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Jasmine Days Pan Macmillan

The “compelling [and] vivid” (The New York Times Book Review) true story of a man who claimed to be a survivor of a 1919 British massacre in India, his elaborate twenty-year plan for revenge, and the mix of truth and legend that made him a hero to hundreds of millions. When Sir Michael O’Dwyer, the Lieutenant Governor of Punjab, ordered Brigadier General Reginald Dyer to Amritsar, he wanted Dyer to bring the troublesome city to heel. Sir Michael had become increasingly alarmed at the effect Gandhi was having on his province, as well as recent demonstrations,

strikes, and shows of Hindu-Muslim unity. All these things, to Sir Michael, were a precursor to a second Indian revolt. What happened next shocked the world. An unauthorized gathering in the Jallianwallah Bagh in Amritsar in April 1919 became the focal point for Sir Michael’s law enforcers. Dyer marched his soldiers into the walled public park, blocking the only exit. Then, without issuing any order to disperse, he instructed his men to open fire, turning their guns on the crowd, which numbered in the thousands and included women and children. The soldiers continued firing for ten minutes, stopping only when they ran out of ammunition. According to legend, nineteen-year-old Sikh orphan Udham Singh was injured in the attack, and remained surrounded by the dead and dying until he was able to move the next morning. Then, he supposedly picked up a handful of blood-

soaked earth, smeared it across his forehead, and vowed to kill the men responsible. The truth, as the author has discovered, is more complex—but no less dramatic. Award-winning journalist Anita Anand traced Singh's journey through Africa, the United States, and across Europe until, in March 1940, the young man finally arrived in front of O'Dwyer himself in a London hall ready to shoot him down. *The Patient Assassin* "mixes Tom Ripley's con-man-for-all-seasons versatility with Edmond Dantès's persistence" (The Wall Street Journal) and reveals the incredible but true story behind a legend that still endures today.

The Impossible Fairy Tale New Internationalist

Longlisted for the 2020 Women's Prize for Fiction One of Time's 100 Must-Read Books of 2020 "A critique, a confession, a love letter—and another brilliant novel from Anne Enright." —Ron Charles, Washington Post Katherine O'Dell is an Irish theater legend. Every moment of her life is a performance, with her daughter, Norah, standing in the wings. With age, alcohol, and dimming stardom, however, Katherine's grip on reality grows fitful. Fueled by a proud and long-simmering rage, she commits a bizarre crime. As Norah's role gradually changes to Katherine's protector, caregiver, and finally legacy-keeper, she revisits her mother's life of fiercely kept secrets; and Norah confronts in turn the secrets of her own sexual and emotional coming-of-age. With virtuosic storytelling, *Actress* weaves together two generations of women with difficult sexual histories, touching a raw and timely nerve.

We That Are Young Penguin Enterprise

From the Man Booker Prize-nominated author of *Sleeping on Jupiter* and "one of India's greatest living authors" (O, The Oprah

Magazine), a poignant and sweeping novel set in India during World War II and the present day about a son's quest to uncover the truth about his mother. In my childhood, I was known as the boy whose mother had run off with an Englishman. The man was in fact German, but in small-town India in those days, all white foreigners were largely thought of as British. So begins the "gracefully wrought" (Kirkus Reviews) story of Myshkin and his mother, Gayatri, who rebels against tradition to follow her artist's instinct for freedom. Freedom of a different kind is in the air across India. The fight against British rule is reaching a critical turn. The Nazis have come to power in Germany. At this point of crisis, two strangers arrive in Gayatri's town, opening up to her the vision of other possible lives. What took Myshkin's mother from India and Dutch-held Bali in the 1930s, ripping a knife through his comfortingly familiar universe? Excavating the roots of the world in which he was abandoned, Myshkin comes to understand the connections between the anguish at home and a war-torn universe overtaken by patriotism. Evocative and moving, "this mesmerizing exploration of the darker consequences of freedom, love, and loyalty is an astonishing display of Roy's literary prowess" (Publishers Weekly).

Tyrant: Shakespeare on Politics Harvard University Press

REAL-LIFE SUPERHEROES. CHAMPIONS AMONG CHAMPIONS. THE MOST OUTSTANDING RECORDS. India's firsts and foremost, her stellar victories and accomplishments in human endeavour, structures, education, defence, government, science and technology, adventure, business, cinema, the natural world, literature and the arts - discover them all in this landmark volume that marks 30 completed years of the country's only

comprehensive book of records. From the longest, tallest and fastest to the unique and truly extraordinary, this curation of superlatives presents an astonishing range of newly set records as well as those that have stood steadfast over the years. Besides infographics, tables and over 700 colour images, the Super 30 and Record Rewind capsules recall golden moments of the past three decades. In our support of a cleaner and greener planet, a new environment and sustainability section spotlights eco-warriors and their earth-friendly feats. Finally, as a tribute to the fight against the pandemic, the Covid-19 feature traces mighty milestones, compassionate action and innovative ideas that echo the very spirit of the Limca Book of Records - persistence, resilience and triumph in the face of all odds.

Small Acts of Freedom HarperCollins

One woman, two lovers, three best friends ... The gift of an old camera sends young Asha careening in an unconventional direction. The call of photography makes her leave her family, her home, her friends and the intriguing Kabir to spend a year in a Swiss village learning to see the world through a lens. But, back in Delhi, there is a price to pay. Life has moved on. Her three friends have wandered in new directions and her father is ill. Kabir has found new purpose in Assam. Asha's search for love sends her on travels that culminate in a shocking turn of events she must learn to navigate. In the background, a country too changes shape: the Emergency locks India into strife, the riots of 1984 unleash a dormant savagery, and separatist violence menaces Assam. Amidst the chaos, Asha finds the threads of a new beginning that once again will take her away from the land she loves. Interwoven story lines unfold seamlessly as Asha packs

away the photographs she took at key points in her life. Seeing and handling her past as captured through the craft she loves provokes a recollection that she hopes will allow her to let go for good.

Actress: A Novel Hachette India

Brigitte Singh first came to Sanganer, Jaipur's hand blockprinting centre, as a student of miniatures, and today, 30 years later, the visual almanac of her work gives us a truly alternate way to read medieval and modern civilisational encounters through the evolution and transmission of motifs and craft techniques over centuries. Singh's exquisite work with blockprints is a form of re-enacted design history, rendered in visual rather than textual terms. Uncovering and reaching down to the purer forms, to the composite aesthetic of the 18th century, it offers a singular source of access to a seminal epoch in design. This volume illustrates how Singh has approached her craft with an archaeological devotion, peeling off dusty layers from the long-obscured story of blockprinting in the subcontinent. Her work yields a truly Indian aesthetic, fully formed and yet open to influences, full of grand narratives but so dense with detail and meaning that in every telling, something new and essential is revealed both to the raconteur and the audience. With Introduction by Laila Tyabji, and contributions by Jasleen Dhamija, Rosemary Crill, Jacqueline Thom♦ Jacqu♦, Michel Biehn, Sheela Reddy, Paola Manfredi, Chandramani Singh, Sunil Menon and Aleta Bartel.

The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Contemporary British and Irish Literature Washington Square Press

THE WILEY BLACKWELL COMPANION TO CONTEMPORARY BRITISH

AND IRISH LITERATURE An insightful guide to the exploration of modern British and Irish literature The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Contemporary British and Irish Literature is a must-have guide for anyone hoping to navigate the world of new British and Irish writing. Including modern authors and poets from the 1960s through to the 21st century, the Companion provides a thorough overview of contemporary poetry, fiction, and drama by some of the most prominent and noteworthy writers. Seventy-three comprehensive chapters focus on individual authors as well as such topics as Englishness and identity, contemporary Science Fiction, Black writing in Britain, crime fiction, and the influence of globalization on British and Irish Literature. Written in four parts, The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Contemporary British and Irish Literature includes comprehensive examinations of individual authors, as well as a variety of themes that have come to define the contemporary period: ethnicity, gender, nationality, and more. A thorough guide to the main figures and concepts in contemporary literature from Britain and Ireland, this two-volume set: Includes studies of notable figures such as Seamus Heaney and Angela Carter, as well as more recently influential writers such as Zadie Smith and Sarah Waters. Covers topics such as LGBT fiction, androgyny in contemporary British Literature, and post-Troubles Northern Irish Fiction Features a broad range of writers and topics covered by distinguished academics Includes an analysis of the interplay between individual authors and the major themes of the day, and whether an examination of the latter enables us to appreciate the former. The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Contemporary British and Irish Literature provides essential reading for students as well as academics seeking to

learn more about the history and future direction of contemporary British and Irish Literature.

The Book of Chocolate Saints John Wiley & Sons

Asia Reborn unveils the story of Asia's resurgence over the past century. In the first single chronicle of the modern economic and political history of the whole continent, Prasenjit K. Basu weaves together a compelling account of how Asia's nations overcame European domination in the twentieth century-and its legacies of war and famine-to begin the long climb to economic dynamism. Asia Reborn shows British, Dutch and French colonies to have had scant infrastructure or modern industry and to have consequently been far behind Taiwan, Manchuria and Korea in social indicators such as literacy and life expectancy by mid-century. In West Asia and Burma, the brief European imprint created the ethnic conflicts that still plague these regions. The British Indian Army held the edifice of empire together. Ultimately, it was the undermining of its legitimacy by the armies of Subhas Bose, Sukarno, Ho Chi Minh and Aung San that helped end the ravaging of Asia during the first half of the twentieth century. By the end of the century, the eastern part of the liberated continent, had emulated Japan and Singapore in transforming itself into an industrious, dynamic and increasingly creative force finally capable of taking its people to new heights in an Asian twenty-first century.

London Fog Partridge Publishing

"At the beginning of the fourteenth century, an ambitious sultan, Ala-ud-Din Khilji, becomes infatuated with the famed beauty of Rani Padmini. He arrives at her doorstep in Chittor and lays siege to her fort. Padmini convinces her husband, Maharawal Ratan

Singh, and his warriors to abandon any thought of surrender. Despite putting up a brave fight, when defeat seems imminent, Padmini chooses death by jauhar over dishonour. Narrated from Padmini's perspective, this moving retelling of the famed legend brings to life the atmosphere and intrigue of medieval Rajput courts. We cannot help but be swept along as Padmini grapples with the matter of her own life and death, even as she attempts to figure out what it means to be a woman in a man's world." -- cover page [4].

Trials of Truth Simon and Schuster

"Sameera Parvin moves to an unnamed Middle Eastern city to live with her father and her relatives. She thrives in her job as a radio jockey and at home she is the darling of the family. But her happy world starts to fall apart when revolution blooms in the country. As the people's agitation gathers strength, Sameera finds herself and her family embroiled in the politics of their adopted land. She is forced to choose between family and friends, loyalty and love, life and death. Jasmine days is the ... story of a young woman in a city where the promise of revolution turns into destruction and division."--Provided by publisher.

Faraway Places Juggernaut Books

The Palace of Illusions takes us back to a time that is half-history, half-myth, and wholly magical; narrated by Panchaali, the wife of the five Pandava brothers, we are - finally - given a woman's take on the timeless tale that is the Mahabharata Tracing Panchaali's life - from fiery birth and lonely childhood, where her beloved brother is her only true companion; through her complicated friendship with the enigmatic Krishna; to marriage, motherhood and Panchaali's secret attraction to the mysterious man who is

her husbands' most dangerous enemy - The Palace of Illusions is a deeply human novel about a woman born into a man's world - a world of warriors, gods and the ever manipulating hands of fate. 'A mythic tale brimming with warriors, magic and treachery' Los Angeles Times 'A radiant entree into an ancient mythology . . . Charming and remarkable' Houston Chronicle 'A woman's look at crime and punishment, loyalty, promises, love and vengeance . . . With The Palace of Illusions, Divakaruni has proven that her storytelling talents put her right up there with the best' Miami Herald

Before We Visit the Goddess Diode Editions

From the widely acclaimed author of An Atlas of Impossible Longing, a powerful and triumphantly beautiful novel set in contemporary India, about a young woman forging a new life in the foothills of the Himalayas. LONGLISTED FOR THE 2011 MAN ASIAN LITERARY PRIZE SHORTLISTED FOR THE HINDU LITERARY PRIZE FOR BEST FICTION 2011 With her debut novel, An Atlas of Impossible Longing, Anuradha Roy's exquisite storytelling instantly won readers' hearts around the world, and the novel was named one of the best books of the year by The Washington Post and The Seattle Times. Now, Roy has returned with another masterpiece that is already earning international prize attention, an evocative and deeply moving tale of a young woman making a new life for herself amid the foothills of the Himalaya. Desperate to leave a private tragedy behind, Maya abandons herself to the rhythms of the little village, where people coexist peacefully with nature. But all is not as it seems, and she soon learns that no refuge is remote enough to keep out the modern world. When power-hungry politicians threaten her beloved mountain

community, Maya finds herself caught between the life she left behind and the new home she is determined to protect. Elegiac, witty, and profound by turns, and with a tender love story at its core, *The Folded Earth* brims with the same genius and love of language that made *An Atlas of Impossible Longing* an international success and confirms Anuradha Roy as a major literary talent.

Rajasthan Current Affairs Yearbook 2019 Penguin UK

Jivan Singh, bastard son, returns to Delhi after fifteen years of exile to find a city on fire with protests and in the grip of drought. On the same day, Devraj, father of Jivan's childhood playmates, founder of India's most important Company, announces his retirement, demanding daughterly love in exchange for shares. Sita, his youngest child, refuses to play, turning her back on the marriage he has arranged. Her sisters Gargi and Radha must take over the Company and cement their father's legacy. As they struggle to make their names, a family and an empire begin to unravel. *We That Are Young* is Shakespeare's *King Lear* told as a devastating commentary on contemporary India. From Delhi mansions to luxury hotels, from city slums to the streets of Kashmir, from palace to wayside, Preti Taneja recasts an old tale in fresh, eviscerating prose that bursts with energy and fierce, beautifully measured rage. This is the story of a country that, like the old king, is descending into madness.

How to Raise a Feminist Son Springer

How a public-private partnership led to the largest emergency response system in the world Emergency medical response systems are a critical component of any nation's healthcare system. Minutes or even seconds can mean the difference

between life or death. *Every Second Counts* tells the inspiring story of how the Indian government and a non-profit foundation, the Emergency Management and Research Institute (EMRI), partnered to create a world-class emergency response system that serves more than 700 million people and has saved more than 2 million lives. What the government of India achieved in partnership with EMRI is nothing short of groundbreaking. In *Every Second Counts*, William A. Haseltine describes the key factors behind the success of EMRI: the application of cutting-edge technologies, an outstanding medical education system, and a close working partnership between a well-intentioned government and a capable non-profit partner. *Every Second Counts* is an important book for policymakers, business leaders, and healthcare leaders who care about providing high-quality care at affordable costs to all those in need.

The Palace of Illusions Penguin/Viking

LONGLISTED FOR THE DSC PRIZE FOR SOUTH ASIAN LITERATURE 2018 'Easily the most original and formally inventive novel to come out of India in years.' Salman Rushdie, *Guardian* Francis Newton Xavier has lived a wild existence of excess in pursuit of his uncompromising aesthetic vision. His paintings and poems - which embody the flamboyant and decadent *jeu d'esprit* of his heroes like Baudelaire - have forged his reputation, which is to be celebrated at a new show in Delhi. Approaching middle age in a body ravaged by hard-living, Xavier leaves Manhattan following the 9/11 attacks with his young girlfriend - and his journey home to India becomes a delirious voyage into the past. From his formative years with an infamous school of fin de siècle Bombay poets - as documented by his biographer, Diswas, in these pages

- Xavier must move forward into an uncertain future of salvation or damnation. His story results in *The Book of Chocolate Saints*: an epic novel of contemporary Indian life that probes the mysterious margins where art bleeds into the occult, and celebrates the artist's life itself as a final monument. It is Jeet Thayil's spiritual, passionate, and demented masterpiece. Mr and Mrs Jinnah Penguin Random House India Private Limited

There has been a proliferation of literary festivals in recent decades, with more than 450 held annually in the UK and Australia alone. These festivals operate as tastemakers shaping cultural consumption; as educational and policy projects; as instantiations, representations, and celebrations of literary communities; and as cultural products in their own right. As such they strongly influence how literary culture is produced, circulates and is experienced by readers in the twenty-first century. This book explores how audiences engage with literary festivals, and analyses these festivals' relationship to local and digital literary communities, to the creative industries focus of contemporary cultural policy, and to the broader literary field. The relationship between literary festivals and these configuring forces is illustrated with in-depth case studies of the Edinburgh International Book Festival, the Port Eliot Festival, the Melbourne Writers Festival, the Emerging Writers' Festival, and the Clunes Booktown Festival. Building on interviews with audiences and staff, contextualised by a large-scale online survey of literary festival audiences from around the world, this book investigates these festivals' social, cultural, commercial, and political operation. In doing so, this book critically orients scholarly investigation of literary festivals with respect to the complex and

contested terrain of contemporary book culture.

Padmini Harper Collins

In February 2017, Gurmehar Kaur, a nineteen-year-old student, joined a peaceful campaign after violent clashes at a Delhi University college. As part of the campaign, Kaur's post made her the target of an onslaught of social media vitriol. Kaur, the daughter of a war martyr, suddenly became the focal point of a nationalism debate. Facing a trial by social media, Kaur almost retreated into herself. But she was never brought up to be silenced. 'Real bullets killed my father. Your hate bullets are deepening my resolve,' she wrote then. Today, Kaur is doubly determined not to be silent. *Small Acts of Freedom* is her story. This is the story of three generations of strong, passionate single women in one family, women who have faced the world on their own terms. With an unusual narrative structure that crisscrosses elegantly between the past and the present, spanning seventy years from 1947 to 2017, *Small Acts of Freedom* is about courage. It's about resilience, strength and love. From her grandmother who came to India from Lahore after Partition to the whirlwind romance between her parents, from her father's state funeral to her harrowing experiences since her days of student activism, Gurmehar Kaur's debut is about the fierceness of love, the power of family, and the little acts that beget big revolutions. Limca Book of Records 2020-22 W. W. Norton & Company

"Brilliant, beautifully organized, exceedingly readable."—Philip Roth World-renowned Shakespeare scholar Stephen Greenblatt explores the playwright's insight into bad (and often mad) rulers. Examining the psyche—and psychoses—of the likes of Richard III, Macbeth, Lear, and Coriolanus, Greenblatt illuminates the ways in

which William Shakespeare delved into the lust for absolute power and the disasters visited upon the societies over which these characters rule. *Tyrant* shows that Shakespeare's work remains vitally relevant today, not least in its probing of the unquenchable, narcissistic appetites of demagogues and the self-destructive willingness of collaborators who indulge them.

India At 70 Penguin Books

"This is why we read fiction at all" raves the Washington Post: Family life meets historical romance in this critically acclaimed, "gorgeous, sweeping novel" (*Ms Magazine*) about two people who find each other when abandoned by everyone else, marking the signal American debut of an award-winning writer who richly deserves her international acclaim. On the outskirts of a small town in Bengal, a family lives in solitude in their vast new house. Here, lives intertwine and unravel. A widower struggles with his love for an unmarried cousin. Bakul, a motherless daughter, runs wild with Mukunda, an orphan of unknown caste adopted by the family. Confined in a room at the top of the house, a matriarch goes slowly mad; her husband searches for its cause as he shapes and reshapes his garden. As Mukunda and Bakul grow, their intense closeness matures into something else, and Mukunda is banished to Calcutta. He prospers in the turbulent years after Partition, but his thoughts stay with his home, with

Bakul, with all that he has lost—and he knows that he must return.

Literary Festivals and Contemporary Book Culture Rupa Publications

For readers of Jhumpa Lahiri and Rohinton Mistry, as well as Lorrie Moore and George Saunders, here are stories on the pathos and comedy of small-town migrants struggling to build a life in the big city, with the dream world of Bollywood never far away. Jayant Kaikini's gaze takes in the people in the corners of Mumbai—a bus driver who, denied vacation time, steals the bus to travel home; a slum dweller who catches cats and sells them for pharmaceutical testing; a father at his wit's end who takes his mischievous son to a reform institution. In this metropolis, those who seek find epiphanies in dark movie theaters, the jostle of local trains, and even in roadside keychains and lost thermos flasks. Here, in the shade of an unfinished overpass, a factory-worker and her boyfriend browse wedding invitations bearing wealthy couples' affectations—"no presents please"—and look once more at what they own. Translated from the Kannada by Tejaswini Niranjana, these resonant stories, recently awarded the DSC Prize for South Asian Literature, take us to photo framers, flower markets, and Irani cafes, revealing a city trading in fantasies while its strivers, eating once a day and sleeping ten to a room, hold secret ambitions close.