselling author Geraldine Brooks has achieved both popular and critical acclaim. Now, Brooks takes on one of literature's richest and most enigmatic figures: a man who shimmers between history and legend. Peeling away the myth to bring David to life in Second Iron Age Israel, Brooks traces the arc of his journey from obscurity to fame, from shepherd to soldier, from hero to traitor, from beloved

king to murderous despot and into his remorseful and diminished dotage. The Secret Chord provides new context for some of the best-known episodes of David's life while also focusing on others, even more remarkable and emotionally intense, that have been neglected. We see David through the eyes of those who love him or fear him—from the prophet Natan, voice of his conscience, to his wives Mikhal, Avigail, and Batsheva, and finally to Solomon, the late-born son who redeems his Lear-like old age. Brooks has an uncanny ability to hear and transform characters from history, and this beautifully written, unvarnished saga of faith, desire, family, ambition, betrayal, and power will enthrall her many fans. A sixteenth-century Jewish woman flees persecution and an abusive marriage in this historical saga from “a brilliant talent” (Jeffery Deaver). When soldiers attack the inhabitants of a Jewish ghetto in sixteenth-century Lithuania, Abigail manages to escape both the attack and her abusive husband, Reuven. She travels over land and sea to Venice, where she settles in another ghetto. Believing Reuven is dead, Abigail falls in love with her widowed neighbour, Daniel. But before Abigail and Daniel announce their betrothal, her violent husband reappears. Reuven is arrested for drunken brawling and sentenced to slavery in the galleys. Abigail hopes she has finally seen the last of him, but he returns to Venice, and Abigail fears she will never be free of him . . . From the Dagger Award finalist and acclaimed author of the Geraldine Steel novels, Abigail of Venice is an engrossing story of forbidden love that explores domestic violence, religious persecution, the Inquisition, and witch burning against the backdrop of one of the most turbulent periods of European history. Praise for the novels of Leigh Russell: “Tense and compelling.” —Publishers Weekly “Unmissable.” —Lee Child

When a successful businessman is brutally murdered, the police suspect his glamorous wife and her young lover. Then the victim's business partner suffers the same gruesome fate and, when yet another body is discovered seemingly unrelated to the first two, the police are baffled. The only clue is DNA that leads them to two women: one dead, the other in prison. With a steady stream of bodies arriving at the morgue, can D.I. Geraldine Steel find the killer before another deadly attack?

Have yourself a deadly little Christmas... A standalone short story featuring Detective Geraldine Steel. It's Christmas Eve but not all is merry and bright for Detective Geraldine Steel. With her family abroad and her friends booked up, she finds herself alone in York for the holidays. But when a man collapses at the local fair, it's clear that this isn't a case of winter flu. There's a killer in the crowds. Can Geraldine find the culprit before another life is taken? For fans of Peter James, Angela Marsons and Robert Bryndza. Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring , Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death RopeDon't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

Dead End

The Snow Killer

Fatal Act

Abigail of Venice

Deadly Revenge

THE NEW NOVEL IN THE MILLION-COPY SELLING DETECTIVE GERALDINE STEEL SERIES An inoffensive man is murdered in a seemingly motiveless attack. Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel and her team are baffled, until DNA from an apparent stranger is discovered on the victim's body. Geraldine is not convinced the suspect is guilty. When a witness comes forward to offer the suspect an alibi, Geraldine lets him go. That night, a second murder is committed. The evidence points to the suspect who has just been released. As Geraldine attempts to make sense of the suspect's complex history, he goes on the run. Even his wife appears to condemn him. Only Geraldine still doubts that he is to blame for the murders, but is she prompted by her own guilt for having released him to kill again? As the story races towards a breathtaking twist, Geraldine is tormented by self-doubt, and struggles to focus all her attention on the case. Someone is lying and the police must uncover the truth before anyone else is killed... Perfect for fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross 'Unmissable' - Lee Child 'Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field' - Jeffery Deaver 'An impressive series' - Daily Mail If you enjoyed Guilt Edged, look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer, Deathly Affair, Deadly Revenge, Evil Impulse and Deep Cover, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe - available now!

It's not only secrets that are buried by the water... A gripping crime thriller from bestseller master Nick Louth On the tree-lined banks of Surrey's River Wey, a decaying corpse is dug up by workmen in the middle of an Anglo-Saxon burial site. His modern dental fillings show that this is no Dark Age corpse... DCI Craig Gillard is called in, but the body's condition makes identification difficult. One man, however, seems to fit the bill: Ozzy Blanchard, a contractor employed by the same water firm doing the digging who disappeared six months ago, his crashed company car found nearby. But then an X-ray of the corpse throws the investigation into turmoil. A shard of metal lodged in his neck turns out to be part of an Anglo-Saxon dagger unknown to archaeologists. Who wielded this mystery weapon and why? Does the answer lie in a murderous feud between two local families? The deeper Gillard digs, the more shocking truths he will uncover. A totally original crime mystery that will keep you guessing until the very end, *The Body Amongst the Willows* is an absolute thrill-ride, perfect for fans of Michael Connelly, Ann Cleeves and Mark Billingham.

This book is for all readers of crime fiction. Dividing Britain and Ireland into thirteen regions, the author describes the work of contemporary and historic crime writers and their novels where the setting of the novel is crucial, giving the story context and local relevance.

'Brilliant and chilling, Leigh Russell delivers a cracker of a read!' - Martina Cole 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD * 'A RARE TALENT' - DAILY MAIL * 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER The twelfth novel in the million-copy selling Detective Geraldine Steel series A man is killed in apparently random attack, and suspicion falls on a gang of muggers. Only Detective Sergeant Geraldine Steel thinks this is the work of a more deliberate murderer. Two more victims are discovered, after further seemingly indiscriminate attacks. The muggers are tracked down, with tragic consequences. And all the while the killer remains at large. When Geraldine finally manages to track down a witness, she finds her own life is in danger... For fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal

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Deadly Alibi

Guilt Edged

Killer Plan

DI Geraldine Steel: The Early Cases Omnibus

Killer Christmas

A reminiscence of a Christmas shared by a seven-year-old boy and a sixtyish childlike woman, with enormous love and friendship between them.

Four dead bodies. But who is guilty in this deadly web of secrecy and lies? When two homeless men are strangled to death, Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel is caught off guard by the cold-blooded nature of the crimes. However, her suspicions are raised as two more bodies are found, forcing her to question the motivation behind the murders. Plagued by countless red-herrings, the investigation drags Geraldine into the lives of three people caught in a toxic triangle of love and dishonesty. Is this a crime of passion, or is there more to this case than meets the eye?

The new novel in the million-copy selling Detective Geraldine Steel series Living with her colleague and long time love interest, Detective Inspector Ian Peterson, it seems that Geraldine Steel has finally found happiness. But life is never that simple. As a psychopath starts killing random women on the streets of York, Geraldine is abducted by a drugs syndicate who have been threatening her sister. Geraldine has everything to fight for, and her life is on the line... For fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross 'Unmissable' - Lee Child 'Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field' - Jeffery Deaver 'A rare talent' - Daily Mail Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer and Deathly Affair, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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Final Term

CHILDHUNT

Murder Ring

The start of the bestselling explosive crime series from Ross Greenwood