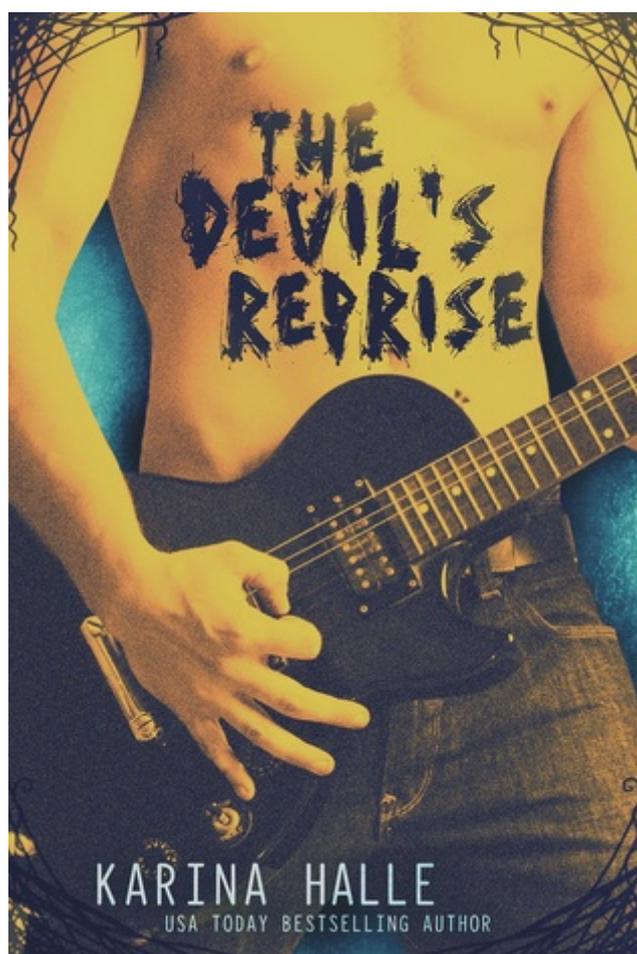


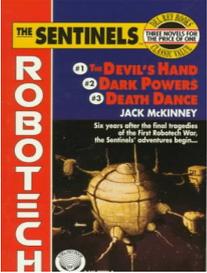
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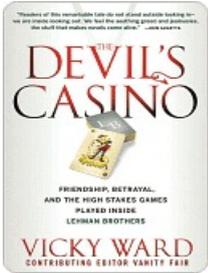


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dawn to accompany him on his first solo tour across europe and write about it for creem magazine. but like the last tour, nothing is as easy as it seems. sage is a broken man on the path to self-destruction and dawn isn't sure if she's the right person to save him. and aside from having to pick up the pieces of their burgeoning relationship, they have to negotiate the mysterious new photographer assigned to dawn's story, as well as vindictive promoters and demonic groupies they thought they'd never see again. because this time, it's dawn who made a deal with the devil and the only thing worse than having to uphold a bargain with the prince of darkness is not remembering how you're supposed to pay it back. it may be with their souls. ...more

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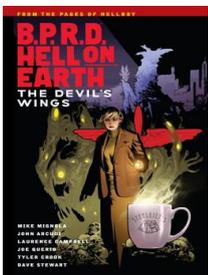
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THE DEVIL'S CASINO: FRIENDSHIP, BETRAYAL, AND THE HIGH STAKES GAMES PLAYED INSIDE LEHMAN BROTHERS

the inside story of what really happened at lehman brothers and why it failed in the devil's casino: friendship, betrayal, and the high stakes games played inside lehman brothers, investigative writer and vanity fair contributing editor vicky ward takes readers inside lehman's highly charged offices. what ward uncovers is a much bigger story than lehman losing at the risky the inside story of what really happened at lehman brothers and why it failed in the devil's casino: friendship, betrayal, and the high stakes games played inside lehman brothers, investigative writer and vanity fair contributing editor vicky ward takes readers inside lehman's highly charged offices. what ward uncovers is a much bigger story than lehman losing at the risky game of collateralized debt obligations, swaps, and leverage. a can't put it down page turner that opens the world of wall street to view unlike any book since bonfire of the vanities, except that the devil's casino isn't fiction. details what went on behind-the-scenes the weekend lehman brothers failed, as well as inside lehman during the twenty years preceding it describes the feudal culture that proved both lehman's strength and its achilles' heel written by vicky ward, one of today's most connected business and finance writers on wall street, lehman brothers was cheekily known as "the cat with nine lives." but as the devil's casino documents, this cat pushed its luck too far and died?the victim of men and women blinded by arrogance. ...more

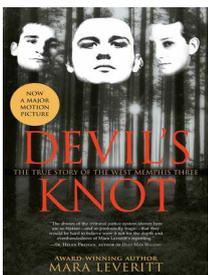
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B P R D HELL ON EARTH, VOL 10: THE DEVIL'S WINGS (B P R D HELL ON EARTH #10)

there is panic at the bprd when a blackout hits—and kate is possessed! but with johann dealing with gigantic monsters from another dimension in japan, how will liz and the remaining agents save kate? this volume collects b.p.r.d. hell on earth #120–#124.

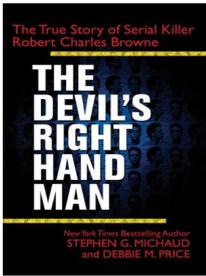
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DEVIL'S KNOT: THE TRUE STORY OF THE WEST MEMPHIS THREE (JUSTICE KNOT #1)

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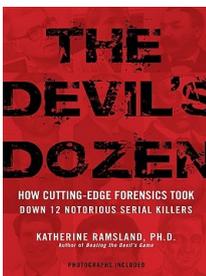
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THE DEVIL'S RIGHT-HAND MAN: THE TRUE STORY OF SERIAL KILLER ROBERT CHARLES BROWNE

from a new york times bestselling author and an award- winning journalist comes the gripping true story of a cold-blooded killer. in 2000, robert charles browne wrote a letter from his prison cell in colorado, where he was serving a life sentence for the murder of a young girl. "the score is you one, the other team 48," wrote browne. "seven sacred virgins entombed side by side, those less worthy are scattered wide." no one in local law enforcement knew what to make of this message, nor could they guess the bizarre murder saga about to land in their laps. then in 2002, three retirees formed their own cold case squad-and wound up tracing browne's tantalizing and enigmatic clues to unsolved murders in six states. this is the gripping, powerful true story of a cold-blooded killer-and the tireless investigators who defied all odds to uncover his chilling truth. ...more

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THE DEVIL'S DOZEN: HOW CUTTING-EDGE FORENSICS TOOK DOWN 12 NOTORIOUS SERIAL KILLERS

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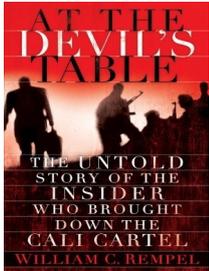
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HISTORICAL ROMANCE 2-BOOK BUNDLE: THE DEVIL'S LOVE AND WICKED ANGEL

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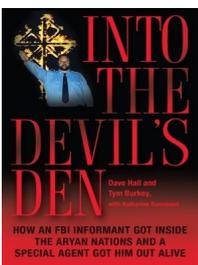
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AT THE DEVIL'S TABLE: THE UNTOLD STORY OF THE INSIDER WHO BROUGHT DOWN THE CALI CARTEL

in this riveting and relentless nonfiction thriller, award-winning investigative reporter william c. rempel tells the harrowing story of former cali cartel insider jorge salcedo, an ordinary man facing an extraordinary dilemma—a man forced to risk everything to escape the powerful and treacherous cali crime syndicate. colombia in the 1990s is a country in chaos, as a weak government battles guerrilla movements and narco-traffickers, including the notorious pablo escobar and his rivals in the cali cartel. enter jorge salcedo, a part-time soldier, a gifted engineer, a respected businessman and family man—and a man who despises pablo escobar for patriotic and deeply personal reasons. he is introduced to the godfathers of the cali cartel, who are at war with escobar and desperately want their foe dead. with mixed feelings, jorge agrees to help them. once inside, jorge rises to become head of security for miguel rodríguez orejuela, principal godfather of the \$7-billion-a-year cali drug cartel. jorge tries to turn a blind eye to the violence, corruption, and brutality that surround him, and he struggles privately to preserve his integrity even as he is drawn deeper into the web of cartel operations. then comes an order from the godfathers that he can't obey—but can't refuse. jorge realizes that his only way out is to bring down the biggest, richest crime syndicate of all time. thus begins a heart-pumping roller-coaster ride of intensifying peril. secretly aided by a pair of young american dea agents, jorge races time and cartel assassins to extract damaging evidence, help capture the fugitive godfather, and save the life of a witness targeted for murder. through it all, death lurks a single misstep away. william c. rempel is the only reporter with access to this story and to jorge, who remains in hiding somewhere in the united states—even the author doesn't know where—but has revealed his experience in gripping detail. salcedo's is the story of one extraordinary ordinary man forced to risk everything to end a nightmare of his own making. ...more

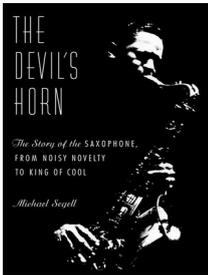
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INTO THE DEVIL'S DEN: HOW AN FBI INFORMANT GOT INSIDE THE ARYAN NATIONS AND A SPECIAL AGENT GOT HIM OUT ALIVE

in 1996, the aryan nations was considered to be the most dangerous white supremacist group in the united states. this brutally violent neo-nazi organization dreamed of carving an isolated homeland out of the american northwest—a dream they would finance by robbery, intimidation, and murder. for years, the fbi had sought to infiltrate the aryan nations, only to be thwarted in 1996, the aryan nations was considered to be the most dangerous white supremacist group in the united states. this brutally violent neo-nazi organization dreamed of carving an isolated homeland out of the american northwest—a dream they would finance by robbery, intimidation, and murder. for years, the fbi had sought to infiltrate the aryan nations, only to be thwarted by the group's extreme paranoia of new members. enter dave hall, a tattooed, 350-pound, six-foot-four former biker. a black belt in martial arts, he could fight, drink, and ride with the best—which is to say, the worst—of them. but hall was no stereotypical biker. a thoughtful, articulate man blessed with a photographic memory and an unshakeable core of decency, hall was looking for a new direction in life. after hall was arrested for his minor involvement in a drug deal, fbi special agent tym burkey gave him a choice: go to jail or become an informant. hall didn't go to jail. so began a most unlikely partnership, between a hell-raising former biker and a by-the-book fbi man. the oddest of odd couples, they would slowly forge a unique friendship based on trust and support—a friendship that hall especially would come to value in the months and years ahead. for what was supposed to be a short-term assignment grew to something much longer, and bigger in scope, as hall became the ohio aryan nations leader's right hand man. and more and more, hall suspected that a significant terrorist action was being planned, something on the order of the oklahoma city bombing. yet with the clock ticking, hall found his hold on reality crumbling as he was forced into behaviors and beliefs that repelled him. with the ever-present threat of discovery and death hanging over his head, he felt his psyche start to fragment, leading to estrangement from his family and friends, and vicious bouts of insomnia, night terrors, and panic attacks. but it was too late to back out. together, hall and burkey would have to finish their dance with the devil. harrowing and intense, this true-life thriller is a testament to bravery, dedication, and friendship—and a timely reminder that america's homegrown terrorists can be just as deadly as those from overseas. ...more

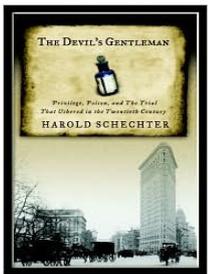
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THE DEVIL'S HORN: THE STORY OF THE SAXOPHONE, FROM NOISY NOVELTY TO KING OF COOL

in the devil's horn, michael segell traces the 160-year history of the saxophone—a horn that created a sound never before heard in nature, and that from the moment it debuted has aroused both positive and negative passions among all who hear it. the saxophone has insinuated itself into virtually every musical idiom that has come along since its birth as well as into music in the devil's horn, michael segell traces the 160-year history of the saxophone—a horn that created a sound never before heard in nature, and that from the moment it debuted has aroused both positive and negative passions among all who hear it. the saxophone has insinuated itself into virtually every musical idiom that has come along since its birth as well as into music with traditions thousands of years old. but it has also been controversial, viewed as a symbol of decadence, immorality and lasciviousness: it was banned in japan, saxophonists have been sent to siberian lockdown by communist officials, and a pope even indicted it. segell outlines the saxophone's fascinating history while he highlights many of its legendary players, including benny carter, illinois jacquet, sonny rollins, lee konitz, phil woods, branford marsalis, and michael brecker. the devil's horn explores the saxophone's intersections with social movement and change, the innovative acoustical science behind the instrument, its struggles in the world of "legit" music, and the mystical properties that seduce all who fall under its influence. colorful, evocative, and richly informed, the devil's horn is an ingenious portrait of one of the most popular instruments in the world. ...more

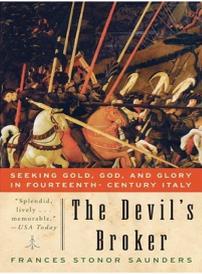
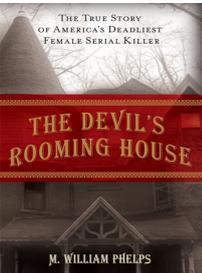
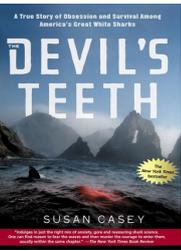
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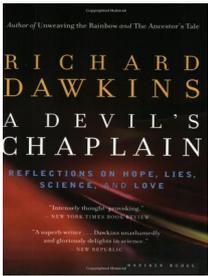


THE DEVIL'S GENTLEMAN: PRIVILEGE, POISON, AND THE TRIAL THAT USHERED IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

from renowned true-crime historian harold schechter, whom the boston book review hails as “america’s principal chronicler of its greatest psychopathic killers,” comes the riveting exploration of a notorious, sensational new york city murder in the 1890s, the fascinating forensic science of an earlier age, and the explosively dramatic trial that became a tabloid sensation a from renowned true-crime historian harold schechter, whom the boston book review hails as “america’s principal chronicler of its greatest psychopathic killers,” comes the riveting exploration of a notorious, sensational new york city murder in the 1890s, the fascinating forensic science of an earlier age, and the explosively dramatic trial that became a tabloid sensation at the turn of the century. death was by poison and came in the mail: a package of bromo seltzer had been anonymously sent to harry cornish, the popular athletic director of manhattan’s elite knickerbocker athletic club. cornish barely survived swallowing a small dose; his cousin mrs. katherine adams died in agony after ingesting the toxic brew. scandal sheets owned by hearst and pulitzer eagerly jumped on this story of fatal high-society intrigue, speculating that the devious killer was a chemist, a woman, or “an effeminate man.” forensic studies suggested cyanide as the cause of death; handwriting on the deadly package and the vestige of a label glued to the bottle pointed to a handsome, athletic society scamp, roland molineux. the wayward son of a revered civil war general, molineux had clashed bitterly with cornish before. he had even furiously denounced cornish when penning his resignation from the knickerbocker club, a letter that later proved a major clue. bon vivant molineux had recently wed the sensuous blanche chesebrough, an opera singer whose former lover, henry barnet, had also recently died after taking medicine sent to him through the mail. molineux’s subsequent indictment for murder led to two explosive trials, a sex-infused scandal that shocked the nation, and a lurid print-media circus that ended in madness and a proud family’s disgrace. in bold, brilliant strokes, schechter captures all the colors of the tumultuous legal case, gathering his own evidence and tackling subjects no one dared address at the time—all in hopes of answering the tantalizing question: what powerfully dark motives could drive the wealthy scion of an eminent new york family to foul murder? schechter vividly portrays the case’s fascinating cast of characters, including julian hawthorne, son of nathaniel hawthorne, a prolific yellow journalist who covered the story, and proud general edward leslie molineux, whose son’s ignoble deeds besmirched a dignified national hero’s final years. all the while schechter brings alive manhattan’s gilded age: a gaslit world of elegant town houses and hidden bordellos, chic restaurants and shabby opium dens, a city peopled by men and women fighting and losing the battle against urges an upright era had ordered suppressed. superbly researched and powerfully written, the devil’s gentleman is an insightful, gripping work, a true-crime historian’s crowning achievement. ...more

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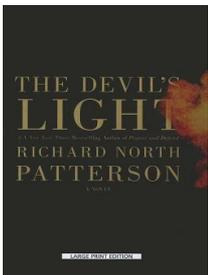
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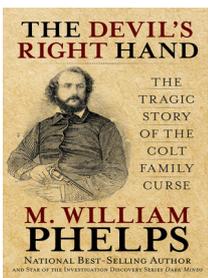
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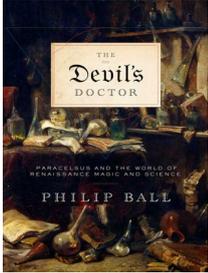
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