

# CRIME

*Delve into mayhem and the minds of murderers...*

## KEY

- ★ adult read
- # historical
- 🔪 forensic psychology
- ☺ fun/ easy read

### The Fall

*by Tristan Bancks*

Sam is staying with his crime reporter father as he recovers from a knee operation when he is woken shortly after 2am by loud voices arguing in the flat above. Sam sees a man-sized shape falls the six floors to the garden below. But when Sam goes downstairs the man is gone. Someone is watching Sam and now Sam is in danger too.

A bag of drug money stolen by a man with unique powers solve the case. They call themselves Zero.

### All Fall Down, An Embassy Row Novel

*by Ally Carter*

Grace Blakely is absolutely certain of three things: she is not crazy, her mother was murdered, someday she is going to find the killer and make him pay. But nobody else believes her and there's no-one she can trust.

### Crime Stories

*by David Belpin*

Four killer stories to keep you guessing.... Murder happens where you least expect it... A text message sent in error leads to body parts in the post.... A case is opened and then shut too quickly.... You are told you are guilty, but you have no idea what you did.

### Claudia Valentine series ★

*by Marele Day*

Set in Sydney, the main character, Claudia Valentine, is a feisty private eye with a tough no nonsense attitude and a dry sense of humour!

### Beach Road

*by James Patterson*

Tom Dunleavy has a one-man law firm in America's wealthiest resort town but he barely makes ends meet. A friend of Tom's is arrested for a triple murder near a movie star's mansion. Tom knows in his gut that Dante Halleyville is innocent. Tom manages to make many revelations to expose the killer, and what emerges is staggering.

### Every Breath

*by Ellie Marney*

Rachel Watts has arrived in Melbourne from the country. Her neighbour, James, is an interesting but troubled 17 year-old genius that loves forensics. Rachel can't help herself helping him investigate a murder.

### Janna mysteries #

*by Felicity Pulman*

Set in medieval England, these are the stories of Janna whose mother dies in mysterious circumstances. She flees her home and goes on a quest to find her unknown father.

### Public Enemy number two ☺

*By Anthony Horowitz*

Framed for a jewel robbery, Nick Diamond finds himself sharing a prison cell with Johnny Powers, public enemy number one. His only chance of escape is his older brother Tim, the world's worst private detective. With Ma Powers and her gang waiting to greet the jailbirds, the heat is really on!

### Jim Chee mysteries ★

*by Tony Hillerman*

Jim Chee is one of two Navajo Tribal Police detectives and a believer in traditional Navajo culture.

### Artemis Fowl series

*by Eoin Colfer*

Artemis Fowl is a series of novels starring a teenage criminal mastermind Artemis Fowl II. He is a ruthless and extremely intelligent young criminal whose main goal is the acquisition of money through a variety of often illegal schemes.

### Matthew Bartholomew chronicles #★

*by Susanna Gregory*

A mediaeval physician, Matthew Bartholomew investigates murders and other crimes

### Zeroes

*by Scott Westerfeld, Margo Lanagan, Deborah Biancotti*

### Witness

*by Anne Cassidy*

Todd is late for school and witnesses a vicious robbery and recognises the attacker. Todd knows exactly what he must do, but has to cope with threats of violence from the criminal's family.

### Alex Rider series

*by Antony Horowitz*

Alex Rider is a series of spy about a 14-15-year-old spy named Alex Rider.

## **Hermux Tantamoq series** 📖

*by Michael Hoeye*

The humorous Hermux Tantamoq series features the rodent residents of Pinchester. The hero is a watchmaker and part-time detective.

## **Eden - Glassie series** 📖

*by Elaine Forrester*

This fast-paced, action-packed mystery series features four cousins, two of whom live at a vineyard at Eden Glassie.

## **Kill the Possum**

*by James Moloney*

Dylan Kane has never met his father. But, he has met Kirsty Beale's step-father, a brute of a man, a bully, a living-room thug. Kirsty's family is tormented by his cruelty and she is desperate to live a normal life. Dylan and Kirsty's brother hatch a plan to make him stop. A gripping and powerfully moving story of a family stretched to breaking point and a portrait of a killer. A confronting, controversial topic with inherent violence.

## **Gone Girl** ✨

*by Gillian Flynn*

Gone Girl is a thriller novel. Suspense comes from Nick Dunne, and whether he is involved in the disappearance of his wife.

## **Kinsey Millhone series** ✨

*by Sue Grafton*

An alphabet series of crimes...**A is for Alibi...B is for Burglar...C is for Corpse....** for older readers featuring female private investigator with attitude, Kinsey Millhone.

## **Dr Kay Scarpetta series** ✨ ✨

*by Patricia Cornwell*

Scarpetta is the Virginia Chief Medical Examiner. She uses forensic technology in her investigations of often bizarre murders

## **Murder on the Orient Express**

*by Agatha Christie*

While en route from Syria to Paris, in the middle of a freezing winter's night, the Orient Express is stopped dead in its tracks by a snowdrift. Passengers awake to find the train still stranded and to discover that a wealthy American has been brutally stabbed to death in his private compartment. Belgian inspector Hercule Poirot is also on board and he will solve the mystery.

## **Alex Delaware series** ✨ ✨ 📖

*by Jonathon Kellerman*

A popular adult, but easy to read murder series featuring Alex Delaware, a forensic psychologist who often investigates crimes against children.

## **Miss Smilla's Feeling for Snow**

*by Peter Hoeg*

In the Copenhagen snow, a six-year-old boy, a Greenlander like Smilla, fell to his death from the top of his apartment building. Smilla embarks on a harrowing journey investigating his suspicious death.

## **Boy Swallows Universe**

*by Trent Dalton*

A novel of love, crime, magic, fate and coming of age, set in Brisbane's violent working class suburban fringe. Brisbane, 1983: A lost father, a mute brother, a mum in jail, a heroin dealer for a stepfather and a notorious crim for a babysitter. Eli's life is complicated enough but life just keeps throwing obstacles in the way.

## **Shantaram**

*by Gregory David Roberts*

As a hunted man without a home, family, or identity, Lin searches for love and meaning while running a clinic in one of the city's poorest slums, and serving his apprenticeship in the dark arts of the Bombay mafia. The search leads him to war, prison torture, murder, and a series of enigmatic and bloody betrayals. The keys to unlock the mysteries and intrigues that bind Lin are held by two people.

## **The Hound of the Baskerville**

*by Arthur Conan Doyle*

One of the most iconic and memorable of all the Sherlock Holmes stories. A terrible beast, a house wreathed in fog, treacherous moorland and a cold-blooded murder - these are the things Sherlock and his faithful assistant Dr Watson are up against.

## **The Enemy**

*by Lee Child*

New Year's Day, 1990. The Berlin Wall is coming down. The Cold War is ending. Jack Reacher is the Military Police duty officer on a base in North Carolina when he takes a call reporting a dead soldier in a hot-sheets motel. The dead man turns out to have been a two-star general who should have been in Europe. And when Reacher goes to the general's house to break the news, he finds another corpse: the general's wife.

## **Crime Time, Australians Behaving Badly**

*by Sue Bursztynski*

From chillers to thrillers, goofballs to underworld thugs, fraudsters to thieves, you'll find all these stories and more in Crime Time. **(TS 364.1 BUR)**

## **SOME OTHER CRIME AUTHORS:**

Ally Carter	Stephen King ✨
Gabrielle Lord	Ruth Rendell ✨
Agatha Christie 📖	John Grisham ✨
Moya Simons 📖	James Patterson
Minette Walters ✨	Sue Grafton
Nicci French ✨	Janet Evanovich
Robert Goddard ✨	Faye Kellerman

Carl Hiaasen \*  
Kathy Reichs \*  
Alex Kava \*  
Lee Child \*

Jonathan Kellerman \*  
Sara Paretsky  
Ian Rankin \*