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Farlander Nov 16 2021 When he is chosen to be the apprentice of an ailing protective assassin in a world dominated by a nihilistic urban cult, Nico accompanies his master on a mission to kill the murderous son of the cult's ruthless matriarch.

The Bard's Blade Mar 20 2022 The Bard's Blade is the start of the new Sorcerer's Song fantasy adventure series from Brian D. Anderson, bestselling author of The Godling Chronicles and Dragonvein. Mariyah enjoys a simple life in Vylari, a land magically sealed off from the outside world, where fear and hatred are all but unknown. There she's a renowned wine maker and her betrothed, Lem, is a musician of rare talent. Their destiny has never been in question. Whatever life brings, they will face it together. Then a stranger crosses the wards into Vylari for the first time in centuries, bringing a dark prophecy that forces Lem and Mariyah down separate paths. How far will they have to go to stop a rising darkness and save their home? And how much of themselves will they have to give up along the way? At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

On the Shoulders of Titans Sep 02 2020 Corin Cadence finally has a firm reason to believe his brother, Tristan, is still alive. Unfortunately, finding more information isn't going to be easy. Tristan appears to be entangled with a clandestine organization that calls themselves Whispers. And Corin's last brush with the Whispers didn't exactly end well. As much as he wants to follow that lead, Corin has more pressing problems to deal with. Sera is still suffering from a mysterious malady that has stolen her voice and her magic. Corin knows that a portion of that is his fault, and he's determined to fix it. His mother is still off in another country, and there are growing odds that she's involved with a conspiracy to overthrow the visages. Corin has also been branded with a new magical mark on his right hand -- one that even veteran climbers don't seem to recognize. He's going to need to figure out how it works, otherwise it could be more of a vulnerability than an asset. Corin still hasn't finished his first year at Lorian Heights. If he fails his final exams, he'll be sent off to the military, and lose his chance to investigate his brother's fate. And finally, there's the issue of enemies. He might have made a few of them. The biggest problem? He's not sure if Jin, once one of his closest companions, is one of them.

The Last Mortal Bond Jan 06 2021 The trilogy that began with The Emperor's Blades and continued in The Providence of Fire reaches its epic conclusion. "Deeply satisfying" Kirkus "Staveley shows how to end a fantasy epic with The Last Mortal Bond" Io9 Death is near, armies are gathered, and the future rests on a knife-edge. The Annurian Empire is losing a war on two fronts - and it's unclear who is in command. Adare is stationed in the thick of battle and now calls herself Emperor. However, she can't hold back the nomadic Urgul forces for much longer. She needs her brilliant general, Ran il Tornja, but will he betray her again? Her brother Kaden is the true heir, yet he'll accept a Republic to save his divided people. And he faces something even more terrible than war. He's unmasked Ran il Tornja as a remnant of an ancient race who attempted to destroy mankind. The general plans to finish what they started, and is amassing all the power he needs. The empire calls on the Kettral, its toughest soldiers, but their order has been decimated. Its last fighters are in disarray, but could they still turn the tide of war? Most disturbingly of all, capricious gods walk the earth in human guise. And their desires could seal the fate of a world. PRAISE FOR THE LAST MORTAL BOND "A truly epic tale full of memorable characters, clever politics, an intelligent magic system, brutal battle scenes, and witty dialogue" Fantasy Faction "One of the most brutal, gut-wrenching, raw, emotional, masterfully told, brilliantly plotted, beautifully written series I have ever had the pleasure of reading" The Book Eaters "The perfect ending to a fantastic trilogy" Beauty in Ruins "Darker and fiercer than the other two books [...] the way Staveley crafts the ending, bringing everything together, is just masterful" Speculative Herald

The Empire's Ruin Jun 23 2022 Brian Staveley, author of The Emperor's Blades, gives readers the first book in a new epic fantasy trilogy based in the world of his popular series The Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne, The Empire's Ruin. FanFiAddict—Lord TBR's Best of 2021 Best of Summer 2021—Polygon The Annurian Empire is disintegrating. The advantages it used for millennia have fallen to ruin. The ranks of the Kettral have been decimated from within, and the kenta gates, granting instantaneous travel across the vast lands of the empire, can no longer be used. In order to save the empire, one of the surviving Kettral must voyage beyond the edge of the known world through a land that warps and poisons all living things to find the nesting ground of the giant war hawks. Meanwhile, a monk turned con-artist may hold the secret to the kenta gates. But time is running out. Deep within the southern reaches of the empire and ancient god-like race has begun to stir. What they discover will change them and the Annurian Empire forever. If they can survive. Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne The Emperor's Blades The Providence of Fire The Last Mortal Bond Other books in the world of the Unhewn Throne Skullsworn At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Miss Jane: A Novel Apr 28 2020 Longlisted for the National Book Award and a Washington Post Best Book of the Year "Gorgeous...A writer of profound emotional depths." —New York Times Book Review Since his award-winning debut collection of stories, Last Days of the Dog-Men, Brad Watson has been expanding the literary traditions of the South in work as melancholy, witty, strange, and lovely as any in America. Drawing on the true story of his great-aunt, he explores the life of Miss Jane Chisolm, born in rural, early-twentieth-century Mississippi with a genital birth defect that excludes her from the roles traditional for a woman of her time and place and frees her to live her life as she pleases. With irrepressible vitality and generosity of spirit, Miss Jane mesmerizes those around her, exerting an unearthly fascination that lives beyond her still.

Dead Boys Feb 07 2021 "If China Miéville, Neil Gaiman and Hunter S. Thompson had a ménage à trois, Dead Boys would be the lovechild. A cracking book." —Jay Kristoff, author of Stormdancer A decade dead, Jacob Campbell is a preservationist, providing a kind of taxidermy to keep his clients looking lifelike for as long as the forces of entropy will allow. But in the Land of the Dead, where the currency is time itself and there is little for corpses to do but drink, thief, and gamble eternity away, Jacob abandons his home and his fortune for an opportunity to meet the man who cheated the rules of life and death entirely. According to legend, the Living Man is the only adventurer to ever cross into the underworld without dying first. It's rumored he met his end somewhere in the labyrinth of

pubs beneath Dead City's streets, disappearing without a trace. Now Jacob's vow to find the Living Man and follow him back to the land of the living sends him on a perilous journey through an underworld where the only certainty is decay. Accompanying him are the boy Remington, an innocent with mysterious powers over the bones of the dead, and the hanged man Leopold l'Eclair, a flamboyant rogue whose criminal ambitions spark the undesired attention of the shadowy ruler known as the Magnate. An ambitious debut that mingles the fantastic with the philosophical, *Dead Boys* twists the well-worn epic quest into a compelling, one-of-a-kind work of weird fiction that transcends genre, recalling the novels of China Miéville and Neil Gaiman. Skyhorse Publishing, under our Night Shade and Talos imprints, is proud to publish a broad range of titles for readers interested in science fiction (space opera, time travel, hard SF, alien invasion, near-future dystopia), fantasy (grimdark, sword and sorcery, contemporary urban fantasy, steampunk, alternative history), and horror (zombies, vampires, and the occult and supernatural), and much more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller, a national bestseller, or a Hugo or Nebula award-winner, we are committed to publishing quality books from a diverse group of authors.

The Last Mortal Bond Oct 27 2022 The trilogy that began with *The Emperor's Blades* and continued in *The Providence of Fire* reaches its epic conclusion, as war engulfs the Annurian Empire in Brian Staveley's *The Last Mortal Bond*. The ancient csestriim are back to finish their purge of humanity; armies march against the capital; leaches, solitary beings who draw power from the natural world to fuel their extraordinary abilities, maneuver on all sides to affect the outcome of the war; and capricious gods walk the earth in human guise with agendas of their own. But the three imperial siblings at the heart of it all--Valyn, Adare, and Kaden--come to understand that even if they survive the holocaust unleashed on their world, there may be no reconciling their conflicting visions of the future. *Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne* *The Emperor's Blades* *The Providence of Fire* *The Last Mortal Bond* Other books in the world of the Unhewn Throne *Skullsworn* At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Merlin Chronicles Mar 08 2021

Sasha Sep 14 2021 Spurning her royal heritage to be raised by the great warrior, Kessligh, her exquisite swordplay astonishes all who witness it. But Sasha is still young, untested in battle and often led by her rash temper. In the complex world of Lenayin loyalties, her defiant wilfulness is attracting the wrong kind of attention. Lenayin is a land almost divided by its two faiths: the Verenthane of the ruling classes and the pagan Goeren-yai, amongst whom Sasha now lives. The Goeren-yai worship swordplay and honour and begin to see Sasha as the great spirit—the Synnich—who will unite them. But Sasha is still searching for what she believes and must choose her side carefully. When the Udalyn people—the symbol of Goeren-yai pride and courage—are attacked, Sasha will face her moment of testing. How will she act? Is she ready to lead? Can she be the saviour they need her to be?

The Darwin Elevator May 30 2020 After aliens constructed an elevator from Darwin, Australia into space, humanity established orbital colonies along the elevator's cord. Years later, those outside of the machine's protective aura were wiped out by a mysterious plague. When the elevator's virus shield begins to break down, a scavenger and a scientist must unravel the mystery of the failing alien technology to save what's left of the world.

Warbreaker Jan 18 2022 From #1 New York Times bestselling author Brandon Sanderson, *Warbreaker* is the story of two sisters, who happen to be princesses, the God King one of them has to marry, the lesser god who doesn't like his job, and the immortal who's still trying to undo the mistakes he made hundreds of years ago. Their world is one in which those who die in glory return as gods to live confined to a pantheon in Hallandren's capital city and where a power known as BioChromatic magic is based on an essence known as breath that can only be collected one unit at a time from individual people. By using breath and drawing upon the color in everyday objects, all manner of miracles and mischief can be accomplished. It will take considerable quantities of each to resolve all the challenges facing Vivenna and Siri, princesses of Idris; Susebron the God King; Lightsong, reluctant god of bravery, and mysterious Vasher, the Warbreaker. Other Tor books by Brandon Sanderson *The Cosmere* *The Stormlight Archive* *The Way of Kings* *Words of Radiance* *Edgedancer* (Novella) *Oathbringer* *The Mistborn trilogy* *Mistborn: The Final Empire* *The Well of Ascension* *The Hero of Ages* *Mistborn: The Wax and Wayne series* *Alloy of Law* *Shadows of Self* *Bands of Mourning* *Collection Arcanum Unbounded* Other Cosmere novels *Elantris* *Warbreaker* *The Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians series* *Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians* *The Scrivener's Bones* *The Knights of Crystallia* *The Shattered Lens* *The Dark Talent* *The Rithmatist series* *The Rithmatist* Other books by Brandon Sanderson *The Reckoners* *Steelheart* *Firefight* *Calamity* At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Log Goblin Dec 05 2020 On a cold winter's night, a goblin is caught stealing firewood. Then things start getting weird. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Wisdom of Crowds Oct 23 2019 The New York Times bestselling finale to the Age of Madness trilogy finds the world in an unstoppable revolution where heroes have nothing left to lose as darkness and destruction overtake everything. Chaos. Fury. Destruction. The Great Change is upon us . . . Some say that to change the world you must first burn it down. Now that belief will be tested in the crucible of revolution: the Breakers and Burners have seized the levers of power, the smoke of riots has replaced the smog of industry, and all must submit to the wisdom of crowds. With nothing left to lose, Citizen Brock is determined to become a new hero for the new age, while Citizeness Savine must turn her talents from profit to survival before she can claw her way to redemption. Orso will find that when the world is turned upside down, no one is lower than a monarch. And in the bloody North, Rikke and her fragile Protectorate are running out of allies . . . while Black Calder gathers his forces and plots his vengeance. The banks have fallen, the sun of the Union has been torn down, and in the darkness behind the scenes, the threads of the Weaver's ruthless plan are slowly being drawn together . . . "No one writes with the seismic scope or primal intensity of Joe Abercrombie." —Pierce Brown For more from Joe Abercrombie, check out: *The Age of Madness* *A Little Hatred* *The Trouble With Peace* *The Wisdom of Crowds* *The First Law Trilogy* *The Blade Itself* *Before They Are Hanged* *Last Argument of Kings* *Best Served Cold* *The Heroes* *Red Country* *The Shattered Sea Trilogy* *Half a King* *Half a World* *Half a War*

The Wolf of Oren-Yaro Jun 11 2021 "Intimate and epic. It compels you to read on." - Evan Winter, author of *The Rage of Dragons* "Villoso's cunning, exciting debut is a new fantasy epic that readers will clamor for." - Library Journal (starred review) From "a powerful new voice in fantasy" (Kameron Hurley) comes the tale of a queen who must unite her divided land, even if she's hated by the very people she's trying to protect. "They called me the Bitch Queen, the she-wolf, because I murdered a man and exiled my king

the night before they crowned me." Born under the crumbling towers of her kingdom, Queen Talyien was the shining jewel and legacy of the bloody War of the Wolves. It nearly tore her nation apart. But her arranged marriage to the son of a rival clan heralds peace. However, he suddenly disappears before their reign can begin, and the kingdom is fractured beyond repair. Years later, he sends a mysterious invitation to meet. Talyien journeys across the sea in hopes of reconciling their past. An assassination attempt quickly dashes those dreams. Stranded in a land she doesn't know, with no idea whom she can trust, Talyien will have to embrace her namesake. A Wolf of Oren-yaro is not tamed. "Intricate, intimate, and intensely plotted." - Nicholas Eames, author of Kings of the Wyld The Chronicles of the Wolf Queen The Wolf of Oren-yaro The Ikessar Falcon The Dragon of Jin-Sayeng

Songs of the Earth Sep 21 2019 SONGS OF THE EARTH is the most compelling debut fantasy novel since Patrick Rothfuss first hit the shelves four years ago, with the stunning THE NAME OF THE WIND. Combining superb characterisation with an epic story, it is beautifully told and engaging from the very first word. Gair is under a death sentence. He can hear music - music with power - and in the Holy City that means only one thing: he's a witch, and he's going to be burnt at the stake. Even if he could escape, the Church Knights and their witchfinder would be hot on his heels while his burgeoning power threatens to tear him apart from within. There is no hope . . . none, but a secretive order, themselves persecuted almost to destruction. If Gair can escape, if he can master his own growing, dangerous abilities, if he can find the Guardians of the Veil, then maybe he will be safe. Or maybe he'll discover that his fight has only just begun.

Malice Oct 03 2020 Called a 'Hell of a debut' by bestselling author Conn Iggulden, Malice by John Gwynne is the first in The Faithful and the Fallen series. Young Corban watches enviously as boys become warriors, learning the art of war. He yearns to wield his sword and spear to protect his king's realm. But that day will come all too soon. Only when he loses those he loves will he learn the true price of courage. The Banished Lands has a violent past where armies of men and giants clashed in battle, the earth running dark with their heartsblood. Although the giant-clans were broken in ages past, their ruined fortresses still scar the land. But now giants stir anew, the very stones weep blood and there are sightings of giant wyrms. Those who can still read the signs see a threat far greater than the ancient wars. Sorrow will darken the world, as angels and demons make it their battlefield. Then there will be a war to end all wars. High King Aquilus summons his fellow kings to council, seeking an alliance in this time of need. Prophecy indicates darkness and light will demand two champions, the Black Sun and the Bright Star. They would be wise to seek out both, for if the Black Sun gains ascendancy, mankind's hopes and dreams will fall to dust. Continue the epic fantasy series with Valour.

Elric: The Sleeping Sorceress Oct 15 2021 Elric of Melniboné. Traitor. Savior. Lover. Thief. Last king of a fallen empire whose cruelty was surpassed only by its beauty. Sustained by drugs and the vampiric powers of his black sword, Stormbringer, haunted by visions of a tragic past and a doomed future, Elric wanders the world in quest of oblivion. But the great lords of Law and Chaos have other plans for this tormented adventurer. This volume is the third of Del Rey's definitive collections featuring the tales of Elric and other aspects of Michael Moorcock's Eternal Champion, along with essays, a selection of classic artwork, and new material never seen in book form. Gorgeously illustrated by Steve Ellis, and featuring a foreword by Holly Black, The Sleeping Sorceress is a must-have for all lovers of fantasy. From the Trade Paperback edition.

The Six-Gun Tarot Apr 09 2021 Six-Gun Tarot is the first book in the twisted weird west world of the Golgotha series by R.S. Belcher. Nevada, 1869: Beyond the pitiless 40-Mile Desert lies Golgotha, a cattle town that hides more than its share of unnatural secrets. The sheriff bears the mark of the noose around his neck; some say he is a dead man whose time has not yet come. His half-human deputy is kin to coyotes. The mayor guards a hoard of mythical treasures. A banker's wife belongs to a secret order of assassins. And a shady saloon owner, whose fingers are in everyone's business, may know more about the town's true origins than he's letting on. A haven for the blessed and the damned, Golgotha has known many strange events, but nothing like the primordial darkness stirring in the abandoned silver mine overlooking the town. Bleeding midnight, an ancient evil is spilling into the world, and unless the sheriff and his posse can saddle up in time, Golgotha will have seen its last dawn...and so will all of Creation. R.S. Belcher's The Six-Gun Tarot is "an astonishing blend of first-rate steampunk fantasy and Western adventure." (Library Journal, Starred Review) Other Books by R.S. Belcher: The Golgotha Series The Six-Gun Tarot The Shotgun Arcana Nightwise The Brotherhood of the Wheel At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

A Gathering of Shadows Dec 25 2019 Experiencing ominous dreams, Kell watches Red London excitedly preparing for the Element Games international magic competition only to realize that the threat of Black London is returning.

Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne Aug 25 2022 This discounted ebundle includes: The Emperor's Blades, The Providence of Fire, The Last Mortal Bond "An enchanting union of old and new." —Pierce Brown The emperor of Annur is dead, slain by enemies unknown. His daughter and two sons, scattered across the world, do what they must to stay alive and unmask the assassins. But each of them also has a life-path on which their father set them, destinies entangled with both ancient enemies and inscrutable gods. The Emperor's Blades — Three siblings: Kaden, the heir to the Unhewn Throne, has spent eight years sequestered in a remote mountain monastery. An ocean away, Valyn endures the brutal training of the Kettral. At the heart of the empire, Adare hunts those who murdered her father. The Providence of Fire — Kaden infiltrates the Annurian capital, while Adare flees the Dawn Palace in search of allies to challenge the coup against her family. As armies prepare to clash, the threat of invasion compels the rival forces to unite. Unknown to Adare, Valyn has allied with the invading nomads. The Last Mortal Bond — The ancient csestriim are back to finish their purge of humanity; armies march against the capital; capricious gods walk the earth in human guise, but the imperial siblings at the heart of it all soon understand that there may be no reconciling their conflicting visions of the future. Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne The Emperor's Blades The Providence of Fire The Last Mortal Bond Other books in the world of the Unhewn Throne Skullsworn At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Emperor's Blades: Chapters-1-7 May 22 2022 CHRONICLE OF THE UNHEWN THRONE, BOOK I. A preview of The Emperor's Blades, the first novel in an gripping new epic fantasy series. "A vivid and visceral universe.... Real, solid, and compelling." —Christie Golden, New York Times bestselling author The emperor of Annur is dead, slain by enemies unknown. His daughter and two sons, scattered across the world, must somehow stay alive and unmask the assassins. But each of them also has a life-path on which their father set them, destinies entangled with both ancient enemies and inscrutable gods. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Sword and Citadel Jan 26 2020 Recently voted the greatest fantasy of all time, after The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit, Gene

Wolfe's *The Book of the New Sun* is an extraordinary epic, set a million years in the future, on an Earth transformed in mysterious and wondrous ways, in a time when our present culture is no longer even a memory. Severian, the central character, is a torturer, exiled from his guild after falling in love with one of his victims, and journeying to the distant city of Thrax, armed with his ancient executioner's sword, *Terminus Est*. This edition contains the second two volumes of this four volume novel, *The Sword of the Lictor* and *The Citadel of the Autarch*.

Mage's Blood Mar 28 2020 The Moontide is coming. Urte stands on the brink of war. Now three seemingly ordinary people will decide the fate of the world. Urte is divided, its two continents separated by impassable seas. But once every twelve years, the Moontide sees the waters sink to their lowest point and the Leviathan Bridge is revealed, linking east to west for twenty-four short months. The Rondian emperor, overlord of the west, is hell-bent on ruling both continents, and for the last two Moontides he has led armies of battle-magi across the bridge on crusades of conquest, pillaging his way across Antiopa. But the people of the east have been preparing--and, this time, they are ready for a fight. An epic fantasy, rich in intricate plots, intrigue and treachery. Vast forces collide and ordinary people make heart-rending choices that will shake the world.

Shadow Games Feb 19 2022 After the devastating battle at the Tower of Charm, Croaker leads the greatly diminished Black Company south, in search of the lost Annals. The Annals will be returned to Khatovar, eight thousand miles away, a city that may exist only in legend...the origin of the first Free Companies. Every step of the way the Company is hounded by shadowy figured and carrion-eating crows. As they march every southward, through bug infested jungle, rivers dense with bloodthirsty pirates, and cities, dead and living, haunted by the passage of the Company north, their numbers grow until they are thousands strong. But always they are watched--by the Shadowmasters--a deadly new enemy: twisted creature that deal in darkness and death: powerful, shadowy creatures bent on smothering the world in their foul embrace. This is the first round in a deadly game, a game that the Black Company cannot ea hope to win. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Winter King Nov 04 2020 From Bernard Cornwell, the international bestselling author and master of historical fiction. In the Dark Ages, a legendary warrior arises to unite a divided land . . . Uther, the High King of Britain, is dead. His only heir is the infant Mordred. Yet each of the country's lesser kings seek to claim the crown for themselves. While they squabble and spoil for war, a host of Saxon armies gather, preparing for invasion. But no one has counted on the fearsome warlord Arthur. Handed power by Merlin and pursuing a doomed romance with the beautiful Guinevere, Arthur knows he will struggle to unite the country - let alone hold back the Saxon enemy at the gates. Yet destiny awaits him . . . The first of Bernard Cornwell's Warlord Chronicles, *The Winter King* is a brilliant retelling of the Arthurian legend, combining myth, history and thrilling battlefield action. 'Of all the books I have written these are my favourites' Bernard Cornwell 'Spellbinding realism' *The Times*

Traitor's Blade Jun 30 2020 When every noble is a tyrant and every knight is a thug, the only thing you can really trust is a traitor's blade. *The Three Musketeers* meets Joe Abercrombie via Mark Lawrence: 'Guaranteed to increase household swashbuckling by 100%', says *Library Journal* *The Greatcoats* - legendary heroes, arbiters of justice . . . or notorious traitors? *The Greatcoats* are travelling magistrates bringing justice to all . . . or at least they were, before they watched the Dukes impale their King's head on a spike. Now the land's heroes are reviled as traitors, their *Greatcoats* in tatters. 'One hell of a good book' - Conn Iggulden, author of the *Sunday Times* Top Five bestseller *The Gates of Athens* *Facio*, *Kest* and *Brasti* have been reduced to working as mercenaries, but when they find their employer dead - and are forced to watch as the killer plants evidence framing them for the murder - they realise things are about to get even worse. For the royal conspiracy that began with overthrowing an idealistic young king is spreading to Rijou, the most corrupt city in the land, and the life of a young girl hangs in the balance. When every noble is a tyrant and every knight is a thug, the only thing you can really trust is a traitor's blade.

The Blacktongue Thief Feb 25 2020 Set in a world of goblin wars, stag-sized battle ravens, and assassins who kill with deadly tattoos, Christopher Buehlman's *The Blacktongue Thief* begins a 'dazzling' (Robin Hobb) fantasy adventure unlike any other. Kinch Na Shannack owes the Takers Guild a small fortune for his education as a thief, which includes (but is not limited to) lock-picking, knife-fighting, wall-scaling, fall-breaking, lie-weaving, trap-making, plus a few small magics. His debt has driven him to lie in wait by the old forest road, planning to rob the next traveler that crosses his path. But today, Kinch Na Shannack has picked the wrong mark. Galva is a knight, a survivor of the brutal goblin wars, and handmaiden of the goddess of death. She is searching for her queen, missing since a distant northern city fell to giants. Unsuccessful in his robbery and lucky to escape with his life, Kinch now finds his fate entangled with Galva's. Common enemies and uncommon dangers force thief and knight on an epic journey where goblins hunger for human flesh, krakens hunt in dark waters, and honor is a luxury few can afford. "The Blacktongue Thief is fast and fun and filled with crazy magic. I can't wait to see what Christopher Buehlman does next." - Brent Weeks, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Lightbringer* series At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Crown Tower Aug 01 2020 Two men who hate each other. One impossible mission. A legend in the making. Hadrian Blackwater, a warrior with nothing to fight for, is paired with Royce Melborn, a thieving assassin with nothing to lose. Hired by an old wizard, they must steal a treasure that no one can reach. *The Crown Tower* is the impregnable remains of the grandest fortress ever built and home to the realm's most prized possessions. But it isn't gold or jewels that the wizard is after, and if he can just keep them from killing each other, they just might succeed. *Chronological Order* *The Crown Tower* (*Riyria Chronicles* #1) *The Rose and the Thorn* (*Riyria Chronicles* #2) *Theft of Swords* (*Riyria Revelations* #1 & #2): contains *The Crown Conspiracy* & *Avempartha Rise of Empire* (*Riyria Revelations* #3 & #4): contains *Nyphron Rising* & *The Emerald Storm Heir of Novron* (*Riyria Revelations* #5 & #6): contains *Wintertide* & *Percepliquis* *** *Fantasy Faction's* Top 10 Anticipated Books for 2013 ***** *BestFantasyBooks.com* Most Anticipated Books of 2013 ***** *Ranting Dragon's* 50 Fantasy & Sci-Fi Novels to Look Forward to in 2013 ***

The Axe and the Throne Aug 13 2021 It is a fool's errand and Tallos knows it, but against his own better judgment and the pleading of his wife, Tallos has committed himself to a voyage north. His lifelong friend's eldest sons are said to have been taken by Northmen, a raiding people ill-reputed for their savagery. The boys are already dead, Tallos knows, and in that dark place of grim reasoning he wishes only to find their corpses quickly so he can fulfill his promise and return to his wife. Instead, he finds something far worse.

Marion Zimmer Bradley's Sword of Avalon Jul 12 2021 Epic in its sweep and peopled by the remarkable women who have always inhabited Avalon, *Marion Zimmer Bradley's Sword of Avalon* expands the legendary saga that has enchanted countless readers over the years and is sure to please Bradley's loyal readership and anyone who loves wonderfully told stories of history, myth, and fantasy.

Skullsworn Apr 21 2022 "The new novel in the world of the Emperor's Blades"--Front of jacket.

The Emperor's Blades: Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne 1 Nov 28 2022 Fantasy. The children of an assassinated emperor try to stay alive and avenge their father's death while continuing down their individual life-paths, one in a monastery, another training with elite soldiers, and one appointed a minister determined to prove herself to her people

The Book and the Sword Dec 17 2021 "The Book and the Sword was Louis Cha's first novel, published in 1955. The story has a panoramic sweep which has at its heart a few unbeatable themes: secret societies, kung fu masters, and the sensational rumour so dear to Chinese hearts that the great Manchu Emperor Qian Long was not in fact a Manchu but a Han Chinese, a line of descent that came about as a result of a 'baby swap' on the part of the Chens of Haining in Southern China. It mixes in the exotic flavours of central Asia, a lost city in the desert guarded by wolf packs, and the Fragrant Princess. This lady is an embellishment of an actual historical figure - although whether she actually smelled of flowers, we will never know." --Book Jacket.

The Emperor's Blades Dec 29 2022 The children of an assassinated emperor try to stay alive and avenge their father's death while continuing down their individual life-paths, one in a monastery, another training with elite soldiers, and one appointed a minister determined to prove herself to her people.

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The Dragon House Nov 23 2019

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Skullsworn Jul 24 2022 Brian Staveley's new standalone, *Skullsworn*, returns to the critically acclaimed Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne universe, following a priestess-assassin for the God of Death. "Brilliant." --V. E. Schwab, New York Times bestselling author From the award-winning epic fantasy world of The Emperor's Blades... Pyrre Lakatur is not, to her mind, an assassin, not a murderer--she is a priestess. At least, she will be once she passes her final trial. The problem isn't the killing. The problem, rather, is love. For to complete her trial, Pyrre has ten days to kill the seven people enumerated in an ancient song, including "the one who made your mind and body sing with love / who will not come again." Pyrre isn't sure she's ever been in love. And if she fails to find someone who can draw such passion from her, or fails to kill that someone, her order will give her to their god, the God of Death. Pyrre's not afraid to die, but she hates to fail, and so, as her trial is set to begin, she returns to the city of her birth in the hope of finding love . . . and ending it on the edge of her sword. "A complex and richly detailed world filled with elite soldier-assassins, mystic warrior monks, serpentine politics, and ancient secrets." --Library Journal, starred review, on The Emperor's Blades Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne The Emperor's Blades The Providence of Fire The Last Mortal Bond Other books in the world of the Unhewn Throne Skullsworn At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

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