JOHN SANDOE (BOOKS) LTD



10 Blacklands Terrace, Chelsea, London SW3 2SR

sales@johnsandoe.com

www.johnsandoe.com

020 7589 9473

SPRING BOOKS 2019

Price and availability may be subject to occasional revision

BIOGRAPHY

SPIES AND STARS: MI5, SHOWBUSINESS AND ME Charlotte Bingham

Our heroine falls in love with a handsome young actor... A sequel to MI5 and Me. £16.99

BEYOND THE THIRTY-NINE STEPS: A LIFE OF JOHN BUCHAN Ursula Buchan

A new life of the son of a Gorbals Free Church Minister who became Governor-General of Canada, as well as being the creator of Richard Hannay. £25

WORKING: RESEARCHING, INTERVIEWING, WRITING Robert A Caro

A memoir by the author of the stupendous Lyndon Johnson biography. £20

EMPEROR: A NEW LIFE OF CHARLES V Geoffrey Parker

"The iron hand in the velvet glove": the Holy Roman Emperor who ruled an empire of 1.5 million square miles over which, long before the British claimed the same, the sun was said never to set. £25

WORKING WITH WINSTON Cita Stelzer

Intimidating, energetic and demanding, Churchill also inspired fierce loyalty. Drawing on oral testimonies and other unpublished sources of numerous secretaries, CS shows what it was like to work for him. £20

THE CHURCHILL WHO SAVED BLENHEIM: THE LIFE OF SUNNY, 9TH DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH

Michael Waterhouse

MW is a grandson of the 9th Duke and the 'dollar princess', Consuelo Vanderbilt. £25

BY THE WAY... Algy Cluff

A third volume from the indefatigable author of Get On With It and Unsung Heroes, in which he turns his attention to the knaves, fools and heroes who have crossed his path. £20

FAMILY BUSINESS Peter | Conradi

A delicate memoir exploring his Jewish background, his sexuality, and his relationship with Iris Murdoch and John Bayley, who became almost a second family for him. £20

WHITE Bret Easton Ellis

Part memoir and part cultural analysis, from the enfant terrible of American literature. £16.99

MARGARET DE FLAHAUT (1788-1867): A SCOTSWOMAN AT THE FRENCH COURT

Diana Scarisbrick A vivid account of a Napoleonic general's wife who was received in many of the great houses of England and Scotland. She referred to the Duke of Wellington as "that bully". £30

VASILY GROSSMAN AND THE SOVIET CENTURY Alexandra Popoff

VG reported on events that shaped the C20th: famine in the Ukraine, Stalingrad, the Holocaust. Always opposed to totalitarianism, he was not afraid to compare Nazi and Soviet atrocities, and to draw parallels between the two ideologies. This is a fine biography. £25

THE CLUB: JOHNSON, BOSWELL AND THE FRIENDS WHO SHAPED AN AGE

Leo Damrosch

The 'Club', aka the Turk's Head Tavern, was frequented by Joshua Reynolds, Edmund Burke, Adam Smith, Edward Gibbon *et al.* A lively tour of the Johnsonian world. *f* 20

PHILOSOPHER OF THE HEART: THE RESTLESS LIFE OF SØREN KIERKEGAARD

Clare Carlisle

Hot on the heels of Sue Prideaux's superb biography of Nietzsche, we now have a splendid account of the Socrates of Copenhagen. f25

L.E.L.: THE LOST LIFE AND SCANDALOUS DEATH OF LETITIA ELIZABETH LANDON, THE CELEBRATED "FEMALE BYRON" Lucasta Miller

On 15 October 1838, the body of a thirty-six-year-old woman was found in Cape Coast Castle, West Africa, with a bottle of Prussic acid in her hand. She was one of the most famous English poets of her day. The story of her life, and the cover-up following her death, is extraordinary. £25

THE SONG OF SIMON DE MONTFORT: ENGLAND'S FIRST REVOLUTIONARY AND THE DEATH OF CHIVALRY Sophie Therese Ambler

An inspiring account of the life of the charismatic knight who, fed up with incompetent governance, marched on Westminster and ruled with his revolutionary council for 15 months in 1265 before - predictably - dying in battle. £20

NOBLE SAVAGES: THE OLIVIER SISTERS: FOUR LIVES IN SEVEN FRAGMENTS

Sarah Watling

An account of the brilliant, emancipated Edwardian sisters. Two studied at Cambridge where they knew Rupert Brooke, one was a doctor. £25

THE PROFESSOR AND THE PARSON: A STORY OF DESIRE, DECEIT AND DEFROCKING Adam Sisman

The unlikely story of Robert Parkin Peters, one of Britain's most eccentric criminals. His trail of destruction included seven marriages (only three were bigamous), an investigation by the FBI and a disastrous appearance on *Mastermind*. £12.99

IN THE SHADOW OF VESUVIUS: A LIFE OF PLINY Daisy Dunn

The brilliant man who, as a youth, watched the cataclysm at Pompeii while his uncle sailed towards it. £20

MARY QUANT Edited by Jenny Lister, introduction by Suzy Menkes

The woman who launched the miniskirt on an unsuspecting, still bowler-hatted world. To accompany the exhibition at the Victoria & Albert Museum. £30

CONRAN/QUANT: SWINGING LONDON - A LIFESTYLE REVOLUTION

Geoffrey Rayner

Our neighbours in Chelsea, who changed the course of design in the 1960s. £40

THE LIFE AND LEGEND OF THE SULTAN SALADIN Jonathan Phillips

A riveting biography of the Kurdish-born warrior and diplomat, whose empire stretched from Western Iraq to North Africa and whose memory is still potent in the contemporary Middle East. £25

JACQUES SCHIFFRIN: A PUBLISHER IN EXILE, FROM PLÉIADE TO PANTHEON

Amos Reichman

A Russian exile, JS knew the gamut of the literary world – Gide, Sartre, Berenson, etc. £24

AN IMPECCABLE SPY: RICHARD SORGE, STALIN'S MASTER AGENT

Owen Matthews

Ian Fleming described Sorge as "the most formidable spy in history". This new life draws on recently declassified Russian material and has been widely praised. f25

MICHAEL TIPPETT: THE BIOGRAPHY Oliver Soden

A life of the humane and complex composer, who spanned the C20th. £25

HISTORICAL

THE BRITISH ARE COMING: THE WAR FOR AMERICA, LEXINGTON TO PRINCETON, 1775-1777

Rick Atkinson

From the author of an excellent 3-volume history of WW2. £25

APPEASING HITLER: CHAMBERLAIN, CHURCHILL AND THE ROAD TO WAR Tim Bouverie

Gripping, even-handed, alive to personality and political pressures, this brilliant narrative of the British response to Hitler has powerful contemporary resonances. £20

CHANEL'S RIVIERA: THE CÔTE D'AZUR IN PEACE AND WAR, 1930-1944 Anne de Courcy

Coco, Churchill, Dali, Daisy Fellowes, the Windsors, Eileen Gray, Edith Wharton... £20

ORIGINS: HOW THE EARTH MADE US Lewis Dartnell

Did you know that voting patterns in today's USA follow the bed of an ancient sea? This is a superb account of how the planet's composition affects our human story. £20

UPHEAVAL: HOW NATIONS COPE WITH CRISIS AND CHANGE

Iared Diamond

Geography, biology and anthropology inform this analysis of what elements foster national resilience to challenges. From the author of *Guns, Germs and Steel.* £25

COURT NUMBER ONE: THE OLD BAILEY TRIALS THAT DEFINED MODERN BRITAIN Thomas Grant A cornucopia of causes célèbres from the author of Jeremy Hutchinson's Case Histories. £25

NELSON'S ARCTIC VOYAGE: THE ROYAL NAVY'S FIRST POLAR EXPEDITION 1773 Peter Goodwin

The narrative is constructed from the diaries of the commander, Constantine Phipps, and the ship's journal. He didn't find the North West Passage, but this book gives insight into later exploring expeditions, as well as an intriguing view of the young Horatio Nelson. £25

SHE-MERCHANTS, BUCCANEERS AND GENTLEWOMEN: BRITISH WOMEN IN INDIA 1600 – 1900 Katie Hickman

A cavalcade of lively women, denizens of gutters as well as palaces, covering every kind of profession. This invigorating history returns respect to the term 'memsahib'. £20

OUR MAN DOWN IN HAVANA - THE STORY BEHIND GRAHAM GREENE'S COLD WAR SPY NOVEL Christopher Hull

Deported from Puerto Rico in 1954, Greene unexpectedly found himself in Havana, "where every vice was permissible and every trade possible." £19.99

BARBARIANS AT THE WALL: THE FIRST NOMADIC EMPIRE AND THE MAKING OF CHINA John Man The Xiongnu – almost certainly cognate with 'Huns' – who dominated the heart of Asia, from Kazakhstan to Northern China, for four centuries from 300 BC. #20

DREAMS OF LEAVING AND REMAINING James Meek

In search of the stories and consequences arising from the "United" Kingdom's alienation from itself. Fine reportage about our divided times. f.16.99

HOW WAS IT FOR YOU?: WOMEN, SEX, LOVE AND POWER IN THE 1960s

Virginia Nicholson

The 1960s and its myths unpicked by agile hands. $\int 20$

WHO OWNS ENGLAND?: HOW WE LOST OUR GREEN AND PLEASANT LAND, AND HOW TO TAKE IT BACK

Guy Shrubsole

A rather fascinating polemic about land ownership in England. £20

THE BORGIAS: POWER AND FORTUNE Paul Strathern

The rise and fall of a great Renaissance family. £25

THE LAST HURRAH: THE 1947 ROYAL TOUR OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE END OF EMPIRE

Graham Viney

An atmospheric account of a Royal visit that, while triumphant, did not hold back the tide. £25

OUTRAGES: SEX, CENSORSHIP AND THE CRIMINALISATION OF LOVE

Naomi Wolf

Under the terms of the Obscene Publications Act of 1857, writers, editors, publishers, artists and gallerists became gatekeepers of a new legalistic idea: 'public decency'. Wolf invokes Symonds, Whitman, Rosetti and many others in this brilliant exposition of suppression. £20

LAST BOAT OUT OF SHANGHAI: THE EPIC STORY OF THE CHINESE WHO FLED MAO'S REVOLUTION Helen Zia

Gripping tales from some of the last people to leave China in 1949. £24

FICTION

SUNFALL Jim Al-Khalili

A first novel - or techno-thriller - from the physicist, academic and good egg, OBE. £16.99

SALT SLOW Julia Armfield

Eerie short fiction from the winner of the White Review's Short Story Prize 2018. £12.99

LOST PROPERTY Laura Beatty

LB is a fine writer, and this is a remarkable novel combining a voyage across Europe in a decrepit van with a voyage through the continent's history. £14.99

THE STRANGER FROM THE SEA Paul Binding

A moving re-imagining of Ibsen's The Lady From the Sea, set in an English Channel town. £24

RUN AWAY Harlan Coben

A father finds his lost daughter busking in New York's Central Park. She runs, he follows, we tremble... £20

THE LANGUAGE OF BIRDS Jill Dawson

A compelling novel inspired by the Lord Lucan case. £18.99

DAWN Selahattin Demirtaş

Short stories from the Turkey's most famous political prisoner, the former head of the pro-Kurdish Peoples' Democratic Party who ran for president in 2018 from behind bars. £10.99

GUN ISLAND Amitav Ghosh

The new novel from this great writer is a carefully angled mirror to the contemporary world. £20

THIS BRUTAL HOUSE Niven Govinden

Set amidst the salvaged glamour and defiance of New York's drag ball scene. £14.99

A STRANGER CITY Linda Grant

A woman's body dredged from the Thames prompts questions about what it is to be a Londoner. £16.99

STALINGRAD Vasily Grossman

This immense, epic novel is the prequel to his equally immense and epic Life and Fate. £25

THE PARISIAN Isabella Hammad

A much-anticipated début about a young Palestinian man sent to study medicine in Paris in 1914. Set against the collapse of the Ottoman Empire and the political complexities that ensued. £14.99

THE STRAWBERRY THIEF Joanne Harris

A return to Vianne Rocher and Lansquenet-sous-Tannes, loved since the bestselling Chocolat. f.20

CARI MORA Thomas Harris

Violence, sex, money, beastliness from the author of The Silence of the Lambs. £20

THOSE WHO ARE LOVED Victoria Hislop

Follows a young Athenian woman through the German occupation of Greece and beyond. £20

ACCIDENTAL AGENT Alan Judd

Espionage in Brexit... Judd is one of the best spy writers. £,14.99

RUSSIAN STORIES Edited by Christoph Keller

Another in the excellent Everyman series (following Venice Stories last autumn). £10.99

METROPOLIS Philip Kerr The 14th (and, sadly, posthumous) Bernie Gunther thriller. £20

THE PENGUIN BOOK OF ITALIAN SHORT STORIES Edited by Jhumpa Lahiri

From the Risorgimento to the present. Calvino, Morante, Pirandello, etc as well as many other lesser known authors. A handsome accompaniment to Penguin's recent and very successful Book of Japanese Short Stories. £25

THE DOLL FACTORY Elizabeth Macneal

A buzzy début novel about a Pre-Raphaelite 'stunner' with artistic ambitions of her own, full of Victorian clutter with gratifyingly morbid edge. £12.99

THE NINE CLOUD DREAM Kim Man-Jung

A sort of Buddhist version of *The Divine Comedy*, in which a monk distracted by eight delightful fairies is reborn as the ideal man. A new translation of this C17th Korean masterpiece. pbk £11.99

THE WINKER Andrew Martin

In a Belgravia pub in 1976, a faded rock star winks at a girl through the cigarette smoke... A delicious murder story from the author of *The Necropolis Railway, The Yellow Diamond* and others. £16.99

MACHINES LIKE ME Ian McEwan

The 1980s, in a very different London: Turing lives and a synthetic 'human' causes moral problems. (18.99)

THROW ME TO THE WOLVES Patrick McGuinness

A moving, clever novel about historical abuse and violence in schools, and the power of the media. £14.99

THE FRIENDS OF HARRY PERKINS Chris Mullin

Another post-Brexit thriller, a sequel to the brilliant (and bestselling) A Very British Coup. £12

SHADOWPLAY Joseph O'Connor

An entertaining, atmospheric novel exploring the dynamics of love and creativity between Henry Irving, Ellen Terry and Bram Stoker. £14.99

KOZŁOWSKI Jane Rogoyska

A novel about the 1940 Katyn Forest massacre, for which Soviet and Russian governments denied responsibility until 1990. Wonderfully, and despite its tragic theme, this is a book about life and hope. £16.99

GUESTBOOK: GHOST STORIES Leanne Shapton

"Ghost stories for a world of images and captions". Full of odd pics and mysterious sequences. Not conventional fiction (well, Shapton was the author of *Important Artifacts and Personal Property...*)! (22

SPRING Ali Smith

Third installment of AS's quartet and the whole is beginning to take shape. Generous and hopeful. £16.99

THE KING'S EVIL Andrew Taylor

Murder in 1667 London, from the author of The Ashes of London. £14.99

MAC AND HIS PROBLEM Enrique Vila-Matas

"I'm fascinated by the current vogue for posthumous books, and I'm thinking of writing a fake one...": an intricate literary caprice set in a Barcelona heatwave, with humour and a light touch. pbk £14.99

THE DEATH OF MURAT IDRISSI Tommy Wieringa

Shades of *The Sheltering Sky* in this novella about two young Dutch women getting out of their depth in Morocco. Longlisted for the International Man Booker. £12.99

FRANKISSSTEIN: A LOVE STORY | Jeanette Winterson

A transgender doctor, Artificial Intelligence – set in Mary Shelley's London. Tricksy? £16.99

POETRY, IDEAS & CULTURE

COUNTING BACKWARDS: POEMS 1975-2017 Helen Dunmore

This retrospective covers 10 collections. pbk £14.99

O POSITIVE Joe Dunthorne

An entertaining collection from the popular, young(ish) author best known for his novels *Submarine* and *The Adulterants*. pbk £10.99

THE UNCERTAIN LAND AND OTHER POEMS Patrick O'Brian

Posthumously published poems by the author of the Aubrey/Maturin Napoleonic novels. £12.99

WORDS FROM THE WALL Adam Thorpe

Poems of place and deracination, from the author of Uherton, Notes From the Cévennes etc. pbk £10

A NEW DIVAN: A LYRICAL DIALOGUE BETWEEN EAST & WEST

Edited by Bill Swainson & Barbara Schwepcke

A dozen pairs of poems and three pairs of essays to honour the bicentenary of Goethe's East-West Divan, with the writers responding to Goethe's original themes (Love', 'Paradise', 'Faith', 'The Tyrant' etc). £20

THE LOST ART OF SCRIPTURE: RESCUING THE SACRED TEXTS

Karen Armstrong A powerful argument that scriptures were always seen as spiritual tools rather than the binding set of rules for which they are now often taken. £25

THE UNNAMABLE PRESENT Roberto Calasso

The collective noun for Calasso's books must be an 'exhilaration'. This is the ninth part of his unfurling of culture that began with *The Ruin of Kasch.* £16.99

FABER & FABER: THE UNTOLD STORY Toby Faber

Drawing on unpublished letters, minutes, memoirs and diaries, a scion tells the story of one of the world's great - and still independent - publishing houses. £20

A THOUSAND SMALL SANITIES: THE MORAL ADVENTURE OF LIBERALISM Adam Godnik

From Montaigne to Mill, and from Middlemarch to the civil rights movement. £14.99

PRIVATE PARTS: THE SECRET HISTORY OF THE CHELSEA ARTS CLUB

Don Grant

Denizens of this noble institution are known to make their way to Blacklands Terrace. It is a perilous journey for some, but we promise to look after them. £25

THE IMPATIENT PEN: PRINTED MATTER

Nicky Haslam, introduction by A N Wilson

An anthology of observations, critiques and tributes from the polymathic Haslam who famously revised the three 'R's (royalty, Russians and rock-stars). Funny, gossipy, trenchant. £22.99

NOBODY'S LOOKING AT YOU: ESSAYS Janet Malcolm

A title more often associated with Debo Devonshire's nanny; by the American journalist, critic and writer in nostalgic form. Expect acuity. £22

SNAPSHOTS Claudio Magris

Brief meditations on culture, vignettes sketched from life. pbk £12.99

MY SEDITIOUS HEART Arundhati Roy

AR's collected non-fiction could have been subtitled 'Radical Compassion'. A doorstop of a book. £30

EVERYTHING IN ITS PLACE: FIRST LOVES AND LAST TALES Oliver Sacks

A further posthumous volume, which is said to be final. £20

THE ENVIRONMENT: A HISTORY OF THE IDEA Paul Warde

Traces the concept of the environment since WW2, making a planet-wide narrative of the consequences of human behaviour, and the resulting crisis in which we live. f22

GARDENS & NATURE

VERTICAL GARDEN DESIGN Edited by Li Aihong

Green walls, invented in the US in the 1930s and forgotten, reinvented and modernised by the French botanist Patrick Blanc. Illustrated. £52.99

KIFTSGATE COURT GARDENS: THREE GENERATIONS OF WOMEN GARDENERS

Vanessa Berridge, introduction by Robin Lane Fox, photographs by Sabina Ruber

Italianate, English, formal and informal, these gardens are a tribute to the family that have owned them for a century, and show how changing tastes can balance with continuity. f40

THE HIDDEN HORTICULTURISTS: THE UNTOLD STORY OF THE MEN WHO SHAPED BRITAIN'S GARDENS

Fiona Davison

Based on a notebook of 1822 which included, amongst many other lesser known names, an application from Joseph Paxton. f25

THE ARCHITECTURE OF TREES Cesare Leonardi and Franca Stagi

First English language edition of this Italian marvel: 400 ink drawings of trees - and their shadows at different times of day - with and without foliage, drawn to a scale of 1:100. Large format. £90

EMPERORS, ADMIRALS AND CHIMNEY SWEEPERS: THE NAMING OF BUTTERFLIES AND MOTHS

Peter Marren

From emperors to lackeys, tigers to hawks, via jewels and musical instruments, an entertaining guide to the delightful and arcane world of entomological taxonomy. £30

VICKERY'S FOLK FLORA: AN A-Z OF THE FOLKLORE AND USES OF BRITISH AND IRISH PLANTS Roy Vickery

A dictionary of native, naturalised and cultivated plants, by a botanist. £30

TRAVEL

DAYS IN THE CAUCASUS Banine

A memoir of youth in oil-rich Baku in the turbulent early C20th. Think Teffi; think Ali and Nino. [16.99]

WALKING: ONE STEP AT A TIME Erling Kagge

From the author of the bestselling Silence comes a short exploration of the pleasures of walking. £9.99

HORIZON Barry Lopez

It's hard to characterise this book other than by saying that it covers all places on all continents at all times... a lifetime of journeys and thinking from the author of *Arctic Dreams*. £25

UNDERLAND: A DEEP TIME JOURNEY Robert Macfarlane

The author of The Old Ways (and others) voyages into the ground beneath our feet. Tremendous. £20

JAPONISME

'CHERRY' INGRAM: THE ENGLISHMAN WHO SAVED JAPAN'S BLOSSOMS

Naoko Abe Ingram (1880 - 1981) was an ornithologist and plant collector, rich enough to be eccentric and to be free to pursue his passion for Japanese varieties of *prunus*. This book is a revelation. £16.99

KWAIDAN: STORIES AND STUDIES OF STRANGE THINGS

Lafcadio Hearn, photographs by Hiroshi Watanabe Greek-Irish by birth, LH moved as a young man to the USA, then to Martinique, then to Japan, where he taught English literature at Tokyo Imperial University. First published in 1904, the year of his death, Kwaidan is a collection of ghostly and uncanny stories that he translated from old Japanese texts or gathered himself. £25

THE BELLS OF OLD TOKYO: TRAVELS IN JAPANESE TIME Anna Sherman

The capital and its history explored through its old ways of time-keeping: a fascinating memoir. £14.99

HIROSHI SUGIMOTO: SEASCAPES Hiroshi Sugimoto

HS has been photographing sky and sea for 40 years; these almost abstract expanses epitomise his idea of 'time exposed'. Stunning. £59

JAPANESE GARDENS: A JOURNEY Monty Don, photographs by Derry Moore

The duo who did the marvelous *Paradise Gardens* last year are ravished by the subtle harmony of the natural and the artificial in both spring and autumn. Spectacular photography. £35

THE OFFICE OF GARDENS AND PONDS Didier Decoin

A bewitching immersion into Heian-period Japan, this sensual and thoughtful novel is like moving through a series of prints: a young widow journeys to the capital with carp for the imperial temple pools; the theme for a courtly perfume contest is the scent of a young woman passing over a bridge, half-seen in the mist. Translated from the French. £14.99

THE PINE ISLANDS Marion Poschmann

A wry novel in which a middle-age, unsuccessful lecturer (beards in cinema is his field) travels in Basho's footsteps towards the islands of Matsushima, with a suicidal young man for company. Dry, dead-pan. £12.99

COOKERY

BAZAAR Sabrina Ghayour

Vegetarian dishes from the author of the delectable Persiana and Feast... £26

TAVERNA Georgina Hayden

Cinnamon, orange blossom, lemon - homely and delicious recipes from a Greek-Cypriot-London cook. [25]

THE GARDEN CHEF: RECIPES AND STORIES FROM PLANT TO PLATE Phaidon

The gardens of 35 of the world's best chefs, what they produce and what happens to them. £29.95

GREENFEAST: SPRING, SUMMER Nigel Slater

The first in a pair of seasonal books of vegetarian recipes from a man who, quite rightly, is lost without a lemon in the kitchen. And is obsessed with cold, twilight, baked apples, cardamom... £22

ONE MORE CROISSANT FOR THE ROAD Felicity Cloake

Attagirl. La Cloake embarks on a culinary tour de France: It's la chasse á la bonne bouffe, au vélo, and one of the great rewards of bicycling (perhaps the only that really matters?) is the great hunger it induces...and yes, she catches many snarques and pops them into her panier. £14.99

FIRE ISLANDS: RECIPES FROM INDONESIA Eleanor Ford

Richly fragrant and spicy delights from Java, Bali, and many of the other islands. EF co-authored the award-winning Samarkand with Caroline Eden a couple of years ago. £25

ART & ARCHITECTURE

THE DUVEEN BROTHERS AND THE MARKET FOR DECORATIVE ARTS, 1880-1940

Charlotte Vignon A fine study of the dealers who sold to Frick, Getty, Huntington, Pierpont Morgan... 1,44.95

GAUGUIN: PORTRAITS Cornelia Homburg & Christopher Riopelle

Accompanies a National Gallery exhibition: the first book to focus entirely on his portraiture. f30

NATALIA GONCHAROVA Edited by Matthew Gale

The full range of her work, from painting to prints and theatre designs, in all its glory. From the Tate. pbk £25

EILEEN HOGAN: PERSONAL GEOGRAPHIES

Elisabeth R. Fairman & Eileen Hogan Her portraiture, gardens (incl. Kew) and sketchbooks. £50

HOCKNEY - VAN GOGH: THE JOY OF NATURE Hans Den Hartog Jager

Catalogue for the current show at the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam. pbk £24.95

SO MUCH LONGING IN SO LITTLE SPACE: THE ART OF EDVARD MUNCH

Karl Ove Knausgaard Shared introspective torment - what a scream... pbk £16.99

BEN NICHOLSON: WRITINGS AND IDEAS Edited by Lee Beard

Extracts and illustrations from previously unpublished work, drawing from archives and letters. £35

EARLY PICASSO: THE BLUE AND THE ROSE PERIOD Edited by R Bouvier

A parade of gorgeous harlequins, et al, from the Fondation Beyeler. £55

PICASSO: THE SCULPTURE Anna Coliva

Accompanies an exhibition at the Palazzo Borghese in Rome. £42

TO SEE CLEARLY: WHY RUSKIN MATTERS Suzanne Fagence Cooper

An engagingly personal introduction to Ruskin on the bicentenary of his birth: '...my own encounter with Ruskin began as a teenager. I was swallowed up by *The Stones of Venice* as some of my friends became absorbed by *Middle Earth...*' £12.99

RUSKIN, TURNER & THE STORM CLOUD Suzanne Fagence Cooper

Accompanies the exhibition at York Art Gallery, exploring Ruskin's admiration for Turner, his interest in meteorology and incipient environmentalism. pbk £20

VAN GOGH AND BRITAIN Edited by Carol Jacobi

Upcoming show at Tate Britain on the cultural exchange between VG and GB. He adored Dickens and Eliot; conversely, Bomberg, Bacon and many others adore(d) him. hbk £40/ pbk £25

THE ELIZABETHAN IMAGE: AN INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH PORTRAITURE, 1558-1603 Roy Strong

Four decades on from his Gloriana: Portraits of Queen Elizabeth I, Sir Roy turns his gaze to her court. £35

SOROLLA: SPANISH MASTER OF LIGHT Gabriele Finaldi et al

His iridescent, sun-drenched scenes were not just heatwaves on canvas; social realism scorches his work. £30

SOROLLA: THE PAINTED GARDENS Blanca Pons-Sorolla

Hispanic Giverny? From the Alcazar to the Al-Hambra, tantalising visions of sun-dappled courtyards and ceramic-tiled fountains. f.35

DOROTHEA TANNING Alyce Mahon

Married to Max Ernst, Tanning lived in Paris in the 1950s, then returned to the USA after his death; she died in 2012. This Tate catalogue looks at the diverse output of her amazingly long career. pbk f30

KING OF DUST: ADVENTURES IN FORGOTTEN SCULPTURE

Alex Woodcock An archaeologist, the author relates how he retrained as a stonemason and developed a passion for the Romanesque. f.16

IMAGE DEBATE: FIGURAL REPRESENTATION IN ISLAM AND ACROSS THE WORLD Edited by Bill Swainson & Barbara Schwepcke

A valuable collection of essays which examine the controversy surrounding the use of images in Islamic art and in other religious cultures, and seeks to redress some of the misunderstandings that have arisen. f_{60}

CHINESE ARCHITECTURE: A HISTORY Nancy Steinhardt

Wide-ranging and comprehensive, NS writes assuredly on early civilisation, C21st globalisation and everything in between 200+colour illustrations. £50

FOSTER + PARTNERS PORTFOLIO: 1967-2017 Edited by Tom Wright

The first book to document Foster's firm. Photographs and drawings of five decades of work, both built and unbuilt. pbk £39.95

JOHN RICHARDSON: AT HOME John Richardson & James Reginato

The late art historian shares the artwork and artefacts which shaped his life. £45

FOR CHILDREN

MAYA AND CAT Caroline Magerl

A little girl sets out to reunite a cat with its owner: a lovely picture book with illustrations reminiscent of Sendak; exuberant and adventurous. Ages 3-5. £11.99

SENSATIONAL BUTTERFLIES Ben Rothery

A large format book with good information and arrestingly beautiful illustrations. Ages 4-10. £20

JOAN PROCTER, DRAGON DOCTOR: THE WOMAN WHO LOVED REPTILES

Patricia Valdez, illustrated by Felicita Sala The true story of Joan Procter, a child student of reptiles, who had a pet crocodile, designed the Reptile House at London Zoo, and befriended Komodo dragons. Great illustrations and lively text. For budding zoologists aged 4-7. hbk £13.99 / pbk £6.99

EVEREST: THE REMARKABLE STORY OF EDMUND HILLARY AND TENZING NORGAY

Alexandra Stewart, introduction by Ranulph Fiennes, illustrated by Joe Todd-Stanton

What is says on the tin, on the centenary of Hillary's birth. Ages 7-10. £,12.99

THE GOOD THIEVES Katherine Rundell

A heist by a group of children, letters written in green ink, a lost ancestral home, jewels, trapeze artists and a formidably determined protagonist who will go to enormous lengths to right a wrong. Rundell is always spell-binding and invigorating. Ages 9+. £12.99

THE KING OF THE GOLDEN RIVER John Ruskin, illustrated by Quentin Blake

Ruskin's only children's book is an exciting parable of his views about nature, more relevant than ever to today's world. The memorable cast includes South-West Wind, Esq. Lovely dark blue cloth. Ages 6+. £14.95

SOME OF OUR RECENT FAVOURITES

I WILL NEVER SEE THE WORLD AGAIN Ahmet Altan

The author of this extraordinary memoir has been sentenced to life in prison for the Kafkaesque crime of sending 'subliminal messages' in support of the failed coup in Turkey in 2016. This slim volume, whose pages were smuggled out of the prison cell, is a moving testament to the power of literature and the inner resources of the human spirit. pbk f9.

PONTI Sharlene Teo

The story of three women - a cult actress in the 1970s, her daughter in the early 2000s, and her daughter's best friend in 2020 - is also the story of Singapore's precipitous tip into modernity. Lush, eerie. pbk £8.99

MEMORIES OF THE FUTURE Siri Hustvedt

An ingenious and introspective novel about her earlier self, a young woman from Minnesota just arrived in New York, bursting with curiosity and a hunger for life. Expert on philosophy and psychoanalysis, the subconscious and the place where memories go to hide, SH has written a fiercely intelligent, funny and provocative 'portrait of the artist as a young woman.' £18.99

KIDNAPPED Robert Louis Stevenson

A life without RLS cannot be said to be properly lived. This great stylist's range even includes Ruritanian extravagances but here we have the gloriously told adventure of a young Lowlander, set in the aftermath of the last great Jacobite rebellion of 1745. It also contains one of the world's wickedest uncles in a very gothic passage, complete with a ruined stone staircase lit only by lightning flashes, and blue-coated firecracker Alan Breck, whose entrance into the tale must be one of the most spectacular in literature. hbk £12.99/pbk £7.99

THE UNLOVED Deborah Levy

This early novel from the Booker-shortlisted author is both wonderfully sinister and funny. Levy's descriptions are lavish and colourful, her prose mesmerising as she unveils a cast of brilliantly vile characters. The story changes gear from a beguiling murder mystery to a satire of the British bourgeoisie. *f*.8.99

IDOLS: THE POWER OF IMAGES Annie Caubet

Wonders of early civilisations: figurines from the Cyclades, Mesopotamia, Anatolia, the Oxus and Indus valleys, Iran, Iberia, etc. Idols' does not seem the right descriptive as we have no idea of their function; but their small, highly concentrated presences give each of them an extraordinary power. Superbly illustrated. £50

RHS CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW 2019

This year, for the first time, Sandoe's is going to have a stand at the Chelsea Flower Show. We hope that some of you will come and see us there. We will be producing a list of new and outstanding gardening books in May - if any of you would like one, please let us know. Like all our catalogues, this will also appear on our website. Wish us luck!

To place orders please write, email or telephone as usual.
