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### Their Little Secret

Available together in ebook for the first time ever, this duo of brilliant short stories featuring a guest appearance by DI Tom Thorne showcases the crime writing talent of number one Sunday Times bestseller Mark Billingham. Underneath the Mistletoe Last Night When young Jack finds 'Father Christmas' dead beneath the tree, DI Tom Thorne, who has volunteered to work on Christmas Day, must get to the truth with the help of his reliable team and some incriminating evidence. Stepping Up When a retired boxer is persuaded to join an exercise class by his daughter, he sees a woman whose face has haunted him for forty years. He used to be a minder for underworld criminals and Zoe was always in their circle. So when she gets in trouble with another class member, he's there to protect her, as he used to - whatever it takes.

### Heart of a Killer

The "dark, twisted, thought-provoking" (#1 New York Times bestseller Tami Hoag) international bestseller—first in the new series featuring Detective Helen Grace. Two people are abducted, imprisoned, and left with a gun. As hunger and thirst set in, only one walks away alive. It's a game more twisted than any Detective Helen Grace has ever seen. If she hadn't spoken with the shattered survivors herself, she almost wouldn't believe them. Helen is familiar with the dark sides of human nature, including her own, but this case—with its seemingly random victims—has her baffled. But as more people go missing, nothing will be more terrifying than when it all starts making sense.

### Rush of Blood

The classic first novel from Mark Billingham introduces DI Tom Thorne in a unforgettable and terrifying case that changed crime fiction forever. 'A terrifically stylish debut novel' Independent on Sunday Alison Willetts has survived a stroke,

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deliberately induced by a skilful manipulation of pressure points on the head and neck. She can see, hear and feel but she is completely unable to move or communicate. In leaving Alison Willetts alive, the police believe the killer's made his first mistake. Then DI Tom Thorne discovers the horrifying truth: it isn't Alison who is the mistake, it's the three women already dead. Thorne must find a killer whose agenda is disturbingly unique, and Alison, the one person who holds the key to the killer's identity, is unable to say anything . . . \_\_\_\_\_ Read what everyone's saying about the heart-racing Tom Thorne series: 'Literary superstar' Mail on Sunday 'Ingenious' Guardian 'Ground-breaking' Sunday Times 'Mark Billingham gets better and better' Michael Connelly 'A cracking read . . . I couldn't put it down!' Shari Lapena 'A damn fine storyteller' Karin Slaughter 'Twisted and twisty' Linwood Barclay 'One of the most consistently entertaining, insightful crime writers working today' Gillian Flynn 'The next superstar detective is already with us. Don't miss him' Lee Child

### **In the Dark**

Discover the first of the two masterful hit novels adapted for the massive new BBC One Drama series In The Dark, featuring brilliant heroine Helen Weeks. 'Clever and inventive' Financial Times Two schoolgirls are abducted in the small, dying Warwickshire town of Polesford, driving a knife into the heart of the community where police officer Helen Weeks grew up. But this is a place full of secrets, where dangerous truths lie buried. When family man Stephen Bates has been arrested, Helen and her partner Tom Thorne head to the flooded town to support Bates' wife - an old school friend of Helen's - who is living under siege and convinced of her husband's innocence. As residents and media bay for Bates' blood, a decomposing body is found. The police believe they have their murderer, but one man believes otherwise. With a girl still missing, Helen sets herself on a collision course with local police, townsfolk - and a merciless killer. The hugely acclaimed latest novel in Mark Billingham's bestselling series, Love Like Blood, is out now.

### **Die of Shame**

In the next thrilling standalone from David Rosenfelt, policeman Doug Brock races against the clock to recover his memory after a gunshot to the head before a terror plot can be put into action

### **Sleepyhead**

Step into a thrilling Quick Read from number one bestselling crime fiction author Mark Billingham. It's the moment we all fear: losing our phone, leaving us cut off from family and friends. But, for Louise, losing hers in a local café takes her somewhere much darker. After many hours of panic, Louise is relieved when someone gets in touch offering to return the phone. From then on she is impatient to get back to normal life. But when they meet on the beach, Louise realises you

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should be careful what you wish for If you enjoyed Cut Off, try Love Like Blood, the latest novel in the series starring Mark Billingham's detective hero, DI Tom Thorne.

### **Cut Off**

It is almost unthinkable that a single maniac would murder two women miles apart on the same day. Yet someone followed Carol Garner home from the train station and strangled her to death in front of her three-year-old son. And, afterwards, Ruth Murray died in a similar manner. The evidence is leading Detective Inspector Tom Thorne to a stunning conclusion: there isn't only one serial killer on the prowl, but a pair of them, working in tandem. And any corpse that turns up in the future just might be accompanied by a second. To stop them both, Thorne must catch a man whose need to manipulate is as great as his need to kill; a man who will threaten those closest to Thorne himself; a man who will show him that the ability to inspire terror is the deadliest weapon of all.

### **Cry Baby**

Chief Inspector Alan Banks moved away from London to the quaint village of Eastvale to find some peace, but trouble can be found in a village as well as in the city. Soon Banks must contend with a Peeping Tom, a group of thieving young thugs, and the brutal murder of an elderly woman in her home. A growing friendship with psychologist Jenny Fuller and tension with wife Sandra complicate matters, particularly when Jenny and Banks's family are threatened. Ultimately, as the story builds to a surprising and terrifying climax, Banks must make some hard decisions. First in the critically acclaimed Inspector Banks Mystery Series.

### **The Tom Thorne Collection, Books 2-4**

'Groundbreaking and gripping' Sunday Times A BLOODY MESSAGE As DI Nicola Tanner investigates what appears to be a series of organised killings, her partner Susan is brutally murdered, leaving the detective bereft, and vengeful. A POWERFUL ALLY Taken off the case, Tanner enlists the help of DI Tom Thorne to pursue a pair of ruthless killers and the broker handing out the deadly contracts. A CONSPIRACY OF SILENCE As the killers target their latest victim, Thorne takes the biggest risk of his career and is drawn into a horrifying and disturbing world in which families will do anything to protect their honour. From number one bestseller Mark Billingham comes a masterful, intense crime novel that pits DI Tom Thorne against an evil beyond comprehension, yet shockingly real. 'One of the great series of British crime fiction' The Times 'Billingham is a world-class writer' Karin Slaughter \_\_\_\_\_ The outstanding new Tom Thorne thriller, THEIR LITTLE SECRET, is available to pre-order now

## **Bloodline**

Detective Helen Grace is on the trail of a twisted serial killer in this riveting thriller in the “gripping”\* international bestselling series. Ruby wakes up in a strange room. Her captor calmly explains that no one is looking for her. No one wants her. Except him. When the body of a woman is found buried on a secluded beach, Detective Helen Grace is called to the scene. She knows right away that the killer is no amateur. The woman has been dead for years, and no one has even reported her missing. But why would they? She’s still sending text messages to her family. Helen is convinced that a criminal mastermind is at work: someone very smart, very careful, and worst of all, very patient. But as she struggles to piece together the killer’s motive, time is running out for a victim who is still alive From the Trade Paperback edition.

## **Thorne at Christmas**

The second in the series of the Dabble and Harris thrillers! Set in the mid-twentieth century, this adventure series is perfect for fans of action-packed, historical fiction. 'A rollicking good read' IAN RANKIN India, 1937. Intrepid reporter Sir Percival Harris is hunting tigers with his friend, Professor Ernest Drabble. Harris soon bags a man-eater - but later finds himself caught up in a hunt of a different kind Harris is due to interview the Maharaja of Bikaner, a friend to the Raj, for his London newspaper - and he and Drabble soon find themselves accompanied by a local journalist, Miss Heinz. But is the lady all she seems? And the Maharaja himself is proving elusive Meanwhile, the movement for Indian independence is becoming stronger, and Drabble and Harris witness some of the conflict first-hand. But even more drama comes on arrival at Bikaner when the friends find themselves confined to their quarters and embroiled in an assassination plot! Just who is the enemy in the Maharaja's palace? What is the connection to a mysterious man Drabble meets in Delhi? And what secret plans do the British colonial officers have up their sleeves? Praise for Alec Marsh's Drabble and Harris thrillers 'An immensely readable treat!' ALEXANDER MCCALL SMITH 'Marsh chomps the period bit between his teeth and relates his yarn with winning gusto' NEW STATESMAN 'Tremendous stuff! With the arrival of Alec Marsh's first Drabble and Harris thriller, John Buchan must be stirring uneasily in his grave' STANLEY JOHNSON

## **The Merchant's House**

Available together for the first time at a special price, the classic, thrilling, groundbreaking books 2-4 in the iconic Tom Thorne series by No.1 Sunday Times bestseller Mark Billingham. '[Thorne] is one of the most compelling figures in contemporary crime fiction' DAILY MAIL 'Billingham is always a must-read' HARLAN COBEN ----- SCAREDY CAT A vicious killer follows his victim home and strangles her in front of her child. Across London a second body is discovered at the back of King's Cross station. And these grisly events eerily echoes the murder of two previous women, stabbed to death months

before on the same day. DI Tom Thorne sees the link and comes to a horrifying conclusion: two killers are way more deadly than one . . . ----- LAZYBONES It's only ten days since Douglas Remfry's release from prison, having served seven years for rape, and now he's dead: naked on a bare mattress in a grubby north London hotel room. Someone knew he was coming out. Someone wanted to mete out some punishment of their own. And when a second sex offender is found dead, DI Tom Thorne knows he has a vicious vigilante on his hands . . . ----- THE BURNING GIRL X marks the spot - and when that spot is a corpse's naked back and the X is carved in blood, DI Tom Thorne is in no doubt that the dead man is the latest victim of a particularly vicious killer. But when an X is carved on Thorne's own front door, he knows the smouldering embers of this case are about to erupt into flames . . .

### **The Bone Jar**

In this 'chilling story that keeps you guessing to the last page', three couples who befriend each other on holiday may be hiding sinister secrets from each other (Daily Express) Three couples meet around the pool on their Florida holiday and become fast friends. But on their last night, their perfect holiday takes a tragic twist: the teenage daughter of another holidaymaker goes missing, and her body is later found floating in the mangroves. When the shocked couples return home, they remain in contact, and over the course of three increasingly fraught dinner parties they come to know one another better. But they don't always like what they find: buried beneath these apparently normal exteriors are some dark secrets, hidden kinks, ugly vices Then, a second girl goes missing. Could it be that one of these six has a secret far darker than anybody can imagine? A brilliantly plotted, utterly gripping thriller about the danger of making friends on holiday, *Rush of Blood* is Mark Billingham's most ambitious and accomplished work to date.

### **Triskellion**

Returning to duty after a nine-month recuperation from being stabbed in the abdomen by a murder suspect, Detective Sergeant Logan McRae of the Aberdeen CID immediately becomes involved in the ritualistic murder of a three-year-old boy, whose body is found months after being reported missing, a case complicated by the disappearance of another child. A first novel. Reprint.

### **Cold Granite**

The eighth book in the Tom Thorne series, from bestselling author Mark Billingham. When a dead body is found in a North London flat, it seems like a straightforward domestic murder until a bloodstained sliver of X-ray is found clutched in the dead woman's fist - and it quickly becomes clear that this case is anything but ordinary. DI Thorne discovers that the

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victim's mother had herself been murdered fifteen years before by infamous serial killer Raymond Garvey. The hunt to catch Garvey was one of the biggest in the history of the Met, and ended with seven women dead. When more bodies and more fragments of X-ray are discovered, Thorne has a macabre jigsaw to piece together until the horrifying picture finally emerges. A killer is targeting the children of Raymond Garvey's victims. Thorne must move quickly to protect those still on the murderer's list, but nothing and nobody are what they seem. Not when Thorne is dealing with one of the most twisted killers he has ever hunted

### **Sleepyhead**

The fifth book in the Tom Thorne series, from bestselling author Mark Billingham. A SERIES OF KILLINGS Three men, sleeping rough on London's mean streets, have been found brutally murdered - each victim kicked to death and found with a £20 note pinned to his chest. But were they killed at random, or were they targeted for a reason? A DEADLY MISSION Tom Thorne is posted to the same streets - working undercover, disguised as a homeless man. In a harsh and harrowing underworld, Thorne discovers the horrifying link between the homeless victims and the perpetrators of a fifteen-year-old atrocity. A RUTHLESS ENEMY Those who know are keeping quiet. But the word on these streets is that the killer is a cop \_\_\_\_\_ Read what everyone's saying about the heart-racing Tom Thorne series: 'Literary superstar' Mail on Sunday 'Ingenious' Guardian 'Ground-breaking' Sunday Times 'Mark Billingham gets better and better' Michael Connelly 'A cracking read . . . I couldn't put it down!' Shari Lapena 'A damn fine storyteller' Karin Slaughter 'Twisted and twisty' Linwood Barclay 'One of the most consistently entertaining, insightful crime writers working today' Gillian Flynn 'The next superstar detective is already with us. Don't miss him' Lee Child

### **Lifeless**

British Defence Minister Robert Greeves - vanished without a trace. In a luxury private safari lodge in Kruger National Park, Detective Sergeant and Protection Officer Tom Furey can't believe this happened on his watch, when he had his eye on a pretty girl rather than on the job. Knowing his career is on the line, Furey vows not to stop until Greeves is found - dead or alive. He and his South African counterpart, the attractive Inspector Sannie Van Rensburg, go against official orders and start the search for the suspected band of terrorists through the outer limits of the National Park to the coastal waters of Mozambique. Tom must assume nothing and trust no one, as the silent predator is about to pounce.

### **Gallows View**

Death Message is the unforgettable new entry in the suspense series featuring Tom Thorne, "the next superstar detective"

(Lee Child), from Mark Billingham, one of Britain's most compelling and talented crime writers. Billingham, the author of *In the Dark* and *Buried*, delivers a chilling thriller that begins with a body and a phone line, both of which are dead.

### **On Borrowed Time**

The sixteenth book in the Tom Thorne series, from bestselling author Mark Billingham. 'Hugely intelligent and authentic' BELINDA BAUER, AUTHOR OF *SNAP* She says she's an ordinary mother. He knows a liar when he sees one. Sarah thinks of herself as a normal single mum. It's what she wants others to think of her. But the truth is, she needs something new, something thrilling. Meanwhile, DI Tom Thorne is investigating a woman's suicide, convinced she was driven to do it by a man who preys on vulnerable women. A man who is about to change Sarah's life. From number one, five-million-copy bestseller Mark Billingham comes a breathless new thriller starring Thorne and Tanner that readers will devour. PRAISE FOR MARK BILLINGHAM 'One of the great series of British crime fiction' THE TIMES 'An unconventional literary superstar' MAIL ON SUNDAY 'Billingham is a world-class writer' KARIN SLAUGHTER 'A new Mark Billingham is always a treat' SUSIE STEINER 'Finely paced and polished procedural, with twists and turns galore' CARA HUNTER 'Perfectly executed and with a thoroughly unnerving twist' GUARDIAN 'Thorne is a terrific invention' IRISH INDEPENDENT 'Mark Billingham gets better and better' MICHAEL CONNELLY

### **Lazybones**

A cop receives a mission - to win the confidence of an enemy spy, currently in prison, and so to expose and destroy his spy ring. What better way to allay his suspicions than for the policeman to enter the prison himself, posing as a criminal? So, Frank and Hal end up sharing a cell, but who is the spy and who is the cop? And who will win their claustrophobic game of cat and mouse? Memorably filmed by Robert Hossein in 1955, this tense and brilliantly original thriller is one of Dard's most powerful. From the Trade Paperback edition.

### **Follow Me Home**

DI Tom Thorne returns in a chilling mystery that will keep readers guessing until the final page. *Time of Death* is Mark Billingham's most timely, atmospheric thriller to date. The Missing Two schoolgirls are abducted in the small, dying Warwickshire town of Polesford, driving a knife into the heart of the community where police officer Helen Weeks grew up and from which she long ago escaped. But this is a place full of secrets, where dangerous truths lie buried. The Accused When it's splashed all over the press that family man Stephen Bates has been arrested, Helen and her partner Tom Thorne head to the flooded town to support Bates' wife - an old school friend of Helen's - who is living under siege with two teenage

children and convinced of her husband's innocence. The Dead As residents and media bay for Bates' blood, a decomposing body is found. The police believe they have their murderer in custody, but one man believes otherwise. With a girl still missing, Thorne sets himself on a collision course with local police, townsfolk - and a merciless killer.

### **Silent Predator**

Two murders. An abandoned asylum. Will a mysterious former patient help untangle the dark truth? The body of an elderly woman has been found in the bowels of a derelict asylum on the banks of the Thames. As Detective Lew Kirby and his partner begin their investigation, another body is discovered in the river nearby. How are the two murders connected? Before long, the secrets of Blackwater Asylum begin to reveal themselves. There are rumours about underground bunkers and secret rooms, unspeakable psychological experimentation, and a dark force that haunts the ruins, trying to pull back in all those who attempt to escape. Urban explorer Connie Darke, whose sister died in a freak accident at the asylum, is determined to help Lew expose its grisly past. Meanwhile Lew discovers a devastating family secret that threatens to turn his life upside down. As his world crumbles around him, Lew must put the pieces of the puzzle together to keep the killer from striking again. Only an eccentric former patient really knows the truth--but will he reveal it to Lew before it's too late?

### **Sleepyhead**

Full of betrayal, deceit and suspense, Die of Shame is the spectacular new book from number one bestseller Mark Billingham - author of Time of Death and In the Dark, both soon to be major BBC series. This hardback edition includes an exclusive short story. Every Monday evening, six people gather in a smart North London house to talk about addiction. There they share their deepest secrets: stories of lies, regret, and above all, shame. Then one of them is killed - and it's clear one of the circle was responsible. Detective Inspector Nicola Tanner quickly finds her investigation hampered by the strict confidentiality that binds these people and their therapist together. So what could be shameful enough to cost someone their life? And how do you find the truth when denial and deception are second nature to all of your suspects?

### **The Doll's House**

A serial killer is burning people alive in the Lake District's prehistoric stone circles. He leaves no clues and the police are helpless. When his name is found carved into the charred remains of the third victim, disgraced detective Washington Poe is brought back from suspension and into an investigation he wants no part of. Reluctantly partnered with the brilliant but socially awkward civilian analyst, Tilly Bradshaw, the mismatched pair uncover a trail that only he is meant to see. The elusive killer has a plan and for some reason Poe is part of it. As the body count rises, Poe discovers he has far more

invested in the case than he could have possibly imagined. And in a shocking finale that will shatter everything he's ever believed about himself, Poe will learn that there are things far worse than being burned alive

### **She Lies Close**

**A Deadly Crash** A rainy night in south London. A gun is fired into a car, which swerves onto the pavement and plows into a bus stop. It seems that a chilling gang initiation has cost the life of an innocent victim. But the reality is far more sinister. . . . **A Dangerous Quest** One life is wiped out and three more are changed forever: the young man whose finger was on the trigger, the ageing gangster planning a deadly revenge, and the pregnant woman who struggles desperately to uncover the truth. How will she, two weeks away from giving birth, now cope in a world where death is an occupational hazard? **A Shocking Twist** In a city where violence can be random or meticulously planned, where teenage gangs clash with career criminals and where loyalty is paid for in blood, nothing is possible. Secrets are uncovered as fast as bodies, and the story's final twist is as breathtakingly surprising as they come. Mark Billingham's first stand-alone thriller, *In the Dark* is his most powerful novel yet. Gritty, fierce, and moving, here is a must-read for anyone who likes their crime fiction unflinching—and unforgettable.

### **The Wicked Go To Hell**

Some will wait a lifetime to take their revenge. . . . A vicious robbery at a secluded Brighton mansion leaves its elderly occupant dying. Millions of pounds' worth of valuables have been stolen. But as Detective Superintendent Roy Grace, heading the enquiry, rapidly learns, there is one priceless item of sentimental value that her powerful family cherish above all else. And they are fully prepared to take the law into their own hands, and will do anything - absolutely anything - to get it back. Within days, Grace is racing against the clock, following a murderous trail that leads him from the shady antiques world of Brighton, across Europe, and all the way back to the New York waterfront gang struggles of 1922, chasing a killer driven by the force of one man's greed and another man's fury. *Dead Man's Time* is the ninth novel in the multi-million copy bestselling Detective Superintendent Roy Grace series, from the number one chart topper, Peter James.

### **Death Message**

Underachieving lawyer Jamie Wagner faces a morally and legally wrenching case when his client, a woman wrongly convicted for murdering her husband, begs him to help her get freed so that she can commit suicide and donate her heart to her terminally ill daughter. By the Edgar- and Shamus Award-nominated author of the *Andy Carpenter* series.

## **Enemy of the Raj**

Realizing that a mysterious force has taken over the village where they are staying with their grandmother, twins Rachel and Adam begin to look into the mystery of the bees--unearthing a secret about the village and their own family.

## **Blackout**

Some skeletons just won't stay hidden. No one knows that better than University of Georgia archaeologist Lindsay Chamberlain. Still, she is shocked when a skeleton dressed in its Sunday best falls out of a packing crate that had been stored in a kudzu-covered shed on her grandfather's farm for more than sixty years. When other crates are discovered, each containing a stash of valuable artifacts, Lindsay begins to wonder. Could her beloved grandfather, a prominent archaeologist, have been a thief, a looter-even a murderer? As Lindsay struggles with these troubling questions, she helps a local private investigator locate the wooded grave of Shirley Foster, a missing faculty member. Lindsay is sucked into the investigation, which leads to more questions than answers. Why did Shirley Foster lie to the world about her life? Who wanted her dead? Secrets and lies loom large in Lindsay's life, both professional and personal, as she struggles to find solutions to the mysteries. When artifacts disappear from the university and she and her students are threatened, the stakes are raised. With her job, her reputation, and her life on the line, Lindsay must find a thief and a killer before the police assume she is ultimately responsible.

## **Time of Death**

Detective Inspector Tom Thorne now knows that three murdered young women were a killer's mistakes -- and that Alison was his triumph. And unless Thorne can enter the mind of a brilliant madman -- a frighteningly elusive fiend who enjoys toying with the police as much as he savors his sick obsession -- Alison Willetts will not be the last victim consigned forever to a hideous waking hell. Already an international bestseller, Mark Billingham's Sleepyhead is a chilling masterwork of crime fiction -- a boldly original experiment in terror that will beget dark dreams and sleepless nights.

## **The Bones Beneath**

“A British police procedural as good as those produced by crime queens Elizabeth George and Ruth Rendell.” —USA Today  
His first three victims ended up dead. His fourth was not so fortunate . . . Alison Willetts is unlucky to be alive. She has survived a stroke, deliberately induced by a skillful manipulation of pressure points on the head and neck. She can see, hear, and feel and is aware of everything going on around her, but is completely unable to move or communicate. Her

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condition is called locked-in syndrome. In leaving Alison Willetts alive, the police believe the killer made his first mistake. Then DI Tom Thorne discovers the horrifying truth; it isn't Alison who is the mistake, it's the three women already dead. The killer is getting his kicks out of toying with Thorne as much as he is pursuing his sick fantasy, and as the detective zeroes in on a suspect, he finds himself pushed to his personal and professional limits . . . This is the "exceptional" first novel in the long-running series by an international bestselling author (George Pelecanos). "The best thriller debut of the year." —Rocky Mountain News "A world-class crime writer." —Karin Slaughter

### **Buried**

The Deal Tom Thorne is back in charge - but there's a terrifying price to pay. Stuart Nicklin, the most dangerous psychopath he has ever put behind bars, promises to reveal the whereabouts of a body he buried twenty-five years before. But only if Thorne agrees to escort him. The Danger Unable to refuse, Thorne gathers a team and travels to a remote Welsh island, at the mercy of the weather and cut off from the mainland. Thorne is determined to get the job done and return home before Nicklin can outwit them. The Deaths But Nicklin knows this island well and has had time to plan ahead. Soon, new bodies are added to the old, and Thorne finds himself facing the toughest decision he has ever had to make Tom Thorne returns in this utterly gripping, brilliantly plotted thriller. The Bones Beneath is Mark Billingham's most ambitious and accomplished work to date.

### **Time of Death**

Five-year-old Ava Boone has been missing for six months. There have been no leads, no arrests. The only suspect was Leland Ernest. And mother-of-two Grace Wright has just bought the house next door. With whispered neighbourhood gossip and increasingly sleepless nights, Grace develops a fierce obsession with Leland. Could she really be living next door to a child-kidnapper? Or worse a murderer?

### **Eeny Meeny**

Winner of the Crime Novel of the Year, Lazybones is the third novel in the bestselling Tom Thorne series, a shocking, unputdownable novel from the master of psychological thrills. 'Never loosens its grip on your throat' Daily Mail It's only ten days since Douglas Remfry's release from prison, having served seven years for rape, and now he's dead: naked on a bare mattress in a grubby north London hotel room, his head hooded and his hands tied with a brown leather belt. Someone knew he was coming out. Someone wanted to mete out some punishment of his own. And when a second sex offender is found dead, DI Tom Thorne knows he has a vicious, calculating vigilante on his hands \_\_\_\_\_ Read what everyone's

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### **Scaredy Cat**

The sixth book in the Tom Thorne series, from bestselling author Mark Billingham. A MISSING BOY Teenager Luke Mullen was last seen getting into a car with an older woman. No one can understand why he has disappeared. His father - a former police officer - knows all too well that the longer he is missing, the more likely he is to turn up dead. A TERRIFYING VIDEO Then Luke's parents receive an anonymous video. It shows their son, eyes wide with terror, as a man advances towards him holding a syringe. A RACE AGAINST TIME DI Tom Thorne recognises a psychopath when he sees one. And the scene on the tape chills him to the bone - he knows that a child's life hangs in the balance, and that every minute counts \_\_\_\_\_ Read what everyone's saying about the heart-racing Tom Thorne series: 'Literary superstar' Mail on Sunday 'Ingenious' Guardian 'Ground-breaking' Sunday Times 'Mark Billingham gets better and better' Michael Connelly 'A cracking read . . . I couldn't put it down!' Shari Lapena 'A damn fine storyteller' Karin Slaughter 'Twisted and twisty' Linwood Barclay 'One of the most consistently entertaining, insightful crime writers working today' Gillian Flynn 'The next superstar detective is already with us. Don't miss him' Lee Child

### **Dressed to Die**

Richard Kilmer proposes to his girlfriend Jen and accompanies her to Kendrick Falls in spite of disturbing rumors, but he suffers a car accident on the journey only to discover that Jen has mysteriously disappeared.

### **The Puppet Show**

'Wow this book was amazing... totally thrilling and had me hanging on to every word... Leaves you wanting more... Well worth 5 stars, in fact I wish I could give it more.' Bonnie's Book Talk, 5 stars Her bare arms are scratched and bleeding as she runs through the forest. The light fades behind her but she must keep running. She knows what will happen to her if she stops... The body of Amos Price lies in a pool of blood on the polished floor of an otherwise empty house in the small town of Black Rock Falls. With no signs of a break in, and no clues left at the scene, Detective Jenna Alton is at a loss. But as the team begins to unpick the life of the reclusive victim, they discover a disturbing link between Amos and the disappearance

of several young girls in the county going back years. Days later, Ely Dorsey's body is found in a remote motel on the outskirts of town. Jenna fears not only that the murders are connected to the missing girls, but that the killer hasn't finished yet. As Jenna tries to work out who will be next, the killer suddenly sends her deputy, David Kane, messages. Is she being taunted? Or does the murderer want to be caught? And will Jenna discover who's behind these killing before more people die? An absolutely nail-biting thriller with plenty of twists, Follow Me Home is perfect for fans of Robert Dugoni, Karin Slaughter and Rachel Abbott. **\*\*Each Kane and Alton book can be read as part of the series or as a standalone\*\*** What readers are saying about Follow Me Home: 'I absolutely love D.K. Hood... an amazing author!! a book that I absolutely devoured! From cover to cover you're gripped. I can't wait for the next one!!' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'A huge five star rating for a fantastic book... kept me gripped throughout and I loved it.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'Wowzers... a cracking thriller... a tantalising read... thrilling and sometimes chilling... on the hook from start to finish.' Jen Med's Book Reviews 'Five massive stars, a phenomenal read which will certainly have me coming back for more.' Sweet Little Book Blog, 5 stars 'I absolutely, totally, utterly flipping well LOVED this book... one of those stories that really does grab you by the throat and keeps your attention until the last word.' Ginger Book Geek, 5 stars 'I was completely addicted to the story. I flew through the pages and read the book in an evening - I would have struggled to put it down!!' Donna's Book Blog, 5 stars 'The thrill of the investigation mixed with the intensity of the storyline was just phenomenal, I honestly couldn't have asked for more in a book... A cracking novel which packs more than one punch.' The Writing Garnet 'It's dark undertones and thrilling twists make for a compulsive read... If you love taut crime thrillers that keep you guessing then I recommend reading this gripping book.' Dash Fan Book Reviews 'I loved this book... had me gripped from the start... didn't want it to end.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'The best novel from this genre that I have read in a long time.' Waggy Tales Dog Blog 'Great addition to a great series. I loved the first two books in this series and number three does not disappoint... I never guessed who the culprit was! Already looking forward to book four.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'Held me breathless to the very end.' Goodreads Reviewer 'Until the last chapter the author succeeded in keeping the killer a secret and I kept racking my brain, but I would never have guessed who it was.' B for Bookreview

### **Knight School**

Two boys run into the woods—but only one returns—in this new mystery from the award-winning “first-rate British crime writer” (The Washington Post). In the summer of 1996, two boys run from a playground into the adjoining woods, but only one comes out. DS Tom Thorne takes on the case—which quickly spirals out of control when two people connected to the missing boy are murdered. As London prepares to host the European Soccer Championships, Thorne fights to keep on top of a baffling investigation while also dealing with the ugly fallout of his broken marriage . . . A prequel to Mark Billingham's acclaimed debut Sleepyhead—which the Sunday Times voted one of the 100 books that shaped the decade—this chilling, compelling novel is the latest in “a series to savor” (Booklist). “With each of his books, Mark Billingham gets better and

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### **Love Like Blood**

DS Wesley Peterson, newly arrived in the West Country town of Tradmouth, has his hands full when a child goes missing and a young woman is brutally murdered on a lonely cliff path. Then his old friend, archaeologist Neil Watson, unearths the skeletons of a strangled woman and a new born baby in the cellar of an ancient merchant's house nearby. As the investigation continues, Wesley begins to suspect that these deaths, centuries apart, may be linked by age-old motives of jealousy, a sexual obsession and desperate longing. And the pressure is on if he is going to prevent a further tragedy Kate Ellis's wonderfully addictive series of West Country set crime novels feature Wesley Peterson, one of Devon's first black detectives.

### **Dead Man's Time**

Set in St Cuthbert's Academy of Knightly Pursuance, the main characters in this story are Wally Scrope, a scholarship boy, and Sir Roger de Courcey, head boy and bully.

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