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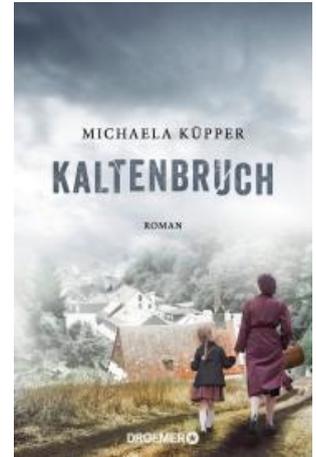
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Michaela Küpper

Kaltenbruch

A novel exploring the wounds that caused chaos and suffering among those traumatised by the war



March 2018, 368 pages

A web of disappointment, fear and prejudice

Early summer 1954: An impertinent remark about his boss's Brown Shirt past spells the end of Inspector Peter Hoffmann's dream career with the Düsseldorf criminal investigation department. He is transferred to the provinces, which he intends to leave as soon as possible.

But then, in the backwater of Kaltenbruch a murder occurs that stirs up emotions among the residents. Together with his colleague Lisbeth Pfau, Hoffmann hunts the murderer - and learns that the wounds inflicted by the war are not only far from healed but are also continuing to affect the next generation. As they investigate, Hoffmann and Pfau make some startling discoveries.

The author:

Michaela Küpper studied sociology, psychology, politics and education. She was employed for many years as a project manager in a publishing house and is now working as a freelance author, editor and illustrator.

COMMERCIAL FICTION

Monika Bittl

You Also Have to be Able to Let Go

Total sales of Monika Bittl's work: 500,000 copies



September 2018, 256 pages

Even falling has to be learned

How life works out: The adventurous journey of three women who have really already given up *“Ich hatte mich jünger in Erinnerung”* (I Thought Myself Younger) was no. 1 on the Spiegel best seller chart for over 20 weeks

In fact, Jessy, Charlotte and Wilma were grimly determined to bring their lives to an end. Absolutely adamant! But somehow something always goes wrong. One afternoon when they decide to jump from a bridge, they all realise that it goes far too deep down... Consequently, they seek out the next petrol station to down some Dutch courage. There the defiant trio get caught up in an amateurish robbery. The women spontaneously offer themselves up as hostages to the wannabe gangsters and so starts a highly enjoyable journey back to life.

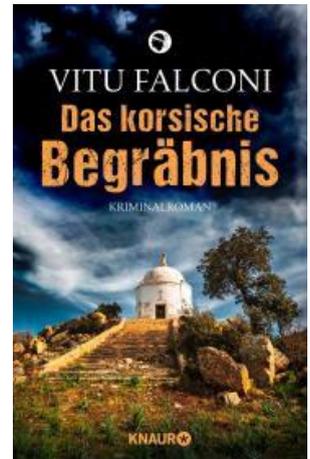
The author:

Monika Bittl, born in 1963, studied German and Psychology and worked as a journalist for many years. She has been working as a freelance author since 1992 and very successfully writes screenplays. She was awarded the Bayerische Fernsehpreis for 'Sau Sticht' in 1996. Monika Bittl lives in Munich with her family.

Vitu Falconi

The Corsican Burial

- **A crime writer investigates and gets caught between the fronts in a bloody family vendetta**
- **- Start of an atmospheric crime series in a new setting and with plenty of thrills**



March 2018, 368 pages

Welcome to Corsica!

Picturesque beaches, rugged mountains and the last bastion of blood feuds:

“The Corsican Burial” by Vitu Falconi is the start of the first holiday crime series set in Corsica and has plenty of thrills!

A man dies while hunting wild boar. However, it was not the boar that killed him. An author poses questions to his family and in doing so stumbles into a hundred-year-old blood vendetta. And he meets a withdrawn young woman who is the only one who can save him from a terrible fate.

Welcome to Corsica, whose landscape is as archaic, as wild and as untamed as its inhabitants. Where millions of tourists are just as much a part of everyday life as secretive rituals, vendettas and violence.

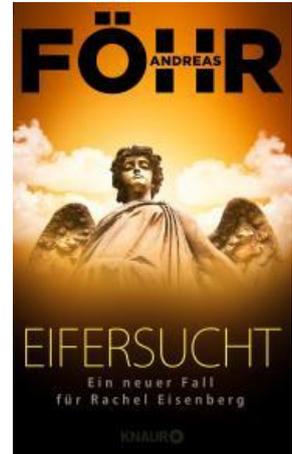
The author:

Vitu Falconi is the pseudonym of a German author. With his thrillers and series for young adults, which have sold over half a million copies and have been translated into thirteen languages, he is a firm favourite in German light fiction. For many years, he has been visiting Corsica where he climbs mountains, cycles or goes sea diving. He loves the people with their customs and secrets, as well as the rich flora and fauna. He returns every year to research his novels. Vitu Falconi lives with his family in Southern Germany.

Andreas Föhr

Jealousy

- **Sensational start to the new series: 120,000 copies of “Eisenberg” sold, 2nd position on the Spiegel best seller chart**
- **- Total sales of Andreas Föhr’s works: more than 1.4 million copies**



June 2018, 400 pages

A new case for Rachel Eisenberg

A woman suspected of murder, a victim who is still alive: Volume 2 of the Rachel Eisenberg books.

Judith Kellermann, Rachel Eisenberg’s new client, is said to have murdered her partner, Eike Sandner, out of jealousy. All evidence suggests that she is responsible for the explosion which killed Sandner. Kellermann claims she is innocent. However, the story that she tells her lawyers sounds decidedly strange. As Rachel prepares for the trial and researches Sandner’s background, the defendant finds a photo in a newspaper that she believes shows her “deceased” partner; on a Greek island and very much alive. But before Rachel can contact this man, he is murdered....

The author:

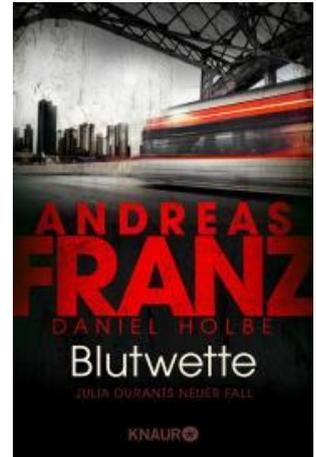
Andreas Föhr, born in 1958, studied law and gained a doctorate in Munich. For many years, he worked as a lawyer, including a stint in Nairobi, before making a name for himself writing screenplays. His prize-winning crime novels about the investigating duo Wallner and Kreuthner regularly feature in the best seller charts. In Rachel Eisenberg, he has now created a character who not only shares his legal knowledge but also the belief that everyone, guilty or not, deserves a defence counsel. Andreas Föhr lives close to Wasserburg.

Rights to vol. 1, „Eisenberg“ sold to:
Italy: Fazi; Japan: Tokyo Sogensha

Andreas Franz / Daniel Holbe

Blood Bet

- **All books in the Durant series have occupied the top positions in the best seller charts**
- **“So gripping that you even forget to breathe while reading it” *Literaturmarkt.info***



August 2018, 416 pages

Drugs, gambling, debts: Julia Durant's 18th case

Frankfurt: A sportsman has committed suicide. On the face of it he had a spotless reputation, but after his death dark secrets emerge from behind the glossy image: Drugs, gambling, large debts and an imminent break-up. Julia Durant wants to get to the bottom of these new discoveries, however, obstacles are constantly being put in her way. By chance she happens across the murder of a Southern European woman years ago, where appearances and reality also seemed to be very different. Is there a connection between the two victims?

Separate Rights Guide on the series available

The author:

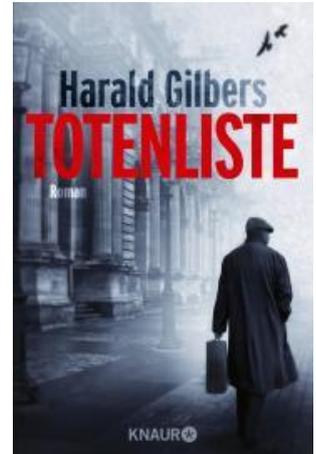
Andreas Franz was the most successful German mystery author. His books have all become bestsellers! The author died unexpectedly in March 2011.

Daniel Holbe, who lives near Frankfurt, always enjoyed mysteries set in that area and was therefore a big Andreas Franz fan. When he offered his own mystery novel to Droemer Knauer, he was pleasantly surprised by the suggestion that he also finish Andreas Franz book “Todesmelodie” – which then became a bestseller. Besides his own crime novels, he is now continuing the Julia Durant series.

Harald Gilbers

Death List

- **Inspector Oppenheimer's fourth case: A series of murders in bomb-flattened Berlin**



September 2018, 544 pages

Inspector Oppenheimer's fourth case: A series of murders in bomb-flattened Berlin

A brutal murder in 1946 in the milieu of the German refugees from the former eastern territories

Berlin 1946: After the end of the war, Inspector Oppenheimer uses his investigative intuition to find missing persons. For this reason, he regularly visits the refugee camps in Berlin. When the disfigured body of an "ethnic German" refugee is found, Soviet Colonel Akasakow orders Oppenheimer to investigate the matter. It is not long before there are more brutal murders. Clearly the murderers are working down a list of Nazi henchmen in order to exact a late revenge...

"Very historically accurate, atmospherically intense and extraordinarily exciting to boot."
Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung online

Separate Rights Guide on the series available

The author:

Harald Gilbers, born 1970, studied English and History in Augsburg and Munich. He was a television editor before becoming a director for the theater. "Germania", his first novel, has been awarded the Glauser Prize for the best crime debut and in 2016, the French Prix Historia for "Odin's Söhne" (Odin's Sons).

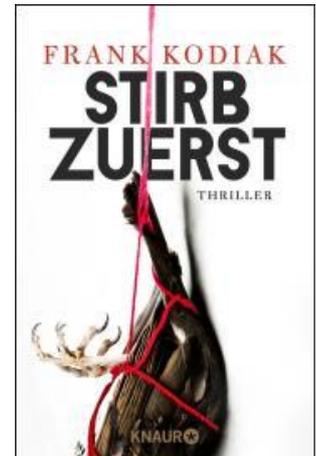
Odin's Söhne has also been shortlisted for the Festival Polar Cognac Prize for the best international novel in 2016.

Rights to **previous vols.** of the series sold to:
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Frank Kodiak

Die First

- **A deadly game of cat and mouse between a psychopathic murderer and his desperate victims**
- **For readers of Sebastian Fitzek, Steve Mosby and Stephen King**



May 2018, 352 pages

Only death shall part you

A duplicitous killer gives his victims a horrible choice

38-year-old detective Nora Jacobi is confronted with a case that pushes her to her limits. A killer disguised as a clergyman kidnaps couples whose marriages are on the rocks. Then he ties them to stretchers in separate rooms and forces them to make a deadly decision. Only the partner who betrays the other one with a mobile phone call will survive. Otherwise, they shall both die. Nora desperately tries to uncover the identity of the killer - and does not realise that she is becoming more and more entangled in the web that the psychopath has spun.

The author:

Frank Kodiak is the alias for Andreas Winkelmann, born in 1968, who has published several thrillers with Rowolt (rororo), amongst them the bestseller Death Book, Die Zucht and Kill Game. He developed his passion for thrilling and creepy stories from an early age. Before publishing his first book, he initially worked as a soldier, PE teacher, taxi driver, insurance salesman and freelance editor. He lives near Bremen with his family – in a secluded house on the edge of the forest. More information about Andreas Winkelmann at andreaswinkelmann.com.

Christian Kraus

Kill What You Love

- **As a psychotherapist and psychiatrist, the author is an expert in this field**



August 2018, 384 pages

Don't trust anybody, especially not yourself

Her face is so beautiful. She is wearing lipstick, a deep red. Her skin is pale and as thin as tracing paper.

Vulnerable.

A shame that you can't see her.

I'm no poet. But you can surely imagine what I mean. Like a large drop of blood on fresh snow.

A murderer is on the loose in Hamburg. Driven by an old promise from the dark past, at first he kills cats and then graduates to people.

The young detective, Alexander Pustin, is starting his job in the murder squad. He meets the aloof pathologist, Luise Kellermann and feels strangely drawn to her.

As a result, he triggers a fateful chain of events.

A cryptic psychological thriller about a split personality and the psychological profile of a disturbed soul.

The author:

Christian Kraus was born in 1971 in Hamburg. After studying medicine and completing a doctorate at Universität Hamburg, he worked for many years as a doctor and research associate at the Center for Psychosocial Medicine, Psychiatry and Psychotherapy at the University Medical Center Hamburg-Eppendorf.

He has been a specialist in psychiatry and psychotherapy since 2006 and he now runs his own psychotherapy and psychoanalysis practice in Hamburg.

Christian Kraus is married with one daughter.

Nora Luttmer

Dark Children

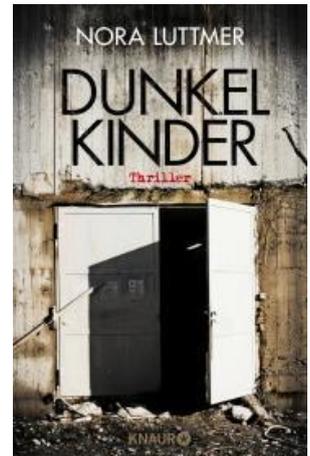
- **Unusual settings, characters with depth and a gripping storyline**
- **- Dark metropolitan thriller for readers of Ursula Poznanski, Ule Hansen or Kristina Ohlsson**

The page-turner that gets under your skin: Two youths in the sights of the drugs mafia

Nearly two years ago, the body of a Vietnamese boy was found in a clearing to the north of Hamburg. To date, the child has not been identified. He was a “ghost”: Illegal and without family in Germany, not registered anywhere and not missed by anyone. But now the bodies of two men have been discovered in the same place. The young detective Mia Paulsen does all she can to solve both crimes. She has no idea that she is stirring up a hornets’ nest and putting other children in danger by following a clue to an old, seemingly abandoned overground bunker in Hamburg.

The author:

Nora Luttmer (born in 1973 in Cologne) lives in Hamburg and works as an author and freelance journalist. She read South East Asia studies with a focus on Vietnam in Passau, Hanoi and Paris. Subsequently, she completed a postgraduate course in journalism in Mainz. Since the mid 1990s, she regularly spends long periods of time in Hanoi. She speaks English, French and Vietnamese. The author is a member of the “Syndikat” group of German crime writers. Her debut novel, “Schwarze Schiffe” was nominated for the *Gläserpreis* in 2014. www.noraluttmer.de

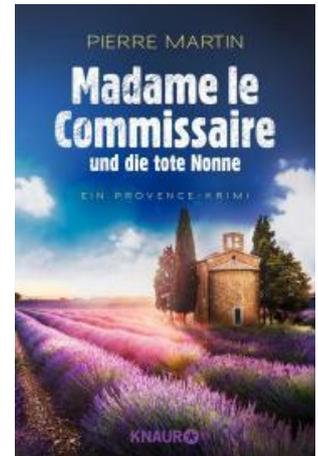


May 2018, 320 pages

Pierre Martin

Mme le Commissaire and the Dead Nun

- **Provençal flair, loveable characters and a ruthless murder - perfect holiday reading, not just for those who are France-bound**



April 2018, 384 pages

Scenic meets slaughter

From the edge of a steep cliff, where you can normally enjoy the sunset under the tall Aleppo pines, Isabelle Bonnet is greeted by a sight that is anything but idyllic.

A woman, unmistakably in a habit, is lying on the beach. The worst fears are quickly confirmed: the nun is no longer alive. When collecting rare medicinal plants, she evidently lost her footing and fell to her death. In any case that is the police's (overhasty) conclusion.

However, Madame le Commissaire does not trust her colleagues' initial deductions - and she is right. She starts investigating in the lonely, but picturesquely situated monastery in the Massif des Maures and quickly has more than one suspect. But who would really go so far as to murder a nun?

“He takes the reader on the journey with all their senses: smell, sight, sound and touch. And that is exactly what Pierre Martin does from the very first page.” *SR3 Sommerkrimis*

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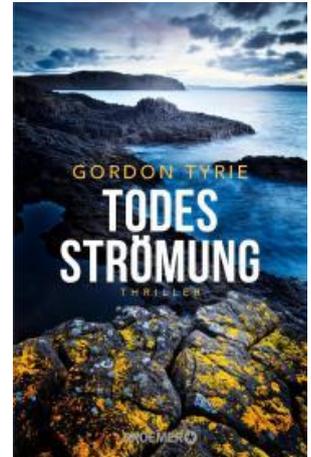
The author:

Behind the pseudonym Pierre Martin hides an author who has made a name for himself with novels set in France and Italy. He has acquired a new identity for his protagonist Madame le Commissaire.

Gordon Tyrie

Current of Death

- **A skilful play on morality and humanity with a good helping of cynicism**
- **For fans of films such as Local Hero or The American**



March 2018, 384 pages

Three contract killers and an island full of troublemakers

After botching a really big job, three Glaswegian contract killers are left with just one option and that is to flee disguised as nature-loving tourists to the sparse yet beautiful Hebridean island of Jura. Their cover gets blown, but Jura's reclusive inhabitants appear ready to do a deal with them. At the end of the day, they have to prevent a millionaire redeveloping the island into a golf club. It would all be fine, if it weren't for an unscrupulous police chief and that criminal politician whom the three of them should have actually done away with...

The author:

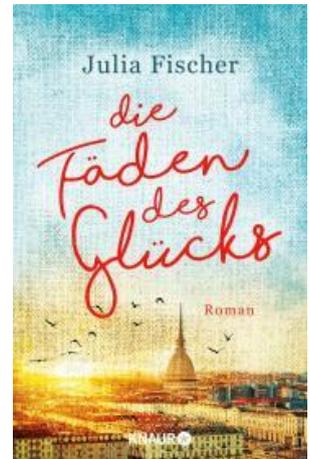
Gordon Tyrie, born in 1966 in Renfrewshire, Scotland, grew up on a farm and originally wanted to be a vet. He studied law and worked as a court reporter before he began writing. "Current of Death" is his first book.

ROMANCE

Julia Fischer

The Threads of Happiness

- **A woman who finds her inner self and meets the love of her life on the way**



April 2018, 384 pages

Elegant clothes, strong emotions, Italy and the love of her life

She knows the allure of opulent fabrics and radiant colours. Turin dressmaker Carlotta Calma has followed in the footsteps of her mother, a wardrobe director at the Turin opera, and has dedicated herself to the subtle art of changing people through their clothing. Carlotta designs clothes for every situation in life and sews secret messages under the lining, intended to send her customers on a journey of self-discovery. For Carlotta, one thing is certain: There is no such thing as an ugly woman; every woman is beautiful and desirable in her own way.

Even Carlotta has changed since her youth; from an ugly duckling a Baroque beauty has emerged. Her childhood crush is enchanted by her and she thinks her dreams are coming true. But is her crush really the love of her life?

The author:

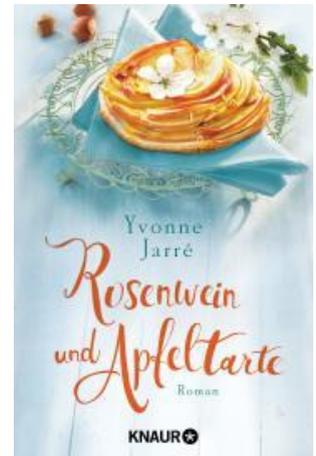
Julia Fischer (born 1966) is an actress living in Munich with her husband and three children. She has also recorded numerous audiobooks.

ROMANCE

Yvonne Jarré

Rose Wine and Apple Tart

- **A heart-warming novel about grief and the courage to be happy again**
- **Charming reading for fans of Nina George, Nicolas Barreau and Anna Gavalda**



June 2018, 304 pages

Sometimes you find happiness in your front garden

Alexandra, 37, has her job and children under control - and also her emotions, which she has simply repressed since the death of her husband. Even the wonderfully located holiday cottage in Languedoc cannot change that.

It is only when a misunderstanding leads Nick, a journalist, and his children to Alexandra's garden that her façade starts to crumble. Alexandra discovers a totally new feeling of lightness at unplanned barbecue parties and on motorbike rides through the endless vineyards and scented lavender fields. But then one morning, the children have disappeared and Alexandra blames her feelings for Nick...

The author:

Yvonne Jarré (born in 1967) is an author from Hamburg who has published several novels under a pseudonym. She travels to Paris as much as possible with her husband and two children to dream of owning her own flat there. A property ad, as well as her weakness for heavy American motorcycles inspired her to write this novel.

HISTORICAL FICTION

Claudia & Nadja Beinert

Revolution in the Heart

- **The story of the rise of a simple woman, who would become the most intimate confidante of the great German revolutionary**
- **-Celebrating the 200th birthday of Karl Marx on 5th May 2018**



April 2018, 480 pages

Karl Marx, a simple girl and a forbidden love

In times of deadly poverty and exploitation, Lenchen Demuth has to enter into service at a young age. At the home of the Marx family, she becomes a close friend of the lady of the house, Jenny, and also quickly becomes a confidante of the great philosopher Karl Marx. With fascination, she follows his studies and soon realises that they are relevant to her own life.

But then Lenchen falls hopelessly in love with Karl Marx. When she falls pregnant, not only her friendship with Jenny but also the work of Marx and Engels are at stake.

With deep historical knowledge, the Beinert sisters have woven fact and fiction into an empathetic novel about a secret love.

The author:

Dr Claudia Beinert, born in 1978, was born and raised in Strassfurt just like her twin sister Nadja. Claudia studies International Management in Magdeburg, worked as a consultant for several years and had a professorship for financial management. She lives and writes in Erfurt and Würzburg. Nadja Beinert also studied International Management and has worked in the film industry for many years. The younger of the twin sisters lives in Erfurt.

HISTORICAL FICTION

Prisca Lo Cascio

The Kingmaker's Game

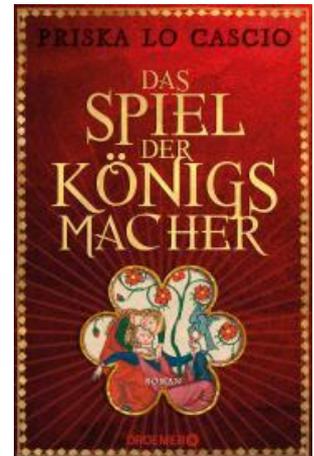
- **A simple soldier and a young noblewoman are caught in the crossfire**
- **One of the most exciting chapters of medieval German history, opulently told**
- **-For all readers of Rebecca Gablé's *"Das Haupt der Welt"***

Love and intrigue at the court of King Henry the Fowler

Frankfurt 911: On his deathbed, King Ludwig IV summons the noblemen and princes of the East Franconian Empire. Among the many who travel to select the king are Liuthar, the Saxon warrior, and Sarhild, a Franconian noblewoman whose family has fallen out of favour with the king. Unawares, the couple become the princes' pawns. The powerful men of the empire elect Konrad of Franconia as the new king thus slighting Henry, the future Duke of Saxony and Liuthar's countryman. Henry then seeks revenge. At the same time, Sarhild learns that the sick king did not die a natural death. In a world in which everyone betrays each other, Sarhild and Liuthar have only one option: to promote the rise of Henry.

The author:

Priska Lo Cascio, born in 1972, is fascinated by the culture, history and language of the Early Middle Ages in Germany. When she is not writing, she is often found happily browsing wonderfully dusty history archives or trying her hand at learning out of the ordinary languages. She lives with her husband and son in Zurich.



March 2018, 560 pages

HISTORICAL FICTION

Heidi Rehn

The Sky above our Dreams

- **A young female architect with Jewish roots in post-war Munich**
- **Total sales of Heidi Rehn's work: more than 350,000 copies**

Love caught between a family's guilt and a new start

Munich in the early fifties: Returning to her beloved hometown is a dream come true for the young architect Vera Cohn. She wants to help shape its reconstruction and fulfil her desire for a peaceful future, even though this is the country where she had suffered so much. When she and her colleague Arthur fall in love, her happiness appears perfect. Full of enthusiasm, they make plans for the future. However, Vera, the Jewess who returned from exile, is haunted by memories. The past divides them - and also the question of Arthur's and his family's guilt...

The author:

Heidi Rehn, born 1966, is a freelance journalist and author. She studied history, German studies, business administration and communication science. Afterwards she taught at Munich's Ludwig-Maximilians- University before joining a PR agency. She lives in Munich with her husband and two children.



April 2018, 464 pages

Sylvia Englert

The Dark Wood

- **The great magical epic on love, morality and saving an exotic fantasy kingdom**
- **- For readers of Sarah J. Maas, Victoria Aveyard or Michael J. Sullivan**



March 2018, 400 pages

He was the greatest magician of his generation - until he ventured too far into the darkness. But how far does he have to go to save his homeland?

The Orchid Kingdom of Skaidar is in grave danger: An army accompanied by sinister glass blade warriors has assembled on its northern border and at the same time, a strange spell emanating from the capital is turning large parts of the country to crystal. There is only one person who can help now and so Idassa, the highest magician and counsel to the King, sends a desperate cry of help to her former mentor, Terwyn. However, he swore to never practice magic again after he caused irreparable damage...

The author:

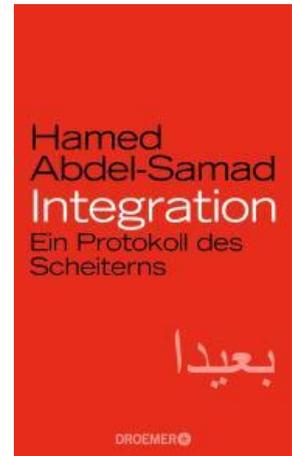
Sylvia Englert studied English, American and German language and literature and has worked as a journalist for newspapers, including *Süddeutsche Zeitung*. Her fantasy novels for young adults under the pseudonym Katja Brandis (the Woodwalkers series) are currently storming the SPIEGEL best seller chart. When she is not travelling the world, she lives close to Munich with her husband, son and three cats.

Hamed Abdel-Samad

Integration – A Record of Failure

- **Debate book by the leading critic of Islam: Integration is the key issue in all Western societies**
- **- Total sales of Hamed Abdel-Samad's work: 500,000 copies**

Holding the integration refuseniks on both sides to account



April 2018, 272 pages

In the past decades, millions of Muslims have come to Germany as foreign workers, mainly from Turkey, or as refugees from Syria or other countries in the Middle East. Hamed Abdel-Samad scrutinises the policies that have counteracted integration for too long and the Muslims who have barricaded themselves into parallel societies.

German Turks support Erdogan and Muslims born in Europe commit terrorist attacks. Hamed Abdel-Samad names and shames the elements of Islamic culture that prevent integration. However, he also scrutinises the European integration lies. Those who have spoken of “foreign workers” for decades are preventing integration so they shouldn't wonder about the existence of parallel societies. Those who close their eyes to differences in culture, mentality and religion will fail in their efforts. Abdel-Samad puts together a catalogue of demands on politicians and on society because the topic of integration will be decisive for the future of Germany.

Separate Rights Guide on the author available.

The author:

Hamed Abdel-Samad was born in 1972 near Cairo and studied English, French, Japanese and Politics. He worked for UNESCO, at the Institute for Islamic Culture at the University of Erfurt and at the Institute for Jewish History and Culture at the University of Munich. Abdel-Samad is a member of the German Islam Conference and is considered to be one of the most renowned Islam intellectuals in the German-speaking area. His autobiography 'My Farewell from Heaven' caused quite a stir (Knaur paperback 2010): 'That which he expects from his fellow citizens, he has done himself: Enlightenment through breach of taboo.' ZDF-Aspekte.

Rights to „**The Islamic Fascism**“ (Der islamische Faschismus) have been sold to:

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Alba; USA: Prometheus

Bruno Jahn

Certain Forecasts in Uncertain Times

- **Accurate forecasts can be learned by every individual**
- **Thus, the future can be better planned**



April 2018, 256 pages

Precise predictions are possible - even in economics and politics

Bruno Jahn is one of the four German super forecasters

Only a few people in the world can predict future events with a higher likelihood than the experts. Bruno Jahn is one of these super forecasters. In his book, he explains how people like him are different in their way of thinking. He explains in which traditions the art of forecasting and probability calculation are rooted and how the abstract findings of great thinkers are reflected in economics and politics today. However, above all Jahn reveals how each one of us can increase our ability to predict the future. He shows what errors in reasoning we mere mortals are often taken in by and the importance of the considered handling of information.

The author:

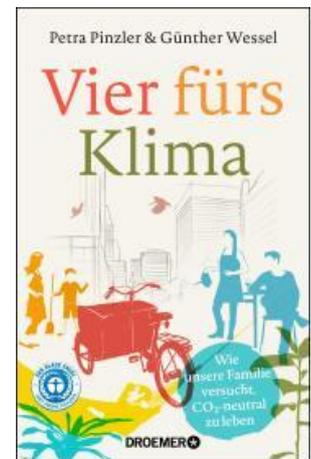
Bruno Jahn, born in 1982, read Islamic studies, North American studies and international relations. In 2011, he participated in the Good Judgement Project (GJP), a training programme for amateurs that was developed in cooperation with the American secret services, was led by the psychologist Philip Tetlock and had input from Daniel Kahneman. In 2013, Jahn was distinguished as a super forecaster on the grounds of his excellent predictions. Since 2015, he has been offering consultancy services for forecasting as a freelance entrepreneur.

NON-FICTION

Petra Pinzler / Günther Wessel

Four Help the Climate

- **Self-experiment in sustainable living**
- **For readers of Naomi Klein, Harald Lesch and Harald Welzer**
- **We help the climate: The book meets the strict requirements for The Blue Angel certification**



March 2018, 304 pages

Climate protection: One family takes the real-life test

“We are the good ones. Or so we thought. And when we believe that, we soon stop thinking about it. Until we investigate our ecological footprint and find that we too are to blame for climate change. If we want to limit the temperature increase to two degrees, then we also have to reduce our CO² consumption. But how is it done? What kind of a life is it? Is a stored organic apple more climate-friendly than an organic apple from Chile? What is better, pork or beef? Plane or car?”

A family of four attempted to live a climate-friendly life and to reach good compromises in day-to-day life. They researched and kept a housekeeping book of their climate sins. In this entertaining report on their self-experiment, they explain what works and what doesn't, what is really effective, what is fun and what experiences they have gained.

The author:

Petra Pinzler was a reporter for *Zeit* in the USA and Brussels. Since 2007, she has been a Berlin correspondent for politics and economics. Together with two colleagues she was awarded the *Otto-Brenner-Preis* for critical journalism for a report on free trade/TTIP.

Günther Wessel has worked for more than 20 years as a freelance journalist and editor. He has written numerous non-fiction books and radio features for all large German radio broadcasters.

Manfred Spitzer

Loneliness

- **Total sales of Manfred Spitzer's work: more than 500,000 copies**
- **"Loneliness is not just a symptom, but is in itself also an illness." Manfred Spitzer**



March 2018, 320 pages

Loneliness is the number 1 cause of death

This alarming proclamation has now been confirmed by countless scientific studies around the world. Those who are lonely are more likely than others to suffer cancer, heart attacks, strokes and dementia. That makes loneliness the number 1 cause of death in the Western world. Manfred Spitzer describes unhealthy loneliness and its grave consequences for the body and soul. His book is a vital alarm call to a society that still considers solitude to be a desirable wellness option for today's stressed citizens.

"Manfred Spitzer doesn't regard himself as just a scientist but he primarily sees himself as a doctor who wants to help directly." *aerzteblatt.de*

Separate Rights Guide on Manfred Spitzer's works available.

Sample translation available

The author:

Professor Dr. Dr. Manfred Spitzer was born in 1958. He studied medicine, psychology and philosophy, and finally obtained his post-doctoral qualifications in psychiatry. He was twice a guest professor at Harvard University. He is head of department in the psychiatric university clinic in Ulm and also in the Transfer Center for Neurosciences and Learning. He has published a number of books, including the bestsellers "Learning" and "Caution, Monitor!" Every week he hosts the series "Mind and Brain" on the Bavarian Alpha television programme.

Manfred Spitzer is one of the most important German brain researchers. Very few experts can present scientific findings in such an entertaining and graphic manner.

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Michael Ohl

Stings and Colonies

- **Interestingly presented facts about three groups of stinging insects**
- **-Large format, four-colour, more than 100 fascinating illustrations, macro photography on high-gloss paper**



July 2018, 400 pages

Fascinating nature: The masterpiece about the stinging hymenopterous insects

The summer book without the sting: Wasps annoy us and the media reliably reports on it

Bees, wasps and ants: We value them as pest controllers, as fruit tree pollinators and as the police of the forest. And at the same time, we are frightened of them and their painful stings. Their sting is the most important evolutionary trait of this insect group and forms the basis of the enormous diversity of species and their survival strategies. This book, which is beautifully illustrated with unique macro photographs, takes us on an entertaining excursion through the diversity of hymenopterous insects, the work of a wasp researcher and the key topics in evolution. Michael Ohl explains how and why the sting is deployed, what role pain plays in the evolution of these insects and how we, as people, can learn from the behaviour of these social hymenopterous insects.

The author:

Michael Ohl, born in 1964, is a curator for wasps, bees and ants at the *Museum für Naturkunde* in Berlin and assistant professor at the *Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*. He performs research in evolution biology, systematics and biological classification, as well as research on the history of science.

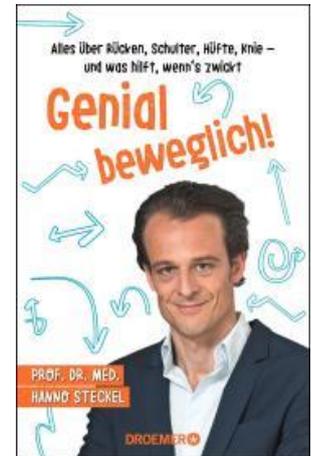
Hanno Steckel

Superbly Moveable

- **The human musculoskeletal system is a source of both fascination and suffering**
- **- The author is a renowned orthopaedist and an expert with media experience**
- **- For readers of popular medicine, sports enthusiasts and couch potatoes**

After “*Haut nah*” and “*Darm mit Charme*” finally understand how we move

Our musculoskeletal system is a marvel. Thanks to the perfect interaction of 100 joints, 200 bones and 600 muscles, we can freely move around like hardly any other living creature. This complex system of organs lends us our posture, influences how we are perceived by those around us and reflects our emotional well-being. It affects all of our day-to-day lives like few other aspects of our body. It can be seen in the painful statistic that a quarter of all sick leave is caused by muscle and skeletal disorders. Prof. Dr. med. Hanno Steckel explains the human musculoskeletal system in this popular and entertaining non-fiction book.



April 2018, 320 pages

The author:

Prof. Dr. med. Hanno Steckel, a specialist in orthopaedics and trauma therapy, is shareholder in the *Orthopädisch-Chirurgischen Zentrums MVZ-Vitalis* (orthopaedic surgery centre) in Berlin-Buckow and is also an external Professor at the University of Göttingen. As a knee specialist with international experience, he performs more than 500 operations each year.

Kholoud Bariedah

No Tears for Allah

- **A young woman, a laughable offence, a cruel punishment and her subsequent rejection of the Islamic faith**
- **The author has an extensive network on social media**



February 2018, 320 pages

“I had to learn the Qur’an by heart to get out of prison.”

Kholoud Bariedah was 20 years old and with friends at a party in a private apartment when it was stormed by the Saudi religious police. According to the prevailing law it is a punishable offence for men and women to celebrate together. Kholoud was sentenced to four years imprisonment and 2,000 lashes. It was like Hell for her. But there was hope: If she could memorise the Qur'an there was a chance of her being released from prison earlier. Admittedly, no female prisoner had ever managed it. Kholoud decided to take on the challenge - even when she ultimately paid for it with her belief in God.

The author:

Kholoud Bariedah, born in 1985, is a Saudi activist. In 2012, she turned her back on Islam and finally, in 2014, professed to being an atheist on Facebook and on her own Youtube channel. She was the first Saudi Arabian woman ever to dare do so. At the same time, it became clear that to avoid further repression she would have to leave her homeland forever. Today, Kholoud Bariedah lives in Berlin

Erika Mayr

The City Bees

- **Updated and expanded new edition**
- **A sense of home and countryside spirit for urban nomads**



March 2018, 264 pages

Of city bees and beekeeping pleasures

“What the bees do on a small scale, we can do on a large scale: look after one another.” Erika Mayr

Erika Mayr is a passionate city beekeeper. In her biography, she recounts her first steps in the beekeeping society of Charlottenburg (Berlin), the wonderful smell of honey and of course, life with her fabulous city bees. A book that inspires and makes you want to keep bees.

Fascinating things happen in Erika Mayr’s beehives on the roof of a tower block: The hairy creatures dance, look after each other and product liquid gold. The city bees’ honey does not only have extraordinary nuances in taste, but it is also extremely pure and very healthy. Imparting a wealth of bee knowledge, Erika Mayr amusingly tells of how she became a beekeeper, of the perfection of the honeycomb and why today it is more important than ever to help bees. The enthusiasm of the city beekeeper is infectious and her message is powerful: Together we can create a better world - for ourselves and for the bees.

Updated new edition with a preface by bee expert and best-selling author Jürgen Tautz.

The author:

Erika Mayr, born in 1973, is originally from Upper Bavaria. Erika Mayr, a qualified gardener, moved to Berlin at an early age where she came into contact with the city beekeepers. She soon decided, “I want a bee colony”. Since she got her first beehive, she has championed the likeable honey-makers. Her Kreuzberg honey contains the full biodiversity of Berlin.

www.stadtbienenhonig.com

Martin Hirte

Short and Practical Guide to Vaccinations

- **The No. 1 vaccination self-help book: Competent medical help for making the decision on vaccination**
- - ***“Impfen – Pro & Contra”* has already sold more than 200,000 copies**



April 2018, 96 pages

Compact edition of the best seller *“Impfen – Pro & Contra”*

Vaccination: yes or no? The necessity of various vaccinations is increasingly often critically discussed. In this compact guide renowned paediatrician Dr. Martin Hirte provides advice backed up by many years of experience. The pros and cons of the most common vaccinations and their side effects are briefly and concisely discussed. Parents are provided with a practical aid in making the decision, a guide that can be consulted again and again.

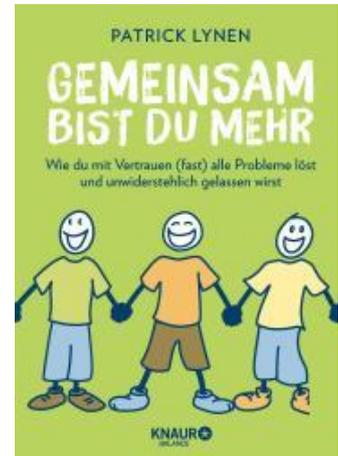
The author:

Dr. Martin Hirte, born in 1954, is a specialist paediatrician and has had his own classical homeopathic paediatric surgery with special focus on allergology since 1990. He is married and has four children. Mr Martin Hirte is the co-editor of the book "Homöopathie in der Kinder- und Jugendmedizin".

Patrick Lynen

Together You Are More

- **Learn from the experience of the charismatic life coach: Together you are more!**



Balance, April 2018, 176 pages

Those who trust get more out of life!

Best-selling author Patrick Lynen reveals how we gain trust, loyalty and friends. Only together with others do we achieve our potential. The lovingly illustrated guide for personal growth gives inspirational advice on how to learn to trust in day-to-day life and how to enter into more relationships with each other again. The accompanying drawings by Reiner Bergmann and the easy-going and pleasant manner of Patrick Lynen are an unbeatable combination. An indispensable source of inspiration for successful and happy relationships.

The author:

Patrick Lynen works as a trainer, coach, TV producer and advisor for numerous universities and academies, including the renowned *ARD.ZDF Medienakademie*. He is the brains behind the WDR show, "*Die Runde Ecke*", with which he also tours around Germany and touches the lives of thousands.

His books on the topics of personal development, change and calm are best sellers.

www.patricklynen.net

Thomas Rampp & Sabine Pork Help With Headaches

- **For the first time, two recipes for success in one: a competent health self-help book and a book of exercises to do at home**



March 2018, 96 pages

Self-help under the guidance of a competent doctor: The first patient coaching to do at home

Based on the five pillars of holistic health:
Lifestyle, exercise, hydrotherapy, herbal medicine
and nutrition

With checklists, questionnaires, nutrition coaching,
exercises to do at home, dos and don'ts, and
continuous success checks

Headaches are always an indication that there is
something wrong in the body. With the help of the
programme to do at home, you can diagnose the
problem and be permanently free of headaches.

Stress or a change in the weather and the
headaches have flared up again? Or you feel tired
and jaded in day-to-day life because you can't get
recuperative sleep? There are many reasons why
people come to the doctors or take medication.
The doctors at the *Mind-Body-Klinik* have had
many years of practical experience in dealing with
patients on a daily basis. They have developed an
interactive coaching for patients to help
themselves and with which the sufferers can take
responsibility for themselves and for their health.

The author:

Dr. med. Thomas Rampp is a senior physician at
the *Klinik für Naturheilkunde und Integrative
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Naturheilkunde und Integrative Medizin*.

Verena Roth & Christiane Pithan

Help With Sleep Disorders



March 2018, 96 pages

The reasons for sleep disorders can be permanently remedied step-by-step using the five natural pillars so that sleep is recuperative and healthy.

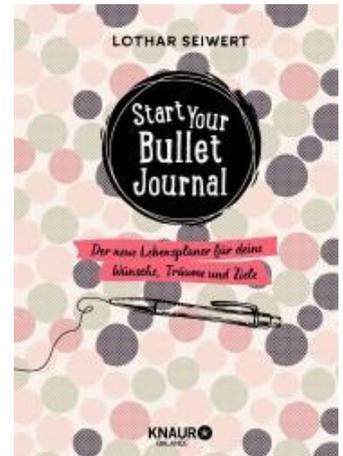
The author:

Verena Roth works as a doctor in the *Klinik für Naturheilkunde und Integrative Medizin* at the *Kliniken Essen-Mitte*. She has completed numerous additional qualifications, among others in respiration therapy, acupuncture and neural therapy. Christiane Pithan is a graduate nutrition scientist (M.Sc.) and a certified mind and body medicine therapist. She has worked for over 15 years at the department of natural and integrative medicine. Ist hier Klinik für Naturheilkunde und Integrative Medizin gemeint?

Lothar Seiwert

Start Your Bullet Journal

- **Get your pen out: it can be so easy to manage what really matters in life**
- **- Simply organise to-do lists, wish lists and a diary**



Balance, February 2018, 176 pages

More than just time management: Give your dreams and desires priority

The new mega-trend explained by the leading expert on time management and best-selling author Lothar Seiwert.

Your life, your plan - organise yourself happy with the Bullet Journal .

Bullet Journal is a simple method of organisation, with which you can bring together all aspects of your life. The three components of the Bullet Journal are: to-do lists, wish lists and a diary. Lothar Seiwert, the most influential trendsetter in time management, provides a simple life planner which, using bullet points, seeks out the “gaps” in our life calendar for the things that really matter. The most important rule is that it is not a problem of time but a problem of priorities.

The author:

Prof. Dr. Lothar Seiwert is Europe’s leading and best-known expert for time and life management. The prominent keynote speaker and internationally successful author has been awarded many prizes and honours for his work. Millions of people around the world have attended his presentations and have been inspired to focus on the essentials. The German Speakers Association (GSA) honoured him with his inclusion in the “Hall of Fame” of the best speakers and elected him as their honorary president. www.Lothar-Seiwert.de

Jeff Shore

The Journey Starts under your Feet

- **One of the few Western Zen masters in Japan**
- **Easy introduction to Zen with the potential to become a classic**
- **- The author runs regular retreats and seminars in Europe**



March 2018, 240 pages

“I learnt everything about Zen meditation from him.” Nico Rosberg

Jeff Shore, the American Zen master, is a modern Zen teacher. His teachings are clear and always focussed on their practical implementation. Even the journey to enlightenment begins with a first step. The so-called Zazen, the practice of meditation in Zen, is presented in a new authentic and accessible way. Meditation expertise is also made understandable for non-Buddhists. You learn how to become one with body and soul and what obstacles lurk along the way.

“I met Jeff for the first time in Kyoto; there were just a few races of the World Championship left. I learnt everything about Zen meditation from him. Before the last race of my career, I meditated, just like I had done with Jeff. I got in my racing car and then I won my first World Championship.”
Nico Rosberg

The author:

The American Zen master, Jeff Shore, is one of the few Westerners who have successfully completed the Koan training at the Rinzai school. He is an authorised Zen master with decades of meditation experience, and since 1988 he has been a professor at a Buddhist university in Japan. Jeff Shore runs numerous retreats, mainly in Europe and the USA.

www.beingwithoutself.org

Vinod Verma

Healthy with Ayurveda

- **At last with Western ingredients: the basics of the Indian medical knowledge for more energy and good health**
- **With more than 50 simple and fast Ayurveda recipes**



April 2018, 208 pages

Pumpkin, tomatoes and courgette - Ayurveda has never been so easy

According to the Indian system of medicine Ayurveda, in order to maintain good health and to prevent illness it is important to be in harmony with the natural rhythm of life. Those who know their own basic energies (vata, pitta and kapha) can always regain their balance. Dr. Vinod Verma explains simple and effective ways to control your own constitution (prakriti).

Correct breathing, a healthy sleep and a well functioning digestive system are the foundations of health and energy in Ayurveda. Dr. Verma explains how you can achieve this and how the periodic detox of the organs has a rejuvenating effect on the whole body.

The 50 Ayurveda recipes in the books are prepared exclusively with Western ingredients and are the perfect way to protect your health. They can be quickly and easily prepared, and are accompanied by explanations on the virtues of the ingredients. In this way, food can be deliberately used to keep the body healthy and to heal it.

The author:

Dr Vinod Verma is a passionate researcher devoted to her work on making the living tradition of Ayurveda more widely used. When at the peak of her career as a medical researcher in a German pharmaceutical company, she decided to take a different path and founded the 'New Way Health Organisation'. Since then she has been researching ancient Vedic teachings and the healing power of its traditional recipes, passing this knowledge on through seminars, training programmes and lectures. She lives in Delhi but makes an annual trip to Europe in order to give seminars and individual treatments.

Dorit Zimmermann

Medical Plants for Women

- **Valuable advice regarding complaints, such as migraines, menstrual cycle disorders and problems during the menopause**
- **From superfoods for women to wild herbs and hormone plants - natural help for women's complaints**

The women's apothecary: Old knowledge of medicinal plants rediscovered

Since time immemorial, herbs have been the companion of every woman. Women's health expert Dorit Zimmermann makes this traditional medical knowledge accessible again. She presents the most important herbs and plants that every woman can use for her own well-being. She describes the medicinal effects and range of uses of the herbs and provides numerous recipes and valuable tips for the medicine cabinet at home. With practical instructions on how to prepare tinctures, ointments, compresses and beauty recipes - so that every woman can easily and personally live in harmony with nature.

With over 30 portraits of plants, over 100 medicinal recipes and a register of recipes and plants



April 2018, 192 pages

The author:

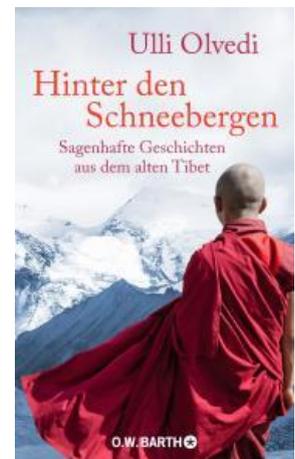
Dorit Zimmermann is a practitioner of alternative medicine and has her own practice for classic homoeopathy with a focus on treating children and women. She holds qualifications in physiotherapy, classical homoeopathy and behavioural therapy. She works as a medical journalist, book author and editor of *Homöopathie Zeitschrift*.

SPIRITUAL FICTION

Ulli Olvedi

Behind the Snowy Mountains

- **Unusual short stories, fairy tales and fables from the roof of the world**
- **More than 500,000 copies of Ulli Olvedi's work sold**



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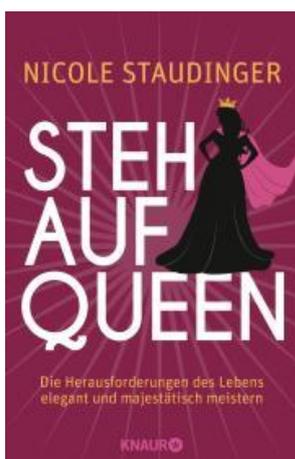
Tibetan stories told by best-selling author Ulli Olvedi

Ulli Olvedi recounts numerous fairy tales, legends, fables and anecdotes from the Tibetan cultural region. They are primarily from the era before Buddhism and are less known in the West. Some of them are reminiscent of the Brothers Grimm, some of Aesop's Fables, while others could compete in terms of cheek with The Decameron. But whether they are magical, drastic or impertinent, the mischievous humour of the Tibetans prevails in the stories. This roguishness does not only accompany the readers through the exotic history of Tibet but also leads them to the joyous heart of this old nomadic culture.

The author:

Ulli Olvedi is considered an expert on Tibetan Buddhism and Tibetan culture. She frequently spent long periods of time in the Himalayas and lived reclusively in monasteries where she drew inspiration for her very successful novels. Her novels such as *“Wie in einem Traum”* or *“Zanskar und ein Leben mehr”* have often been found in the best seller charts.

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