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New Releases in March

Annotations from Baker & Taylor
Booking Ahead

Biography

3 Shades of Blue: Miles Davis, John Coltrane, Bill Evans, and the Lost Empire of Cool by James Kaplan

The story of how three legends came together in 1959 to create *Kind of Blue*, which is considered the greatest jazz album of all time.

Cave, The: A Secret Underground Hospital and One Woman's Story of Survival in Syria by Amani Ballour and Rania Abouzeid

Tells the story of a young doctor and activist who ran an underground hospital in Damascus, humanizing the crisis in Syria.

Elevate and Dominate: 21 Ways to Win on and Off the Field by Deion Sanders with Don Yeager

A former pro sports star delivers a playbook of personal stories, winning strategies and the motivation required to help readers "elevate and dominate" in all aspects of our lives.

House of Hidden Meanings, The by RuPaul

From the international drag superstar and pop culture icon comes an intimate memoir of growing up black, poor and queer.

Lessons for Survival: Mothering Against "the Apocalypse" by Emily Raboteau

The author crafts a moving meditation on race, climate, environmental justice—and what it takes to find shelter.

Riddles of the Sphinx, The: Inheriting the Feminist History of the Crossword Puzzle by Anna Shechtman

The author offers a memoir and history of the crossword puzzle as an unexpected site of women's work and feminist protest.

Soldiers and Kings: Survival and Hope in the World of Human Smuggling by Jason De Leon

The author who embedded himself within a group of smugglers moving migrants across Mexico over the course of seven years presents a character-driven look at human smuggling that revolves around the life and death of one coyote who falls in love and tries to leave smuggling behind.

Business and Economics

Invest Like a Girl: Jump into the Stock Market, Reach Your Money Goals, and Build Wealth by Jessica Spangler

The money educator shows women how they can overcome the systemic financial issues they face, with easy-to-implement tools, practical strategies and real-life examples that help build wealth and find financial independence.

Slow Productivity: The Lost Art of Accomplishment Without Burnout by Cal Newport

This book provides a roadmap for escaping overload and arriving at a more timeless approach to pursuing accomplishment.

Fantasy and Science Fiction

Angel of Indian Lake, The, No. 3 by Stephen Graham Jones

Jade returns to Proofrock, Idaho, to build a life after years of sacrifice—only to find the Lake Witch is waiting for her.

Diavola by Jennifer Thorne

A dysfunctional family is haunted by a vengeful Italian ghost, in a darkly funny vacation horror novel.

Haunting of Velkwood, The by Gwendolyn Kiste

Three childhood friends miraculously survive the night when everyone in their hometown turns into ghosts.

Icarus Job, The by Timothy Zahn

Hoping to take possession of a new alien star-hopping portal, Roarke and Selene are tasked with transporting an assassin, who is herself being targeted.

Lost Man's Lane by Scott Carson

A teenager explores the darkness hidden within his hometown.

Three Kinds of Lucky, No. 1 by Kim Harrison

Petra Grady, after an unthinkable accident, seeks out an outcast exiled for the crime of using dross to cast spells.

General Fiction

After Annie by Anna Quindlen

After Annie Brown dies suddenly, her family and her best friend struggle to cope, and eventually discover that they are able to grow, change and become stronger due to their memories and the lasting power of love.

Anita De Monte Laughs Last by Xochitl Gonzalez

An Ivy League student uncovers the genius work of a female artist decades after her suspicious death.

Bad Animals by Sarah Braunstein

A librarian is fired after a teen accused her of spying on her romantic romps in the bathroom and reaches out to her favorite author to help her clear her name.

Funeral Ladies of Ellerie County, The by Claire Swinarski

Armed with a Crock-Pot and a pile of recipes, a grandmother, her granddaughter and a mysterious young man work to bring a community together.

Great Divide, The by Cristina Henriquez

A novel of the construction of the Panama Canal, casting light on the people who lived, loved and labored there.

Great Expectations by Vinson Cunningham

A young black man and father comes to terms with his identity after accepting a job working on a senator's campaign to be the first Black president.

Love Discovered, A, No. 1 by Tracie Peterson

Marybeth and Edward forge a marriage of convenience as they venture westward to the newly incorporated railroad town of Cheyenne, where they must rely on each other's strength amidst the perils of their new life.

Morningside, The by Tea Obreht

Silvia becomes obsessed with the mysterious older woman who lives in the penthouse at the Morningside, a crumbling luxury tower in Island City, and is determined to unravel the truth about this woman's life.

Studies at the School by the Sea by Jenny Colgan

Literature teacher Maggie Adair loves her life at the prestigious Downey House boarding school, but lately she's feeling restless, lured by the promise of a different life back in her Scottish hometown.

Sylvia's Second Act by Hillary Yablon

Divorcing her cheating husband, Sylvia and her best friend, Evie, set up a new life in Manhattan as they pawn jewelry and rough it until Sylvia revives her old wedding planning business and realizes her entire second act is right in front of her.

Until August by Gabriel Garcia Marquez, translated by Anne McLean

Ana Magdalena Bach has been happily married for 27 years, and yet, every August, she travels by ferry to the island where her mother is buried, and for one night takes a new lover.

General Nonfiction

Home in Bloom: Lessons for Creating Floral Beauty in Every Room by Ariella Chezar with contributions by Julie Michaels

The floral designer showcases her work that incorporates architecture, light and landscape into her designs and encourages readers to bring outside nature inside, in their own floral arrangements.

Raising a Socially Successful Child: Teaching Kids the Nonverbal Language They Need to Communicate, Connect and Thrive by Stephen Nowicki

Reveals how to identify the nonverbal areas where a child might be struggling, and equips readers with a set of simple exercises for helping any child learn how to: follow the rhythm of conversations, respect others' personal space and much more.

There's Always This Year: On Basketball and Ascension by Hanif Abdurraqib

The author reflects on the era of basketball during the 1990s and explores what it means to make it, who we think deserves success, the tensions between excellence and expectation and the notion of role models.

Health and Fitness

Autoimmune Cure, The by Sara Szal Gottfried

Reveals how trauma can rewire your body to trigger autoimmune diseases—and provides a plan for readers to reset their immune system and heal.

Menopause Brain, The by Lisa Mosconi

The author shows us how to navigate menopause by discussing cutting-edge hormone replacement therapies and lifestyle changes, so we can emerge with a renewed, enhanced brain.

Power Food Diet, The by Neal D. Barnard

The author shows how certain foods can reduce the appetite, trap calories so they cannot be absorbed, and increase the body's ability to burn calories, without calorie counting or deprivation.

Historical Fiction

All Our Yesterdays by Joel H. Morris

Set before the events in Shakespeare's play, follows the life of Lady Macbeth who was married to the sadistic Mormaer of Moray at age 15 and relied on her wits to survive with her young son.

All the World Beside by Garrard Conley

In eighteenth century Massachusetts, Reverend Whitfield develops a passionate relationship with physician Arthur Lyman and their families must deal with secrets, lies and judgements.

Double Lives, No. 4 by Mary Monroe

Southern identical twin sisters decide to switch places when one is being stifled in a passionless marriage and the other is heartbroken over losing her true love.

Finding Margaret Fuller by Allison Pataki

Describes how Margaret Fuller became the beating heart of the Transcendentalists, becoming a role model to Louisa May Alcott, an inspiration to Nathaniel Hawthorne and a muse to Henry David Thoreau.

James by Percival L. Everett

Describes the events of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* through the eyes of the enslaved Jim, who decides to hide on Jackson Island after learning he is to be sold to a man in New Orleans.

Pelican Girls by Julia Sixtine Marie Malye

Captures the never-before-told journey of the *Baleine Brides*: a ship full of young women plucked from a Paris asylum and sent to marry settlers in North America's Louisiana Territory.

Underground Library, The by Jennifer Ryan

When Bethnal Green Library in London is destroyed, librarian Juliet Lansdown, along with two other women, relocates the stacks to the local Underground station where the city's residents shelter nightly, determined to lend out stories that will keep spirits up, but tragedy after tragedy threatens to destroy what they've built.

History

Plentiful Country: The Great Potato Famine and the Making of Irish New York by Tyler Anbinder

A history of the Irish immigrants who arrived in the United States during the Great Potato Famine shows how their strivings in and beyond New York exemplify the tenacity and triumph of Irish America.

What Would Reagan Do? by Chris Christie, with Ellis Henican

The former governor wonders what Americans can learn from the presidency of Ronald Reagan.

Mystery and Detective

Deadly Walk in Devon, A, No. 1 by Nicholas George

A grieving detective and his best friend join a walking tour of England to get his mind off the loss of his partner and become tangled in a murder mystery involving a wealthy and unpopular entrepreneur.

Finlay Donovan Rolls the Dice, No. 4 by Elle Cosimano

Finlay Donovan and her nanny/partner-in-crime, Vera, arrive in Atlantic City and must find the location of Vera's kidnapped crush and a stolen car.

Grave Robbery, A, No. 9 by Deanna Raybourn

Veronica and Stoke investigate after the purchase of a wax figure by Lord Rosemorran turns out to be the preserved body of a real young woman.

In Sunshine or in Shadow, No. 20 by Rhys Bowen and Clare Broyles

In the New York Catskills, tensions are running high, and it's not long before a body delays Molly Murphy's return to Westchester.

Listen for the Lie by Amy Tintera

When Lucy's friend is murdered, anyone could be the killer, and soon enough a true-crime podcast comes investigating.

Murder in the Tea Leaves, No. 27 by Laura Childs

When she reads the tea leaves on the set of the movie, *Dark Fortunes*, resulting in a murder, Theodosia Browning starts her own investigation and when she's about to solve the case, another murder occurs.

Watch Where They Hide by Tamron Hall

Journalist Jordan Manning delves into the case of a mother in danger and uncovers a web of secrets that could lead right to the missing woman—or put Jordan in the crosshairs of her abductors.

Parenting

Breakthrough Years, The by Ellen Galinsky

Blending cutting-edge research with engaging storytelling, the author offers readers a paradigm-shifting comprehensive understanding of adolescence.

Raising Mentally Strong Kids by Daniel G. Amen and Charles Fay

The author and neuropsychiatrist and a child psychologist team up in this book that gives parents practical tools to help them raise mentally healthy kids who are equipped to thrive.

You're Not Done Yet by Janet B. Hibbs and Anthony Rostain

A guide for parents with adult children who need help navigating the challenges to launching an independent life.

Political Science

Return of Great Powers, The: Russia, China, and the Next World War by Jim Sciutto

The author analyzes a historic and visible shift in real time, asking us to consider uncertain outcomes, and whether the West, Russia and China can prevent a new World War.

We've Got Issues: How You Can Stand Strong for America's Soul and Sanity by Phillip C. McGraw

The beloved television host brings a new book on how to come home to our core values, fortify our families and re-embrace self-determination and self-governance.

Religion

Cloistered: My Years As a Nun by Catherine Coldstream

A memoir of life inside the world of a Carmelite monastery and the personal journey into and out of an enclosed life of poverty, chastity and obedience.

God's Ghostwriters: Enslaved Christians and the Making of the Bible by Candida Moss

The biblical scholar tells the untold story of how enslaved people created, gave meaning to and spread the message of the New Testament, shaping the foundations of Christianity in ways both subtle and profound.

Romance

Expiration Dates by Rebecca Serle

Each time she meets a new man, Daphne creates a slip of paper with his name and a number on it—the exact amount of time they will be together; usually she is right, but when she meets Jake, her whole system is thrown for a loop.

Never Too Late by Danielle Steel

Kezia Cooper Hobson, recently widowed, moves into a penthouse where she forms a connection with her movie-star next door neighbor over their strong impulse to help those in need after a devastating crisis.

Trail of Lost Hearts, The by Tracey Garvis Graves

After her fiancé dies and she discovers that he was already married with children, Wren Waters escapes to the Pacific Northwest for a week getaway and throws herself into the world of geocaching, a hobby for modern-day treasure hunters.

Social Science

Imagine Freedom: Transforming Pain into Political and Spiritual Power by Rahiel Tesfamariam

The author offers a bold path to liberation and healing for people of African descent struggling with the American Dream.

Metaracism: How Systemic Racism Devastates Black Lives and How We Break Free by Tricia Rose

A new account of what systemic racism actually is, how it works and how we can fight back and create a more just America.

Suspense

#1 Lawyer, The by James Patterson and Nancy Allen

Stafford Lee Penney, Mississippi's #1 Lawyer who has never lost a case, when his wife is killed, spirals into a legal and personal legal streak, ruining his career, and making him the nation's #1 suspect.

2054 by Elliot Ackerman and James Stavridis

The fate of American democracy is threatened by a tech visionary who uses a breakthrough in AI to assassinate the president.

Baby X by Kira Peikoff

In a world where any biological matter can be used to create life, stolen celebrity DNA sells to the highest bidder.

Blessed Water, No. 1 by Margot Douaihy

A nun who moonlights at a detective agency feels she is called on by God to find the killer after discovering a dead priest.

Every Secret by Christina Dodd

A woman who lives alone in an isolated lighthouse is confronted by a man who appears on her doorstep and knows every secret she's kept since one fateful night.

Everyone is Watching by Heather Gudenkauf

A twisty locked room thriller about a mysterious, high-stakes game show that proves life threatening.

Good Half Gone by Tarryn Fisher

After witnessing her twin sister get kidnapped years prior, Iris decides to intern at a hospital for the criminally insane where she believes the perpetrator is being held.

Has Anyone Seen Charlotte Salter? by Nicci French

Two families shattered by tragedy have secrets that have been waiting decades to be revealed.

Hunter, The by Tana French

Cal Hooper has built a relationship with Lena and is turning teenaged Trey Reddy into a good kid, but when Trey's long absent father reappears with a get-rich-quick scheme, Trey wants revenge.

Last Verse, The by Caroline Frost

A struggling musician writes a hit song that both promises her long-sought-after fame and implicates her in a crime.

Murder Road by Simone St. James

Newlyweds April and Eddie pick up an injured hitchhiker who later dies, and, now suspects in a series of unexplained murders, must dig into the town's history to clear their names and discover there's something supernatural on that horrible stretch of road.

Mystery Writer, The by Sulari Gentill

When he is accused of murdering his sister Theo's lover, Gus, after Theo disappears, soon discovers that in order to protect the carefully constructed deceit, Theo, and everyone who looked for her must die.

New Couple in 5B, The by Lisa Unger

A couple inherits an apartment with a spine-tingling past.

Princess of Las Vegas, The by Chris Bohjalian

Living in the Buckingham Palace Casino, Crissy Dowling, a Princess Diana impersonator, finds her carefully constructed kingdom crashing down when the owner of the casino is brutally murdered.

Sleeping Giants by Rene Denfeld

A novel exploring sibling bonds, foster children, monsters masquerading as caretakers, terrifying secrets and the power of love to right the most egregious wrongs.

Still See You Everywhere, No. 3 by Lisa Gardner

Asked by a female serial killer to locate her long-lost sister who was kidnapped over a decade ago, Frankie Elkin is led to a tech mogul's remote island where she goes undercover to learn the truth.

Truth About the Devlins, The by Lisa Scottoline

A disappointment in the prominent Devlin family, TJ Devlin finds his world turned upside down when his lawyer brother confesses he has just killed one of his clients, and, seizing this chance to prove his worth, becomes entangled in a deadly web of deception and murder to save his brother.

Wild Side, The by Fern Michaels

Called back to the Office of Special Investigations for a highly specialized assignment, school guidance counselor Melanie Drake must pose as an escort to infiltrate an international group of billionaires.

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