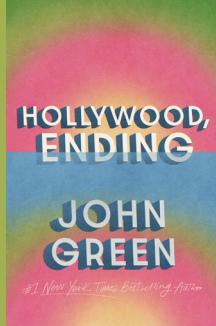


SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

New books you need to know about

BOOK OF THE MONTH



Hollywood, Ending

John Green

Penguin | \$38.00

For rising young actors Kai Laramie and Juniper Castillo, being cast in the buzzy biopic *Andy Warhol Never Gets Old* is the opportunity they've both been waiting for. They're on the verge of breaking out, and maybe even falling in love. Soon, the movie is blowing up, and so are their lives—in exciting, but also terrifying, ways.

John Green artfully blends a behind-the-scenes Hollywood love story with an unflinching examination of the insatiable

attention economy. Told through dual points of view, the novel follows Kai and Juniper from the first days on location to the movie's premiere, brilliantly juxtaposing their story with the on-screen study of Warhol's life at the dawn of celebrity culture.

Hollywood, Ending is a deeply observed novel about the tension between a public and a private life, and finding your safe someone to hold onto. Tender, heartbreaking, and shrewdly funny, this is a story as only John Green can tell it.

FICTION

Our Noble Selves

Kate Atkinson

Doubleday | \$38.00

London, 1951. As Britain prepares for the Festival of Britain, war-scarred journalist Harry Flynn takes a job helping ready the spectacle for launch. But when a date goes missing and he's the last to have seen her alive, an unlikely thirteen-year-old and a scruffy terrier may hold the answers.

Cold Sunset

William Boyd

Viking | \$38.00

Cold War Moscow, smoldering with secrets. When reluctant spy Gabriel Dax is tasked with helping celebrated defector Kit Caldwell escape the KGB's suspicion, he's pulled into a web of shifting loyalties and dangerous plans. The third thrilling instalment in Boyd's stylish *Gabriel Dax* series.

Farewell to Eden

Sebastian Faulks

Hutchinson Heinemann | \$38.00

From the beaches of Normandy to a peace-keeping mission in Palestine's final days of British Mandate, Philip Deval returns to England a changed man. Teaching in the English countryside, he finds unexpected connection with an enigmatic music mistress, but the secrets and scars of war refuse to stay buried.

We Chase Shadows

Richard Osman

Viking | \$38.00

A body on the steps of an Italian villa at sunrise. A killer nobody can catch. From Italy to Barcelona to Palm Springs, mismatched detective trio Amy, Rose and Steve are back on the trail in Richard Osman's globe-trotting series.

The Collected Stories of Katherine Mansfield

Katherine Mansfield

Penguin | \$38.00

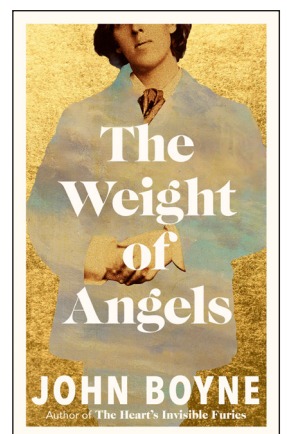
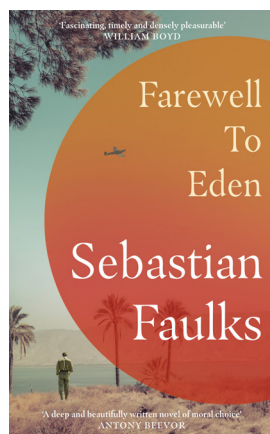
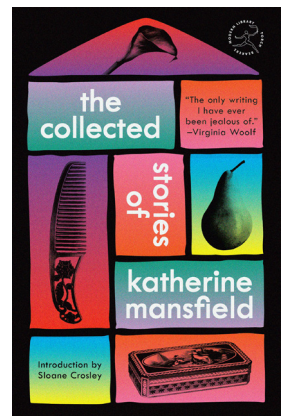
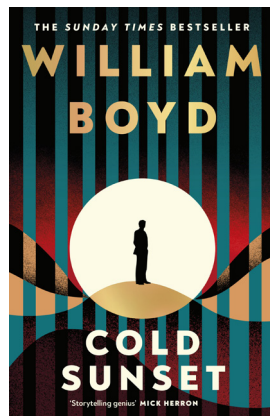
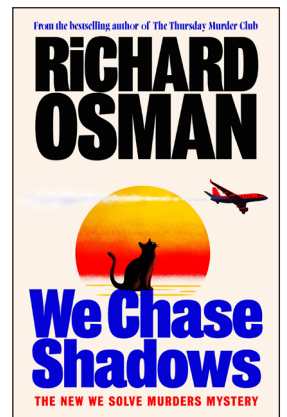
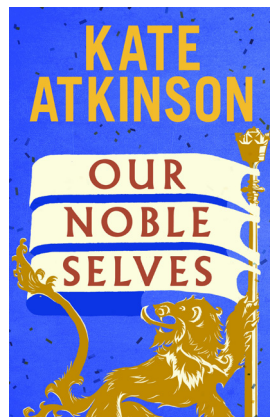
New Zealand-born Katherine Mansfield blazed briefly through early twentieth-century modernism, leaving behind a dazzling body of work. This definitive collection gathers her two major story collections in full — crystalline, slyly humorous vignettes exploring class, sexuality and domestic life through some of literature's most precisely observed ordinary moments.

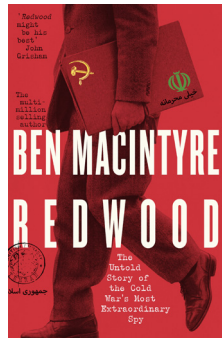
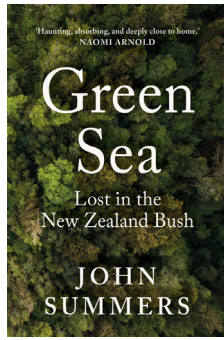
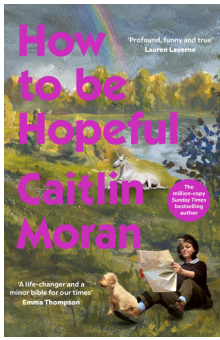
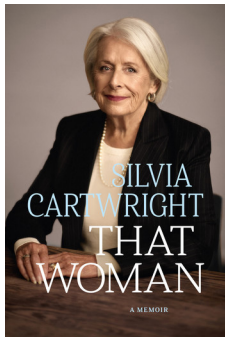
The Weight of Angels

John Boyne

Doubleday | \$38.00

When the Marquis of Queensbury left his infamous calling card in 1895, Oscar Wilde sued for libel and destroyed his own life. But what if he had simply ignored the insult? A brilliant, imaginative novel about the life Oscar Wilde never had.





NON-FICTION

That Woman Silvia Cartwright

Allen & Unwin | \$49.99

From one of only two women studying law at Otago in the 1960s to New Zealand's first female High Court Judge and second Governor-General, Silvia Cartwright's remarkable career charts a profound shift in Aotearoa's legal and social history — told with warmth, candour and sharp humour.

How to Be Hopeful Caitlin Moran

Ebury Press | \$40.00

Not getting enough sleep, doomscrolling on your phone, and feeling acid anxiety every time you watch the news? You're not alone. After hitting peak despair, Caitlin Moran skips the remote farmhouse and ancient pilgrimage in favour of a more practical quest: staying exactly where she is and learning to feel better anyway. This is her joyful, funny diary about choosing hope in the everyday.

How We Cook Two Raw Sisters: Margo Flanagan & Rosa Power

Allen & Unwin | \$49.99

More than 100 adaptable, ridiculously good recipes from the Two Raw Sisters — built around flexible base recipes that make healthy eating genuinely achievable. Swap ingredients with ease, work with what you have, and cook with confidence whatever your skill level.

Green Sea John Summers

THWUP | \$40.00

What is it actually like to get lost in the New Zealand bush? John Summers talks to those who have survived — from a man who was found near death after 29 days in Kahurangi National Park to a woman who covered herself with earth to stay warm in the Orongorongo Valley. He explores what 'lost' really means, a metaphor for everything from addiction to a midlife crisis.

Redwood Ben Macintyre

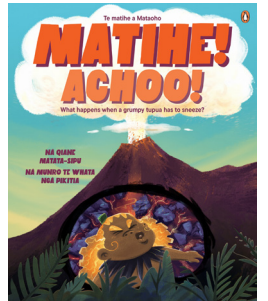
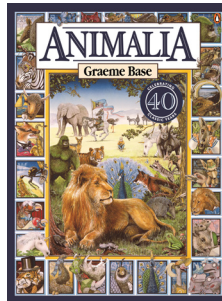
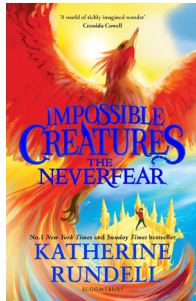
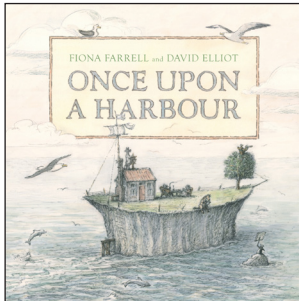
Viking | \$40.00

Tehran, 1981. With the Soviets plotting to overthrow Iran's new Islamist regime and America quietly prepared to respond with nuclear weapons, one mysterious MI6 double agent codenamed Redwood revealed the Kremlin's secret plan — and prevented Armageddon. A gripping, hitherto unknown Cold War story drawn from never-before-seen intelligence files.

Ottolenghi SIMPLE TOO Yotam Ottolenghi

Ebury Press | \$75.00

Bring Yotam Ottolenghi's innovation to your everyday with 135 new recipes for breakfast, lunch, dinner and dessert. Every dish has simplicity at its core and can be made in under 30 minutes, cooked in one pot, or prepped ahead. Whatever your barriers to cooking, this book brings you into the kitchen with a promise that even the simplest of meals can be full of flavour and joy.



KIDS & YA

The Case of the Tall Stranger: Violet and the Velvets 4 Rachael King

Allen & Unwin | \$18.99

The Velvets are heading to New York for Christmas to compete against the best kid bands in the world — but a broken wrist, a fundraising shortfall and a mysterious stranger threaten to derail everything. The fourth instalment in the Violet Grumble series.

Once Upon a Harbour Fiona Farrell & David Elliot

Allen & Unwin | \$35.00

Meet the Drizzles who make the rain, pirate rats fighting over a pie, trees throwing a party and a clever little pig outsmarting a mean wolf. A gorgeous, inventive gift book bursting with imagination, rich illustration and stories for all ages to share aloud.

The Neverfear Katherine Rundell

Bloomsbury | \$23.00

Masked bandits are burning villages across the Archipelago — and when Christopher and Anya are ambushed and someone they love is kidnapped, they must set sail on the Neverfear to recover three precious treasures. The third adventure in Katherine Rundell's internationally bestselling Impossible Creatures series.

Animalia 40th Anniversary Edition Graeme Base

Penguin | \$35.00

A beautiful, foiled collector's edition to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Graeme Base's classic and best-selling Australian picture book, *Animalia*. Embark on a fantastical alphabetic adventure where each turn of the page unveils a rich tapestry of intricate illustrations tied to a unique letter of the alphabet.

Protector of Beyond Shara Curlett

Penguin | \$24.00

The moment you enter the Arbiter, your fate is sealed. If you spark, you fight! Twelve-year-old Elder Triss never expected to produce a spark so rare — and so dangerous. Thrown into the mysterious world of Beyond, she must train for battle, face terrifying magical creatures and outlast rivals to earn her place at the Academy of Protectors.

Matihe! Achoo! Qiane Matata-Sipu & Munro Te Whata

Penguin | \$21.00

Mataoho is a grumpy tupua who lives beneath the earth — and when he tosses and turns, Papatūānuku tickles his nose with her soil. A delightful bilingual pūrākau about the volcanoes of Tāmaki Makaurau, complete with an action song via QR code.

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