

Buttanissima Sicilia Dall'autonomia A Crocetta Tutta Una Rovina

Disprezzata e derisa, ma idolatrata nella sua funzione sacra, la prostituta attraversa epoche e luoghi della storia lasciando tracce indelebili della sua esistenza. La sua figura emerge con forza in molte opere letterarie e altre declinazioni artistiche, facendo sopravvivere, in una continua metamorfosi, la sua costante presenza nella memoria collettiva. Il presente volume, che raccoglie contributi di studiosi italiani e stranieri, riflette in maniera caleidoscopica e con l'aiuto di esempi scelti il suo ruolo e il modo in cui è stata rappresentata. L'indagine prende anche in considerazione il fenomeno della prostituzione maschile.

'Sad, funny, wise and unblinkingly honest, this is truly wonderful.' Daily Mail 'I like the smell of pines and the aroma of freshly washed laundry. I like the rattle of hail on windowpanes and the texture of volcanic rock. I like the light in the sky when the sun has gone down.' Cesare is an unlikely hero. As he says himself, 'I am seventy-seven years old, and for seventy-two years and one hundred and eleven days I threw my life down the toilet...' Is it too late for him to rediscover his passion for love and life? Already an international bestseller, *The Temptation to Be Happy* is a coming-of-age story like no other. 'Immensely charming... Uplifting and very much on the side of life.' Mail on Sunday

In the 1970s and 1980s there was a steady transfer of power in mainland Europe to new, powerful regional authorities and these, in their turn, started to build up a new form of intra-European co-operation. With the acceleration of European integration, the rise of the multinational firm and new media and transport technologies, the traditional defence-based nation-states are under threat. In this challenging study, Christopher Harvie alters the ways in which we have traditionally surveyed the European past by setting the positive and negative aspects of the present European situation in their historical context. He reappraises the actors of 'national' politics, the persistence of types of civic and internationalist discourse and finally looks at the transactions which have created 'bourgeois regionalism', and its implications for the future of Europe. Harvie argues that we are only beginning to realise the shift in consciousness, as well as in politics and administration, that an integrated Europe will involve.

Annotation.

On Tyranny is Leo Strauss's classic reading of Xenophon's dialogue, *Hiero or Tyrannicus*, in which the tyrant Hiero and the poet Simonides discuss the advantages and disadvantages of exercising tyranny. This edition includes a translation of the dialogue, a critique of the commentary by the French philosopher Alexandre Kojève, Strauss's restatement of his position in light of Kojève's comments, and finally, the complete Strauss-Kojève correspondence. "Through [Strauss's] interpretation Xenophon appears to us as no longer the somewhat dull and flat author we know, but as a brilliant and subtle writer, an original and profound thinker. What is more, in interpreting this forgotten dialogue, Strauss lays bare great moral and political problems that are still ours." —Alexandre Kojève, *Critique* "On Tyranny is a complex and stimulating book with its 'parallel dialogue' made all the more striking since both participants take such unusual, highly provocative positions, and so force readers to face substantial problems in what are often wholly unfamiliar, even shocking ways." —Robert Pippin, *History and Theory* "Every political scientist who tries to disentangle himself from the contemporary confusion over the problems of tyranny will be much indebted to this study and inevitably use it as a starting point." —Eric Voegelin, *The Review of Politics* Leo Strauss (1899-1973) was the Robert Maynard Hutchins Distinguished Service Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago.

Un libro-pamphlet, un j'accuse radicale di uno scrittore sempre sul campo, e questa volta impegnato a dire il suo no deciso, irrevocabile, alle "cose" di Sicilia. Sul banco degli imputati la rivoluzione farlocca dell'attuale governatore, Rosario Crocetta, e lo Statuto d'Autonomia regionale da cui origina il malaffare e un costume politico che non può più essere accettato. La Sicilia sta affogando nell'indifferenza: per le spese, per il bilancio, per la mafia che a parole si combatte ma in realtà si lascia prosperare indirettamente, girandosi da un'altra parte e fingendo invece di guardare nella giusta direzione, che giusta non è. Lo aveva detto Sciascia, parlando di "professionisti dell'antimafia". E poi ancora: gli "enti mangiasoldi", il mare delle sovvenzioni che vanno e vengono, l'eccesso infernale di dipendenti pubblici, lo scandalo del Muos, il sistema di comunicazione militare approntato dagli americani: torri radio e antenne di diciotto metri per favorire la colonizzazione tecnologica ed economica della Sicilia. Anche la natura si è corrotta. Nella nuda terra siciliana, tra gli insetti laboriosi ecco spuntare le microspie delle procure. Un libro provocatorio, contro i padroni, i campieri e i sovrastanti, veri o presunti, a cui la Sicilia, quella vera e ancora memore della sua antica dignità, è stanca di dare ospitalità all'infinito.

A truly stunning novel of one man's dangerous obsession with immortality, from the BAFTA award-winning creator of *Bodyguard* and *Line of Duty* and co-creator of the graphic novel *Sleeper*. ONE OF THE GUARDIAN'S '1000 NOVELS EVERYONE MUST READ' 'A completely gripping, read-at-once novel' *The Times* Yefgenii Yeremin is a flyer and a phantom. Destined to go down in Soviet history books as 'Ivan the Terrible', the most deadly fighter pilot of the Korean War, one moment of madness sees Yefgenii throwing his reputation to the wind. Exiled to a remote Arctic base, his name unknown and victories uncelebrated, he must endure a fate worse than death: anonymity. But when a man arrives from Moscow's Space Committee in search of a volunteer prepared to sacrifice himself for his country, Yefgenii seizes his one last chance of immortality.

Warm, vibrant illustrations combine with the steady reassurance "I'll take care of you" to introduce children to the cycles of nature and the gift of nurturing. A helpless, tiny seed finds itself lost in the world, but with care from the Sky, Earth, and Sun it grows up to be a beautiful apple tree. When the tree meets a bird in need of help, it offers its branches as shelter and shows little readers the magic of being cared for and taking care. This comforting tale celebrates the harmonious relationship between birds and trees, reveals the quiet wonder of our ecosystems, and helps little readers appreciate the care they receive from their family and friends every day. In return, children will learn that they can care for others too and cultivate empathy and kindness. With brightly beautiful illustrations and a timely message of love and community, *I'll Take Care of You* offers families a go-to soothing story for bedtime and tough days.

This collection of essays brings together the work of a new generation of revisionist historians who argue that the true history of Southern Italy has been reduced to that of a 'Southern problem' viewed through a Northern prism. These scholars suggest that the South was not a 'backward' region, but a combination of regions in which different social and economic patterns had evolved in response to the prevailing conditions within the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies. The book employs an interdisciplinary approach to examine not only the concrete history of the South, but also the discourses and images in which it has been framed. It is the first publication in English devoted to the new history of Southern Italy, and brings together many of the leading figures in the revisionist movement, as well as some of their critics.

A brutal killer is on the streets of Rome. He leaves no trace. And shows no mercy. A series of gruesome murders leaves the police force in Rome reeling, with no real clues or hard evidence to follow. Assigned to the case is Sandra Vega, a brilliant forensic analyst, struggling to come to terms with the crimes and her own past. Sandra's shared history with Marcus, a member of the ancient Penitenzeri - a unique Italian team, linked to the Vatican, and trained in the detection of true evil, means that the two are brought together again in the pursuit of a

malignant killer. Soon Marcus and Sandra notice the emergence of a disturbing pattern running alongside the latest killings - and every time they think they have grasped a fragment of the truth, they are led down yet another terrifying path. A sensational new literary thriller from the bestselling author of *The Whisperer*, this novel captures the beautiful atmosphere of Rome and explores its dark and hidden secrets. In this fascinatingly complex thriller, two people, each shattered by their past, team up to solve a series of killings and abductions—unspeakable crimes that turn out to be merely the surface of something far more sinister. When a woman is beheaded in a park outside Rome and her six-year-old son goes missing, the police arrest the woman's husband and await his confession. But the city's Chief of Major Crimes has his doubts and assigns two of Italy's top analytical minds to the case: Deputy Captain Colomba Caselli, a fierce, warrior-like detective still reeling from a horrific mass killing she survived, and Dante Torre, a man who spent his childhood trapped inside a concrete silo. Fed through the gloved hand of a masked kidnapper who called himself "the Father," Dante emerged from his ordeal with crippling claustrophobia but, also, with an unquenchable thirst for knowledge. All evidence suggests that the Father is back at work and wants a reunion with Dante. But when Colomba and Dante begin unraveling the truth, they find themselves wanted for murder. Now Dante and Colomba must travel down a number of dark tunnels, both literal and figurative, as they confront the question that may solve it all: what lies beneath the water in a remote Italian quarry? And what might that revelation mean for ten children who have recently gone missing? *Kill the Father* boasts a brilliantly layered plot that offers new and more haunting revelations at every turn. Not since Thomas Harris's *The Silence of the Lambs* has there been as intriguing a pairing of hard-charging female detective and "damaged" savant, and not since Jo Nesbo has there been a foreign thriller talent as promising.

A combination of *Gone Girl* and Franzen's *Freedom* filtered through the fierce Mediterranean vision of Elena Ferrante Southern Italy, the 1980s. On a hot summer's night under a full moon, far from the outlying neighbourhoods of a southern Italian city, Clara stumbles naked, dazed, and bloodied down a major highway. When she dies no-one is able to say exactly how or why, but her brother cannot free himself from her memory or from the questions surrounding her death. The more he learns about her life and death, the more he uncovers the moral decay at the core of his family's ascent to social prominence. At once an intimate family saga, a history of an entire region, and a portrait of the moral and political corruption of a whole society, *Ferocity* is a cinematic suspense novel that addresses vital social questions.

Judge Falcone, who led the war against the Mafia in Italy, was assassinated with his wife and three bodyguards in a car-bomb explosion in May 1992 - just as he was to be given powers to investigate the organization nationally. Written the previous year, this is his account of the Mafia.

From one of Europe's most revered authors, a tale of one man's obsessive project to collect the instruments of death, evil, and humanity's darkest atrocities in order to oppose them Claudio Magris's searing new novel ruthlessly confronts the human obsession with war and its savagery in every age and every country. His tale centers on a man whose maniacal devotion to the creation of a Museum of War involves both a horrible secret and the hope of redemption. Luisa Brooks, his museum's curator, a descendant of victims of Jewish exile and of black slavery, has a complex dilemma: will the collections she exhibits save humanity from repeating its tragic and violent past? Or might the display of articles of war actually valorize and memorialize evil atrocities? In *Blameless* Magris affirms his mastery of the novel form, interweaving multiple themes and traveling deftly through history. With a multitude of stories, the author investigates individual sorrow, the societal burden of justice aborted, and the ways in which memory and historical evidence are sabotaged or sometimes salvaged.

Raccontare la storia di uno dei maggiori quotidiani nazionali significa inevitabilmente ripercorrere approfonditamente le vicende politiche e sociali degli ultimi cinquant'anni. L'autore sceglie di farlo attraverso una forma narrativa - l'intervista - che è forse la più congeniale per descrivere in modo imparziale e dettagliato non solo i fatti nudi e crudi, ma anche i legami, le ideologie e i retroscena che hanno caratterizzato la storia italiana del secondo Novecento. Firme del calibro di Livio Caputo, Giancarlo Mazzuca, Vittorio Feltri, Maurizio Belpietro, per finire con l'attuale direttore Alessandro Sallusti - per citarne solo alcuni - ripercorrono, incalzati dalle domande puntuali e talvolta anche "scomode" dell'autore, gli anni più e meno recenti del Giornale, regalando al lettore un ritratto di Indro Montanelli spesso intimo e familiare, quale può emergere dai ricordi di amici e colleghi di una vita. Un personaggio che ancora oggi, a quasi vent'anni dalla sua scomparsa, risulta attualissimo e modello insuperato di anticonformismo e spirito di libertà. Federico Bini (Bagni di Lucca, 1992) maturità classica e laurea in legge, svolge da anni un'intensa attività pubblicistica e di studio in ambito politico, giornalistico e storico. Collabora con diverse riviste d'informazione e approfondimento culturale e nel 2020 ha scritto il libro *Roberto Gervaso. L'ultimo dandy* (L'Universale) assieme a Giancarlo Mazzuca. è, inoltre, condirettore del settimanale *Il Caffè*.

Newly elected Prime Minister Francis Urquhart takes on the new King, in the controversial No 1 bestselling second volume in the Francis Urquhart trilogy - now reissued in a new cover.

Matthias, an infantryman in Alexander's army, chronicles the 330 B.C. invasion of the Afghan kingdoms by Alexander the Great and his armies, in a historical novel that re-creates the legendary warrior's battle against a new kind of enemy that uses insurgent and terror tactics by a deeply religious, proud, and insular populace. Reprint. 50,000 first printing.

Gomorra, Roberto Saviano's 2006 exposé of Naples's Camorra mafia, was an international bestseller and became an award-winning film. But the death threats that followed forced the author into hiding. Saviano was ostracized by his countrymen and went on the run, changing his location every few months and compelled to keep perpetual company with his bodyguards. To this day, he lives in an undisclosed location. The loneliness of the fugitive life informs all the essays in *Beauty and the Inferno*, Saviano's first book since *Gomorra*. Among other subjects, he writes about the legendary South African jazz singer Miriam Makeba, his meeting with the real-life Donnie Brasco, sharing the Nobel Academy platform with Salman Rushdie, and the murdered Russian journalist Anna Politkovskaya. Present throughout the book is a sense of Saviano's peculiar isolation, which infuses his words with anger, exceptional insight and tragedy.

text by Diego Mormorio Sicilian weddings, religious ceremonies, and the daily lives of ordinary people are all featured in this rich celebration of the unique island of Sicily. The result of a meeting between two Sicilian artists, inspired by a mutual sense of their roots, it presents an island, which for all its modern changes, has preserved its soul, and an approach to religion and daily life that has a vital tension that is rarely found elsewhere.

The expression 'Sicilian uncle' has the same sense in Italian as 'Dutch uncle' does in English, but with sinister overtones of betrayal and inconstancy. The four novellas in *Sicilian Uncles*, originally published in 1958, are political thrillers of a kind - the first fruits of Sciascia's maturity. In these stories, illusions about ideology and history are lost in mirth, suffering and abandoned innocence. Each novella has its historical moment: the Allied invasion of Sicily, the Spanish Civil War, the death of Stalin, the 'events' of 1848. These occasions and their consequences are registered in the lives of Sciascia's wonderfully drawn characters. Each has voice, wit and a private history which opens out onto the wider circumstances of his time.

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Let the Meatballs Rest: And Other Stories About Food and Culture (Arts & Traditions of the Table: Perspectives on Culinary History)

Massimo Montanari draws readers into the far-flung story of how local and global influences came to flavor Italian identity. The fusion of ancient Roman cuisine—which consisted of bread, wine, and olives—with the barbarian diet—rooted in bread, milk, and meat—first formed the basics of modern eating across Europe. From there, Montanari highlights the importance of the Italian city in the development of gastronomic taste in the Middle Ages, the role of Arab traders in positioning the country as the supreme producers of pasta, and the nation's healthful contribution of vegetables to the fifteenth-century European diet. Italy became a receiving country with the discovery of the New World, absorbing corn, potatoes, and tomatoes into its national cuisine. As disaster dispersed Italians in the nineteenth century, new immigrant stereotypes portraying Italians as "macaroni eaters" spread. However, two world wars and globalization renewed the perception of Italy and its culture as unique in the world, and the production of food constitutes an important part of that uniqueness.

Like prior editions of the book - but even more so - A Briefer History of Time will guide non-scientists everywhere in the ongoing search for the tantalizing secrets at the heart of time and space . . . This is Stephen Hawking's somewhat 'briefer' account of his up-to-date and most recent scientific observations and findings. A great companion to his original worldwide bestseller, A Brief History of Time. From curved space to quantum theory, the authors have expanded on areas of special interest and recent progress, such as developments in string theory and exciting progress in the search for a force of complete, unified theory of all the forces of physics. Thirty-eight full-colour illustrations enhance the text and make A Briefer History of Time an exhilarating addition in its own right to the literature of science.

In reaction to the centralizing nation-building efforts of states in nineteenth-century Europe, many regions began to define their own identity. In thirteen stimulating essays, specialists analyze why regional identities became widely celebrated towards the end of that century and why some considered themselves part of the new national self-image.

The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules is an incredibly quirky, humorous and warm-hearted story about growing old disgracefully – and breaking all the rules along the way! 79-year-old Martha Andersson dreams of escaping her care home and robbing a bank. She has no intention of spending the rest of her days in an armchair and is determined to fund her way to a much more exciting lifestyle. Along with her four oldest friends – otherwise known as the League of Pensioners – Martha decides to rebel against all of the rules imposed upon them. Together, they cause uproar with their antics protesting against early bedtimes and plasticky meals. As the elderly friends become more daring, they hatch a cunning plan to break out of the dreary care home and land themselves in a far more attractive Stockholm establishment. With the aid of their Zimmer frames, they resolve to stand up for old aged pensioners everywhere – Robin Hood style. And that's when the adventure really takes off . . . Perfect for fans of The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared and The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel. Translated by Rod Bradbury.

In a sprawling villa on the outskirts of Rome, the members of the Pontecorvo family have gathered for dinner. Leo Pontecorvo, an internationally revered pediatric oncologist, is forty-eight. His wife, Rachel, is a physician and the loving mother to Filippo and Samuel, two amiable pre-teens. The evening news is on in the living room but nobody pays it any attention until Dr. Pontecorvo's name surfaces from the background noise and a news item airs that will change the lives of the Pontecorvos forever. Leo Pontecorvo has been publicly accused of a vile crime. A spotlight is turned on him that reveals the mistakes, regrets, and contradictions of a lifetime. Every detail of his private and professional life is about to come under scrutiny, to be debated by both friends and foes, by ravenous reporters and punctilious prosecutors. But Leo could bear all this if it weren't for the suspicious gazes of his wife and children. Surely they, of all people, believe in his innocence! Alessandro Piperno is widely acknowledged as one of today's most talented European novelists. His voice is singular and shocking at times, yet always possessed of tenderness and enormous generosity of heart. His vision is broad and encompassing, his psychological insights penetrating and undeniable. In this deeply felt family drama, Alessandro Piperno paints a broad canvas and fills it with psychologically complex characters whom readers will instantly recognize and never forget.

Meg Michaels, a bookstore owner, has already walked away from two cheating exes. She's learned her lesson and has her mind set on success--until she gets knocked up. Embarrassed and unwilling to discuss her situation with friends and family, she wears layers to hide the pregnancy. When Meg gets sick at a party, she's mortified. Even worse, Theo Taylor, the guest of honor, discovers her secret. Theo, an Army medic wounded in the war, agrees not to reveal her condition, and the two forge a bond of friendship that blossoms into love. Theo is soon filling all of Meg's late-night cravings--and not just the pregnancy-induced ones. But can their love overcome all the obstacles that stand between them and creating a happy family?

In the city of R., nothing bad ever happens, because the residents maintain the status quo at all costs. But the children of R. have had enough. When a new family--two moms and their three kids--arrive just before Christmas, they team up with the local kids on a magical adventure to save Christmas and bring community back to the city of R.

From a bestselling author with unprecedented access to Pope Francis, an investigative look at the recent financial scandals at the highest levels of the Vatican A veritable war is waging in the Church: on one side, there is Pope Francis's strong message for one church of the poor and all; on the other, there is the old Curia with its endless enemies, and the old and new lobbies struggling to preserve their not-so-Christian privileges. The old guard do not back down, they are ready to use all means necessary to stay in control and continue the immoral way they conduct their business. They resist reforms sought by Pope Francis and seek to delegitimize their opponents, to isolate those who want to eliminate corruption. It's a war that will determine the future of the church. And if he loses the battle against secular interests and blackmail, Pope Francis could resign, much like his predecessor. Based on confidential information—including top secret documents from inside the Vatican, and actual transcripts of Pope Francis's admonishments to the papal court about the lack of financial oversight and responsibility—*Merchants in the Temple* illustrates all the undercover work conducted by the Pope since his election and shows the reader who his real enemies are. It reveals the instruments Francis is using to reform the Vatican and rid it, once and for all, of the overwhelming corruption traditionally encrusted in the Roman Catholic Church. *Merchants in the Temple* is a startling book that will shock every reader. It's a story worthy of a Dan Brown novel, with its electrifying details of the trickery and scheming against the papacy—except that it is real.

Algosh, Iraq, 1989. During an archaeological excavation Hiram Donovan uncovers a piece of meticulously knapped obsidian. Instinct tells him to hide it from others on the dig, so he sends it back to his wife in America with a note: John Dee, British Museum/Scrying stone? Days later Hiram is murdered with it made to look like an accident. But there was a witness. Decades later, on his death bed, the witness confesses to what he saw. Shortly afterwards, Cal Donovan – Professor of Archaeology at Harvard and Hiram's son – is told his mother has been killed. Upon finding the parcel still unopened alongside his father's mysterious note referencing Queen Elizabeth's astrologer and alchemist, Cal

sets out to discover the truth. What he finds are fanatics determined to obtain the mystical stone, but for what purpose...?

In the piazza, a man lies dead. No one will say if they witnessed his killing. This presents a challenge to the investigating officer, a man who earnestly believes in the values of a democratic and modern society. Indeed, his enquiries are soon blocked off by a wall of silence and vested interests; he must work against the community to save it and expose the truth. The narrative moves on two levels: that of the investigator, who reveals a chain of savage crimes; and that of the bystanders and watchers, of those complicit with secret power, whose gossipy, furtive conversations have only one end - to stop the truth coming out. This novel about the Mafia is also a mesmerizing demonstration of how that organization sustains itself. It is both a beautifully, tautly written story and a brave act of denunciation.

Publication of Kensington Gardens marks the English language debut of one of Latin America's most brilliant, playful, and stylish novelists, Rodrigo Fresan. Spanning more than a century from the late Victorian period - and the intimately-drawn details of the life of JM Barrie - to the dawn of the new millennium - and the fractured life of an internationally acclaimed children's novelist, Peter Hook - Kensington Gardens weaves an intricate cat's cradle of narratives around the Lysergic-London of the Swinging Sixties and the boy who never grew up. Hook is a survivor and witness to a period littered with corpses and casualties. Growing up in a vast west London estate called Neverland, his childhood was shaped by the mysterious, premature death of his younger brother, his parents' rock n roll lifestyle and his father's performances in a seminal band of the time, the Beaten (aka) The Beaten Victorians (aka) The Victorians. Yet despite (or perhaps because of) such dysfunctional beginnings, Hook has become the most successful children's author of his generation as the author of the time-travelling, Jim Yang. In Kensington Gardens, Hook narrates his story (and that of Barrie, Peter Pan and Llewelyn Davies) to Keiko Kai, the Japanese actor cursed with the role of playing Jim Yang in the blockbuster movies of his creation. Over the course of one night in a flat in Kensington Gardens, a fantastical and terrible story emerges; a story of shadow identities and suicide, lost boys and found orphans. Coloured with unique splashes of Psychedelic Edwardiana, Kensington Gardens is an exploration of the charms and perils of Children's Literature, told in the torrential prose of a contemporary master.

Hailed by Terry Eagleton in "The Guardian" as "definitive," this is the only complete and authoritative edition of Antonio Gramsci's deeply personal and vivid prison letters.

From the international bestselling author of Gomorrah, this is a deeply personal and candid portrait of Italy today: a place of trafficking and toxic waste, where votes can be bought and sold, where organized crime ravages both north and south - yet also where many courageous individuals defy the system, and millions work tirelessly for a better future. 'Saviano is a blazingly vivid and courageous writer' Independent 'A national hero' Umberto Eco 'Saviano has an astonishing ability to write luminously yet subtly about terrible things' Le Parisien 'Brave and passionate' Guardian 'One of the world's finest investigative journalists' GQ

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