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Mechtild Borrmann

## Bonds of Life

- Mechtild Borrmann artfully weaves together the fates of three strong women, Lene, Nora, and Lieselotte, in East and West Germany – from the Second World War to the fall of the Berlin Wall
- With tales of »Reichsausschusskinder« (children of the Reich Committee), forced labour in the Gulag, a stolen identity, and tender happiness, Mechtild Borrmann compellingly and with emotional depth narrates in her calm storytelling style what friendship and courage mean
- Over 1 million novels sold by *SPIEGEL* bestselling author Mechtild Borrmann
- Foreign rights of her previous novels sold to France: Latès; Turkey: Bali; Denmark: Klim; Japan: Kawade; Poland: NapoleonV; Holland: Bruna; Czech Republic: Albatros; Georgia: Academic Press



November 2025 · 288 pages

**Mechtild Borrmann**, born in 1960, spent her childhood and youth in the Lower Rhine region. Before making a name for herself as a writer, she worked as a dance and theatre educator and restaurateur. Through her novels, the author explores the multifaceted shadow world of German contemporary history. *Trümmerkind* (Child of the Rubble), her greatest success, spent a year on the bestseller lists. Mechtild Borrmann has received numerous awards, including the German Crime Fiction Award. *Lebensbande* (Bonds of Life) is her latest novel. She lives as a freelance writer in Bielefeld.

### The New Major Novel by the Impressive Chronicler

From World War II to the fall of the Berlin Wall, the threads of fate connect Lene, Nora, and Lieselotte: Although they meet as strangers in a time of fear and terror, they become friends who support each other and take great risks. Nurse Nora does everything she can to help Lene save her young son's life and ends up being deported to a Russian gulag – a punishment for one of the 900,000 workers promised to Stalin as part of the reparations. When Adenauer begins to buy back these Germans in 1948, Nora poses as the dying Lieselotte, who is on the returnee list, and lives under her friend's name. However, shortly after the fall of the Berlin Wall, she receives a disturbing notification: »Suspicion of pension fraud.« What has happened?

*»Feldpost (Field Post) delves deeply into the past and the souls of its characters, which Borrmann portrays with sensitive insight in detailed, straightforward language and after intense observation.« Neue Westfälische*

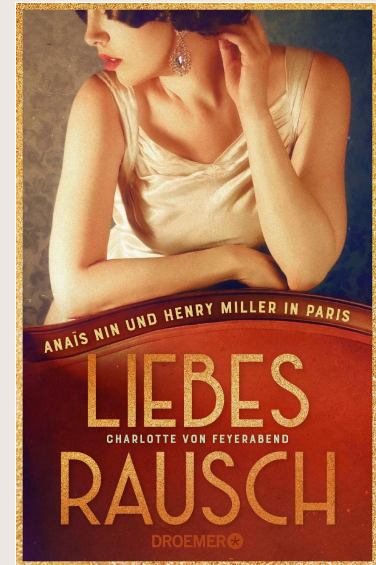
### Further Titles



Charlotte von Feyerabend

## Love Frenzy. Anaïs Nin and Henry Miller in Paris

- One of the most colourful women in literary history and a pioneer of sexual liberation and modern gender issues
- Anaïs Nin's candid diaries and Henry Miller's novels were scandalous in their day and are now cult classics world-wide
- For readers of literary biographies of famous female artists such as Caroline Bernard and Beate Rygiert



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Raised in the sunny region of Baden, **Charlotte von Feyerabend** initially studied recreational education with a focus on cultural work, followed by literary studies, media education and text technology. The author lived in Oslo for six years, working as an educator and publishing her first book and first play. She then moved to Berlin, where she worked at the Goethe-Institut and as a writing instructor at a writing school. She currently resides near Bielefeld, the city that supposedly doesn't exist. She now has three children, a Norwegian forest cat plus five other pets, is a member of the Delias, served twice on the jury for the Delia Youth Literature Prize, and was the only German author from the children's and Young Adult book field to be invited to the Tysk-norsk literature festival in Oslo.

### The Unbridled and Scandalous Love Life of the Writer Anaïs Nin

Paris, 1931. Anaïs Nin meets the twelve-year-old Henry Miller, a meeting that inspires both literarily and ignites unbridled passion. Both strive to embrace life with all senses, break all barriers, and find the perfect words for it – no matter the cost. They dance at the most extravagant parties of the Parisian Bohemia and let their imaginations run wild. However, while Henry fully indulges in the excesses, Anaïs leads a conventional parallel life with her husband Hugo, who loves her above all and provides financially for her and her artist friends. Anaïs can only process the emotional stretch between abandon and societal limitations in her famously notorious diaries: Do eroticism and sensuality belong at the center of life? Does it permit deceiving those who love you?

*»I postpone death by living, suffering, making mistakes, taking risks, giving, losing.« Anaïs Nin*

### Further Titles



Kai Meyer

## The Antiquarian Bookshop by the Old Cemetery

- *SPIEGEL* bestselling author Kai Meyer once again tells a tale of friendship, love, and dark crimes in the fog-shrouded alleys of the Graphic Quarter
- For readers of Carlos Ruiz Zafón or Arturo Pérez-Reverte's *The Club Dumas*
- Kai Meyer's books have sold more than 3 million copies worldwide
- *Die Bibliothek im Nebel* (*The Library in the fog*) sold to Spain: Planeta and France: Leduc



November 2025 · 512 pages

**Kai Meyer** has published around seventy novels, many of which have made it onto the *SPIEGEL* bestseller list. His works have been translated into thirty languages. His stories have been adapted into films, radio plays, and graphic novels, and have been awarded prizes both domestically and internationally.

### A Web of Lies, Betrayal, and Dangerous Books – The Secrets of the Graphic Quarter

Leipzig, 1930: Amidst turbulent times, four young men gather in an antiquarian bookstore in the Graphic Quarter. All are sons from good families, all bored with life. Instead of pursuing their studies, Felix, Vadim, Julius, and Eddie form the »Club Casaubon.« Driven by their passion for literature and a thirst for adventure, they become book thieves, specializing in valuable, occult volumes. However, when Eddie's enigmatic sister Eva joins the club, they are drawn deeper into the schemes of ruthless forces.

Fifteen years later: After the war, Felix works as a librarian for the Americans, cataloging millions of stolen books. His mission leads him back to the destroyed Leipzig. The friends from the past are missing – or unrecognizable. And is Eva truly dead? As the city is under the pressure of the impending Soviet occupation, Felix finds himself caught in a web of betrayal and deadly secrets originating from the darkest corners of his past.

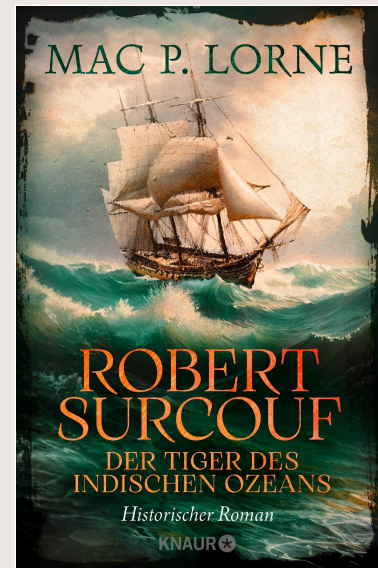
### Further Titles



Mac P. Lorne

## Robert Surcouf. The Tiger of the Indian Ocean

- To marry the love of his life, Robert Surcouf becomes one of the most cunning privateers in the Indian Ocean – and a naval hero of France
- Spectacular seafaring adventure for the readers of Simon Scarrow, C. S. Forester, or Patrick O'Brian
- »A fantastic piece of work!« *derstandard.at* on *Der Pirat* (The Pirate)



December 2025 · 448 pages

**Mac P. Lorne** (\*1957) has published fourteen historical novels with Droemer Knauer, six of which have already been awarded significant literary prizes. With *Der Pirat – ein Francis-Drake-Roman* (The Pirate – a Francis Drake Novel) and *Jack Bannister – Herr der Karibik* (Jack Bannister – Lord of the Caribbean), he successfully explored maritime themes and reached a large readership. In the fall of 2024, he captivated audiences once again with his duology about England's most famous naval hero, Lord Nelson. Now, with his new novel about Robert Surcouf, Lorne pays tribute to another historical hero and delivers yet another spectacular seafaring adventure.

### Privateer, Naval Hero, Lover – The Adventurous Life of Robert Surcouf

During the French Revolution, naval lieutenant Robert Surcouf becomes a hero: In Toulon, he is captured by Royalist citizens who have turned against the revolutionaries. They hand the city over to the English, but Robert manages to escape. Pursued by the notorious Captain Horatio Nelson, he makes his way to Napoleon's troops. Together, they force the English fleet to retreat. However, this is not enough for the father of Robert's great love, Marie-Catherine: She is to marry the son of a wealthy shipowner. Robert can only win her hand by gaining wealth himself. Determined to succeed, he sails to the Indian Ocean, where a privateer war rages between the Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mauritius...

»Mac P. Lorne presents a successful first part of his biographical novel about Horatio Nelson, which describes the ups and downs of a sea captain and does not merely indulge in seafaring romance. [...] Well-crafted and entertaining.« *histo-couch.de* on *Captain Nelson – Unter der Flagge des Königs* (Captain Nelson – Under the King's Flag)

### Further Titles



Lutz van der Horst

## Confetti Blues

- The flair of the 2000s, a young man caught between genius, madness, and the quest for true love...
- Funny, tragicomic, and incidentally full of wisdom, written by one of Germany's most renowned comedians and entertainment journalists
- Lutz van der Horst's humor meets a queer love story with the flair of Nick Hornby – for cynics, romantics, comedians, and everyone in between



November 2025 · 288 pages



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**Lutz van der Horst** is a comedian, TV presenter, and author. His work has received numerous accolades, including the *German Television Award*, the *German Comedy Award*, and the *Grimme Award*. Since 2009, he has been known as the satirical field reporter for the *heute-show* on ZDF. This is his debut novel.

### An Unsuccessful Comedian Searches for Love – The First Novel by Lutz van der Horst!

Max, in his late 20s and a comedy writer, sees himself at the beginning of a steep career: he is the host of his own show – at least three times. Then, he learns from a TV magazine that it has been canceled again. The handsome guy from the club, seemingly the new greatest love of his life, also doesn't want anything to do with him anymore. And doesn't Max actually want his ex-girlfriend back anyway? His path to the big stage and true love is paved with blunders, awkward silences after jokes, heartbreak, and disappointments – and the question of whether there can be a happy ending for Max or if his life will remain the unfunniest show in the world forever.

»We should all read more. This statement now applies twice: once in general, and once specifically to what Lutz van der Horst writes for us.« Hazel Brugger

»Melancholic, honest, emotional, and above all extremely funny, in complete sentences and with all the letters of the alphabet! For me, a perfect book!« Oliver Kalkofe

Ella Lindberg

## Books & Coffee 1. The Best Is Always Yet to Come

- What do you need to be happy? Friendship, a love for books, and a café where the world turns a little slower...
- Full of warmth, humor, and delicious cake: the new feel-good series for readers of Julie Caplin, Katharina Herzog, and Manuela Inusa



October 2025 · 304 pages

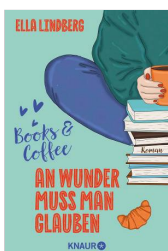
**Ella Lindberg** attended acting school and studied to be a German teacher before entering the literary world. Despite now having two children, she still daydreams more than one should admit and occasionally forgets mundane things like parent-teacher meetings or vacuuming. However, you will find plenty of books and coffee at her place, along with an understanding for human shortcomings. The author lives with her family in Nuremberg.

### Happy People Read and Drink Coffee!

Everyone knew Café Zuckerzeit in the romantic castle district of Nuremberg, famous for its sinfully delicious cakes and the warm-hearted owner, Marianne. For Lucy, the thought is unbearable that her friend Sascha, who advises the widow of the owner, wants to sell the traditional café to a real estate mogul. Spurred by a sudden impulse, Lucy turns her life upside down and buys Zuckerzeit – despite having no clue about baking or running a business. Luckily, waitress Clara shows up at just the right time, and soon old and new regulars bring life back to the café. But what is the deal with the charismatic Ben, who keeps taking books from the bookshelf? Just one of many new challenges...

»A romance that makes you happy.« *Gute Woche XXL on Das Leben braucht mehr Schokoguss* (Life Needs More Chocolate Glaze)

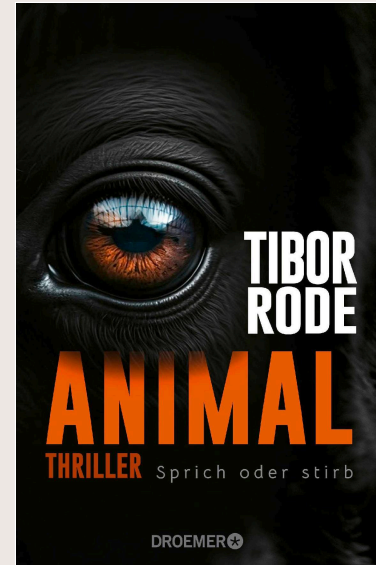
### Further Titles



Tibor Rode

## Animal. Speak or Die

- A lawyer, an animal rights activist, and a visionary scientist take on the fight against a powerful system – and, in doing so, provoke ruthless adversaries
- With breathtaking tension, science, and moral depth, bestselling author Rode crafts a gripping plea for animal rights: intelligent and with a message that resonates long after
- Incredible but true: The breakthrough in decoding animal communication through AI is imminent



July 2025 · 480 pages

**Tibor Rode**, born in 1974 in Hamburg, lives in Schleswig-Holstein. He studied law and initially worked as a journalist, later as a legal advisor for a major daily newspaper. Today, he practices as a lawyer and notary. His interest in major societal questions and scientific topics inspires him to craft stories that are both thrilling and sophisticated. *Animal* is Rode's third thriller following his two *SPIEGEL* bestsellers *Der Wald* (The Forest) and *Lupus*.

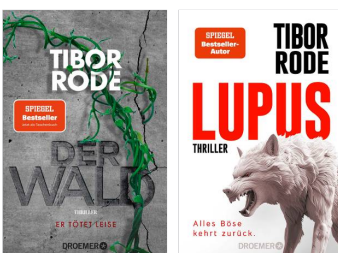
### What If Animals Could Sue for Their Rights?

What would we do if animals could speak? If we could understand their feelings, thoughts, and pains? Dr. Maxwell Archer from the Mexican Institute for Marine Research makes the impossible possible: Using artificial intelligence, he decodes the language of animals and gives them a voice that no one can ignore.

In the midst of it all: Ben, a successful lawyer torn between career and conscience. Enna – a courageous animal rights activist. And Rosa – a pig that becomes the symbol for the rights of all tormented creatures. Together, they dare to do the unthinkable: a lawsuit that will forever change the legal system and our perception of animals.

»Curiously, in Germany, a GmbH or a foundation can sue and be sued, but an animal is treated like an object. Like a car tire, for example. What if AI could decode the language of animals for us? Would we treat animals the way we do if we understood what they were saying?« Tibor Rode

### Further Titles



Pierre Martin

## Monsieur le Comte and the Art of Kidnapping. Monsieur le Comte 3

- Monsieur le Comte's latest victim turns the fox into the henhouse guard – or rather the hitman into a bodyguard
- The holiday crime novel featuring readers' favourite, Lucien Comte de Chacarasse, not only transports you to the enchanting Provence but also takes a detour to Sardinia
- Pierre Martin is iconic: eight No. 1 bestsellers, 120 weeks on the *SPIEGEL* bestseller list, over 3 million crime novels sold
- His *Madame le Commissaire* series is published in France: City Editions; Holland: Luitingh Sijthoff; Italy: Neri Pozza; Spain: Planeta



November 2025 · 384 pages

**Pierre Martin** is the pseudonym of a successful author who has created a new identity for his main character, Madame le Commissaire. All of his crime novels featuring Isabelle Bonnet from Fragolin landed in the top ten of the bestseller list shortly after their publication. *Madame le Commissaire und das geheime Dossier* (Madame le Commissaire and the Secret Dossier) was recently number 1 on the *SPIEGEL* bestseller list. The first instalment of his new series set in the south of France about a noble contract killer who is determined not to kill anyone also reached number one. *Monsieur le Comte und die Kunst der Entführung* (Monsieur le Comte and the Art of Kidnapping) is the third volume in this series.

### Charming and With His Heart in the Right Place: The Reluctant Hitman and His Most Difficult Case

Lucien Comte de Chacarasse enjoys life on the Côte d'Azur to the fullest: azure blue water, Provençal delicacies and the lightness of summer. But then his uncle Edmond brings him a new murder contract. The victim, a wealthy Argentinean, lives in Sardinia. And the man must die before his much older wife. Edmond refuses to reveal why. Lucien is forced to travel to the Italian Mediterranean island. While spying on his victim, he has a brilliant idea: he stages a kidnapping – and intervenes at the last moment. The shocked Argentine is so grateful to Lucien that he hires him as his bodyguard. But how can Lucien fulfil his mission without killing anyone?

Back in the south of France, Lucien finds himself in the line of fire from all sides. A young woman is after his life – a completely unfamiliar situation for Lucien, the reluctant hitman. He has to make some creative decisions...

### Further Titles



Harald Gilbers

# Assassination. Inspector Oppenheimer 9

- Oppenheimer on a fast-paced chase between the Bonn Republic and post-war France, between former Nazis and the Israeli secret service
- The historical new beginning between Israel and Germany is also absolutely enlightening for the present
- Solving complex cases, engaging with contemporary history, experiencing Berlin in the 1940s and 1950s – that's what Inspector Oppenheimer is all about!
- His previous crime novels sold to France: Calmann-Lévy; Greece: Metaixmio; Italy: Emons; Japan: Shueisha; USA: St. Martin's Press



December 2025 · 416 pages

**Harald Gilbers**, born in Moers in 1969, initially worked as a feature editor for television before becoming a freelance theatre director. His debut novel *Germania*, the first case for Inspector Oppenheimer, won the Friedrich Glauser Prize in 2014 and has been translated into numerous languages. Further international successes followed.

## Assassination Attempt on Adenauer! Volume 9 of the Award-Winning Crime Series Featuring Inspector Oppenheimer

Early summer of 1952: Konrad Adenauer is the target of a letter bomb attack, which is fortunately thwarted. The persistent rumor is that radical forces from Israel are behind the attack, as the West German Chancellor is about to sign a reparations agreement with Israel's Prime Minister, David Ben-Gurion, which faces resistance in both countries. To protect the agreement, Ben-Gurion sends Israeli agents to Germany. However, collaboration between the Israelis and the German intelligence service, which includes several former Nazis, proves to be more than challenging. Can Inspector Oppenheimer, as a Jewish German, smooth the waters – and prevent another attack?

*»This was my first Oppenheimer crime novel, and I have to say, I really enjoyed it. Exciting and engaging! As for me, I plan to tackle the first instalments of the Inspector Oppenheimer investigations.« Eschborner Stadtmagazin on Tanzpalast*

### Further Titles



Andreas Föhr

## Ground Frost. Sometimes Death Is Not the Best Solution. Wallner & Kreuthner 12

- Detective Chief Inspector Kreuthner stumbles upon a body during his questionable side hustle, the victim holding a sickle and an ear of grain. Has a serial killer struck again?
- The cult detectives from Lake Tegernsee return for their 12th case: 11 *SPIEGEL* bestsellers, over 140 weeks on the list
- Over 2 million copies sold of Andreas Föhr's crime novels: regional charm meets intelligent suspense with wry humour



September 2025 · 368 pages

**Andreas Föhr**, born in 1958, is a trained lawyer who worked for several years in broadcasting supervision and as a solicitor. Since 1991, he has been successfully co-authoring television screenplays with Thomas Letocha, including for *SOKO 5113*, *Ein Fall für zwei*, and *Der Bulle von Tölz*. His award-winning crime novels featuring the detective duo Wallner & Kreuthner regularly spend months in the top 10 of the *SPIEGEL* bestseller lists. Andreas Föhr lives with his wife and several cats in an old farmhouse near Wasserburg. When he's not writing, he most enjoys hiking and skiing in the mountains, cooking lasagna, or enjoying life in Italy and Burgundy.

### The Sickle Murderer and Investigation Methods à la Kreuthner – Panic in the Alpine Foothills

After causing an embarrassing incident with the new police commissioner, Leonhardt Kreuthner is condemned to lead the Miesbach police department's annual children's afternoon on the grounds of a former farmhouse. There, he explains typical police situations to the children, including what happens when officers are called to a brawl. Two appropriately decorated mannequins represent the brawlers involved. However, one of the children discovers yet another victim of the brawl nearby. As it turns out, it is not a mannequin – but the victim of a murder. The dead man's hands clasp a sickle and an ear of grain. The case matches, down to the last detail, an unsolved series of murders that came to an abrupt end ten years ago. Is the »Reaper« back?

*»Andreas Föhr is simply exceptional. You can buy his crime novels blind. Suspense, entertaining, sometimes quirky characters, a profound theme, and*

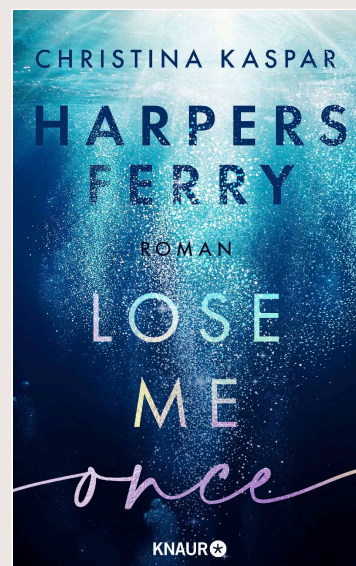
### Further Titles



Christina Kaspar

## Harpers Ferry 1. Lose Me Once

- A deadly secret shakes not only the small town of Harpers Ferry but also the love between Emery and Luke
- The start of the Harpers Ferry series includes the tropes *grumpy* × *sunshine*, *second chance*, and *found family*
- For readers of Kristina Moninger, Bianca Losivoni, and Lena Kiefer



December 2025 · 432 pages

**Christina Kaspar** trained as a publishing and media specialist and studied German language and literature and comparative literature. Because her heart beats for books, she works as an editor at a trade publishing house. Under the pen name Chris Kaspar, she published the thrillers *Watched* (2021) and *Pride & Pretty* (2022) with Moon Notes and the YA romance *Forget Me Someday* (2023) with Planet!, which was nominated for the Delia Award. With *Harpers Ferry*, she aims to combine the best of the romance and suspense genres.

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### Guaranteed Heart-Pounding Moments: Cozy Romance Meets Suspense with Raw Emotions and Breathtaking Twists

It has been almost two years since Emery hastily left her hometown of Harpers Ferry. But the death of her grandmother forces her to return to the place where she lost everything – first her best friend, then her great love, Luke. Because on the first anniversary of Stella’s death, Emery saw something that could destroy Luke’s life. In order to keep his secret and protect him, she had to leave. Now, when she comes face to face with him again in the small town, all those overwhelming feelings come flooding back. But is Luke still the man she once fell in love with? And what really happened on that fateful night? Emery becomes increasingly unsure of whom she can trust...

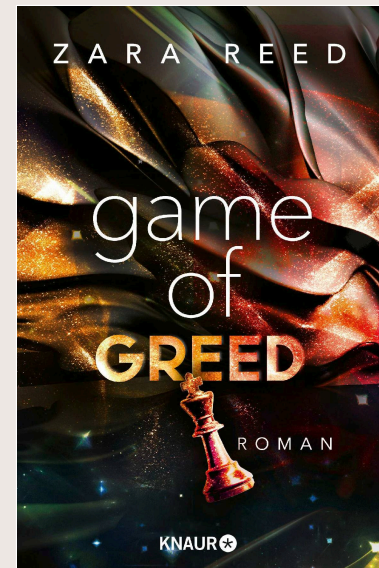
### Further Titles



Zara Reed

## Game of Greed. Dark Games 1

- Jayna falls for her sugar daddy's son – but who is the real threat?
- The launch of a new series for everyone who loves the thrill of dark romance: sexy, dark, and intense
- Featuring the popular tropes *enemies to lovers*, *taboo romance*, and *forbidden love*



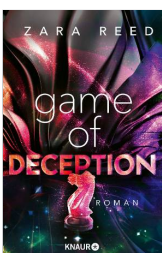
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Even as a child, **Zara Reed** successfully managed to escape reality with the help of books. Now, she has perfected this art and even writes them herself. In her writing, she combines everything she is passionate about: spice with thrill, humour with dark themes, and bad boys with self-determined female protagonists. In her free time, she travels the world, always listening to music, audiobooks, or political podcasts.

### High Society in California: A Game of Power and Desire

In life, nothing comes for free. Jayna knows this better than anyone. To finance her expensive pharmacology studies and her mother's cancer treatment, she plays the sugar babe for the owner and CEO of the major corporation Addington Pharmaceuticals. However, this becomes her downfall when she starts an affair with none other than his son, Xavier – and ultimately uncovers a deadly secret...

### Further Titles



Isabell Linn

## Falling in Too Deep

- New Adult suspense about a young influencer caught between glamorous lifestyle, deceptive emotions, and dark machinations on the Portuguese Atlantic coast
- For readers of Tami Fischer, Janine Ukena, and Kristina Moninger
- Featuring the popular tropes *opposites attract*, *secrets & lies*, and *found family*



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**Isabell Linn**, born in 1987 in Berlin, works as a literary scout and dedicates herself, whenever possible, to her great passions – writing and traveling. After publishing several romance novels, she intended to switch to the dark side and write a thriller. However, love wouldn't let her go. The result is a captivating New Adult suspense novel that combines everything she loves and is set in one of the most beautiful places in the world: the Portuguese Atlantic coast.

You can find her on Instagram at [@isabellinn\\_autorin](#).

### A Love as Strong as the Ocean's Pull – and a Secret That Threatens to Destroy Everything!

Freedom, glamour, and luxury: Iva is living her dream when she's invited to *the* influencer camp on the paradisiacal coast of Portugal. Everything seems perfect, especially when her secret Insta-crush, Ishaan, promises the hottest flirt of her life. But there's also the brooding surfer and bartender Luan, who has a notorious reputation. Iva should steer clear of him, yet she cannot resist his allure. As rumors about the camp emerge, Iva starts asking questions and uncovers more and more secrets and scandals. She must question who poses a greater danger: Luan or the camp itself?

When Iva disappears without a trace, the community is thrown into turmoil. What has happened to her – and will they succeed in rescuing her?

Janine Ukena

## Illusion 1. A Lie Worth Believing

- A singer and an illusionist fall in love in a showbiz world where truth and deception blur
- Volume 1 of the new New Adult suspense duology by SPIEGEL bestselling author Janine Ukena
- Heart-pounding moments meet suspense with the popular tropes *strangers to lovers*, *dark secret*, *morally grey characters*



February 2026 · 384 pages

**Janine Ukena** was born in 1995 and lives in Northern Germany surrounded by many books and plants. When she's not writing, she spends her time disappearing into the pages of books. On Instagram, she regularly posts book recommendations and insights into her everyday life.

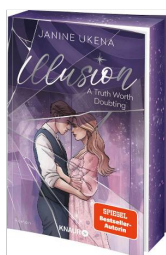
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### A Spectacular Show in Las Vegas, Dark Secrets, and Dangerous Love

For young singer Stella, a dream comes true when she is invited to the »Show de Illusion« in Las Vegas. Participating in it is a pivotal opportunity for her career. However, tricky illusions and inscrutable secrets lie not only behind the seemingly magical performances on stage: Stella's predecessor Fia disappeared after a mysterious accident. And Levin, the show's mastermind and illusionist, is as charming as he is enigmatic. As Stella tries to find out what happened to Fia, she feels increasingly drawn to Levin. In doing so, she breaks the most important rule: Trust no one – and above all, do not fall in love! Because love is the greatest illusion of all...

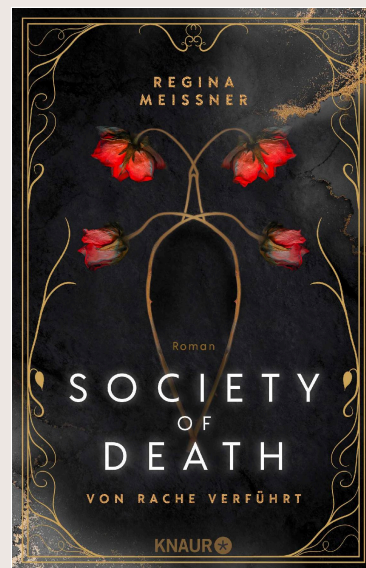
### Further Titles



Regina Meissner

## Society of Death 1. Seduced by Revenge

- Mystical rituals, decadent parties, and political intrigue – *dark academia* surrounding the notorious student society Skull & Bones
- High-stakes, romantic, and spicy: featuring the popular tropes *fake dating*, *he falls first*, *secret identity*, and *sent to kill you*
- The start of a duology with romantic suspense for readers of Nikola Hotel's *Dark Ivy* and M. L. Rio's *If We Were Villains*



December 2025 · 464 pages

**Regina Meissner**, born in 1993 in Hesse, has made a name for herself as a fantasy author. With her *Society of Death* duology, she now delves into the world of *dark academia* at Yale University in the late 19th century. Her stories combine historical settings with suspense, romance, and moral dilemmas.

Regina shares her passion for books on Instagram and TikTok under: [regina\\_meissner\\_author](#).

### The Secret Society of Skull & Bones at the Elite Yale University, Dark Machinations, and A Love That Cannot Be

Yale University, 1875: During Tap Night, 22-year-old medical student Emery is asked if he would like to become a member of the secret student fraternity Skull & Bones. As a new member, now known as Raven, he faces a dazzling but dangerous future. His first assignment as part of the brotherhood leads him straight into a moral dilemma: the murder of Nathaniel, a city councilman, which is supposed to look like a suicide. Nathaniel's sister Victoria, driven by doubts about Nathaniel's alleged suicide, sets out to find the truth – a search that eventually leads her to Emery. Caught in a web of lies, revenge, and forbidden love, Victoria discovers the truth behind her brother's death...

*»I saw you for the first time the night you killed my brother. You ran away, leaving nothing but a trace of your perfume – and the burning desire within me to ruin your life as you did mine. And now I stand here with the weapon in my hand, wondering how everything could go so terribly wrong and how I could fall in love with you.«*

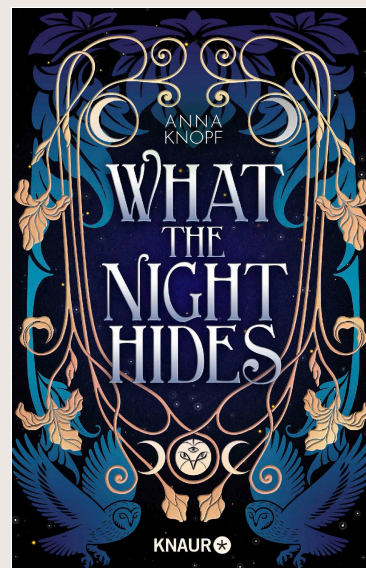
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- Beautifully equipped with numerous illustrations by the author



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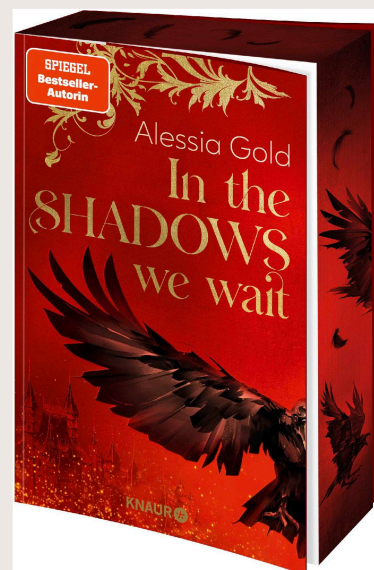
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After the death of her mother, Micah and her father were cast out of the Vega Circle, which protects Edinburgh from cruel demons. To this day, Micah doesn't know what truly happened back then – but she has been plagued by terrible nightmares since then. Even her best friend Pola, a member of the Circle, cannot help her. Then one day, Pola disappears without a trace, taking with her the magical ink that grants the demon hunters their powers. When Quinn Vega, the heir to the Circle, appears at Micah's door, she knows two things: She must work with him to prove Pola's innocence, and he is her chance to finally learn the truth. But does she really want to know? As Micah and Quinn search for Pola, they uncover a brutal cult, and soon, not only is Micah's heart in danger, but the entire world.

Alessia Gold

# In the Shadows We Wait. Redveil 1

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**Alessia Gold** is the pseudonym of a young German author. Her stories are characterised by intense emotions, captivating suspense, sensual moments, and characters you can't help but fall in love with. Alessia lives with her family in a small town in Brandenburg, where she finds inspiration for new ideas in nature. When she's not writing or reading, she's probably at an ice rink.

Alessia always enjoys receiving messages, for example on Instagram [@alessia.gold.autorin](https://www.instagram.com/alessia.gold.autorin)

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Ever since Xara found out she was adopted, she has been haunted by terrible nightmares. To learn more, she travels to her birthplace, a mysterious Romanian village. Here, her dreams intertwine with reality, and she must question whether the legend of a cursed princess is more than just a fairy tale. For she is considered to be that very princess – especially by the powerful vampire lord Dorian and his charismatic servant Juraj. Both men claim she is the reincarnation of their great love, and both want her for themselves, no matter the cost...

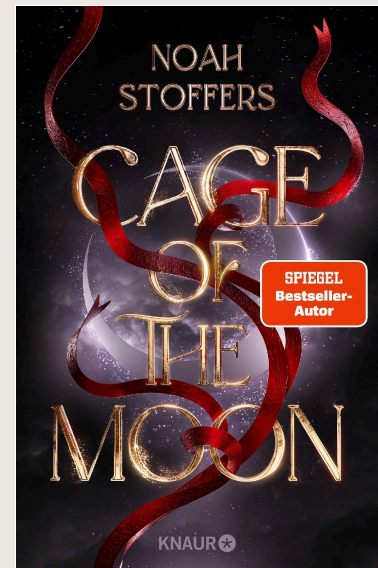
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Noah Stoffers

## Cage of the Moon

- A vampire seeking revenge, a lone werewolf without a pack, and a human who mistrusts magic and his own powers
- Queer romantasy for the readers of Ali Hazelwood, Cassandra Clare, and Maggie Stiefvater
- SPIEGEL bestselling author Noah Stoffers captivates with popular tropes *frenemies to lovers* and *love triangle*



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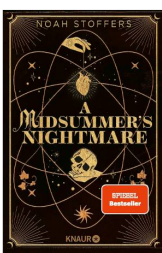
**Noah Stoffers** lives in Hamburg and originally wrote for newspapers. Their debut novel *Wainwood House* was published in 2013 by cbj Verlag, and the *Berlin* duology by Amrún Verlag. Both volumes were listed multiple times on the Fantasy Bestseller List. Stoffers co-edited the short story anthology *Urban Fantasy: Going Queer*. They are transmasculine and non-binary and advocate for queer representation in their novels, preferably within stories full of magic, mystery, and adventure. Noah Stoffers' latest queer *dark academia* standalone *A Midsummer's Nightmare* debuted at number 6 on the SPIEGEL bestseller list.

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The Fairy Glow Festival is buzzing with magical exuberance. But not everyone is here to celebrate. The werewolf Gabhán is trying to save a young female werewolf from the brutal West Coast pack. The vampire Honora seeks revenge, as her lover died a painful death. Meanwhile, as a human, Dan wants to prevent another murder like the one committed against his mentor by vampires. When the three stumble into a ritual that binds their souls together, Dan is unaware that Honora is a vampire and deeply distrusts Gabhán. Still, they grow closer. Was their meeting fate? And what happens when well-kept secrets come to light?

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