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**Victoria Hislop Tpb Bind Up - the Island and the Return** Hachette UK

A PLAGUE - A VILLAGE - A LOCKDOWN 1665, Eyam, Derbyshire. 'Here I have set down all that I know of the Plague' It is 1665 and Mall Percival is a shepherd girl living in a Derbyshire village. She tends her flock, spends time with her best friend and teaches her young suitor to read. But one day a parcel of patterns, meant for a new dress for the pastor's wife, wings its way from London. The parcel carries an infection that spreads with horrifying speed. Herbal teas and open windows are the only defence against the sickness. Yet the villagers make a brave and selfless decision: to isolate themselves from the rest of the country. It is a lockdown that saves the neighbouring towns, but at heart-breaking cost to Mall's world. Based on the true events of the village of Eyam, this is the story of a courageous sacrifice that saved Derbyshire and beyond from a deadly virus. \*SHORTLISTED FOR THE WHITBREAD PRIZE\* 'A pocket masterpiece' Guardian Readers love A

Parcel of Patterns 'I couldn't put it down' 'Brought me to tears too many times to count' 'If you think social distancing is hard in the Coronavirus pandemic, read this wonderful novel based on the true story of the village of Eyam'

[The Island](#) Ballantine Books

If you love Karen Swan and Elizabeth Edmondson, you will love this perfect escapist read. 'The story started at dawn on the fourteenth of September, 1943 . . .' All her life, London-born Angelika has been intrigued by her mother's secret past. Now planning her wedding, she feels she must visit the remote Crete village her mother grew up in. Angie's estranged elderly grandmother, Maria, is dying. She welcomes Angie with open arms - it's time to unburden herself, and tell the story she'll otherwise take to her grave. It's the story of the Nazi occupation of Crete during the Second World War, of horror, of courage and of the lengths to which a mother will go to protect her children. And it's the story of bitter secrets that broke a family apart, and of three enchanting women who come together to heal wounds that have damaged two generations. What readers are saying about Island of Secrets: 'Island of Secrets is a book full of raw emotions, family vendettas, hidden secrets

and three very strong women. It's a book I enjoyed very much and one which fans of Victoria Hislop and Debbie Rix are sure to enjoy' (NetGalley Reviewer) 'So well written and utterly heartbreaking . . . a story that needs to be told' (NetGalley Reviewer) 'Page-turning, enthralling and heartbreaking by turns' 'Made me laugh and cry, just couldn't put this book down'

**Octavia Bloom and the Missing Key** Review

Richard Ayoade - in this foren, perhaps one of the most 'insubstantial' people of our age, takes us on a journey from Peckham to Paris by way of Nevada and other places we don't care about. It's a journey deep within, in a way that's respectful and non-invasive; a journey for which we will all pay a heavy price, even if you've waited for the smaller paperback edition. Ayoade argues for the canonisation of this brutal masterpiece, a film that celebrates capitalism in all its victimless glory; one we might imagine Donald Trump himself half-watching on his private jet's gold-plated flat screen while his other puffy eye scans the cabin for fresh, young prey."

**The Fair Botanists** Macmillan

A haunting story of yearning, love and betrayal from the bestselling author of Thornwood House

Lucy Briar has arrived home in turmoil after years overseas. She's met her fiancé in London and has her life mapped out, but something is holding her back. Hoping to ground herself and find answers, Lucy settles into once familiar routines. But old tortured feelings flood Lucy's existence when her beloved father, Ron, is hospitalised and Morgan - the man who drove her away all those years ago - seeks her out. Worse, Ron implores Lucy to visit Bitterwood Estate, the crumbling historic family guesthouse now left to him. He needs Lucy to find something- an old photograph album, the very thing that drove Ron and his father apart. Lucy has her own painful memories of Bitterwood, darkness that has plagued her dreams since she was young. But as Lucy searches for the album, the house begins to give up its ghosts and she is driven to put them to rest. And there, held tightly between the house, the orchard and the soaring cliffs, Lucy uncovers a long-hidden secret that shattered a family's bond and kept a frightened young girl in its thrall ... and Lucy discovers just how fierce the lonely heart can be.

[The Fourth Hand](#) Ips - Profile Books

'This is one of the most touching, gripping and inspiring books that I have ever read. Hislop seamlessly weaves an accurate history of a Greek island with a forbidden love story' Real Reader Review, [□ □ □ □](#) INSPIRED BY TRUTH, THE STORY THAT HAS CAPTIVATED THE WORLD. This was not the start of a short trip to deliver supplies. It was the beginning of a one-way journey to start a new life. Life on a leper colony. Life on Spinalonga. Fifty years later, making a life-changing journey of her own, Alexis Fielding feels the pull of the abandoned island. A distant shadow off the coast of Crete, she knows it holds the secrets of her mother's past, buried for so long but surely not forgotten . . . Discover for yourself why 10 million readers and critics worldwide love Victoria Hislop's books . . . 'Passionately engaged with its subject . . . meticulously researched' The Sunday Times 'Hislop carefully evokes the lives of Cretans between the wars and during German occupation, but most commendable is her compassionate portrayal of the outcasts' Guardian 'A page-turning tale that reminds us that love and life continue in even the most extraordinary of circumstances' Sunday Express 'The story of life on Spinalonga, the lepers' island, is gripping and carries real emotional impact. Victoria Hislop . . . brings dignity and tenderness to her novel about lives blighted by leprosy' Telegraph 'Vivid, moving and absorbing' Observer 'A deeply moving, captivating, humane and beautiful story of enduring love, and life' Real Reader Review, [□ □ □ □](#) 'The most powerful and gripping story I've ever read!' Real Reader Review, [□ □ □ □](#) 'An intriguing and unusual story that keeps you turning the pages . . . The descriptions of Crete are beautiful, and you can just imagine yourself there with the blue sea and sun shining. It is a triumph in many ways, and a part of history I was unaware of' Real Reader Review, [□ □ □ □](#) 'Victoria Hislop has created a collection of wholly believable characters woven around the factual history of Spinalonga . . . A gripping and moving tale' Real Reader Review, [□ □ □ □](#) \*Victoria Hislop's most recent novel, THE FIGURINE, is out now.\*

[Distant Shores](#) Headline

25th August 1957. The island of Spinalonga closes its leper colony. And a moment of violence has devastating consequences. When time stops dead for Maria Petrakis and her sister, Anna, two families splinter apart and, for the people of Plaka, the closure of Spinalonga is forever coloured with tragedy. In the aftermath, the question of how to resume life looms large. Stigma and scandal need to be confronted and somehow, for those impacted, a future built from the ruins of the past. *Women's Suffrage in New Zealand* Headline

The international bestselling author of *The Island* delivers a saga of family, war, and survival set during the 1974 Cypriot coup d'état. Cyprus, 1972. Famagusta is the island nation's most glamorous city, and *The Sunrise* is its most glamorous new hotel. Aphriditi Papacostas and her husband Savvas quickly turned their new venture into the place for Europe's elite to be seen. Yet beneath the veneer of Mediterranean opulence, mounting hostility simmers between the Greeks and Turks. Years of unrest and ethnic violence come to a head in 1974, when Greece's coup d'état provokes a Turkish attack on beautiful Famagusta. The fallout sends the island's inhabitants spiraling into fear and chaos, and the Papacostas join an exodus of people fleeing to refugee camps. In the end, only two families remain in the decimated city: the Özkans and the Georgious. One is Turkish Cypriot, the other Greek Cypriot, and the tension between them is palpable. But with resources scarce and the Turkish militia looming large, both families must take shelter in the deserted hotel as they battle illness, hunger, fear, and their own prejudices while struggling to stay alive. Juxtaposing a powerful narrative of war against the glittering affluence of the 1970s Mediterranean coast, *The Sunrise* is a moving story about the measures we take to protect what we love.

*Maria's Island* Europa Editions

By the time many men get to 40, they are starting to lose their battle with the bulge, they work incredibly long and stressful hours at work, are away from their families, and their sex life might well have taken a severe downward turn. *How to Fix Your Life - Now!* is the proverbial kick in the behind for all of those slightly overweight and unfit men who feel their lives are stuck in a rut. Duncan Goodhew, Olympic Gold Medallist and motivational speaker, knows all about facing challenges and in this inspirational, hard-hitting book, he lays out the simple changes in exercise, eating and time management habits that will help men to take back control of their lives, and to dare to live them to the full. From building confidence to prioritising and finding resolve, with the right physical and mental attitude anything is possible, even touching your toes! *Fix Your Life - Now!* will give you the tools to get fit and lose weight, work smart and de-stress, meaning that you can get back the life you've always wanted.

**A Parcel of Patterns** Vermilion

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • “Hannah examines whether love and commitment are enough to sustain a marriage when two people who have put their individual dreams on ice get a chance to defrost them . . . in fast-moving prose punctuated by snappy asides.”—People Elizabeth and Jackson Shore married young, raised two daughters, and weathered the storms of youth as they built a family. From a distance, their lives look picture perfect. But after the girls leave home, Jack and Elizabeth quietly drift apart. When Jack accepts a wonderful new job, Elizabeth puts her own needs aside to follow him across the country. Then tragedy turns Elizabeth's world upside down. In the aftermath, she questions everything about her life—her choices, her marriage, even her long-forgotten dreams. In a daring move that shocks her husband, friends, and daughters, she lets go of the woman she has become—and reaches out for the woman she wants to be.

*The Porcelain Doll* Headline Review

'A masterful debut' - Ellen Alpsten, author of *Tsarina*In a faraway kingdom, in a long-ago land ....

Rosie's only inheritance from her reclusive mother is a notebook full of handwritten fairy tales. But another story is lurking between the lines.Desperate for answers to questions that have tormented her for years, Rosie travels to Moscow and uncovers a devastating family history spanning the 1917 Revolution, Stalin's bloody purgesand beyond. At the heart of those answers stands a young noblewoman, as pretty as a porcelain doll, whose actions reverberate across the century .

*The Return* Candlewick Press

“Imagine a young man on his way to a less-than-thirty second event — the loss of his left hand, long before he reached middle age.” The Fourth Hand asks an interesting question: “How can anyone identify a dream of the future?” The answer: “Destiny is not imaginable, except in dreams or to those in love.” While reporting a story from India, a New York television journalist has his left hand eaten by a lion; millions of TV viewers witness the accident. In Boston, a renowned hand surgeon awaits the opportunity to perform the nation's first hand transplant; meanwhile, in the distracting aftermath of an acrimonious divorce, the surgeon is seduced by his housekeeper. A married woman in Wisconsin wants to give the one-handed reporter her husband's left hand—that is, after her husband dies. But the husband is alive, relatively young, and healthy. This is how John Irving's tenth novel begins; it seems, at first, to be a comedy, perhaps a satire, almost certainly a sexual farce. Yet, in the end, *The Fourth Hand* is as realistic and emotionally moving as any of Mr. Irving's previous novels—including *The World According to Garp*, *A Prayer for Owen Meany*, and *A Widow for One Year*—or his Oscar-winning screenplay of *The Cider House Rules*. *The Fourth Hand* is characteristic of John Irving's seamless storytelling and further explores some of the author's recurring themes—loss, grief, love as redemption. But this novel also breaks new ground; it offers a penetrating look at the power of second chances and the will to change.

*Jamrach's Menagerie* Hachette UK

\*Pre-order THE FIGURINE, the brand-new novel from Victoria Hislop. Coming September 2023.\* The *Islands* Collection is a captivating omnibus of two of Victoria Hislop's most gripping novels, *The Island* and *The Sunrise*. Heartbreaking and immersive stories set against the backdrop of stunning Mediterranean islands from the Sunday Times number one bestselling author. 'Victoria Hislop's view of history in her novels is, like the writer herself, a compassionate and generous one' Scotsman *The Island*, the acclaimed million-copy bestseller: On the brink of a life-changing decision, Alexis Fielding longs to find out about her mother's past. But Sofia has never spoken of it. All she admits to is growing up in a small Cretan village before moving to London. When Alexis decides to visit Crete, however, Sofia gives her daughter a letter to take to an old friend, and promises that through her she will learn more. Arriving in Plaka, Alexis is astonished to see that it

lies a stone's throw from the tiny, deserted island of Spinalonga - Greece's former leper colony. Then she finds Fotini, and at last hears the story that Sofia has buried all her life: the tale of her great-grandmother Eleni and her daughters and a family rent by tragedy, war and passion. She discovers how intimately she is connected with the island, and how secrecy holds them all in its powerful grip... *The Sunrise*, the Number One Sunday Times bestseller: In the summer of 1972, Famagusta in Cyprus is the most desirable resort in the Mediterranean, a city bathed in the glow of good fortune. An ambitious couple are about to open the island's most spectacular hotel, where Greek and Turkish Cypriots work in harmony. Two neighbouring families, the Georgious and the Özkans, are among many who moved to Famagusta to escape the years of unrest and ethnic violence elsewhere on the island. But beneath the city's façade of glamour and success, tension is building. When a Greek coup plunges the island into chaos, Cyprus faces a disastrous conflict. Turkey invades to protect the Turkish Cypriot minority, and Famagusta is shelled. Forty thousand people seize their most precious possessions and flee from the advancing soldiers. In the deserted city, just two families remain. This is their story. Praise for *The Island* and *The Sunrise*: 'Fascinating and moving' *The Times* on *The Island* 'A vivid, moving and absorbing tale' *Observer* on *The Sunrise* 'An imaginative tour de force, and a great read' *Daily Mail* on *The Island* 'Wonderful descriptions, strong characters and an intimate portrait of island existence' *Woman & Home* on *The Sunrise* 'An absorbing tale about family, friendship, loyalty and betrayal' *Good Housekeeping* on *The Island* 'A beautiful tale of enduring love and unthinking prejudice' *Express* on *The Sunrise*

**Shh! We Have a Plan** Headline

In the tradition of *The Night Circus* and *A Discovery of Witches*, *The Hawley Book of the Dead* is the kind of novel that makes you believe that magic really exists. An old house surrounded by acres of forest. A place of secrets, mysteries and magic. This is where Reve Dyer hopes to keep herself and her children safe. But a mysterious figure has haunted Reve for over a decade. And now Reve knows that this person is on her trail again. In Hawley, where the magic of her ancestors reigns, Reve must unlock the secrets of the *Hawley Book of the Dead* before itâ€(tm)s too late!

*Fix Your Life - Now!* Random House

In the summer of 1972, Famagusta in Cyprus is the most desirable resort in the Mediterranean, a city bathed in the glow of good fortune. But beneath the city's facade of glamour and success, tension is building. When a Greek coup plunges the island into chaos, Cyprus faces a disastrous conflict. Turkey invades to protect the Turkish Cypriot minority, and Famagusta is shelled. Forty thousand people seize their most precious possessions and flee from the advancing soldiers. In the deserted city, just two families remain. This is their story.

**Beyond the Orchard** Vintage Canada

A dramatic and moving story set in the same world as the international bestseller *The Island* from the celebrated novelist Victoria Hislop. The absorbing story of the Cretan village of Plaka and the tiny, deserted island of Spinalonga - Greece's former leper colony - is told to us by Maria Petrakis, one of the children in the original version of *The Island*. She tells us of the ancient and misunderstood disease of leprosy, exploring the themes of stigma, shame and the treatment of those who are different, which are as relevant for children as adults. Gill Smith's rich, full-colour illustrations will transport the reader to the timeless and beautiful Greek landscape and Mediterranean seascape.

*Cartes Postales from Greece* Hachette UK

During a live television broadcast on the night of a lunar eclipse, renowned astrophysicist Andrew Leland is suddenly lifted into the sky by a giant spacecraft and taken away for all to see. Six years later, he turns up, wandering in a South American desert, denying ever having been abducted and disappearing from the public eye. Meanwhile, he inspires legions of cultish devotees, including a young physics graduate student named Shawn Ferris who is obsessed with finding out what really happened to him. When Shawn finally tracks Leland down, he discovers that he's been on the run for years, continuously hunted by a secret organization that has pursued him across multiple continents, determined to force him into revealing what he knows. Shawn soon joins Leland on the run. Though Leland is at first reluctant to reveal anything, Shawn will soon learn the truth about his abduction, the real reason for his return, and will find himself caught up in a global conspiracy that puts more than just one planet in danger. Equal parts science-fiction and globe-hopping thriller, Joseph Helmreich's *The Return* will appeal to fans of both, and to anyone who has ever wondered... what's out there?

[In the Shadow of Queens](#) Hodder Children's Books

Already a #1 bestseller in the UK, *The Return* is a captivating new novel of family, love, and

betrayal set against a backdrop of civil war, flamenco, and fiery Spanish passion. The author of the beloved international bestseller *The Island*, Victoria Hislop now transports the reader to Granada, Spain, in a time of historic turmoil. *The Return* is a colorful and spellbinding saga of a family inspired by music and dance, only to be torn apart by fragile hearts and divided loyalties during the bitter war that brought the dictator Generalissimo Francisco Franco to power.

[The Secrets of Bridgewater Bay](#) Text Publishing

FIND OUT HOW THE AWARD-WINNING SERIES BEGINS... One tiny discovery can have enormous consequences... Almost 10-year-old Octavia Bloom is looking for adventure, but when it comes it's in the shape of a tiny fairy door. Dragging her reluctant sister and cousins into the mystery, Octavia discovers her family are hiding not ONE but TWO life-changing secrets. Why is her mother searching for an elusive flower? And does she have what it takes to reunite her fractured family? Octavia's certain the answers lie behind the fairy door, if only she could just find the key... Bravery, secrets & magic intertwine in this fantastical adventure. Special 2nd Anniversary cover!

[What's New, Harper Drew?](#) Bonnier Publishing Fiction Ltd.

The complete SIX TUDOR QUEENS short-story collection by acclaimed historian and SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING author, Alison Weir. 'This brilliant series has brought Henry VIII's six wives to life as

never before' TRACY BORMAN 'Detailed, immaculately researched and convincing' THE TIMES 'Lingers long after the last page is turned' ELIZABETH FREMANTLE --- Behind every great king stands a queen. And behind every queen, the whole court watches on... Over the years of his reign, six different women took their place beside King Henry VIII of England as his wife and queen. But the real stories of the six Tudor queens belong to those who lived among them. Played out in glittering palaces and whispering courts, these are tales of the people who loved and served these women, and those who lied and betrayed them. Collected together for the first time, *In the Shadow of Queens* reveals thirteen startling stories from the Tudor court, told by those at the very heart of that world. ALISON WEIR. Groundbreaking truth. Breathtaking fiction. --- PRAISE FOR THE SIX TUDOR QUEENS SERIES: 'Weir is excellent on the little details that bring a world to life' Guardian 'A tour de force' Susan Ronald 'Alison Weir makes history come alive as no one else' Barbara Erskine 'Well researched and engrossing' Good Housekeeping 'Hugely enjoyable . . . Alison Weir knows her subject and has a knack for the telling and textural detail' Daily Mail [Dog Day](#) Faber & Faber

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ONE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER *Cartes Postales* from Greece is an extraordinary new book from Victoria Hislop, the Sunday Times Number One bestselling author of *The Island*, *The Return*, *The Thread*, and *The Sunrise*. A beautifully depicted love affair with Greece, and a spellbinding tale of love and loss. It is fiction with a distinctive photographic framework - magical and unique. 'Hislop's passionate love of the country breathes from every page' Daily Mail 'When it comes to tales about Greece, Hislop is an undisputed queen - and this is easily her best novel yet' Heat Week after week, the postcards arrive, addressed to someone Ellie does not know, each signed with an initial: A. These alluring cartes postales of Greece brighten her life and cast a spell on her. She decides she must see this country for herself. On the morning Ellie leaves for Athens, a notebook arrives. Its pages tell the story of a man's odyssey through Greece. Moving, surprising and sometimes dark, A's tale unfolds with the discovery not only of a culture, but also of a desire to live life to the full once more. Praise for *Cartes Postales*. . . 'When it comes to tales about Greece Hislop is an undisputed queen' Heat magazine 'A lavish love letter to Greece' Sunday Mirror 'A beautiful tale of love, struggle and redemption' Prima 'This wonderful, illuminating novel is a perfect escape' Woman & Home 'This beautiful novel is illustrated with gorgeous photos to really bring the country to life' Sun on Sunday