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92627 FREDERIC CHOPIN THE ORIGINAL PIANO ROLL RECORDINGS 2 CDS

by **Frederic Chopin**

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Sarah Francis plays a 1930s Luis oboe made in London. These recordings were first published between 1988 and 1994. Albinoni Solo Oboe Concertos (complete) "I find it nearly impossible to believe that the Albinoni concertos could be given more musical readings than these."- American Record Guide. The second CD has Handel's Oboe Concertos and Sonatas (complete). "Miss Francis's playing is memorable both for her appealing timbre and her sensitive, lyrical phrasing, where she varies her vibrato with the utmost subtlety. A collection which easily leads the field." The Penguin Guide to Compact Discs 4. CDs 3 & 4: Telemann Concertos for Oboe and Oboe d'amore (complete) and Telemann Triple Concerto for Flute, Oboe d'amore and Viola d'amore. 'Sarah Francis plays here with intense ardour, while elsewhere her dance derived movements have fresh springy rhythms. Equally enticing is the triple concerto for flute, oboe d'amore and viola d'amore.' - BBC Music Magazine. Two CDs.

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91979 FAREWELL TO ARMS DVD by Gary Cooper and Helen Hayes

The classic 1932 film adaptation of Ernest Hemingway's classic novel stars Gary Cooper and Helen Hayes who won two Oscars and were nominated for two more. It is a classic romantic drama directed by Frank Borzage. Frederick Henry (Cooper) is an American serving as an ambulance driver in World War One. When his friend Captain Ronaldi (played by Adolphe Menjou) introduces him to the beautiful English nurse Catherine Barkley (Hayes), Frederick immediately falls for her. The pair share a brief idyllic interlude together, but the jealous Ronaldi does his best to come between them. Set in war-torn Italy. One hour 20 min original b/white film on DVD.

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91987 ROAD TO BALI DVD

This hilarious 1952 musical comedy features vintage performances from Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour. The film follows the fortunes of two song-and-dance men as they escape marriage proposals in Australia and wash up on a beautiful island somewhere on the way to Bali. On the island they soon find a purpose in competing for the affections of the exotic princess Lala. Lavish production, a stunning cameo performance by Jane Russell, and laugh-out-loud scenes such as one featuring Bob Hope attempting to escape the affections of a huge gorilla. Approx. 90 minute black and white comedy classic.

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91574 BLACK SWAN CLASS SLOOPS by Les Brown

Widely regarded as the Rolls Royce of WWII convey escorts, heavily armed and superbly equipped for their role, the Black Swan Class of sloops and their modified derivatives were among the most effective anti-submarine ships of the Battle in the Atlantic. This book uses plans of four selected ships to chart that development in detail. They comprise of the original group Black Swan as built, and Flamingo as Modified post-war, and of the Modified Class Starling, the single most successful U-boat hunter of the war, shown as in 1943, and Amethyst, as refitted in 1950 after her clash with Chinese Communists on the Yangtze. The technical details of British warships were recorded. Known as the 'As Fitted' general arrangements, these drawings documented the exact appearance and fitting of the ship as it entered service. They were very large, more than 12 feet long for capital ships, highly

DVDs & CDs

91986 PRIVATE BUCKAROO DVD by The Andrews Sisters

A delightful black and white musical comedy from 1942 with running time approximately 68 minutes on new DVD. Set against the background of World War Two and featuring the music of The Andrews Sisters, the film follows the fortunes of a reluctant army recruit who struggles to adjust to military life until he falls for the charms of a retired officer's daughter. Lots of musical tap-a-long toons, this vintage musical with Harry James and His Orchestra contains The Sisters' original rendition of 'Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree'. 'Even the Jeeps are jivin'' says one character. Running time one hour 15, the dancing sequences are an unforgettable treat.

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91974 CHATSWORTH HOUSE DVD by Duke Marketing

This impressive 55 minute colour DVD takes us through every important aspect of the rooms and gardens of this gracious home. Fronted by the River Derwent and backed by a tree-covered hillside, once the home of the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Chatsworth House is one of Britain's best loved historic houses. It offers something for everyone to enjoy from famous works of art, exquisite décor and furnishings and the spectacular fountains in the garden, to the finest shopping and many miles of walks.

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91983 HAMMER HORROR: A Fan's Guide DVD by Rorie Sherwood and Marcus Heam

Famous for its blood-curdling creations which brought Dracula, Frankenstein's Monster, Zombies and The Mummy to the silver screen, the Hammer production company was responsible for a massive variety of movies including One Million Years BC featuring Raquel Welch in that iconic fur-lined bikini! This fascinating 51 minute film includes legendary directors, producers and writers Roy Ward Baker, Brian Clemens and Jimmy Sangster, key members of the Hammer story who reveal the truth behind the on-screen myth. Rare behind-the-scenes photos.

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91976 SCOTLAND ACROSS THE BORDER: BELLAMY'S WILD BRITAIN DVD by Brendan Quayle

We travel north of the border into bonnie Scotland with our irrepressibly enthusiastic narrator and naturalist, David Bellamy. He explores from ground and air the natural environments of Britain's premier wilderness landscapes: dramatic Highlands and Lowlands of Scotland. In his enthusiastic company we enter a world of wild heather and open water, high mountains. Stories abound with adventurous spirits. Along the way David meets some of the people responsible for managing our remaining wilderness areas and the resources we reap from them, and some who still make their livelihood within them. A breath-taking journey, 92 minute colour film.

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detailed, annotated and labelled and drawn with exquisite skill, often in multi-coloured inks and washes. This book is one of a series based entirely on these draughts depicting famous warships - complete sets in full colour with many close up and enlargements and extensive captions. 128 very large pages including a spectacular gatefold, colour. **£30 NOW £17.50**

93923 GEORGE V: Never A Dull Moment by Jane Ridley

A lively, intimately detailed biography of a long-overlooked king who reimagined the Crown in the aftermath of World War I and whose marriage to the regal Queen Mary was an epic partnership. The grandfather of Queen Elizabeth II, King George V reigned over the British Empire from 1910 to 1936, a period of unprecedented international turbulence. The contrast between him and his flamboyant, hedonistic, playboy father Edward VII could hardly

92632 RACHMANINOV PIANO CONCERTO, PIANO SONATA CD

by **Helene Grimaud**

The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra performs the Piano Concerto in C minor Op.18. 1. First movement - Moderato, 2. Second movement - Adagio Sostenuto, 3. Third movement - Allegro Scherzando Piano Sonata No.2 in B flat minor Op. 36, 4. Allegro Agitato, 5. Non Allegro, Lento, 6. Allegro Molto Etudes Tableaux Op.33, 7. No.1 in Fminor, 8. No.2 in C major, 9. No.3 in C minor, 10. No.4 in D mino, 11. No. 5 in E flat minor, 12. No.6 in C minor, 13. No.7 in G minor, 14. No.8 in C sharp minor, 15. Prelude No.2 in B flat minor Op. 32 No.2, 16. Prelude in G sharp minor Op. 32 No.12. Total running time 77:52. Tracks 1-3 recorded 1992, Abbey Road Studio. Tracks 4-16 recorded 1985, Leiden, Holland. All tracks digitally remastered 2011. CD.

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91971 NORTH OF ENGLAND BRITISH STEAM DVD

directed by **Jeremy English**

It all began in the great iron and steel works and the coal mines that powered railway transport. Industrial steam keeps the original pioneering spirit alive, and we go to the Tanfield Railway where the world's oldest railway bridge still stands. In the magnificent North Yorkshire Moors an historic line built by the great George Stephenson still carries millions of passengers every year, and we see locomotives working flat out up the fierce gradients. Lines of the LMS and LNER all have industrial roots, and we reflect upon how things have changed. Gleaming locos, 48 minute colour DVD.

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91989 TO THE ISLAND OF THE AYE-AYE

DVD by **Gerald Durrell**

51 minute colour and black and white film on DVD. Bridges that nearly collapsed as they were crossed, ancient ferries which ran a 'sometime-this-week' schedule, were just a couple of the problems which Gerald and Lee Durrell faced on their expedition in Madagascar. They were looking for one of the world's rarest creatures, the Aye-Aye. The plan was to set up a captive-breeding programme in a bid to save this strange species of lemur from following the Dodo into extinction. After weeks of trekking through the rainforest without seeing any Aye-Aye, the local witch-doctor was called in to help, but first he had to talk to his ancestors.

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92631 MOZART - THE ORIGINAL PIANO ROLL RECORDINGS CD

by **Vladimir de Pachmann, Alexander Raab, Vladimir Horowitz, Wilhelm Backhaus and Wanda Landowska**

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91967 BRITISH STEAM IN SCOTLAND DVD directed by Jeremy English

The mountains of the Highlands and the shores of the Lowlands provides some of the most glorious railway images north of the Border. The classic Caledonian Railway's blue livery can still be seen on the SRPS Line at Bo'ness, whilst Highland grandeur lives along the valley of the River Spey on the Strathspey Railway. Numerous iconic steam trains travel the Scottish main lines and in this programme we see them heading towards Kyle of Lochalsh, across Rannoch Moor, over the Highland mountains at places such as Slocht Summit, eastward near Aberdeen and of course over the legendary Forth Bridge. Colour film 48 mins.

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have been greater. However, though it lasted only a quarter-century, George's reign was immensely consequential. He faced a constitutional crisis, the First World War, the fall of 13 European monarchies and the rise of Bolshevism. The suffragette Emily Davison threw herself under his horse at the Derby, he refused asylum to his cousin the Tsar Nicholas II during the Russian Revolution, and he facilitated the first Labour government. And, as Jane Ridley shows, the modern British monarchy would not exist without George; he reinvented the institution. Queen Mary played a pivotal role in the reign as well as being an important figure in her own right. Ridley has had unprecedented access to the archives, and for the first time is able to reassess in full the many myths associated with this crucial and dramatic time. Photos, remainder mark, 15.24 x 22.86cm. 560 pages. **£35 NOW £14 SAVE £21!**

91573 ARMoured CRUISER CRESSY

by **Andrew Choong**

This volume is devoted to a ship best known for her demise, one of three sisters sunk in a matter of hours by a single U-boat in 1914. Including spectacular large gatefolds, here are the detailed original builders' technical plans, annotated and labelled drawn in multi-coloured inks and showcasing such features as a 24 inch electric light projector, the arrangement of submerged torpedo room, belt armour, fore and aft bridges, the lower deck as fitted and arranged of wood and corticene decks, the arrangement of ventilation, magazine cooling arrangements and the ship's profile. The very gentle sheer of the Upper and Main Decks can be seen, as can the form of the 'cruiser' stern. The lower part of the hull is dominated by the propellers and rudder. The space on the Protective Deck was used for storage, with the captain's living space on the Upper Deck. 128 very large pages, colour diagrams and plans. **£30 NOW £14 SAVE £16!**

93046 HISTORY OF MEN'S MAGAZINES VOL 4. 1960's Under the Counter

by **Dian Hanson**

Captures the great era of men's magazines. It includes fetish master Irving Klaw, Elmar Batters own leg fetish, the speciality magazines of England, and concludes with Sweden and Denmark's emergence as the new powers in European sex publishing. Titles such as Highball, Sizzle, Lace Undies, Nymph, French Lace, Black Silk Stockings, Solo, Touch, High Heels and many more hit the newsstands. Back in New York, Irving Klaw introduced fetish digests in the same speciality bookstores, leading to a '60s fetish boom, with Lenny Burtman's High Heels, Satana, Striparama, and Leg Show. The photos had a rawness showing the older models with that look of experience, openness and control. See pre-Playboy burlesque titles, featuring big hair, heavy make-up, cigarettes, and cocktails, but in west coast mid-century settings with better photography, paper, and printing. Contains over 400 colour pages of magazine covers and interiors with well-researched text profiling important publishers and artists, individual magazines, and speciality magazine categories. 458 pages, 11" x 8" x 2", erotic colour photos.

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93323 HAUTE COUTURE: Fashion in Detail edited by Clare Wilcox

A big volume from the Victoria and Albert Museum's costume collection, this is a sumptuous pictorial history of costume from the 17th century to the end of the 20th. In the 17th and 18th centuries the focus was on quilting, pleats, looped drapery, collars, cuffs and applied decoration. The stomacher was the panel down the front of a bodice that allowed the bodice itself to be laced to fit a woman's figure. The shoe section shows that pointed toes and kitten heels were the rage in the 17th century. Another section opens with men's tailoring, showing a preponderance of stand-up collars and frogging. A cream pelisse of Jane Austen's era has an empire line and stunning sleeve panels of pleated silk, while mid-19th century day dresses have huge skirts, often using roller-printed wool and decorated with a peplum or large bow. A Liberty's frock from the 1890s has a looser fit, smocked at the waist, and trimmed with machine lace. The 20th century covers both mass-produced clothes and also high end couture. 598pp, close up colour photos.

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92689 RAILS IN THE ROAD: A History of Tramways in Britain and Ireland

by **Oliver Green**

The tram's Edwardian heyday was followed by a mid-20th century decline, but in Sheffield, Manchester, Nottingham and Edinburgh, not to mention London's pioneering Docklands Light Railway, have reinstated a fixed-rail model of public transport. The first horsedrawn street tramways opened in London and Liverpool in 1870, and in Dublin, Belfast and Cork two years later. Glasgow was the first city to embrace steam trams, and a few years later, in 1883, a battery tram was trialled in London, with an overhead trolley wire service being introduced in Leeds in 1891. In the 1980s new light rail systems began to spring up, with cities like Nottingham and Manchester integrating them closely with other form of public transport. 269pp, photos. **£30 NOW £15 SAVE £15!**

92411 ART OF CLASSICAL DETAILS: Theory, Design and Craftsmanship

by **Phillip James Dodd**

A superb gallery of the timeless beauty of classicism. There are essays from writers and scholars such as Creating the Private Arcadia by Jeremy Musson, Music and Architecture by David Watkin and On Mathematics and Symmetry by Robert Chitham. Also the language of classical architecture and classical ornament. From the craftsmen and artisans is The Importance of Joinery in the Classical Home, Metalwork: The Jewellery on a House, The Centrepiece of a Room, Decorative Painting and Gilding: Classical Origins and Exotic Influences, Ornamental Plasterwork and The Beauty of Handmade Bricks. The Projects themselves including Robert Adams A New Country House, Henbury Hall, A Park Avenue Apartment, A Classical Pool Pavilion by Curtis & Windham Architects, Farmlands, Hollywood Regency, A Cotswold Manor House, A Georgian Country House, A Regency Villa. With each there are details and scale, architects and the location, hundreds of colour images. 256 pages, 24.3 x 23cm. **£45 NOW £12 SAVE £33!**

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92649 BIG SISTER

by Hana Jakrlova

This Internet brothel was a unique concept that combined prostitution with elements of social media. Clients have sex for free after they sign a contract agreeing to be filmed. Since 2007, Hana Jakrlova began documenting what goes on in front of the cameras and behind the scenes. There is kissing and groping and fumbling in front of the busy bar, semi clad women smoking, enjoying the sauna, kissing feet, playing in an ice room or relaxing in a warm bath; two men and a woman chatting naked, the image taken through the transparent side panel. Women caress each other on a bed, others are dressed and ready but sitting around looking very bored at the bar. Dark pink soft velvet book cover with silver tooling. 30 x 22cm, 156pp. **£52.50 NOW £15 SAVE £37.50!**

93535 1920S BERLIN

by Rainer Metzger

This brilliant book immerses readers in the freewheeling spirit of Berlin's Weimar age with works in painting, sculpture, architecture, graphic design, photography, and film. We take in the jazz bars and dance halls; the crowded kinos and flapper fashion; the advances in technology and transport; the radio towers and rumbling trams and trains; the soaring buildings; the cinematic masterworks; and the newly independent women who smoked cigarettes, wore their hair short, and earned their own money. Featured works in this vivid cultural portrait include Hannah Höch's The Journalists; Lotte Jacobi's Hands on Typewriter; Otto Dix's Portrait of the Journalist Sylvia von Harden; Peter Behrens's project of the Alexanderplatz; and Josef von Sternberg's The Blue Angel, starring Dietrich as cabaret performer Lola Lola. Taschen, 22 x 26 cm, 96 pages.

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92405 SCRIPT FONTS with 122 free fonts on CD

by Geum-Hee Hong

Every time you send an email you have a choice of hundreds of fonts, and this exquisite collection focuses on fonts that are based on handwriting or cursive script. Over 300 examples are collected in the book, and an accompanying CD gives you a free download of 122 to use for your own special purposes, for instance invitations, posters, or business cards. Each font has a page to itself where the whole alphabet is displayed in upper and lower case, followed by numerals and the most common punctuation marks. Finally a whole sentence showcases the font by using every word in the alphabet: "Forsaking monastic tradition, twelve jovial friars gave up their vocation for a questionable existence on the flying trapeze." Many of the fonts are accompanied by illustrations in which they feature on posters and book covers. The different styles of script are classified according to the way they are produced, for instance "Italian and French Italics", "Brush and Swash" or "Decorative and Freestyle". One of the most popular cursive fonts today is Mistral, illustrated here by a specimen sheet from 1957. The bold and assertive Ballpark is accompanied by an advertising poster for a DKW motorbike from 1938, while the whimsical and spidery LainieDaySH is illustrated by a book cover for a 1992 novel Margaret in Hollywood. ITC Zapf Chancery was used for the 1979 edition of The Amorous Adventures of Fanny Hill, while Pablo, a typeface of 1995, is based on a 1906 letter of Pablo Picasso to Leo and Gertrude Stein. Xiparos is inspired by the crabbed script of a German manuscript of 1206, while FranciscoLucas Llana comes from a writing manual of 1540 by Palatinus. Fonts can be works of art, and a gorgeous New York Times magazine cover from 2009 uses Volupia, created in 2005, in an abstract swirl incorporating the names of contributors. 14.6 x 22cm, 496pp, index of designs, numerous colour illustrations, CD.

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STAR STRUCK!

93055 MICK ROCK. THE RISE OF DAVID BOWIE 1972-1973 by Mick Rock, Barney Hoskyns, Michael Bracewell

A unique tribute from David Bowie's official photographer and creative partner, Mick Rock, compiled in 2015, with Bowie's blessing. In 1972, David Bowie released his groundbreaking album The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars. With it landed Bowie's Stardust alter ego: a glitter-clad, mascara-eyed, sexually ambiguous persona who kicked down the boundaries between male and female, straight and gay, fact and fiction into one shifting and sparkling phenomenon of '70s self-expression. Together, Ziggy the album and Ziggy the stage spectacular propelled the softly spoken Londoner into one of the world's biggest stars. A key passenger on this glam trip into the stratosphere was fellow Londoner and photographer Mick Rock. Rock bonded with Bowie artistically and personally, immersed himself in the singer's inner circle, and, between 1972 and 1973, worked as the singer's photographer and videographer. This collection brings together spectacular stage shots, iconic photo shoots, as well as intimate backstage portraits. With a 5-phase lenticular cover of different headshots, it celebrates Bowie's fearless experimentation and reinvention, while offering privileged access to the many facets of his personality and fame. Through the aloof and

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

93175 WEEKEND by Matt Tebbutt

Sub-titled 'Eating at Home: From Long Lazy Lunches to Fast Family Fixes', Tebbutt rustles up 100 inspiring recipes all beautifully photographed. There is a Five-Spice Roast Goose, a Roast Rib of Beef with Yorkshire Pudding, Onion Gravy and Chive and Black Pepper Butter, French Onion Soup with Gruyere and Ham Croutons, Chicken, Ham Hock and Jerusalem Artichoke Pithivier which is essentially a puff-pastry pie and a real showstopper, Grilled Veg with Crispy Egg and Almond and Yoghurt Dressing, Roasted Red Mullet with Basil and Sun-Dried Tomato and Chilli Toast. Colour photos, 224pp, 20 x 25.4cm. **£22 NOW £7.50**

94329 WHAT VEGANS EAT: Easy Vegan!

by Brett Cobley

Over 80 tasty and sustainable recipes including Zero Waste Pesto, Irish Potato Cakes, Rice and Bean Burgers, Puttanesca Tart, Italian Toad In the Hole, Waste-Less Wedges, Gnocchi alla Romana, Banana Custard Tarts, Tiramisu, an Easy Vegan Treacle Sponge, Rum and Ginger Cake, Peanut Butter Cookies and Amaretti Biscuits. Filled with invaluable tips on how to stock your store cupboard and use up some of the most commonly wasted food, this book is full of simple and tasty mouthwatering recipes which celebrate the joy of cooking, and eating. Experiment with Crumble Piri Piri Sweet Potato or Digger Pie, and all look delicious in these full page colour photos. 192pp, 19 x 24cm. **£14.99 NOW £6**

92421 HANDMADE LIFE: A Companion to Modern Crafting

by Ramona Barry and Rebecca Jobson

Kickstart your creativity with 30 new and old crafting techniques in this beautiful big gallery and compendium. Whether it is felt, knitting, crochet, weaving, tapestry, macramé, basket making, leather or rugs, stitching embroidery, cross stitch needlepoint, quilting and patching, surfaces like marble, collage and gilding, or the form of clay, beads, jewellery, origami, paper, mobiles, veneer and wood to zakka. All about upcycling and a historical overview of each craft, with design notes and explanations of key techniques to help beginners get started, tools and methods are explored through a combination of hand drawn illustrations and photography. We love the foodie's picnic quilt, the modern takes on embroidery embellishment, a glamorous clutch bag made from leather scraps from a seconds sale with metallic finishes, even rather crazy basket 'costumes'. 408 large pages, 22.9 x 28.5cm. Hundreds of colour illus. **£24.95 NOW £12.50**

92674 KAHILIL GIBRAN: Beyond Borders

by Kahlil Gibran and Jean Gibran

Painter, poet, immigrant, rebel and global citizen, born in Lebanon, Kahlil Gibran emigrated to America as a young man in the 1890s, where he became a successful artist and prose poet. His book The Prophet of 1923 became a worldwide bestseller. It is a series of 26 philosophical essays written in poetic English prose, and as a writer, Gibran encouraged a renaissance in Arab literature. As an artist he painted hundreds of canvases including portraits of artistic celebrities. From his apprenticeships in the creative circles of Boston, Beirut, Paris and New York to his art and activism for Greater Syria, Gibran crafted a religiously inclusive art that embraced a universal message, informed by Christian, Islamic and Judaic elements. 524pp with many illus plus colour plates. **£25 NOW £13.50**

approachable, the playful and serious, the candid and the contrived, the result is a passionate tribute to a brilliant and inspirational artist whose creative vision will never be forgotten. 23.8 x 33.3cm, 300 pages. Text in English, French and German. New from Taschen. The cover features a tipped-in A4 size five colour image that actually moves when tilted of Ziggy and faces of David Bowie. Could be removed from the front cover of the hardback book. **ONLY £50**

93277 CARRY ON... EVERY MOVIE, EVERY STAR

by Stephen Lambe

Sex, home life, drunkenness, toilet humour, working class snobbery, busy young women and lecherous middle aged men, much of the human slapstick of Carry On's first scribe Norman Hudis came from a play and screenwriting background and Talbot Rothwell was a man with great experience writing comedy for stage, television and radio. Beginning with Carry on Cabbie in 1963 and ending with Carry on Camping in 1969, we recall with great mirth Carry on Doctor, Carry on Screaming, Carry on Follow That Camel, Carry on Sergeant, Carry on Nurse. For nearly all 31 Carry on films there are almost exhaustive cast lists and stats, guest actors and memories galore as Sid James, Barbara Windsor, Kenneth Williams, Joan Sims, Jim Dale and Charles Hawtrey strut among the superb repertory company. 128 page paperback, 32 colour illus. **£14.99 NOW £7.50**

92270 SMART TART: Observations from My Cooking Life

by Tamasin Day-Lewis

A limited edition printed exclusively for Fortnum & Mason in 2013, this beautifully designed book of reminiscences of a life in food has achingly beautiful close up colour photography of delicious food. The chapter headings alone set your lips drooling - Bakewell Tart, Tea at Fortnum's Fountain, Christmas, The Things I Love and the Things I Hate About Food, Treacle Tart, Slowly Cooked, Childhood Tarts, Figs, Famine, The Best Restaurant and more. There are tips on pastries for Walnut Tart, Baked Ricotta, Lemon and Vanilla Tart, Antipasti Tarts to serve with drinks, as a starter, a lunch or supper dish with a buttery-crisp puff pastry decked with the best fresh ricotta, prosciutto-wrapped asparagus, olives, herbs, tomatoes, they are breathtakingly easy and quick to assemble. 206pp, colour photos. **£15.99 NOW £7**

94303 SOURDOUGH FROM SCRATCH: Slow Down, Make Bread by James Morton

Sourdough Bread (pain au levain) is what civilised Western man ate before the advent of commercial baker's yeast. Instead the bread is risen by various wild yeasts and bacteria, cultured spontaneously, the majority of which come from the flour itself where they sit in a dormant state. Starting a new fermentation is a simple and predictable process and some call this a mother dough. Such breads have a smooth and shiny golden crust, speckled with tiny

94098 SECRETS OF ART: Uncovering the Mysteries by Debra Mancoff

Art detective Debra Mancoff reveals cryptic symbols used by Leonardo da Vinci, Vermeer and Caravaggio, uncovers layers of meaning in paintings by Van Gogh, Picasso and Dalí, and provides insight into works by Frida Kahlo, Kara Walker and Marina Abramovic. We shall untangle the bewildering effects of optical illusion and search for hidden identities. We see with new eyes Courbet's Man with a Leather Belt, Jasper Johns' White Flag, Velázquez's Las Meninas, Masaccio's Expulsion from the Garden of Eden, Edward Burne-Jones's Phyllis and Demophon, William Holman Hunt's The Awakening Conscience, Jan van Eyck's The Arnolfini Portrait and Banksy's Love is in the Bin (originally Girl with Balloon) among the chosen pieces of art and photography such as Cindy Sherman's Sultry Woman in a Black Dress (gazing at something outside the frame). 240 large pages, hundreds of colour and other illus. **£22 NOW £12.50**

92358 RODIN AND THE ART OF ANCIENT GREECE

by Celeste Farge et al

A British Museum and Thames & Hudson co-production with 203 illustrations. Famous for The Thinker and The Kiss, Auguste Rodin drew energy and inspiration from the art of Classical antiquities. The Parthenon sculptures in particular were a lifelong passion. He amassed a collection of antiquities, including many fragments of marble sculpture, which he regarded as complete objects in themselves and introduced the idea in his own work of the headless, limbless torso as an object of art, much influencing his contemporaries. Here is all the emotion and the motion, and essays and texts by such experts as Celeste Farge and Ian Jenkins on the French Romance for Greek marbles, and Bénédicte Garnier on The Thousand Parthenons of Auguste Rodin. Exquisitely printed and bound with hundreds of full page and double page spreads, and old gelatine silver prints, 240 very large pages. **£35 NOW £12.50 SAVE £22.50!**

93442 ABSOLUTE PANDEMONIUM: A Memoir by Brian Blessed

Notorious for his booming voice and unprintable language, Brian Blessed is a classical actor with major Shakespearean roles to his credit. The son of a coal-heaver, Brian had become a household name with his first big role as the young PC Fancy Smith in Z-Cars. A major film role was playing Talthylbius opposite Katharine Hepburn's Hecuba in Cacoyannis's Trojan Women. Although she stridently claimed to be an atheist, saying her farewells Hepburn showed Brian her religious side. Kenneth Branagh's Henry V took Blessed to Tokyo, where he was asked to escort Princess Anne on a state visit to meet the emperor and other dignitaries. 376pp, photos. **£20 NOW £8.50**

93125 PUTTING THE RABBIT IN THE HAT: My Autobiography by Brian Cox

The great actor Brian Cox is a gifted storyteller with a sharp eye and caustic wit and he drops in some big Hollywood names. From Roman general Titus Andronicus with the RSC to media magnate Logan Roy in HBO's Succession, Brian Cox has made his name as an actor of unparalleled distinction and versatility. After joining the Dundee Repertory Theatre at the age of 15, Cox could say the rest is history, but that is to overlook the enormous graft that has gone into making the legend we know today. A rags-to-riches seminal autobiography which captures his distinctive voice and his very soul. 374pp, colour photos. Large softback. **£14.99 NOW £7.75**

bubbles and a magnificent tear when it has been scored. As you slice through them you will witness the crumb, the name for the pattern of holes in the middle of your bread. You will need very little kit to get started and the book explains how to make a Country Loaf from scratch, troubleshooting and core recipes like San Francisco White Sourdough, Danish Rye, Brioche, Demi-Baguettes à la l'Ancienne, Focaccia Integrale, Neapolitan-Style Pizza, Pretzels and Crispbread. A beautifully designed and colour photographed book, 160pp with wipe clean softback cover. **£12 NOW £6**

92905 VEGAN SAVVY

by Azmina Govindji

'The Expert's Guide to Nutrition on A Plant-Based Diet', the author is a specialist in diabetes and weight management and this is an excellent diagram-based guide to good nutrition and its building blocks. Vegan sources of selenium are Brazil nuts, chickpeas, white pasta cooked, sunflower seeds, mushrooms, brown rice, wholewheat pasta and cashew nuts. It is one to watch and may take centre stage in the future over Omega 3 and vitamin D. Shopping for iron looks at hummus, spinach, broccoli, kale, peppers, berries, limes and lemons and unsweetened fruit juice. Get the lowdown on protein, carbs, getting your facts straight, boosting your energy, calcium without dairy, healthy habits at home and staying powerful when out and about. 176pp, softback, colour. **£12.99 NOW £6**

94253 ART NOUVEAU

by Uta Hasekamp

With a symphony of flowing lines and organic shapes, Art Nouveau influenced architecture, design, painting, graphic work, applied arts and illustration. Highlights include beautiful Tiffany and Gallé vases, the Paris Métro, train stations, department stores, door handles, furniture, dining rooms, cartoons, posters, chairs, porcelainware, Macintosh's Art-Lovers House design, the work of Frank Lloyd Wright, Austrian glassware and more. There are exquisite multi-coloured glass domes, leaded glass windows like Grasset's Le Printemps, a double page colour spread of Maurice Denis' Palting Badminton with your ladies in white flowing dresses in woodlands to stylised functional and beautiful interiors and Aubrey Beardsley's Arthurian lithographs. This edition considers hubs as Vienna, Glasgow, Munich, Weimar, Brussels, Nancy, Barcelona, Darmstadt, Helsinki and Chicago. Outstanding proponents such as Victor Horta, Antoni Gaudí, Alphonse Mucha, Gustav Klimt, Maximilian Liebenwein, Walter Crane and Charles Rennie Mackintosh are featured plus unusual works by the Belgian symbolist painter Fernand Khnopff. Oozing with hundreds of colour photos. 264 pages, softback, 21 x 24cm. **ONLY £12**

93523 INDIA

by Katja Sassmannshausen and Thilo Scheu

Snow-capped Himalayan mountains, palm-fringed sandy beaches, impenetrable tropical jungles and majestic tigers, wild elephants and brilliant birds are just some of the attractions India has to offer in over 400 photographs in this splendid volume. Covers Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh with narrow roads and mountain passes at 5000m height, Himachel Pradesh, Punjab and Harana, Rajasthan, the grewt exciting city of Delhi, Agra and the Taj Mahal, Uttar Prdesh, Sikkin, Kolkata, West Bengal, Gujarat, Mumbai, Goa, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andaman and Nicobar Islands plus culinary delights, stalls and goods, holy festivals with colourful clothing and painted faces, and street life. Maps, colour photos. Softback, 17 x 20.8cm, 504pp. **ONLY £12**

94447 FASHION VISIONARIES

by Linda Watson

Combining stunning visuals of both exciting and rare designs the book features 75 of the world's most legendary designers, their personal lives and innovative collections over the last century from Hermès, Worth, Burberry, Gucci, Chanel, Schiaparelli, Balenciaga, Hartnell, Dior, Balmain, Cardin, Givenchy, Oscar de la Renta, Ungaro, Armani, Mary Quant, Barbara Hulanicki, Yves Saint Laurent, Issey Miyake, Ralph Lauren, Vivien Westwood, Calvin Klein, Ossie Clark, Jill Sander, Paul Smith, Versace, Donna Karan, Prada, Lacroix, Jean Paul Gaultier, Helmut Lang, Dries Van Noten, Dolce & Gabbana, John Galiano, Tom Ford, Marc Jacobs, Alexander McQueen and Gareth Pugh among them. Arranged in a broadly chronological order, the book uses boxed features to display key dates, pull quotes and one glamorous full page left hand example of the designer's work, like Yves Saint Laurent's muse Catherine Deneuve wearing a strictly tailored double-breasted velvet coat in 1970. Brocade, sequins, florals, denim, Twiggy modelling Biba, Peggy Moffitt wearing a sleeveless mini dress with a central plastic strip and houndstooth patterned boots from 1966, or David Bowie's Ziggy Stardust costumes by Yamamoto, this is a visual feast. 312 huge pages in sturdy softback, 19.7 x 29.2cm. **£24.95 NOW £11.50**

ON THE NATURE TRAIL

94503 THE ROSE by Jennifer Potter
 'From whom did you steal that beauty? The rose laughs softly out of shame, but how should she tell?' - Rumi. Acclaimed horticultural historian Jennifer Potter shows that this most fragrant flower, the rose, has potency in societies around the world. She begins her story in the Greek and Roman empires and travels across Europe, the Middle East, Asia and the Americas to unravel its evolution from a simple briar of the northern hemisphere to the height of cultivated perfection found in rose gardens today. She lays bare the flower's long association with sexuality and secret societies, questioning the Crusaders' role in bringing roses back from the Holy Land, or hunting for its elusive blooms in the gardens of the Empress Josephine at Malmaison. An exquisitely beautiful heavyweight tome printed on quality paper and with hundreds of full page colour plates not only of roses but of archive paintings and historical artifacts and illuminated manuscripts, the book challenges many cherished beliefs about the rose and this thick tome looks to establish itself as the definitive history of the Queen of Flowers. Celebrated as a sacred symbol and as a token of womanhood, the rose unites Venus with the Virgin Mary, the blood of Christ with the sweat of Muhammad, the sacred and the profane, life and death, the white rose of chastity and the red rose of consummation. Not forgetting the delicate petals in different hues in the exquisite perfumes, we learn about roses which came to Europe from Turkey and Bulgaria and the Balkan mountains, rosemania and Redouté's exquisite portraits of their best creations which further inflamed passions. We have a 21st century view of cultivated roses be they old garden roses from Alba to tea and climbing tea, or modern roses like Floribunda to Polyantha. Chinese Whispers, American Beauties, the Housewife's Friend and its uses, here is trade and travel and sex and sorcery. 521 magnificent pages with approximately 100 colour illus. 16.5 x 24.1cm.

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92794 PLEASURES OF NATURE: A Literary Anthology selected by Christina Hardyment

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94360 GALAXIES: Inside the Universe's Star Cities by David Eicher

In the 1950s, radio observations revealed the presence of often millions of solar masses of interstellar gas, showing that some galaxies emitted much of their power at radio wavelengths, a process requiring massive injections of electrons moving at nearly the speed of light. These data and x-ray observations led to the recognition that multimillion solar mass blackholes lurk in the centres of most giant galaxies. With the confirmation of the Big Bang model, it was obvious that galaxies had to form in the early universe and then evolve into their present-day structures. However, theoretical model for galaxies consisting of only normal baryonic matter failed to produce credible results and the answer came from an unexpected quarter. An extra invisible component, the dark matter halos, evidently surround galaxies and make up most of their mass. In the late 20th century, the Hubble Space Telescope and ground-based 8-10m aperture telescopes opened the way to the study of useful galaxies. So where are we now? This book introduces the world of galaxies from a 21st century perspective with the help of fully realised why what we are seeing is one of nature's wonders. Very clear explanations, good graphics and wonderful galaxy pictures in colour, nice layout and typography. 22.3 x 25.9cm, small remainder mark. 256pp. **\$30 NOW £11**

93436 RICHARD III IN THE NORTH by M. J. Trow

England's most controversial King was Richard III. Forever associated with the murder of his nephews, the Princes in the Tower, he divides the nation. As spectacular as his death at Bosworth in August 1485, the last King of England to die in battle, the astonishing discovery of his bones under a Leicester car park five centuries later renewed interest in him and re-opened old debates. He had castles at Middleham and Sheriff Hutton, Penrith and Sandal; he fought the Scots along the northern border and on their own territory; his son was born at Middleham and was invested as Prince of Wales at York Minster where Richard planned to set up a college of 100 priests. His white boar device can be found in obscure corners of churches and castles; his laws, framed in the single parliament of his short reign, gave rights to the people who served him and loved him north of the Trent. And when he felt threatened or outnumbered by his enemies during those turbulent

93677 VILLAGER JIM'S GARDEN WILDLIFE by Villager Jim

Birds, bees and a whole host of other flora and fauna that share Villager Jim's garden in the tiny Peak District village of Foolow are featured in his book of stunning colour photographs of the regular visitors to his garden. Dierdre the bluetit pops by and lands on his mug, a goose waddles in, a mother duck and her tribe paddle off for a morning dip in the pond, dragonflies mate, Georgy flies into Jim's hand to collect mealworms, a tawny owl hides up a tree and the many birds fly onto the garden table to be photographed in close up by this genius nature lover. And there are rats and hares and cockerels. 128pp, 24.8 x 17.8cm, colour photos. **£19.99 NOW £7.50**

93676 VILLAGER JIM'S BOBBIN ROBIN by Villager Jim

Bobbin Robin and her birdy friends have a huge social media audience. Open up these pages to see these goings-on of wildlife friends, Jim's very best pictures taken in this beautiful setting, expressing the mood and spontaneous character of each individual shot. With humorous captions like 'Number 29 in the Miss Slim Legs Competition' and 'Don't mess with me, and no, you can't come in.' And polishing up her moves for Strictly, and singing her little heart. In flight with wings outstretched, a bird on a wire, landing on Jim's shoe as he snoozes in the hammock, under beautiful flowers and on mossy branches or landing on Christmas decorations. 128pp, 24.8 x 17.8cm, colour photos. **£19.99 NOW £7**

92851 LILIES: Beautiful Varieties for Home and Garden by Naomi Slade

The lily has cultural connotations of romance, remembrance, love and innocence. With very glossy large pages and spectacular close-up colour photographs throughout, this magnificent guide begins with the history of the flower from Greek and Roman mythology to the hybridisation of today. It is a reference to more than 50 well-loved and unusual varieties from the towering and prolific Arabian Knight to the fiery Viva la Vida, the pink pollen-free Distant Drum to the tall blonde bombshell Yelloween, the cheerful Perfect Joy in pink and the sophisticated orange with red spotted Liliium Superbum! Advice and glorious photography. 240pp, 25.4 x 19.6cm. **£25 NOW £6.50 SAVE £18.50!**

93167 SEA IS NOT MADE OF WATER by Adam Nicholson

How do crabs understand the tides? What does a prawn know? How do sandhoppers inherit an inbuilt compass from their parents? How can the depth of one wrinkle guarantee the lives of its companions? There is a section of colour photographs, plus black and white images, diagrams, and figures and maps and also a fascinating look at planetary connections, tides and rocks, sacrifice, survival, belief and a look to the future and the world's uncertainty, its fierce interfolding of opportunity and threat which makes the sea one of the most revelatory and beguiling habitats on earth. 370pp. **£20 NOW £7.50**

years of the Wars of the Roses, it was to the men of the North that Richard turned for support and advice. They became his Knights of the Body: members of the Council of the North which outlived Richard by 150 years. They died with him at Bosworth. 176pp, gazetteer, battle maps, castle plans and photos. **£25 NOW £11 SAVE £14!**

93159 IN SEARCH OF VAN GOGH by Gloria Fossi

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