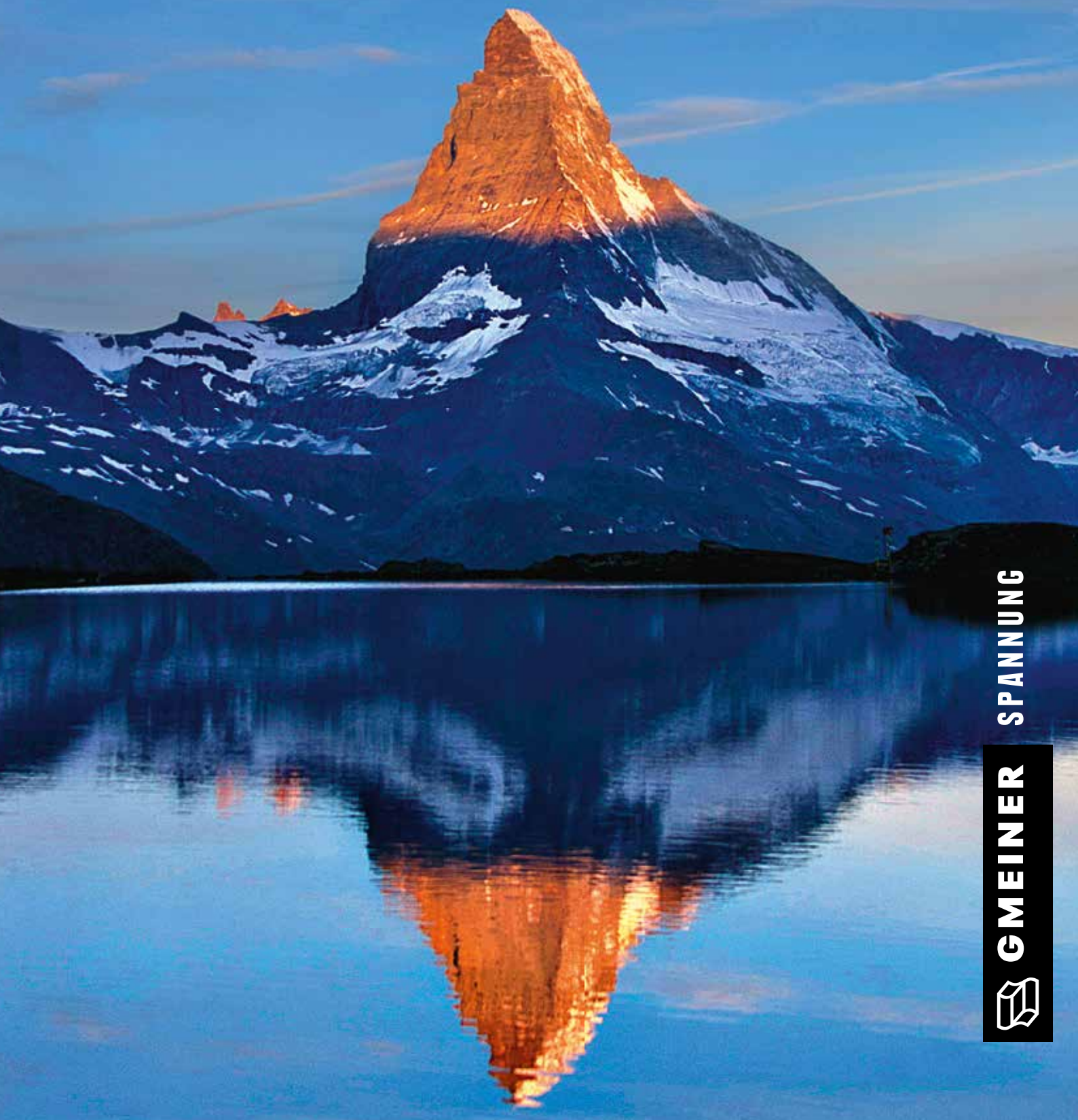


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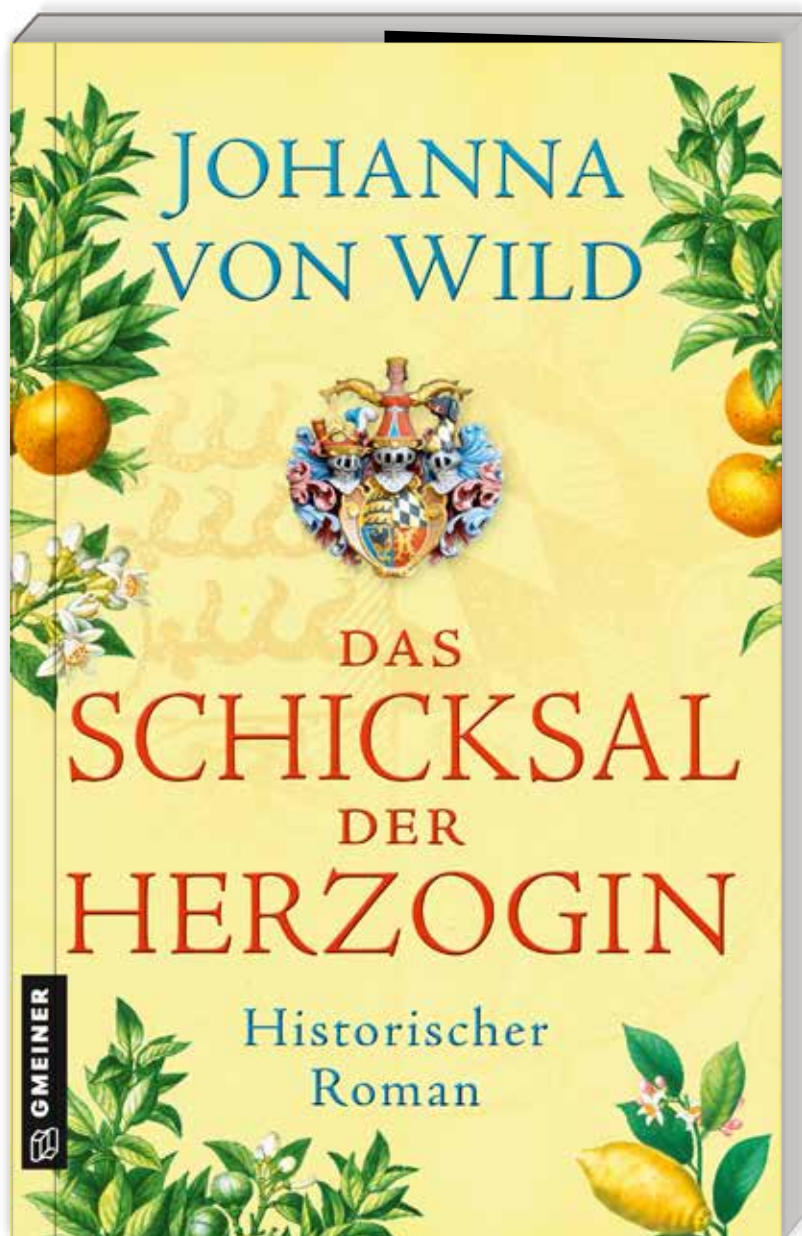
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Murder in Mariahilfer Straße 96

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Duchess against her will



- » Sibylla von Württemberg's struggle for respect and self-determination
- » A woman between obedience and rebellion
- » Her Leonsberg bitter orange garden still blooms today

Sibylla von Anhalt grew up carefree at Dessau Castle in the middle of the 16th century, shared her stepmother's interest in medicinal herbs and married Friedrich von Mömpelgard. For both of them, it is a love marriage and the family grows quickly. But soon the happiness clouds over. When Frederick became Duke of Württemberg, tensions arose not only between the couple, but also with the estates. Sibylla's only rays of hope are the medicine chamber and the secretly blossoming love for the doctor of St. Catharina.

Between courtly duty, personal loss and secret love, the young Sibylla courageously fights for self-determination – and finds healing in herbs and friendship.

Johanna von Wild
The Fate of the Duchess
Historical crime novel

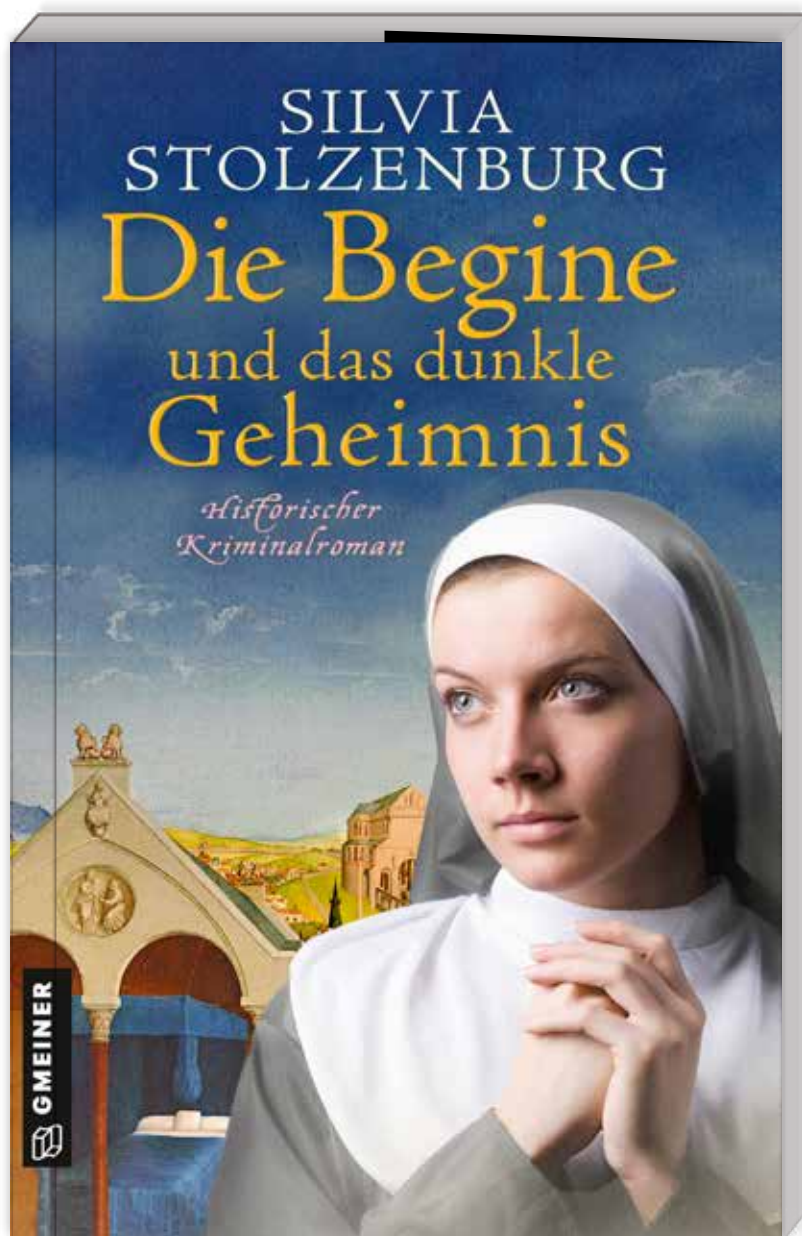
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Johanna von Wild, alias Biggi Rist, prefers to spend her free time in nature and in interesting places, always on the lookout for something new to bring times long past back to life with exciting stories.

Flap softcover

Witch or healer?



- » 1416 – an alleged demon is on the loose
- » nun Anna Behringer is suspected of murder
- » A story about the art of healing, the search for truth and solidarity

Ulm 1416: When a rich merchant's widow is found dead in her bed, evil tongues accuse the former beguine Anna Ehinger of murder. The medicine she administered to the widow on the evening of her death is said to have been poison. Although the council does not believe in Anna's guilt, when brutal murders terrify the city and the young Beguine novice Luzia disappears without a trace, Anna decides to go in search of the culprit. It quickly becomes clear: A demon is haunting Ulm who is after much more than just the children's dreams ...

The new adventure of the beguine Anna Ehinger from the pen of the multi-award-winning bestselling author Silvia Stolzenburg.

A deadly autumn wind sweeps through the Ulm of the 15th century – Silvia Stolzenburg brings the Middle Ages to life in a skilful and exciting way!

Silvia Stolzenburg
The Beguine and the Dark Secret

Historical crime novel

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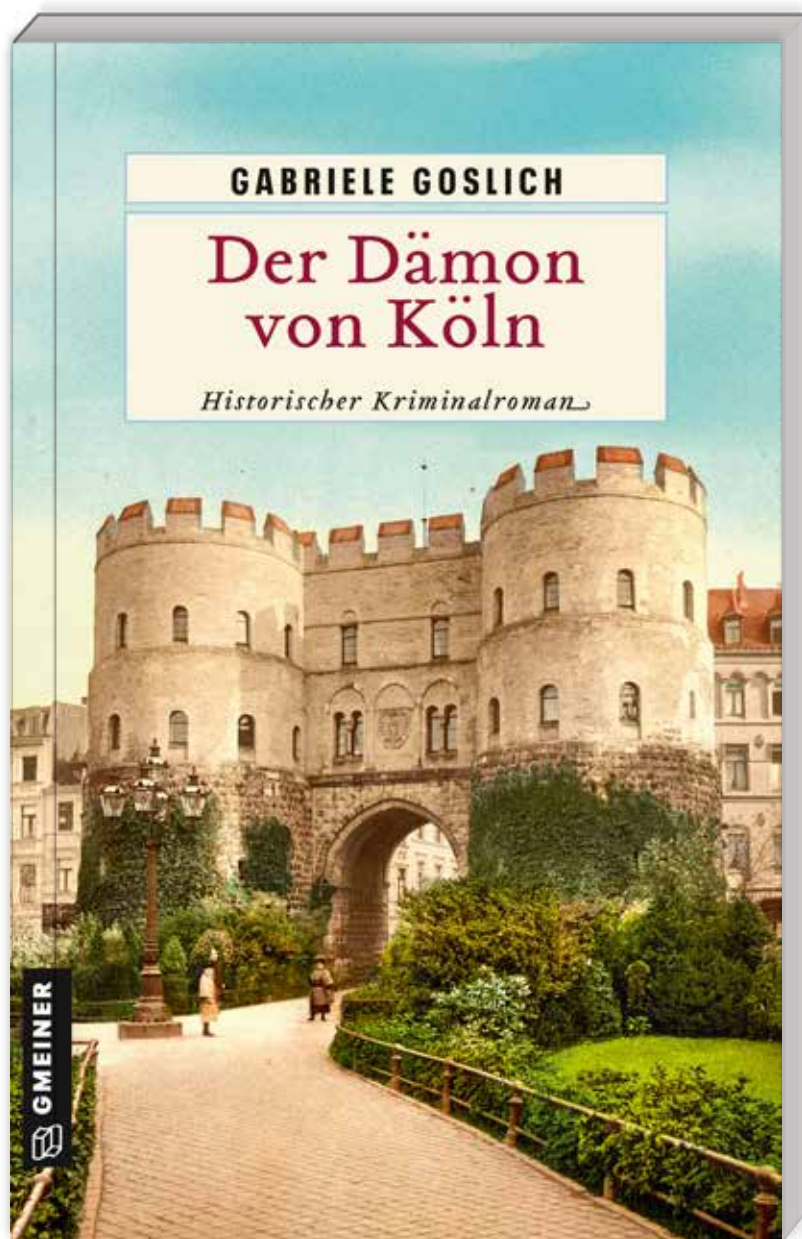
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Series: The Beguine of Ulm
Volume: 8

Silvia Stolzenburg discovered her love for history at an early age. In order to combine this with her passion for novels, she decided in 2006 to start writing herself.

Crime in the shadow of the cathedral



- » Cologne 1910 – a serial killer is up to mischief
- » Female investigator defies patriarchy and danger
- » Murder of Gereonsdriesch

Cologne 1910: On the night of the red moon, a young woman is left beaten to death and desecrated on the Gereonsdriesch – with a demonic mask over her face. Inspector Martin Ehrmanns comes across parallels to a mysterious death from the last carnival. Between breweries, dark alleys and the shadow of the cathedral, he follows traces that lead deep into bourgeois society. He soon realizes: Behind the glamorous façade of the metropolis on the Rhine lurk superstition, fear and fanatical delusion.

In foggy Cologne in 1910, Commissioner Ehrmanns hunts a demon in human form.

masks, murder, dark secrets – and an atmospheric journey through time to the cathedral city during the imperial era.

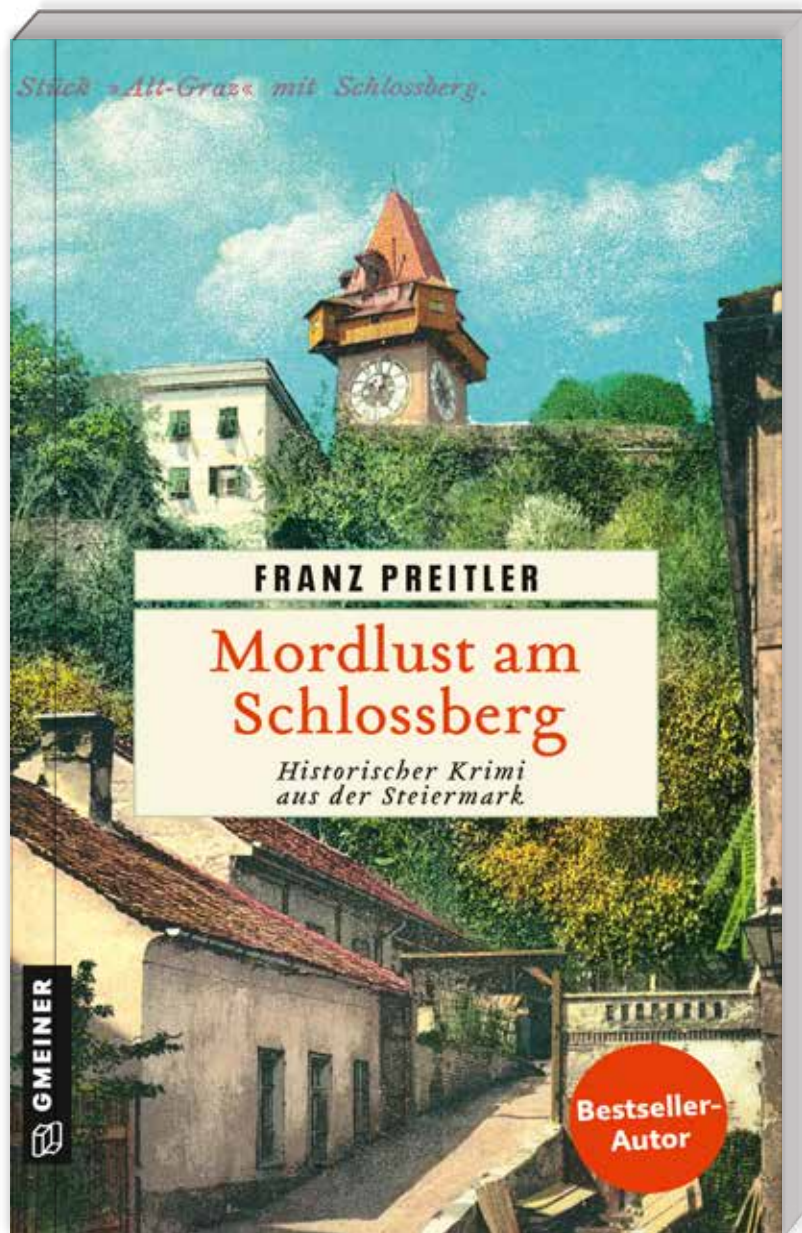
Gabriele Goslich
The Demon of Cologne
Historical crime novel from Styria

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 Softcover
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Series: Inspector Martin Ehrmanns
Volume: 2

Gabriele Goslich received her doctorate from RWTH and worked as a teacher and rector. As a freelance author, she now dedicates herself to writing historical stories and crime novels.

Graz in the splendour of the turn of the century



- » Scandalous revelations behind Graz facades
- » A journalist risks everything for the truth
- » Sensual balls, deadly intrigues, real abysses

Around 1900, the respected director of the variety show was shot down in cold blood on the Schlossberg in Graz. The shocking act terrifies the population. While the gendarmerie is groping in the dark, a young journalist comes across a dangerous web of power and intrigue during his research. He penetrates deeper and deeper into the dark secrets of the upper class, which are hidden in the glow of bourgeois morality. Meanwhile, the next crime is already lurking behind half-silk addresses.

In the shadow of the flourishing Graz, a gruesome murder exposes the façade of decency and morality – a captivating crime novel about greed, seduction and social tensions.

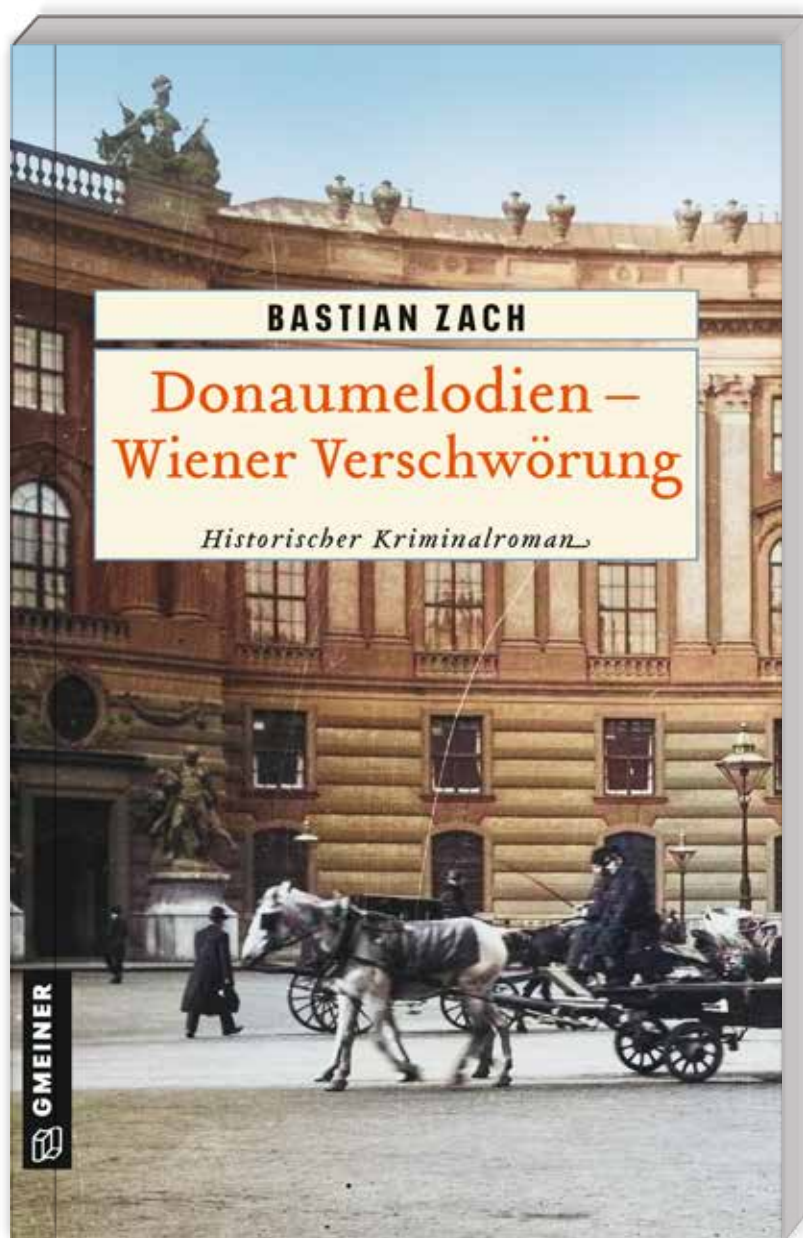
Franz Preitler
Murder lust on the Schlossberg
Historical crime novel

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Franz Preitler successfully writes historical crime novels and publishes anthologies. The author is very active on social media and has gained a firm place in the Graz literary scene.

Vienna 1879 – a thriller like a waltz!



- » Galgen an der Brücke, Sacher im Kaffee – Wien noir
- » Murder before the silver wedding anniversary of Emperor Franz and Sisi
- » Detective Hieronymus Holstein investigates in the working-class district

Vienna 1879: In front of the police headquarters, a severed head with a Latin message is discovered. The city quickly gets into turmoil. Police chief Marx commissions Hieronymus, who is now working as a detective, and his friend Franz to investigate. But soon suspicion falls on him himself. The trail leads to the world of factory workers, to the legacy of the revolutionary year 1848 – and to a sinister conspiracy. While Vienna is eagerly awaiting the parade for the silver wedding anniversary of the imperial couple, a catastrophe of historic proportions is looming.

Between court pomp and workers' misery, detective Hieronymus uncovers a conspiracy that threatens to shake Vienna in 1879 to its foundations.

Bastian Zach
Danube Melodies – Viennese Conspiracy
Historical novel

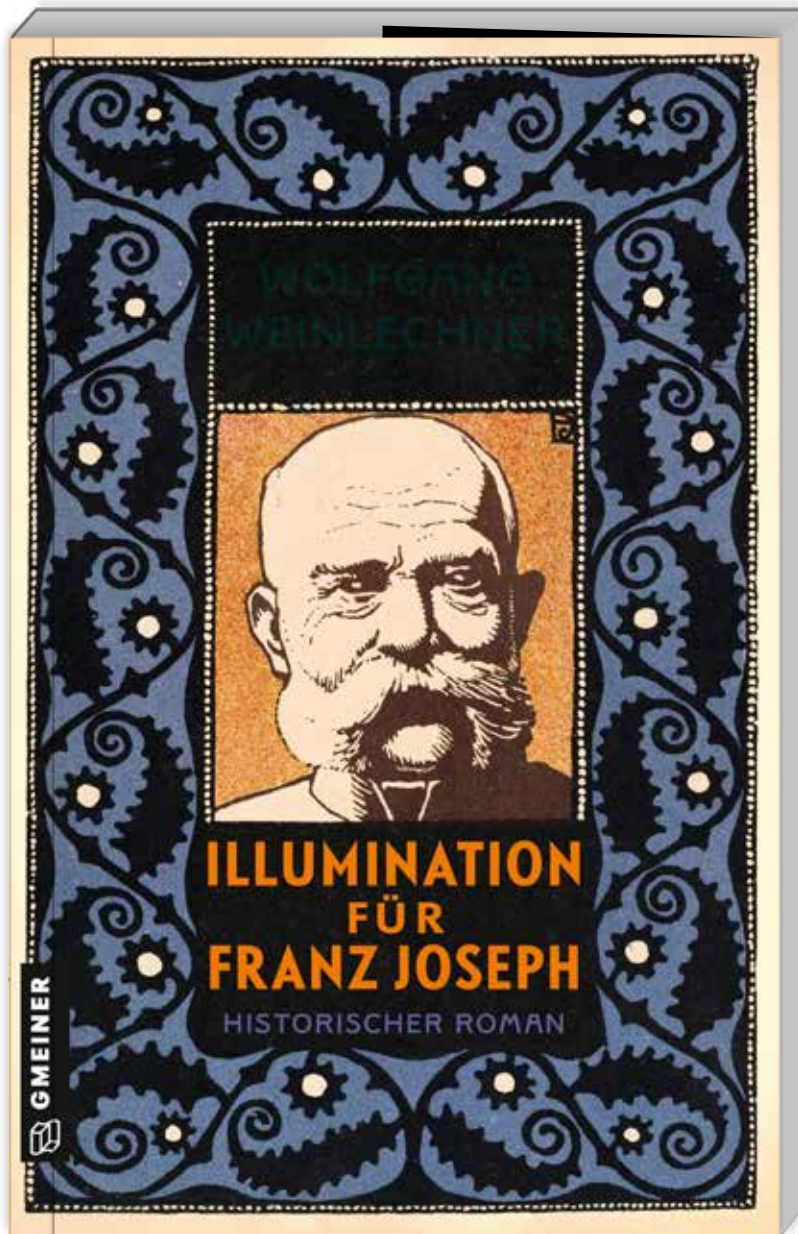
Series: Ghost photographer Hieronymus Holstein
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Bastian Zach was born in Leoben in 1973. His love of interweaving history with fiction brings Vienna back to life at the turn of the century.

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Vienna 1908 – a city celebrates the 60th anniversary of the reign of Emperor Franz Joseph



Wolfgang Weinlechner
Illumination for Franz Joseph
 Crime novel from 1919

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- » Planned assassination attempt on the emperor
- » Women and workers fight for their future
- » Exciting parallels to the present
- » No boring emperor nostalgia, but a novel about a lively, dangerous, multi-layered city

Vienna 1908: While Emperor Franz Joseph celebrates his 60th anniversary on the throne and Vienna shines in festive splendour in honour of the monarch, a deadly conspiracy simmers in the dark canals of the capital. Serbian nationalists under the leadership of the notorious Dragutin Dimitrijevic are planning an assassination attempt that could shake the Habsburg Empire forever. The astute journalist Emilia Freifrau von Ferteci gets wind of the conspiracy and decides to uncover the plot – whatever the cost ...

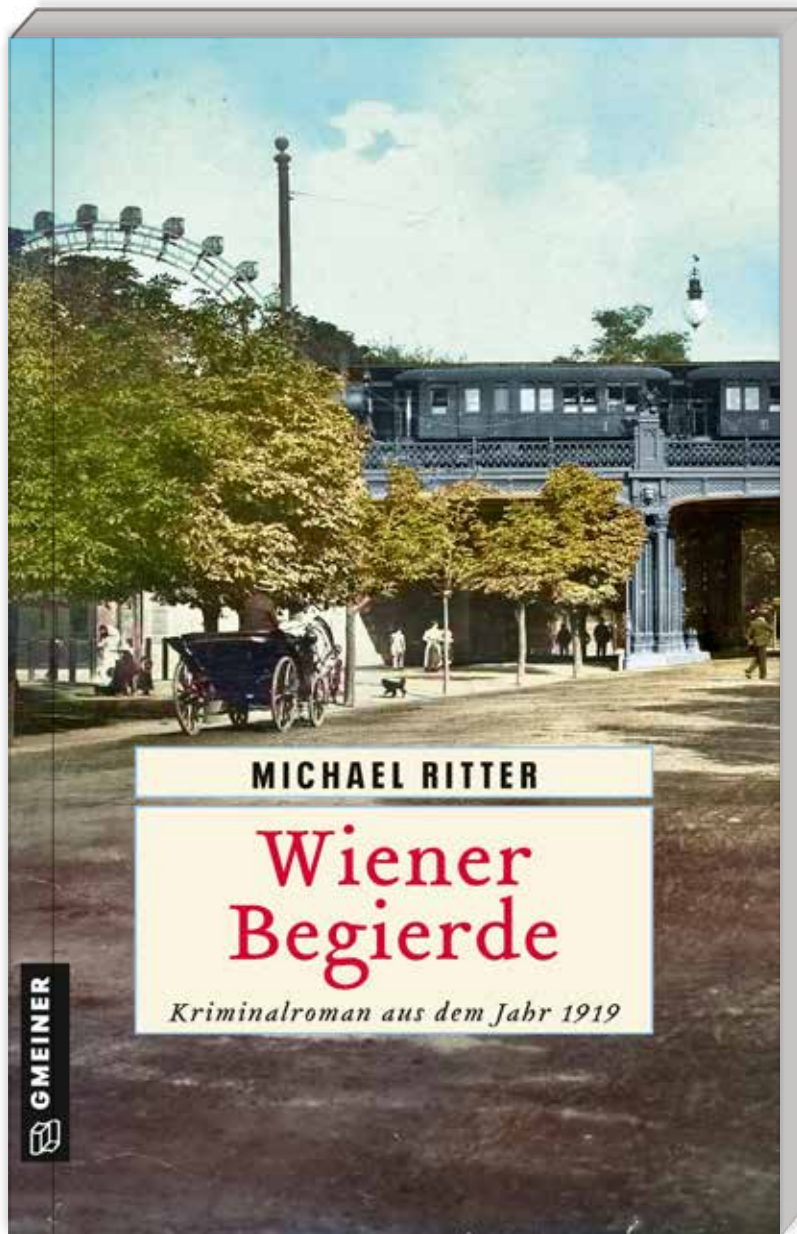
»Illumination for Franz Joseph« takes us to Vienna at the turn of the century – an atmospherically dense novel about a changing world in which the fate of Europe is decided.

»Wolfgang Weinlechner describes the Austro-Hungarian monarchy on the edge of the abyss with sensual force. This novel makes the pulse of an era audible: dark, socially critical and always abysmally funny.«
 Beate Kniescheck, writer on »Illumination for Franz Joseph«

»If you are looking for fast-paced, gripping reading, Weinlechner's novel is a good choice. The best entertainment paired with a knowledgeable presentation of history – that's how a historical novel should be! Absolute recommendation.«
 Ulrike Schrimpf, writer on »Illumination for Franz Joseph«

Wolfgang Weinlechner lives and works in Vienna. His hometown is the setting for most of his novels and stories.

Murder in the Stuwerviertel



Michael Ritter
Viennese desire
 Novel

Series: Chief Inspector Otto W. Fried
Volume: 4

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- » Two gentleman detectives in the fight against the Viennese milieu
- » Between brothel misery and the splendour of the old monarchy
- » 1919, the decay of an era

Vienna 1919. The First World War is over, the monarchy is disintegrating. Dr. Fried, former chief detective inspector, and his friend Novak open a detective agency. As soon as they have moved into their office, an officer commissions them to search for a missing prostitute. A few days later, he is found dead – brutally murdered. Dr. Fried and Novak get into an obscure case that leads them to the dark sides of the city. In Vienna's Stuwerviertel, the center of the city for love for sale, they investigate in the milieu of war returnees, pimps and prostitutes.

A missing prostitute and a murdered brothel owner lead Dr. Fried and Novak deep into the shady world of Vienna's red-light district.

»Well-researched, lively and excitingly written, the story will keep the reader under its spell. It's hard to put the book down.«
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 »Wiener Künstlermord« (2024) APPROVAL
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A successful crime novel, exciting, interesting, authentic and on a literary level that hardly any crime novel can match.

Selina Kronig, Bookseller, »The Librarian and the Dead Man in the Park« (2023)

Michael Ritter, born in 1967, is a publisher, literary scholar and author. He writes historical crime novels as well as contemporary crime novels set in Italy.

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Sensual summer nights in ancient Trieste



- » Trieste as a melting pot of freedom, lust and danger
- » Continuation of the successful series about Bruno Zabini
- » Women take their fate and lust into their own hands

Baroness Luise von Callenhoff invites you to a summer retreat in her villa. In the Adriatic early summer, surrounded by pine trees and the rugged beauty of the Trieste Karst, three women and three men spend blissful days. They eat, drink and dance, hike and swim in the sea. Inspector Bruno Zabini is one of Luise's guests and is surprised by the permissive ease with which the guests under Luise's leadership break the conventions of Austro-Hungarian society. What no one suspects is that the illustrious society is being watched with suspicious eyes.

Summer, wine and temptation in a coastal villa near Trieste – but not every glance goes unnoticed, not every intention innocent.

Günter Neuwirth
Round dance in Trieste
Historical novel

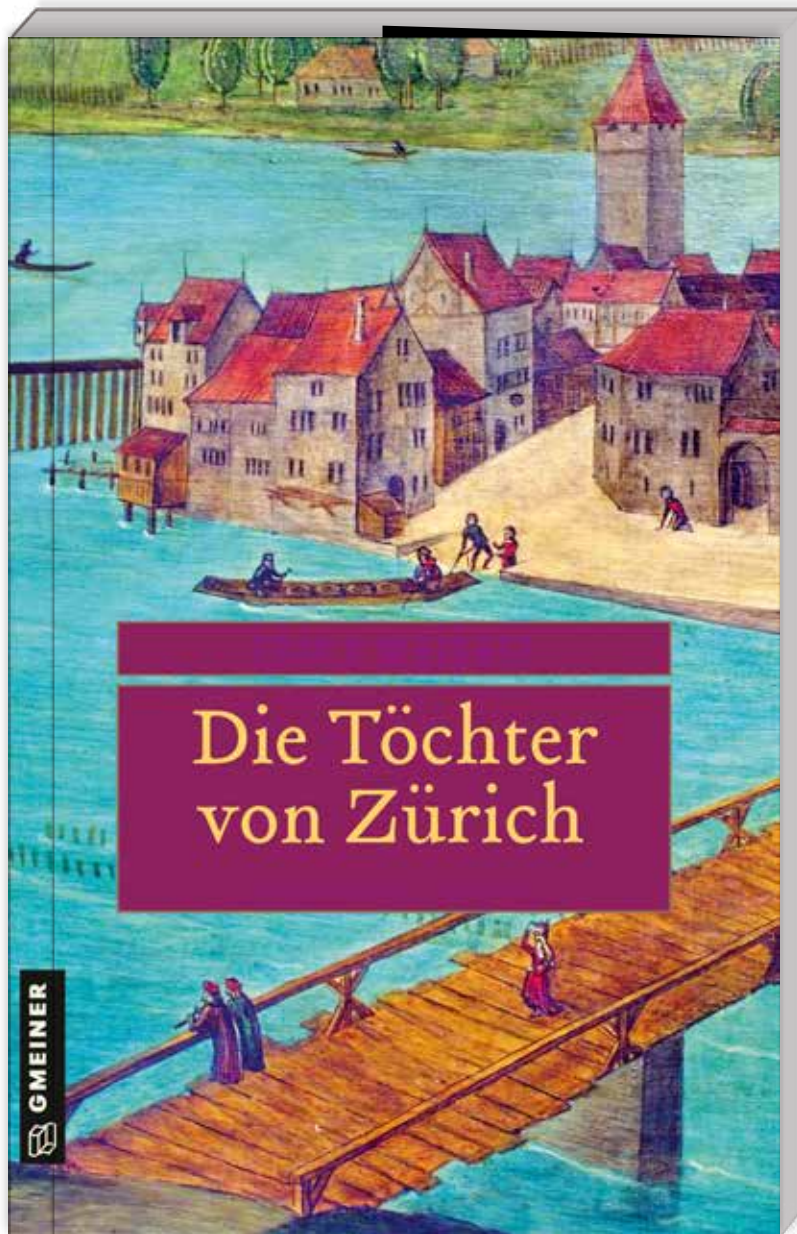
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Series: Inspector Bruno Zabini
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Günter Neuwirth grew up in Vienna. After studying philosophy and German studies, he moved to Graz for several years and later to Western Styria. Today the author lives in Vienna. Since 2008 he has been publishing books, mainly in the field of crime novels and historical novels.

Premium flap softcover

Courage, power and intrigue on the Limmat



- » Zurich 1291 – a city in upheaval
- » Three sisters fight for self-determination
- » Exciting insights into the world of book illumination

Zurich 1291: Illuminator Bertram leads a quiet life with his wife Fides and their three daughters. But the death of the king and a secret from his past could take everything away from him: the roof over his head, the love of his wife and the honour of his daughter Hedwig, who has lost her heart to two men at once – the silk merchant Jakob and the mysterious Jean. In his desperation, Bertram makes a fatal decision. Then Duke Albrecht stands in front of the city with a huge army – and the fate of Zurich is in the hands of the women.

An exciting journey into the world of illuminators and silk merchants – and into the high medieval city of Zurich between cultural flourishing and political turmoil.

The story of the illuminator continues – a secret from his past could not only destroy his family.

Erika Weigele
The Daughters of Zurich
Crime novel

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The German philologist and art historian **Erika Weigele** was born in Karlsruhe in 1965. Her debut novel was nominated for the Golden Homer 2024.

Crime novels

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Faroe Islands – Murder between cliffs and culture



» Nordic Noir meets Shakespeare

» Faroese crime thriller with goose-bumps guaranteed

» Murder during the Hamlet production

In front of an authentic backdrop, the famous drama about the Danish prince Hamlet is to be re-staged on the Faroe Islands. Commissioner Revur is entrusted with the personal protection of the main actor for the national prestige project. At his side is Amalie from Copenhagen – factual, perceptive, rarely willing to compromise.

When a member of the production is found dead, the elaborate production develops into a complex criminal case. Revur and Amalie encounter personal abysses, old rivalries and dangerous loyalties. But the thicker the fog lies over the islands, the harder it is to distinguish the false game from the truth.

The Faroe Islands play the main role in this suspenseful Nordic Noir!

Carola Christiansen
**Murder in the Faroe Islands –
 The Commissioner and the
 Danish Prince**

Lower Bavaria crime thriller

Series: Faroe Islands Commissioner
 Revur and Copenhagen Commissioner
 Amalie
Volume: 2

Carola Christiansen is a crime writer from Hamburg and chairwoman of the board of Syndikat e. V. For her Faroe series, she researched directly on site on the islands.

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Corrupt politics



- » Death of a journalist
- » Investigator fights for equality
- » Between murder investigation and family chaos

When a journalist from the Rottal dies in a car accident, police superintendent Thomas Huber is entrusted with the delicate case. The brakes were manipulated. Of all people, his former soccer buddy, the victim's husband, becomes the focus of the investigation. Right now, Thomas is missing his strongest support at work: His partner and colleague Mandy Hanke is on maternity leave. But Mandy is haunted by the case. Secretly, she investigates on her own – and puts herself in great danger.

*»Finely drawn characters, who do without Lower Bavaria folklore and yet often make you smile, make the book a pleasure to read.«
Melanie Bäuml-Schachtner, Passauer Neue Presse on »Ausschussen«*

*»It wouldn't be a typical Weber-Ruhland crime novel if it weren't for some surprises.«
Monika Ebnet, Dingolfinger Anzeiger on »Ausschussen.«*

A manipulated car. An old friend under suspicion. And a commissioner who can't stop investigating even on maternity leave. The new volume by the successful author duo takes us into the world of local journalism.

Armin Ruhland / Hans Weber
Levered out
Criminal coffee party

Series: Detectives Thomas Huber and Mandy Hanke
Volume: 6

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Hans Weber and **Armin Ruhland** – two school friends, two different life paths, but a common passion: writing crime novels. The two authors live with their families in the district of Dingolfing-Landau.

Cakes until death



- » Nine criminal short stories about cakes and other sweet temptations
- » Ideal as a souvenir for Sunday coffee
- » Serves a portion of thrills for a coffee party

The smell of coffee is in the air – and a hint of danger. In nine criminal stories about cakes, muffins and cream cakes, people bake, deceive, lie and kill: Sweet pastries serve as murder weapons, lures or to cover up crimes. Sometimes dark, often cheerful and bizarre, but always with a good shot of suspense and full of unexpected twists. With recipes to bake at home – guaranteed harmless.

From bundt cake to marzipan cream cheese cake: In these nine crime novels, every sweet piece is not only temptation, but a potential crime.

Sweet, juicy, murderous – cake has never been so dangerous!

Ingrid Werner
Bundt cake with shot
Murderous vacation

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Ingrid Werner writes crime novels with wit and depth. Formerly a lawyer, now an author, she loves clever plots, bizarre characters and murderously good cakes.

Holidays at home have never been so much fun!



- » Twelve quirky holiday thrillers from Germany's favourite regions
- » Holiday lust meets murderous suspense
- » Pure summer feeling!

The air shimmers, the ice melts, the parasol is up – but crime knows no holidays. Twelve holiday thrillers from Germany's most beautiful corners tell of curious encounters with unexpectedly dark ending: an old holiday home becomes a trap, disaster lurks in the forest while hiking, a picnic by the lake ends fatally and a family dispute over a hotel escalates. For all those who prefer to participate in the investigation in a deck chair.

From the coast to the Alps, these holiday destinations have it all – bizarre crimes, weird investigations and a wink included.

Twelve quirky holiday thrillers from Germany's favourite regions – full of local colour, black humour and deadly surprises.

Anke Kemper / Astrid Plötner
Crime Scene Deck Chair
Mrs. Nägele investigates

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Astrid Plötner lives and works as a freelance author in Unna/Westphalia. Her previous publications include numerous short stories and several crime novels.

Anke Kemper lives and works in Freienohl/Sauerland as an author, illustrator and theatre publisher. She writes, among other things, plays for adults and crime novels for children.

The Swabian Miss Marple in top form!



- » Mrs. Nägele: quick-witted, stubborn – and easy to like
- » Investigations on the Hohenasperg
- » Helga Becker performs with her cabaret program throughout Swabia

It was to be the most beautiful day of her life. But at a rocker wedding on the Hohenasperg, the groom is hit by a deadly bullet instead of Cupid's arrow. Mrs. Nägele happens to be on the scene and immediately senses a crime. Between the prison walls and the »Schubart Stube«, the headstrong private investigator promptly takes on the big boys. Criminalistic and emotional confusion and errors are inevitable, but Mrs. Nägele continues to snoop undeterred. With a lot of heart, humor – and full risk.

The Swabian Miss Marple challenges her own fate on the mountain of fate of the Swabians!

Helga Becker
Triple tango
 Crime novel

Series: Mrs. Nägele
Volume: 3

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Helga Becker lives in the Bottwartal, between Ludwigsburg and Heilbronn. With her cult figure, the Swabian original Frau Nägele, she tours Baden-Württemberg as a Swabian cabaret artist and singer.

The crime thriller for the State Garden Show 2026



» Murder in Ellwangen an der Jagst

» Humorous clash between Hohenlohe and Swabia

Inspectors Lisa Luft and Heiko Wüst simply want to take a deep breath at the State Garden Show in Ellwangen. But then a woman lies in the Jagst who resembles the Roman flower goddess Flora – with an arrow in her chest. The investigator duo takes over the case and encounters Romans in armor with deadly projectiles, spiritual seekers of meaning with a tangible motive and suspiciously silent gardeners on the grounds. Between the scent of roses and the cult of the Romans, air and desert chase after a cruel mystery.

Murder between lilies and limes – the State Garden Show thriller with wit!

Wildis Streng
Jagstleuchten
Black Forest crime thriller

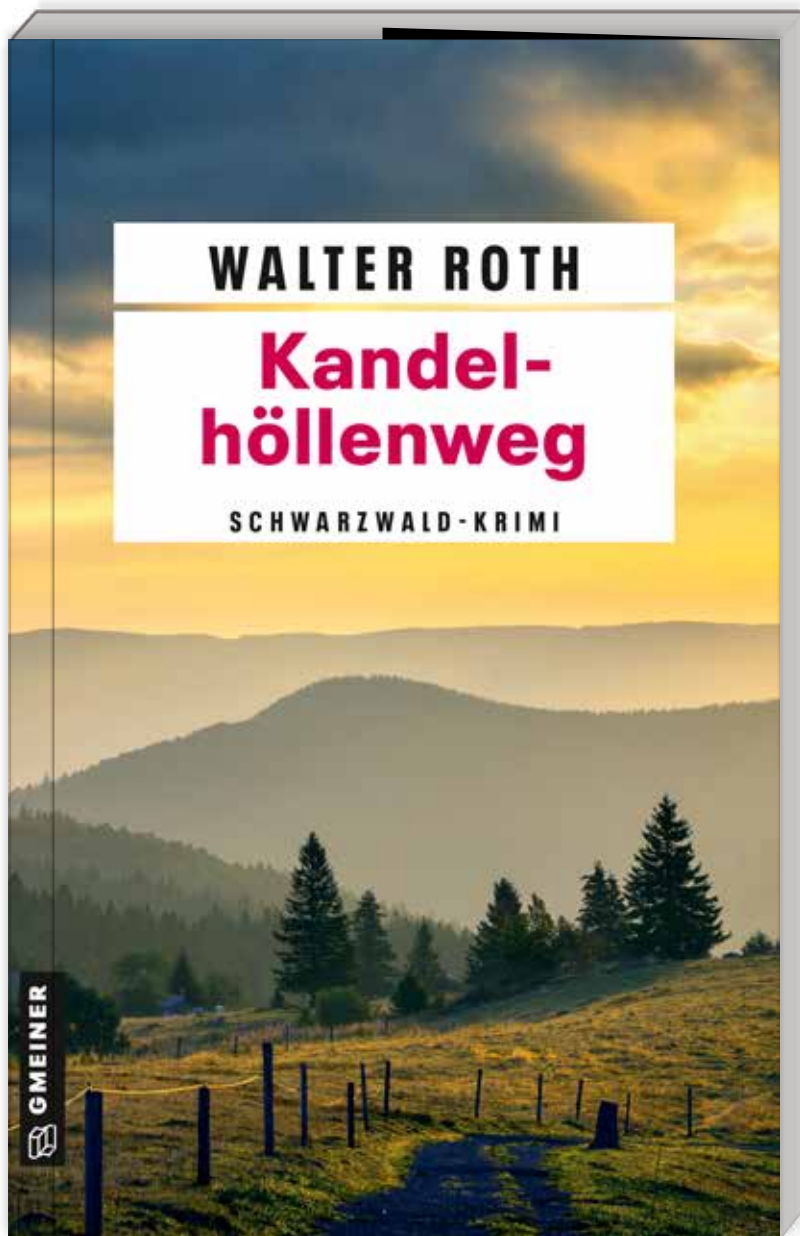
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Series: Inspectors Wüst and Luft
Volume: 12

Wildis Streng grew up in Crailsheim and lives in her homeland. With her sympathetic Hohenlohe-Westphalian investigator duo Wüst and Luft, she has been inspiring a loyal readership for 15 years.

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Murderous wanderlust in the Black Forest



- » The new crime novel by SPIEGEL best-selling author Walter Roth
- » A crime novel from the heart of the Black Forest
- » The Kandelhöhlenweg becomes a deadly trap
- » A serial killer keeps the police in suspense

Mysterious things happen on the Kandelhöhlenweg in the Black Forest, which is popular with hikers and mountain bikers. First, a mountain biker falls heavily over a taut wire and falls into a coma. Then a young hiker is killed by a branch. And finally, a hiker is found shot dead. The experienced senior detective Merle Trautmann and her team are faced with a mystery, because the perpetrator changes color like a chameleon. Only one thing seems clear: all paths lead over the Kandelhöhlenweg. And the perpetrator has not yet reached the end.

Crime scene Black Forest! The idyllic Kandelhöhlenweg becomes the scene of a merciless game of life and death.

Walter Roth
Kandelhöllenweg
A Lake Constance crime thriller

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Series: Alfons Bücheler and Josef Werneth Retired Detectives
Volume: 2

Walter Roth, retired chief detective, has devoted himself increasingly to writing since his retirement, bringing in his experience and experiences from the police profession.

Envy, rivalry and the evil stepmother



- » Snow White on the catwalk
- » Deadly envy lurks behind beauty
- » Model villa instead of fairytale forest

A fateful case puts Friedrichshafen inspector Katharina Danninger to the test. While a model casting in a luxury villa in Meersburg is in full swing, her twin sister Katja, the face of the show, is the victim of a poison attack. For Katharina, it is quickly clear that the perpetrator comes from the immediate vicinity of the production. Behind the beautiful glow between the shores of Lake Constance and the alleys of the old town, jealousy, intrigues and dark secrets simmer. To bring the truth to light, Katharina dares to play a risky game ...

Hunted by her own past – Inspector Katharina Danninger is facing her biggest test.

Sandra Grauer
Mirror, mirror
 Stuttgart Crime Thriller

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 Softcover
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Series: Detective Inspector Katharina Danninger
Volume: 3

Sandra Grauer, born in 1983, has already published several romance novels and fantasy books. While she lived in Baden-Württemberg for ten years, she took Lake Constance to her heart and made it the setting for her atmospheric crime series about Detective Inspector Katharina Danninger.

Cold-blooded sweeping week



- » Stammheim is history, terror lives on
- » A corpse on Schlossplatz
- » Stuttgart's RAF trauma

Stuttgart in early summer. Ex-inspector Cindy Lopez finds the body of journalist Melitta Maier on Schlossplatz – allegedly cardiovascular failure. But Cindy doubts a natural death and soon comes across an explosive trail that leads her deep into the world of online dating, informants and secret services. Because Melitta Maier was on the verge of uncovering a sensation: Angela Heinze, once an RAF terrorist, has been living underground for 40 years, in the middle of Stuttgart. The closer she gets to the truth, the clearer it becomes: This case affects her personally.

Uta-Maria Heim returns to Stuttgart in her new crime novel – and gives disturbing insights into the society of the Swabian metropolis.

The truth is sometimes more dangerous than the lie ...

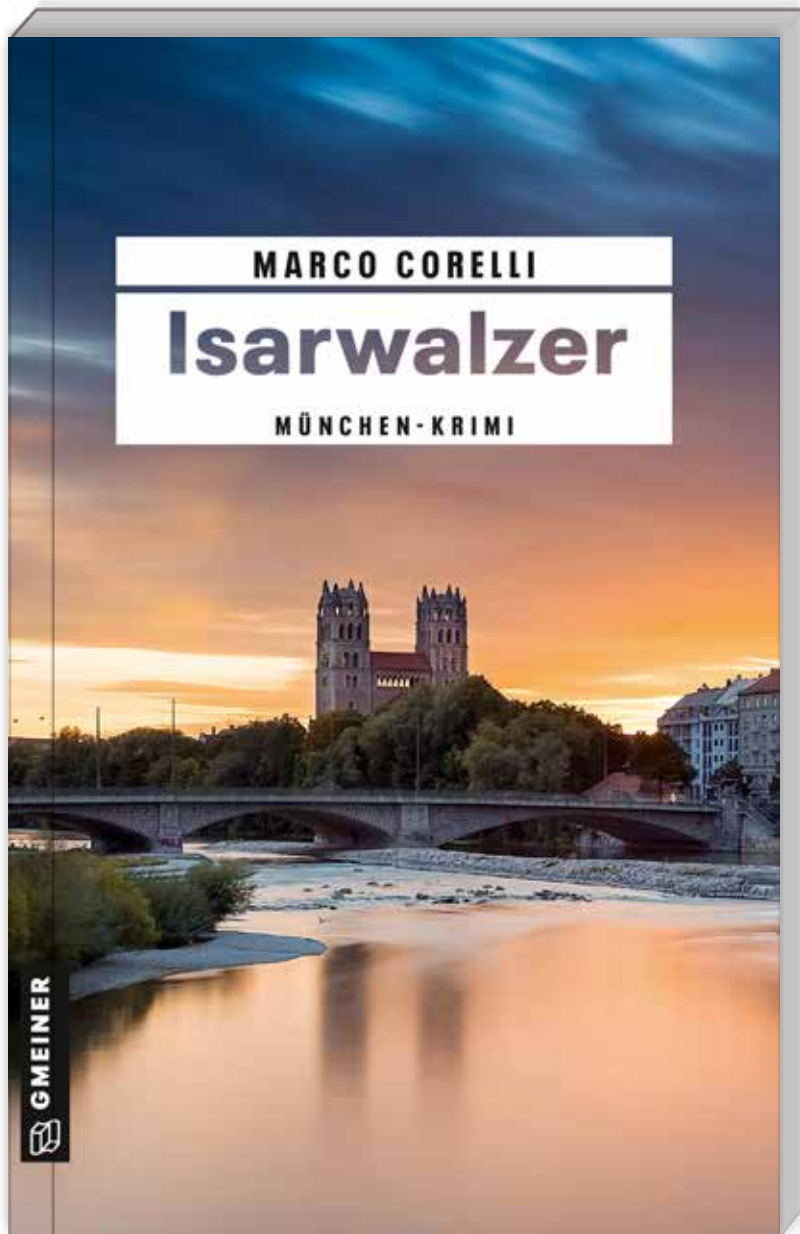
Uta-Maria Heim
He who dies last lies the longest
Munich Crime Thriller

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Series: Ex-inspector Lucinda »Cindy« Lopez investigates
Volume: 1

Uta-Maria Heim, born in 1963 in Schramberg, lives as a radio dramaturge and author in Baden-Baden and Stuttgart. She has published numerous books, especially crime novels. She twice received the German Crime Fiction Prize and also the Friedrich Glauser Prize.

A Munich crime thriller in a class of its own



- » A wedding escalates – and the whole of Munich is turned upside down
- » Between maypole, state chancellery and Bavarian tradition
- » Bavarian entanglements with a lot of local colour

During the magnificent wedding celebration in the English Garden, the bride disappears without a trace in front of the wedding waltz – shortly afterwards she is found dead. Chief Inspector Tino Haffner, already on site as a guest, investigates among the celebrity wedding guests. There is no shortage of suspects, because not everyone present was well-disposed towards the bride and groom, an employee of the Bavarian State Chancellery and a successful entrepreneur. The case comes to a head when the only witness dies before he can testify, and the summoned prime minister interferes because she believes the murderer is after her ...

Between Munich pomp and brass music: A wedding party in the Seehaus ends fatally – Haffner investigates with wit and a feel for Bavarian subtleties.

A gripping Munich crime thriller with depth, political explosives and a Bavarian heart!

Marco Corelli
Isar Waltz
 Munich Crime Thriller

416 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
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 ISBN 978-3-8392-8075-1
€ 16,00 [D]
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Series: Blue light Isar – Haffner investigates
Volume: 2

Marco Corelli, born in Upper Palatinate, lives and works in Munich. The author is a music and language lover, amateur astronomer, foodie and globetrotter.

With Rosi to the restricted area



- » From the carnival ball to the strip club
- » Between white sausage, Isar and love confusion
- » Bizarre investigators and Bavarian humor

Konstantin Schwarz runs his own funeral home in Munich, is experienced in therapy, finally wants to give up smoking and hears the voice of his dead great-aunt on many occasions. Change is not his thing at all, but when he is persuaded by his friend Franz to attend a carnival ball, a sudden death on the dance floor, a cold case from the 70s and an unexpected inheritance set things in motion in his life – not to forget Little Red Riding Hood, who turned his head at the ball and has now disappeared without a trace ...

An undertaker kisses Little Red Riding Hood, unexpectedly inherits a house – and suddenly everyone is a suspect. Welcome to Munich's most bizarre criminal case

Carnival, dumplings, chaos, murder – these are the ingredients for this unusual crime thriller with heart!

Coco Eberhardt
Dumpling murder in the restricted area
Crime novel

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Series: Constantine's Involuntary Cases
Volume: 5

Coco Eberhardt, born in 1981, is an author and number enthusiast. She loves the mountains, beer gardens and Lake Ammersee and dreams of a summer on the alpine pasture.

Cosy crime full of wit and warmth



- » Pensioner Wilhelmine and her friends investigate
- » Two- and four-legged friends investigate hand in hand
- » Senior power solves dog theft

Willi is not the type to stand idly by when dogs disappear in her city. She may not have a police badge, but she has a sharp mind and a team of unusual investigators: these include Bruno, her charming boyfriend, Elvis, the King impersonator with a heart, Lukas, her helpful neighbor, and Lenka, a medical student. With wit, courage and Elvis' mongrel Hound Dog as a decoy dog, they set a trap for the Bad Kissingen dog thieves. But the plan does not develop as expected. And Bruno, meanwhile, runs the risk of being put on a leash by a lonely lady himself.

An exciting thriller about the friendship between two- and four-legged friends – with heart, humor and the flair of the spa town of Bad Kissingen.

Elizabeth Horn
Four dogs and one death
Obermaier and Kandlbinder investigate

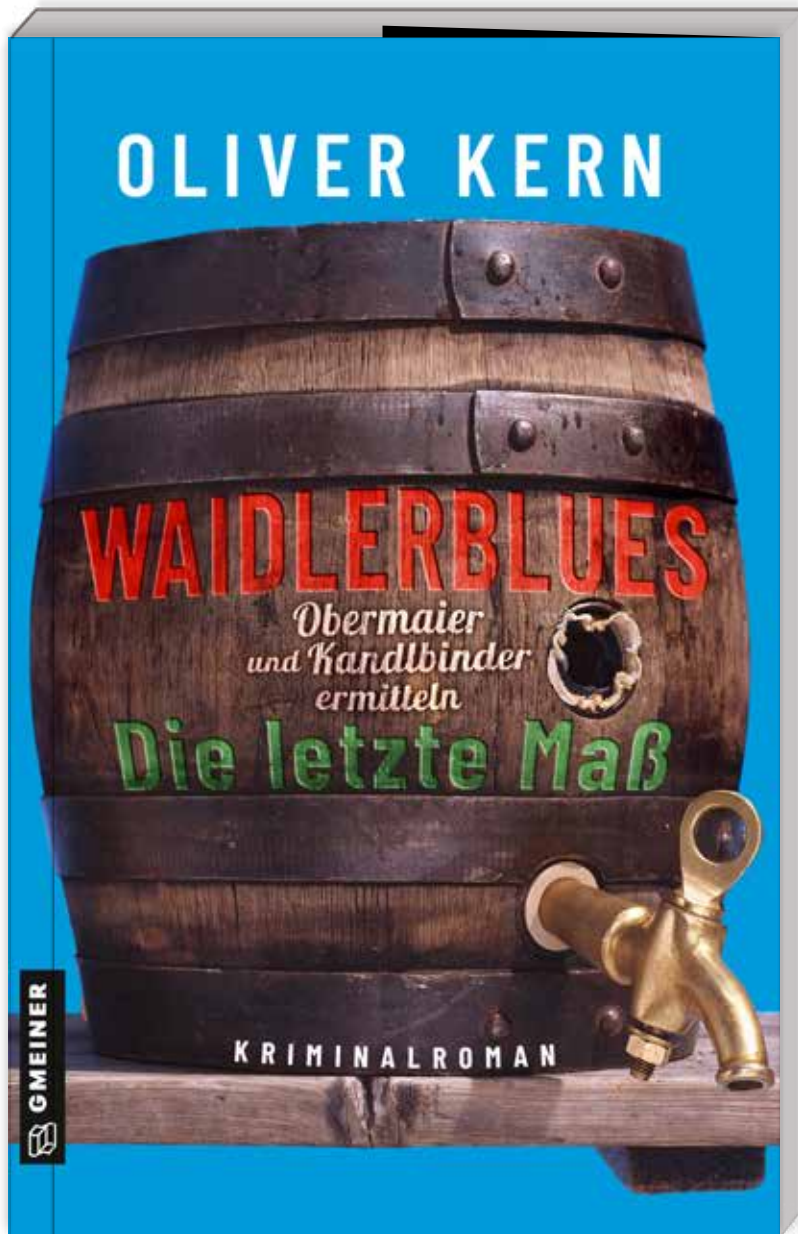
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Series: Wilhelmine Groß investigates
Volume: 2

Elizabeth Horn writes feel-good novels and cosy crime. Her enthusiasm for Art Nouveau and the beautiful parks leads her to Bad Kissingen again and again. For them, there is no better place for Wilhelmine and Bruno to solve crimes.

Premium flap softcover

The new series by SPIEGEL bestselling author Oliver Kern



- » Bavarian Forest crime thriller with biting local color
- » Brewmaster dead, fire brigade festival in danger
- » Dry joke with a lot of love for his homeland – perfect for fans of Klüpfel & Kobr and Rita Falk
- » Double page: Introduction to investigators

Inspector Max Kandlbinder had imagined his early retirement in the Bavarian Forest differently. Instead of peace and nature, the hypochondriacal Munich native meets the lively Veronika Obermaier, who has spread out on his inherited farm. When the body of the brewery owner is found on the local mountain, the village seethes. The mayor fears for the anniversary celebration of the volunteer fire brigade and urges Kandlbinder to take care of the matter. Reluctantly, he lets the Obermaier help him. The unequal investigator duo has to get together quickly before another accident happens.

With a lot of humor and a heart for the Bavarian Forest – SPIEGEL bestselling author Oliver Kern starts his new crime series

Oliver Kern
Waidler Blues – The Last Measure
 Crime novel

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Series: Obermaier and Kandlbinder investigate
Volume: 1

Oliver Kern, SPIEGEL bestselling author, wrote the popular Fellinger crime series and celebrates great success as Luis Sellano with his Lisbon crime novels. His children's crime series »Emma & Tartufo« was nominated for the Friedrich Glauser Prize. With »Obermaier und Kandlbinder« he returns to the Bavarian Forest.

Tourist magnet Spreewald – deadly exciting



Franziska Steinhauer
Thunderstorm over the Spreewald

Crime novel

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 Softcover
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Series: Chief Inspector Peter Nachtigall
Volume: 18

- » **The Cottbus Baltic Sea: Dream destination with a dark side**
- » **Gripping psychological thriller in the gamer milieu**
- » **Chief Inspector Nightingale investigates among cosplayers**

At the foot of the observation tower on the Cottbus Baltic Sea, a body is discovered – it is the young gamer Samantha, called Cloud. The forensic pathologist finds evidence that the young woman did not jump to her death voluntarily. Peter Nachtigall and his team take up the investigation and learn about the parallel life of the young woman in a video game. Classmates, parents, teachers – everyone keeps a low profile when it comes to information about the cloud. But it quickly becomes clear: The dead woman had power over others, online as well as in real life. For whom did it become a threat?

On the Baltic Sea in Cottbus, a video game leads into the darkness – Chief Inspector Nachtigall hunts down a murderer between reality and fiction.

»In just a few strokes, the experienced author characterises situations and people, and not in a stereotyped way, but with precise observation.«

Matthias Voß, Wochenspiegel on the »Spreewald Marathon«

Franziska Steinhauer is a forensic scientist and has lived in Cottbus for more than 30 years. Her team led by Peter Nachtigall investigates very successfully in Cottbus and the surrounding area.

Flap softcover

Wetterau – here's a crash behind the fence



- » Investigator in a wheelchair uncovers village abysses
- » Told with subtle humour
- » Lovingly takes aim at the rural charm of the Wetterau

Tom Speck, ex-LKA investigator and in a wheelchair since his accident, moves to the Wetterau to turn his life around. But when the notorious dollar farmer is found beaten to death in the Bingenheimer Ried, Tom can't resist: Together with the young farmer's wife Friederike, he uses his legendary nose to find the murderer among cattle, storks and mosquitoes. But the rural population is not as easy to crack as the young city dweller had hoped. In the midst of a web of deceit and old family feuds, Tom soon finds himself in the greatest danger.

In the Wetterau, crime lurks behind half-timbered houses and fields. Tom Speck, ex-LKA investigator in a wheelchair, risks his head and heart in search of a murderer.

Uta Rosa Schmidt
Silent Wetterau
 Crime novel

Series: Tom Speck investigates in the Wetterau
Volume: 1

Uta Rosa Schmidt is a radio presenter at Hit Radio FFH. She knows Hesse like the back of her hand and takes aim at the country and people of the Wetterau in her crime novel.

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D'r Häring hangs!



- » Murder of the Zisselkönigin shakes Kassel
- » Inspector Zander fights against lies and betrayal at the Zisselfest
- » A crime novel that exposes the province and politics

The whole of Kassel is eagerly awaiting the Zissel. As a traditional prelude to North Hesse's largest folk festival, the »Häring« is to be hung up in the afternoon. But before the 100th anniversary can begin, a body is discovered at the old turret. Inspector Nael Zander and her colleague Klemens Richter take over the investigation. The dead woman turns out to be the reigning Zisselkönigin, who has recently received threatening letters. Do they come from the murderer? The case quickly develops into an opaque web of envy, guilt and dark secrets in the shadow of the Zisselfest ...

Kassel in a state of emergency: A murder overshadows the Zisselfest. Between folk festival, intrigues and dark secrets, Inspector Nael Zander hunts the truth.

Daniel Wehnhardt
Zisselschatten
 Crime novel

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Series: Inspector Nael Zander investigates
Volume: 1

Daniel Wehnhardt grew up in northern Hesse. He worked for the Protestant Church and as a teacher. Since 2021, he has been a self-employed crime writer.

The Sound of Norderney



- » Deadly late summer on Norderney
- » A music festival becomes a crime scene
- » Island policeman Martin Ziegler in mortal danger

Norderney celebrates its first singing festival. Holidaymakers listen to the choirs on the beach, on the spa square and on the Thalasso platform. But the sudden death of a young singer tears the harmony apart. Island policeman Martin Ziegler puzzles: Who is the woman who had attracted attention shortly before by bullying? His wife Anne is also shocked, because the victim was her patient. Could she have prevented death? As soon as the investigations begin, Ziegler is brutally put out of action. Intention or coincidence? Behind the idyllic backdrop, disaster lurks – and time is pressing.

When discordant sounds disturb the island idyll on Norderney, it's time for the unique team of investigators led by island policeman Martin Ziegler. Including a tea ceremony.

Anja Eichbaum
Island sounds

Series: Ruth Keiser and Martin Ziegler
Volume: 9

Anja Eichbaum lives with her family in the Rhineland, where she also works as a social worker. Her crime novels are set wherever there is coffee and the sound of waves.

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Beach chair reading



- » Murders from Borkum to Sylt
- » Crime between dunes and sea
- » Holiday reading to scare you – with fun and depth

Anyone who thinks that there is only sun, sand and the deep blue sea on the Frisian Islands is very wrong. Because as surely as the low tide follows the tide, deadly rivalries, murderous intrigues and treacherous tides lurk behind dunes and dikes. Humorously told and unexpectedly profound, the investigations lead on an exciting search for clues between sandcastle and beach chair.

Eleven Frisian islands, eleven crimes – and lots of criminal reading pleasure with Nordic-harsh humour.

Crime lurks behind dunes, dikes and floorboards – your holiday reading has never been so murderously good!

Heike Gerdes / Peter Gerdes
**Island murders between
 sandcastle and beach chair**
Crime novel

Serie: –
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Heike and Peter Gerdes live in Leer (East Frisia). Both are trained journalists and work as successful crime writers as well as editors and members of the SYNDIKAT.

When the wolf is turned into a deadly weapon



- » Brilliantly real: Wolves as a means of politics and secret services
- » A region is driven into hysteria
- » Conti and Fett – the most charming team of investigators on the Rur

The wolves are returning to the rugged landscape of the North Eifel – and with them the danger. A dead poacher puzzles Aachen detectives Fett and Conti: Was he killed by a wolf or murdered first? Meanwhile, the number of aggressive wolf attacks is growing rapidly, terrifying the region. Tourists stay away and the farmers despair. Where do wolves suddenly come from? From the Vosges? A laboratory for animal experiments recently burned there. When the French domestic intelligence service reports, the detectives recognize the enormous danger for the Eifel.

Wolf or murder? Between the Eifel and the Fens, a deadly hunt begins – for wolves, people and the truth.

Olaf Müller
Eifelgrau – The Hunt of the Wolves
Crime novel

Series: Inspector Fett and Co. investigate
Volume: 10

Olaf Müller, bookseller and Germanist, heads the cultural sector of the city of Aachen. His home is the border triangle of the North Eifel.

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Hausmann pokes in the Rhenish wasp's nest



- » Jürgen B. Hausmann: Cabaret cult figure and carnival star
- » An investigator duo who know more sayings than paragraphs
- » Rhenish humor meets deadly intrigues in the carnival milieu
- » A regional crime thriller that doesn't take itself too seriously

In the tranquil Rhenish community of Mariaeruh, the upcoming carnival season is overshadowed by a shocking find: Eva-Maria Müller lies in front of the Marienkapelle, an arrow in her back, a rosary in her hand. Retired Latin teacher Josef Hausmann investigates – because he can't help it. After all, he knows the dead woman and pretty much everyone in the village. Together with his friend, the also retired detective inspector Hubert Schmitz, Hausmann sets out in search of the truth. The two quickly realize: In Mariaeruh, nothing is as peaceful as it seems.

A lovingly ironic portrait of a village community – full of Rhenish humour and criminal suspense.

The househusband has once again packed his experiences into hilarious anecdotes – this time as a regional crime novel that doesn't take itself too seriously!

Jürgen B. Hausmann
Hausmann investigates – Hail Mary!
Crime novel

Serie: –
Band: –

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Jürgen B. Hausmann alias **Jürgen Beckers** was born in Bardenberg in 1964. The teacher of Latin, Greek and history is active as a deckhand speaker and cabaret artist – both with national success and a great TV presence on WDR.

The Roman wine of Speyer



- » Spectacular robbery from the Palatinate Wine Museum
- » Exciting hunt along the Rhine
- » Sharp dialogues, weird characters, very human

A spectacular robbery shakes Speyer: The most valuable exhibit of the Historical Museum of the Palatinate – the oldest wine bottle north of the Alps – is to be transferred to Vienna on loan. But the Roman wine is stolen from an armored van on the Saller Bridge. What remains is a dead security guard and a mystery that poses challenges for the police, LKA and international experts alike. While the pressure on Detective Chief Inspector and Soko leader Achill grows, tour guide Sartorius throws himself into his own investigations.

When the oldest wine north of the Alps disappears, a dramatic hunt along the Rhine and Wine Route begins – a crime thriller full of suspense and Palatinate charm.

*»His language is clear, simple, concise, yet subtle, with a sense of colour, humour and the specific weight of the words. It is unaffected, immune to any high or false note.«
Maria Herlo, Schwetzingen Zeitung*

Uwe Ittensohn
Wine Curse
Föhr Crime Novel

Series: Inspector Achill and city guide Sartorius
Volume: 8

Uwe Ittensohn was born in the Palatinate. His literary work convinces with a sparkling mix of excitement, fun in enjoyment and local colour.

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Föhr as you have never experienced it before!



» New series by best-selling author
Sibylle Narberhaus

» Island secrets that captivate

» Wadden guide Leevke investigates

A young man wakes up on the beach of Föhr – barely dressed and with no memory of the evening before. A short time later, mudflat guide Leevke Roeloffs finds a dead, naked woman in the mud between Föhr and Amrum. A gloomy coincidence or is there a connection between the two events? While the Flensburg special investigators Päscke and Siebold are ordered to the island to clarify the case, Leevke and her aunt Marit investigate on their own. But the truth they uncover in front of the idyllic holiday backdrop comes at a price.

Between Föhr and Amrum, the mudflats bring a deadly secret to light – mudflat guide Leevke Roeloffs investigates in her first exciting case!

Sibylle Narberhaus
The silence in the mudflats
Herma and Jan investigate

Series: Wadden guide Leevke Roeloffs investigates
Volume: 1

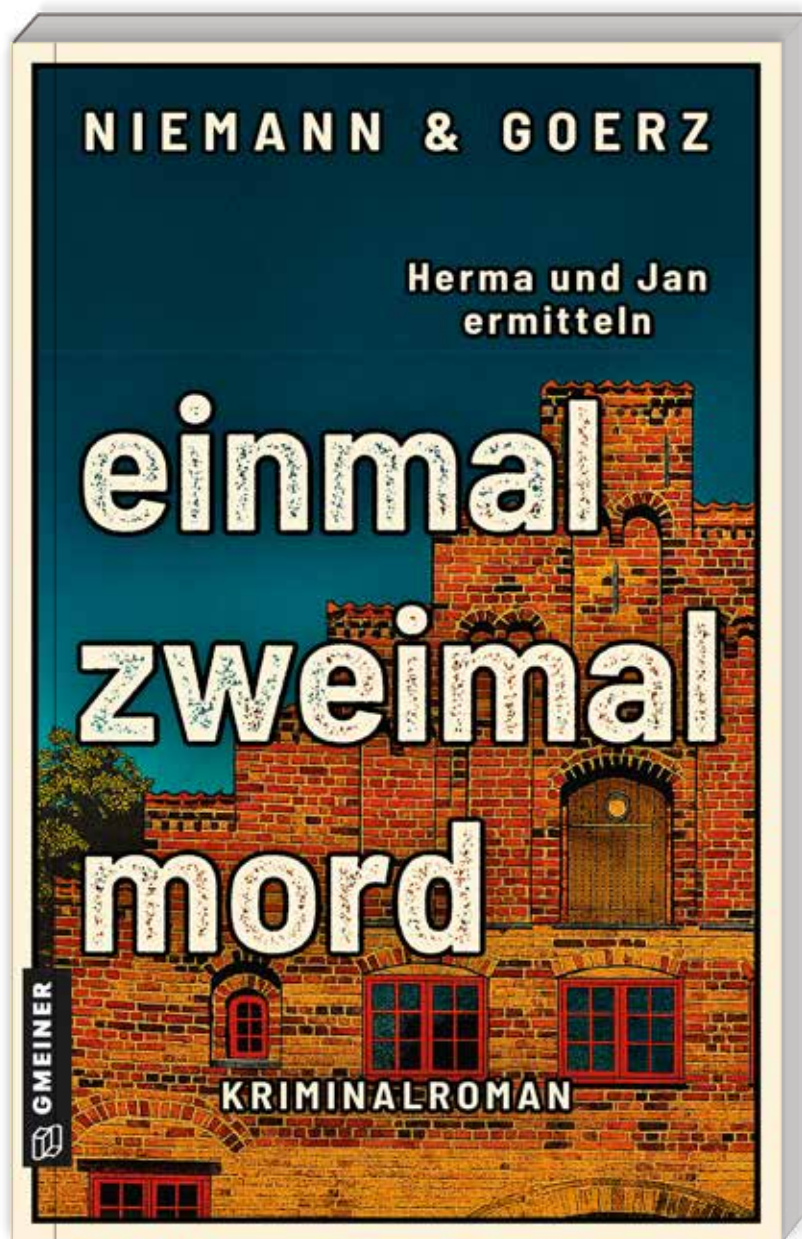
Sibylle Narberhaus lives and works near Hanover. In her free time, she writes crime novels and short stories. The sound of waves, wind and sea inspire her to write her stories.

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Two lives, one crime



- » The Audible bestseller now as a book series
- » The bestselling duo Bente Storm now at Gmeiner
- » For readers of Klaus-Peter Wolf, Nina Ohlandt and Eva Almstädt

Stefan Freitag is found murdered in Flensburg's old town. Inspector Herma Bahnsen is supposed to solve the crime. That's when Herma's colleague Jan Tesdorp from Pinneberg gets in touch: He is looking for a man named Stefan Jütland, who looks amazingly like the murder victim. It soon turns out that it is one and the same person. Two identities, two lives – and lots of suspects. When a group of enthusiastic amateur detectives also interferes in the investigation, Herma's and Jan's nerves are put to the test.

A new, tricky case for the unequal investigator duo Jan Tesdorp and Herma Bahnsen

The successful duo Anja Goerz and Eric Niemann alias Bente Storm once again take us to northern Germany – where a double life ends fatally.

Anja Goerz / Eric Niemann
Once, twice, murder
Coastal crime thriller

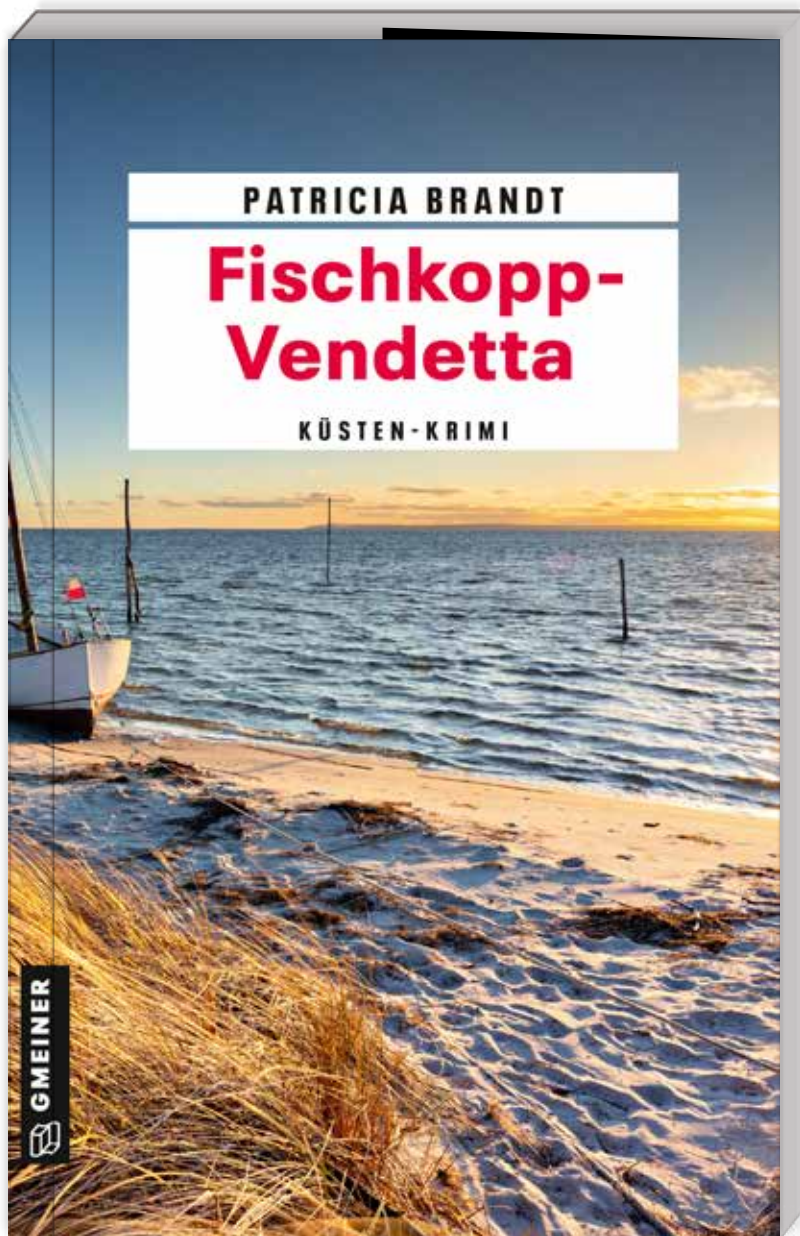
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Eric Niemann, author of radio plays, plays and novels, and **Anja Goerz**, known from Radio Eins and Bremen Zwei, among others, have been leaving criminal traces together for years. With their investigator duo Herma and Jan, they travel through Schleswig-Holstein to solve unusual criminal cases. Under the pseudonym Bente Storm, Niemann & Goerz also publishes crime novels about the Cuxhaven water police.

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Wave massage, beach hairstyle and freshly caught fish



- » Weird finds: weapons, false passports and lots of village gossip
- » Bizarre villagers and biting coastal humor
- » Investigator Oke between murder case, marital crisis and esoteric fair

Fish sandwiches, sea buckthorn tea – and a corpse.

Actually, the Kiel local journalist Richard Diekmann only wanted to collect material for his new true crime series in Hohwacht. Because in the tranquil coastal town of all places, mysterious deaths have recently been piling up. But as soon as they arrive, things get serious: In the garden of an old farm, the new owners come across a barrel full of weapons and forged papers. Shortly afterwards, a dead man lies at the lighthouse. Oke Oltmanns, Hohwacht's talk-shy inspector, investigates between the Baltic Sea idyll, media hype and well-kept secrets – while he fears for his marriage.

Moin, murder! Village policeman Oke investigates between water, weapons found and the unpredictable waves of married life.

A crime thriller as Nordic as a storm on a dike – and an investigator with heart and humour.

*»An exciting crime thriller that doesn't miss out on the fun factor of the coast.«
Martin Bollmann, Weser Report*

Patricia Brandt
Fischkopp-Vendetta
Coastal crime thriller

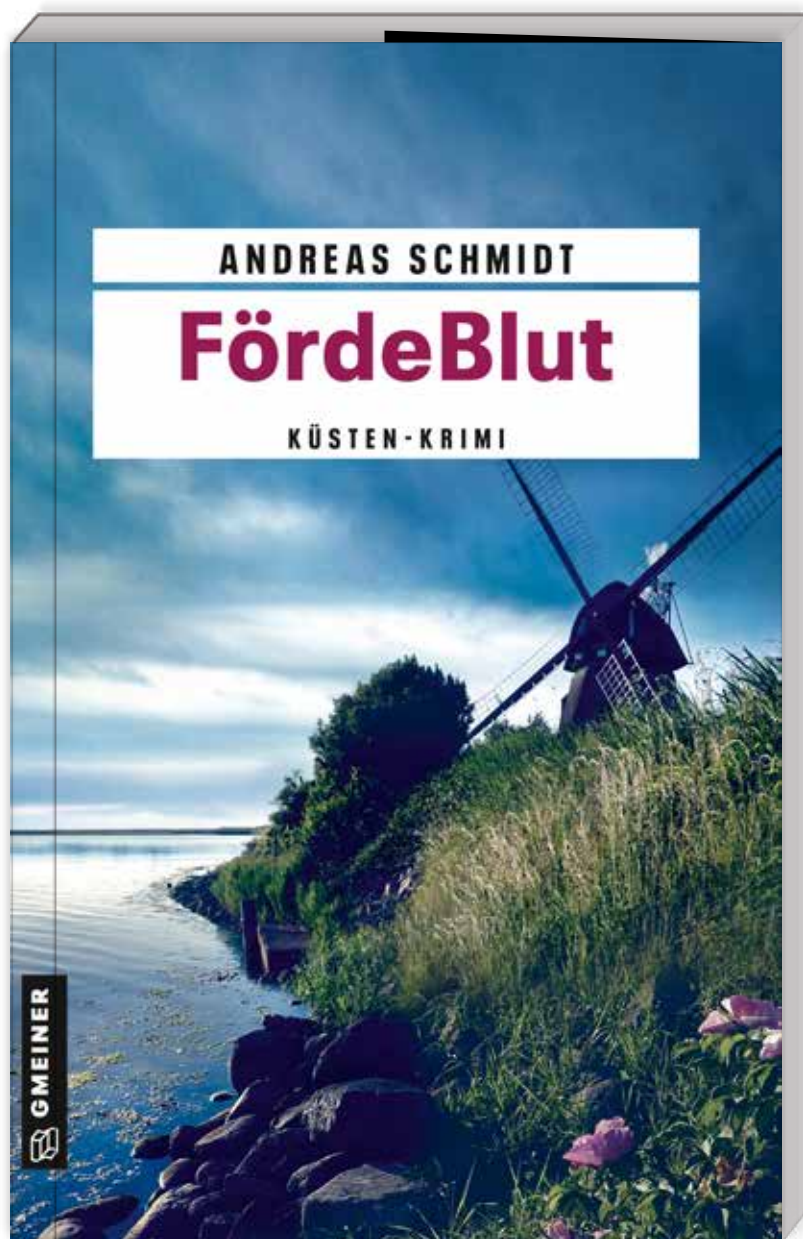
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Volume: 5

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Patricia Brandt loves to write crime novels and non-fiction books, either about murder or favorite places.

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Nordic. Gloomy. Deadly.



- » Real Nordic Noir off the German coast
- » Two murders and a web of lies
- » Breathless hunt for a killer

A rainy Tuesday morning in Husum: 17-year-old Lotta Koopmann has disappeared without a trace. At the same time, the programmer Jannick Molander is brutally executed on a lonely country road between Fockbek and Rendsburg. Kristin Voss, an astute detective chief inspector from Flensburg with an incorruptible instinct, takes over the investigation with her partner Lars Reimers. Soon the two are faced with a mystery that leads them deep into the dark abysses of Schleswig-Holstein. It becomes clear that there is much more at stake here than meets the eye.

In the land between the seas, a murderous web of secrets spreads across Schleswig-Holstein – can inspectors Voss and Reimers unravel it in time?

Andreas Schmidt
FördeBlut
Herma and Jan investigate

Series: Inspector Kristin Voss
Volume: 3

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Andreas Schmidt worked as a journalist for numerous newspapers and magazines before he began to devote himself entirely to murderous entertainment. In recent years, he has discovered his heart's home in Schleswig-Holstein.

On Heligoland and on the fjord!



» The Audible bestseller now as a book series

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» For readers of Klaus-Peter Wolf, Nina Ohlandt and Eva Almstädt

At the foot of the lobster cliffs, the successful crime writer Christian Gröger is found murdered, who was on Heligoland to research his new book. During their investigations, Chief Inspector Herma Bahnsen, who has just returned to work after a burnout, and her young colleague Jan Tesdorp soon come across an unfinished manuscript that could not be more explosive: In it, Gröger reveals the dark machinations of influential Heligolandians – from corruption to smuggling. Suddenly, the whole island is under suspicion of murder.

Heligoland: Where crime novels are not only written, but become reality.

The bestselling series by Eric Niemann and Anja Goerz, who are celebrating great success under the pseudonym Bente Storm, about the unusual investigator duo Jan and Herma – atmospheric, gripping and North German rough.

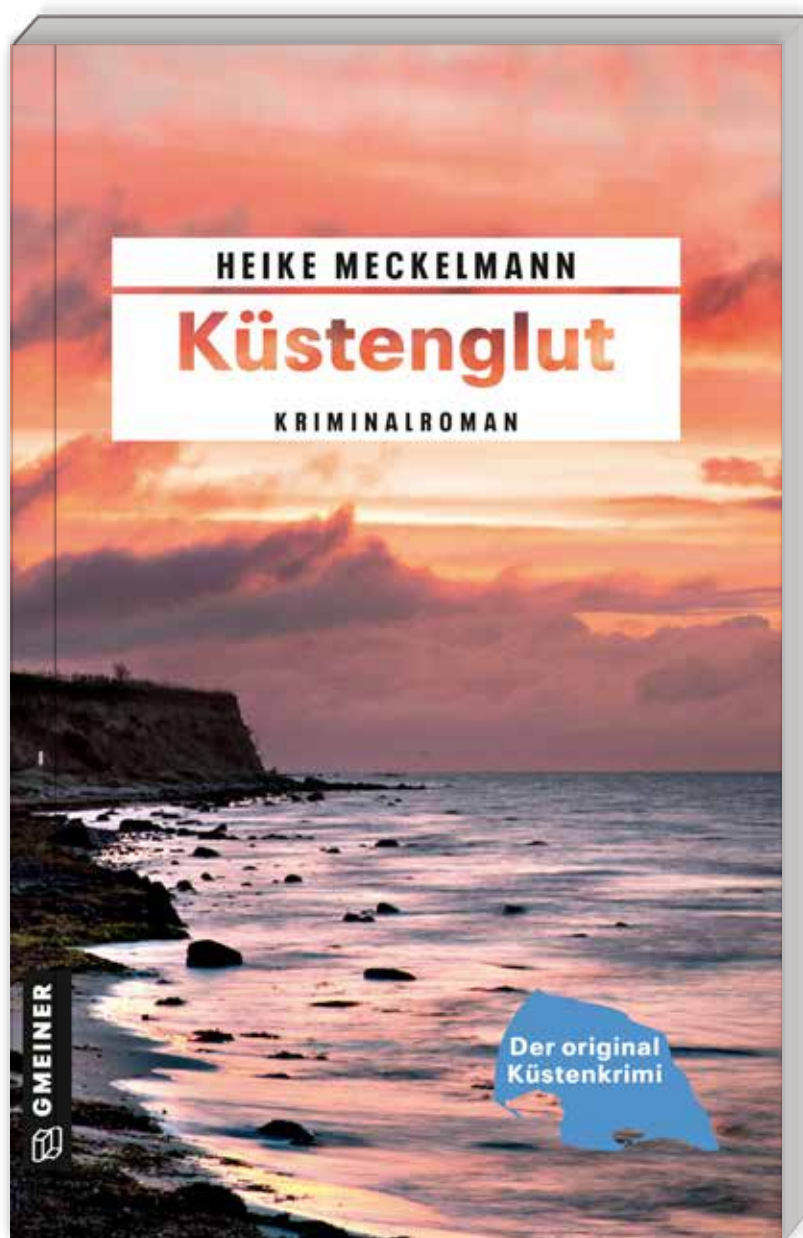
Anja Goerz / Eric Niemann
green, dead, white
Crime novel

Series: Herma and Jan investigate
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The idyll burns



- » Amateur detective Charlotte Hagedorn gets into danger
- » Between coastal flair and nightmare
- » Inspired by a real fire on Fehmarn

A devastating major fire destroys a barn of the Landmann farm on Fehmarn. When the flames are extinguished, the police discover the burned body of farm owner Anton Landmann in the rubble. The investigation leads Chief Inspectors Westermann and Hartwig as well as the resolute 70-year-old amateur investigator Charlotte Hagedorn into a web of old secrets, destructive jealousy and growing fear. When another fire breaks out on the island, not only innocent people are in danger – but also Charlotte.

Fehmarn is burning – and with it a truth that no one wants to hear. A coastal thriller that lingers for a long time. Inspired by a real fire on Fehmarn.

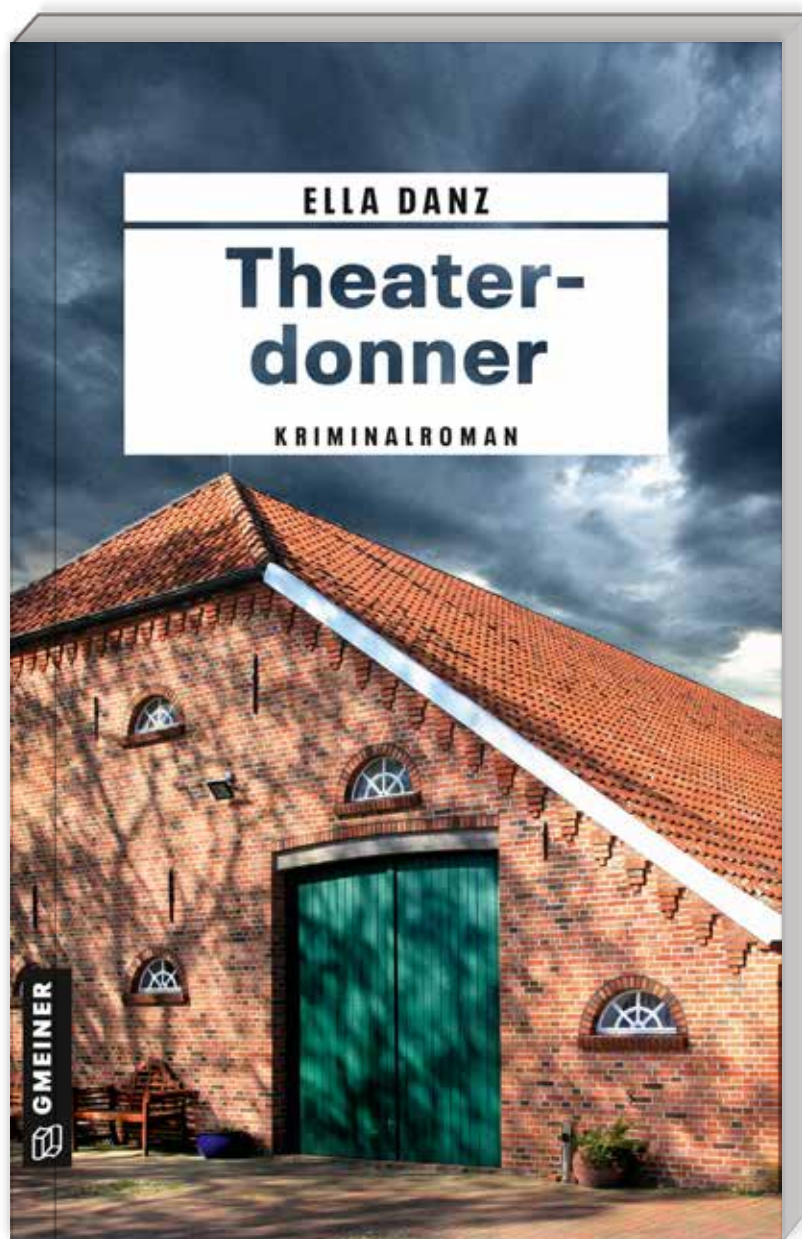
Heike Meckelmann
Coastal Embers
 Crime novel

Series: Inspectors Westermann and Hartwig
Volume: 11

480 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8050-8
 € 16,00 [D]
 ET: 11.2.2026

The Fehmarn author **Heike Meckelmann** studied business administration, was a photographer, self-employed hairdresser and musician before she turned entirely to writing novels.

Agatha Christie op Platt



» 20th anniversary of Angermüller

» Murder at the amateur play

» A multi-generational farm full of suspects

A heat dome hangs mercilessly over the Duchy of Lauenburg as the beautiful and charming Odile lies dead on the stage of the culture barn of the Ananda farm. Inspector Georg Angermüller and his colleague Claus Jansen meet a colorful group of residents and puzzle over a variety of motives: envy, jealousy or revenge? The investigations are tough and it's not just the temperatures that make the officers sweat. Something is brewing and everyone hopes for the cleansing thunderstorm ...

A dead woman, a missing weapon and a murderous play. At Ananda Farm, the game turns into bloody seriousness – and everyone is a suspect!

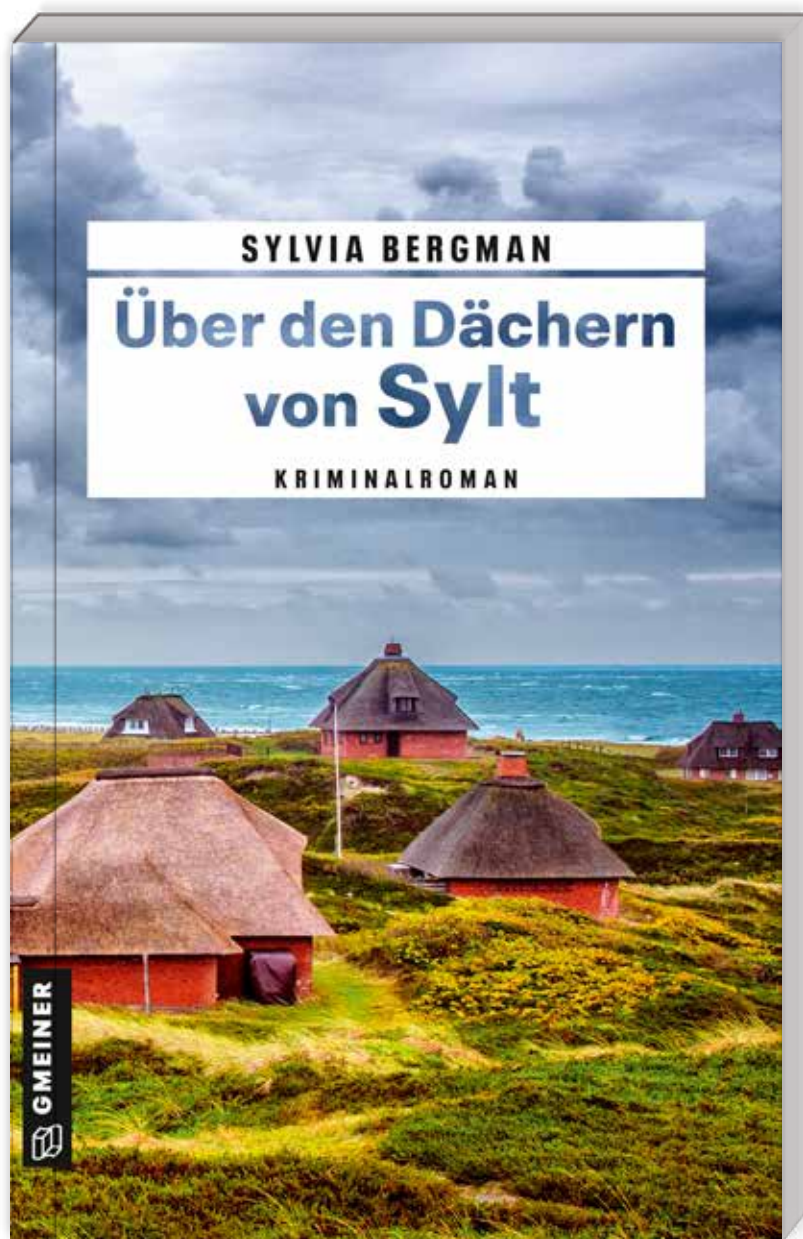
Ella Danz
Theatrical thunder
Crime novel

Series: Chief Inspector Georg Angermüller
Volume: 13

368 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
Softcover
ISBN 978-3-8392-8082-9
€ 15,00 [D]
ET: 13.5.2026

The author **Ella Danz** lives in Berlin. In her crime novels, people like to cook, eat and examine the coexistence of their protagonists with pleasure and irony.

Sylt, sea buckthorn and sleuth



- » Charming island crime thriller with feel-good factor
- » Investigation with tea, cake and neighbourhood gossip
- » Pensioner Greta and ex-inspector Joost investigate with heart and humour

Beach walks, good food, spring-like weather – on Sylt, Greta enjoys the time with her boyfriend Joost to the fullest. Even a dead construction tycoon on a yacht and a jewel thief who enters the houses of the wealthy at night do not dampen the joy. But then crime finds its way into Joost's neighborhood – and the idyll is abruptly over. Amateur detective Greta begins to investigate. And suddenly she finds herself in the middle of a case full of art, greed and human abysses.

Sylt in spring – fresh wind, blooming lilacs and a murder between thatched houses. Greta investigates with heart, humor and a large portion of island love.

Sylvia Bergman
Above the rooftops of Sylt
A Pellworm Crime Novel

272 Seiten, 12,5 x 20,5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8064-5
€ 14,00 [D]
ET: 11.3.2026

Series: Kaiser and Thomsen investigate
Volume: 3

Sylvia Bergman writes thrillers and crime novels. Her readers love the twists and the surprising ending. She lives with her family in northern Germany.

Premium flap softcover

North Sea, murder and a lot of heart – the new case for Jan Benden



- » Continuation of the successful series about island policeman Jan Benden
- » Charming, exciting and full of North Sea flair
- » If you like Krischan Koch, you will feel very comfortable with Jan Benden

At night, mysterious lights flicker over the mudflats, strange packages appear on the beach – and then suddenly a dead man hangs upside down from the lighthouse during a wedding celebration. Island policeman Jan Benden and his wife Laura investigate a case that leads them not only to old acquaintances, but into the middle of a web of smuggling, love turmoil and secrets. While Jan's self-proclaimed assistant Tamme fabulates about an international drug ring, Laura suspects that the motive is much more personal.

Island policeman Jan Benden investigates again. Welcome back to Pellworm!

Katja Lund / Markus Stephan
Wadden Sea Wrath
Eerie stories

Series: The Island Policeman
Volume: 5

Markus Stephan, Pellworm's only island policeman, writes humorous holiday thrillers set in the mudflats together with author **Katja Lund**.

336 Seiten, 13.5 x 21 cm
 Premium flap softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8027-0
€ 17,00 [D]
ET: 8.4.2026

Goosebumps guaranteed for the next Baltic Sea trip



- » Real places that make your breath freeze
- » Twelve stories about great myths and adventures on the Baltic Sea
- » With contributions by: Christa von Bernuth, Carola Christiansen, Leo Hansen, Lutz Kreutzer, Kurt Lehmkuhl, Eva Lirot, Iny Lorentz, Siegrid Neur-eiter, Susanne Pohl, Alex Roller, B. C. Schiller and Andreas Schnurbusch

Twelve gruesome stories by twelve authors about twelve real places on the Baltic Sea, based on legends and events from the early Middle Ages to the present day: from the adventurous kidnapping by Vikings to He-deby. Which made the pirates in the port of Wismar shudder. Of the love of a monk and a fisherman's wife in the monastery of Cismar. Which is why a journalist on Rügen uses a skull to track down his family history. How the desire for glamour on Hiddensee pushes a woman into ruin, among other things.

Eerily beautiful – the Baltic Sea from its creepy side.

Lutz Kreutzer
Scary places on the Baltic Sea
*Saar-Lor-Lux: three countries,
 three deaths*

Series: Scary places
Volume: 9

272 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8071-3
€ 14,00 [D]
ET: 8.4.2026

Lutz Kreutzer holds a doctorate in natural sciences and is an author of thrillers, crime novels, non-fiction books and editor of short story collections. He lives and works in Freilassing.

Killer fun on the Moselle



Marion Demme-Zech
There is no sauerkraut against murder
 Crime novel

Series: Chief Inspector Wolfgang Forsberg
Volume: 4

368 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8081-2
 € 15,00 [D]
 ET: 13.5.2026

- » A dachshund as narrator
- » »The Saarland police dachshund Günther has what it takes to become a cult dog.« – Oliver Schwambach, Saarbrücker Zeitung
- » »Once again, Marion Demme-Zech succeeds in bringing us closer to the beauties of the region, but also the meanness that (can) be hidden in it.« – Ulli Wagner, SR 3

A houseboat gone astray and a dead man in a fishing net: Something is brewing on the Petit Route de la Choucroute, the small sauerkraut tour. The linchpin is the river cruiser Mosarella, on which the Saarbrücken investigator duo Toni and Wolfgang take up quarters undercover as a newlywed couple – including police dachshund Günther. Between romantically winding rivers and dreamy wine villages, sauerkraut awaits them in every conceivable form, which Günther doesn't like at all. While the ship's guests relax, the investigators enter risky waters.

Idyllic river trip? Far from it! On the Moselle, Toni, Wolfgang and dachshund Günther can expect a borderland adventure with a lot of bite and humour.

»The Saarland police dachshund Günther has what it takes to become a cult dog.« – Oliver Schwambach, Saarbrücker Zeitung

»Once again, Marion Demme-Zech succeeds in bringing us closer to the beauties of the region, but also the meanness that (can) be hidden in it.« – Ulli Wagner, SR 3

Marion Demme-Zech from Saarland likes to search for clues in her homeland for her feel-good crime novels, travel guides and board games.

Mrs. Merkel goes Malle



- » Munich chic lets it pop
- » Bavarian conditions on Mallorca
- » A new case for Commissioner Steinböck and cat Mrs. Merkel

Summer, sun, prawns – that's how cat Mrs. Merkel imagined her three-month break in Mallorca with Commissioner Steinböck. But as soon as she arrives on the island, she discovers a Munich YouTuber with a bullet in his head in the neighboring bungalow. Comisario Ferrer from Palma asks Steinböck for administrative assistance. His traces lead him from the villa district to the marina of Palma. When another corpse is fished out of the harbor basin, the idyll is finally over – adiós relaxation, because this vacation will be murderously exciting! And Mrs. Merkel? I know everything better again ...

Sun, beach and gunfire – the Munich inspector Steinböck and his cat Mrs. Merkel investigate in Mallorca!

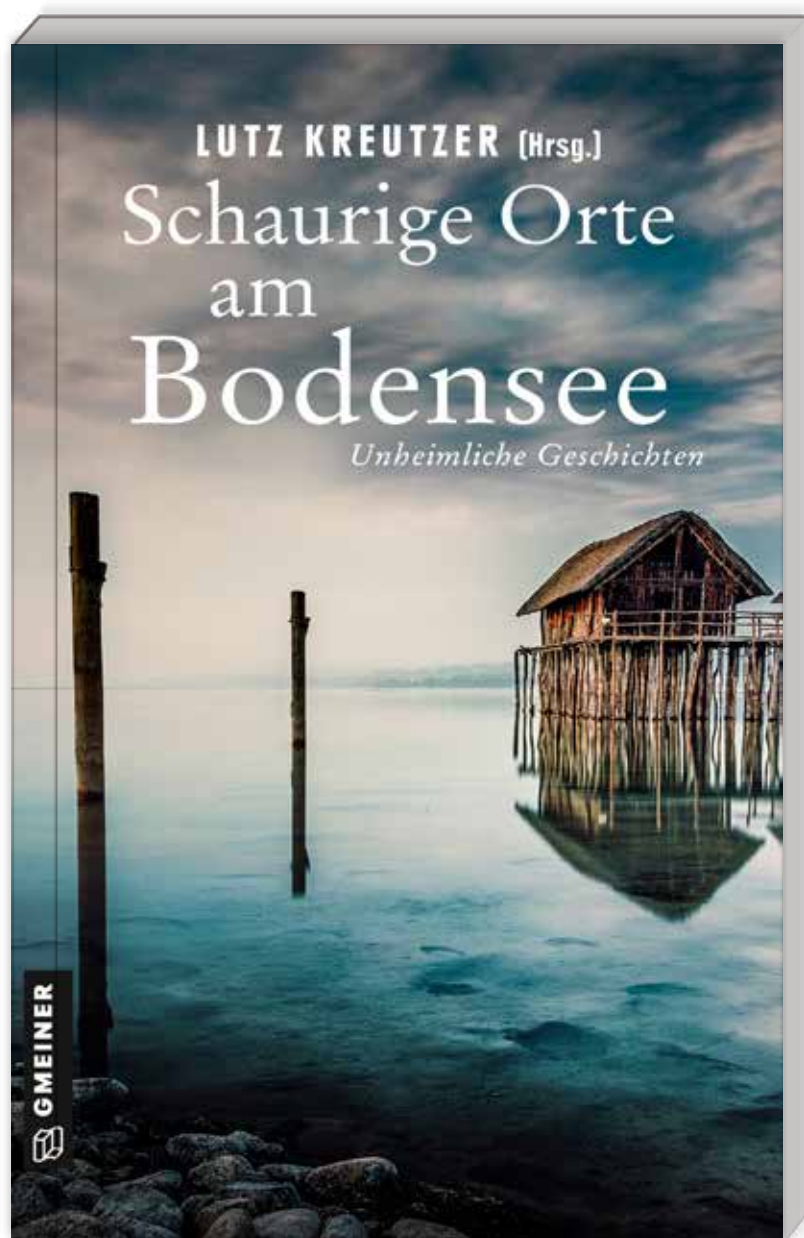
Kaspar Panizza
Mallekatz
Eerie stories

Series: Inspector Steinböck and his cat Mrs. Merkel
Volume: 10

Kaspar Panizza, born in Munich, lives in Ribnitz-Damgarten on the Baltic Sea, where he has been devoting himself entirely to writing since 2018.

256 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8002-7
€ 14,00 [D]
ET: 11.2.2026

Eerily beautiful – Lake Constance from its spooky side



- » Continuation of the successful series
- » Twelve stories about great legends and events on Lake Constance
- » With contributions by: Anne Bartusel, Manfred Baumann, Matthias Bieling, Belá Bolten, Angela Eßer, Silvia Götschi, Roland Hebesberger, Kerstin Herzog, Roland Krause, Lutz Kreutzer, Sunil Mann and Doris Röckle

Twelve gruesome stories by twelve authors about twelve real places around Lake Constance, based on legends and events from the Stone Age to the present day: How the pile dwellings of Unteruhldingen become a student's undoing. What unspeakable suffering happened to a woman in the Lindau Maleficent Tower. How a city guide of Meersburg exposes a stalker. When the island of Mainau became a place of convalescence for sick French prisoners. How death on the lake stage in Bregenz and death in real life flow into each other.

Eerily beautiful – Lake Constance from its creepy side.

Lutz Kreutzer
Scary places on Lake Constance

Crime novel

Series: Scary places
Volume: 8

272 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm

Softcover

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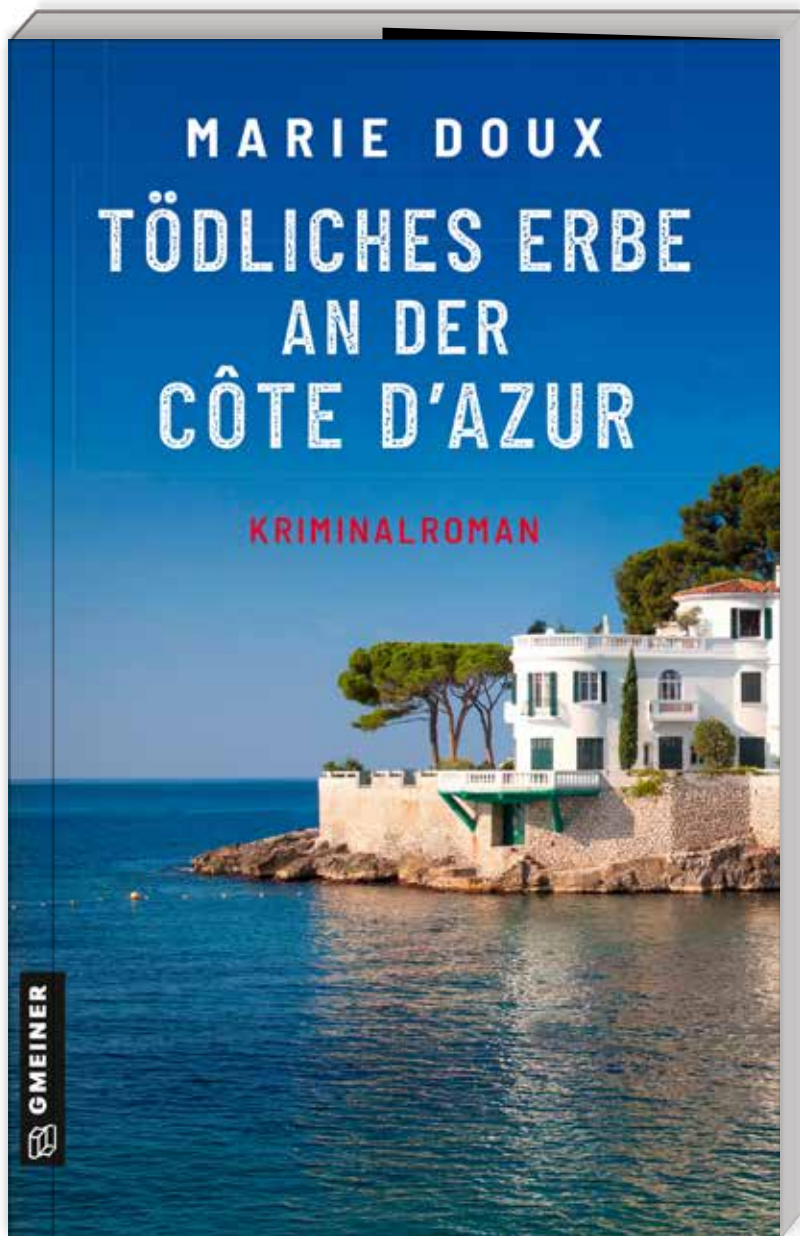
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Premium flap softcover

Côte d'Azur – murderous luxury



- » A murder case shakes the sun-drenched Côte d'Azur
- » The trail leads back 2000 years – to Emperor Augustus
- » A detective with charm, heart and sharp mind

High above the French Riviera, Commandante de Police Danielle Tisserand is called to a gruesome find in picturesque La Turbie: a corpse mutilated beyond recognition raises questions and complicates the investigation. Then Tisserand is attacked at home – mere coincidence or is there more to it? With the help of her team and an Italian colleague, Tisserand gradually reveals a dark secret that goes deep into the history of the region and leads her all the way to Italy...

A brutal murder on the Côte d'Azur. A deadly secret of the past. And an investigator who risks everything to bring the truth to light.

A captivating crime thriller from Nice to Monaco – full of atmosphere, speed and depth.

Marie Doux
Deadly legacy on the Côte d'Azur
Commissaire Morel investigates

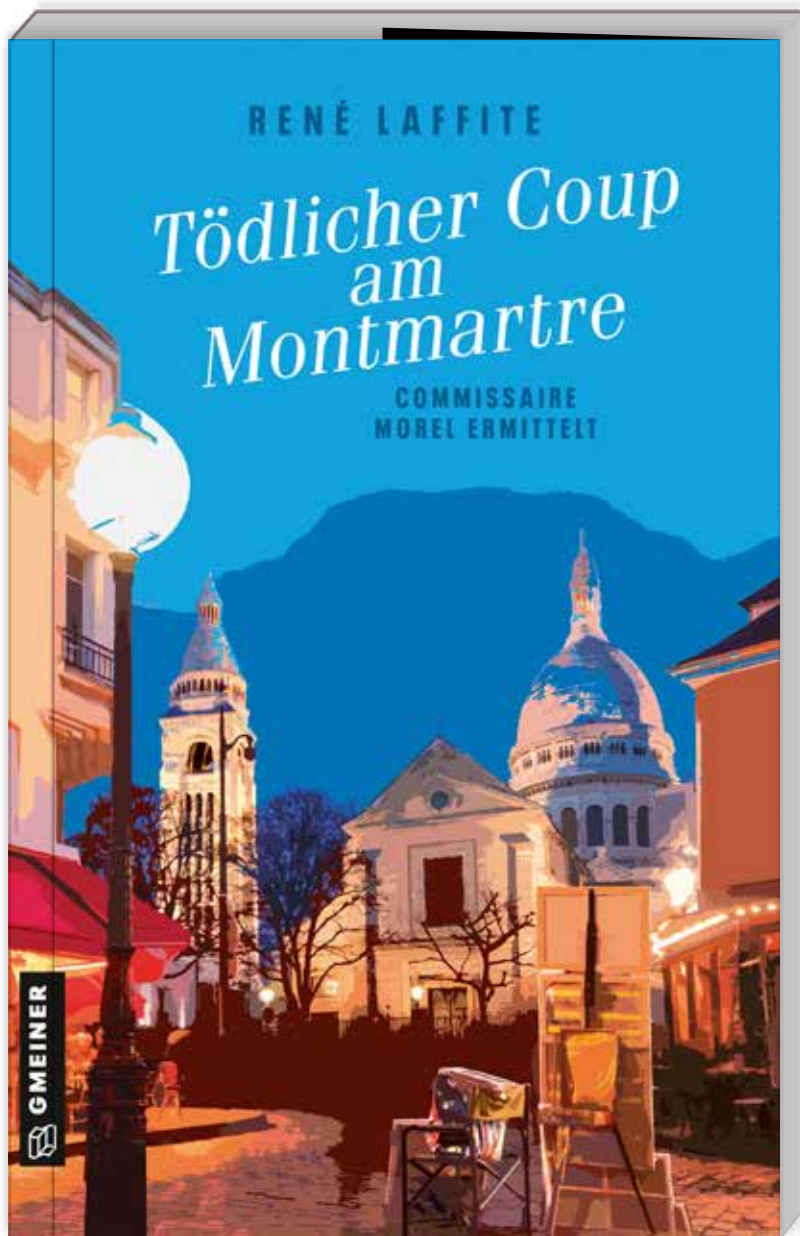
Series: Commandante de police Danielle Tisserand
Volume: 2

Marie Doux is the pseudonym of **Marianna Bachinger**. She got to know and love the Côte d'Azur through her daughter. The region with its cities, people and its unmistakable nature has grown very close to her heart.

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Premium flap softcover

Paris celebrates Monet – and a murderer gets involved



- » A deadly contest among art thieves
- » A murderous chase through Paris
- » Inspector Geneviève Morel in the fight against her strongest opponent yet

The Grand Palais celebrates the major Monet anniversary exhibition. While the champagne is flowing on the night of the premiere, Paris becomes the stage for a completely different game: international art thieves compete in a secret competition – the aim is to steal a work from the exhibition. The stakes are high – and the price is deadly.

In the middle of the hustle and bustle: Commissaire Geneviève Morel and her grandmother Mamie, who, as co-curator, knows more than she admits. But Geneviève soon realizes that behind golden frames and million-dollar pictures is an opponent who plays his own game – and does not shy away from murder.

»With cleverness, charm and coolness, Laffite lets his tough protagonist Geneviève Morel investigate in the picturesque streets of Montmartre. A series like a short trip to Paris – exciting, delicious and criminally good!«

Diana Pfeffer @buecher.berge

René Laffite
Deadly coup at Montmartre
A case for Baron Philippe

Series: Commissaire Morel
Volume: 5

336 Seiten, 13.5 x 21 cm
 Premium flap softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8034-8

€ 17,00 [D]

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As **René Laffite**, bestselling author Christian Schleifer lives out his Francophile streak with relish. He lives with his wife, twins and two cats in Vienna.

Premium flap softcover

Murder and ancient mysteries on the Loire



- » Blue-blooded intrigue
- » Noble crime thriller with biting wit, sharp dialogue and style
- » Baron Philippe investigates – charming, clever, fearless

During a hunt in the forests of Chambord Castle, Claude de Murot, chairman of a venerable hunting society, is killed. While Commissaire Charlotte Maigret assumes an accident, Baron Philippe senses a crime. De Murot was not only criticized for the controversial hunt, he was also at odds with his family and hunting colleagues. Philippe's investigations lead him deep into aristocratic society and to mysterious traces of Leonardo da Vinci – until he himself becomes the hunted.

When a murder shakes the nobility on the picturesque Loire, Baron Philippe is there – charming, clever, fearless.

Catherine Duval
Betrayal of the Loire
Provence Crime Thriller

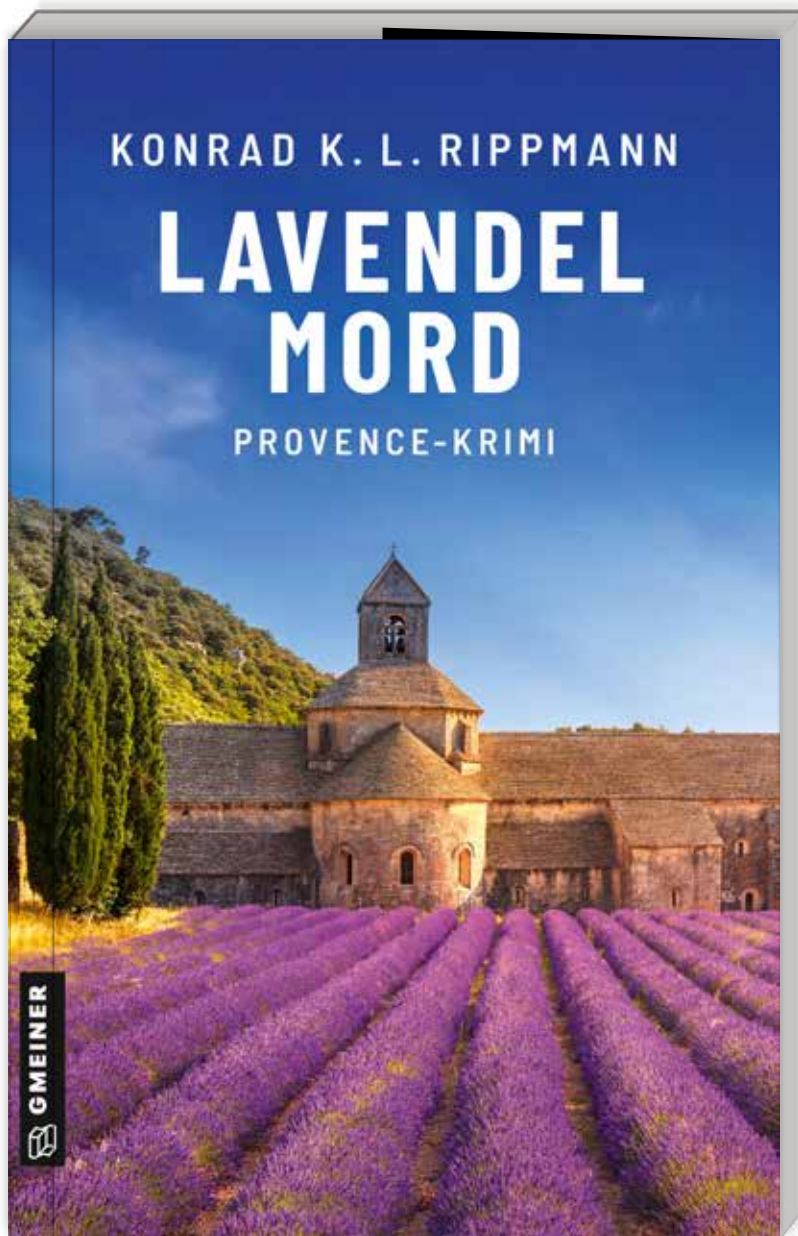
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 ISBN 978-3-8392-8019-5
€ 16,00 [D]
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Series: Private Detective Philippe du Pléssis
Volume: 3

Catherine Duval breathes new life into the castles of the Loire by making them the scene of mysterious crimes.

Premium flap softcover

The scent of Provence



- » Murder, magic and lavender – a crime thriller that awakens all the senses
- » Investigations in Grasse, the world capital of perfume
- » Sénanque Abbey as the scene of riddles and intrigues
- » Cleo St. Clair – aristocratic power woman, mother and boss with a flair for smell

Cleo St. Clair takes over the leadership of Nice's homicide squad. Her first case takes her to her parents' perfume factory, of all places, whose head perfumer Matilde Ducasse was killed. A suspect is quickly found, the confession signed. But Cleo has doubts. What role does the prosecutor play, who shows more than just interest in her? And what do the lavender flowers in the mouth, nose and lungs of the dead mean? Cleo decides to conduct an unofficial investigation. A trail leads her deep into Provence and into the world of fragrances.

Murder in a fragrance paradise: Cleo St. Clair investigates between lavender, secrets and the dark sides of the perfume world on the Côte d'Azur. Suspense with French flair

murder, magic and lavender – a crime thriller that awakens all the senses.

Konrad K. L. Rippmann
Lavender murder
Tuscany crime thriller

304 Seiten, 13.5 x 21 cm
 Premium flap softcover
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€ 17,00 [D]
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Series: Nice homicide squad: Cleo St. Clair investigates
Volume: 1

Konrad K. L. Rippmann is a physician and author of mainly classic crime novels. He grew up in the south of France and lives in Hamburg and on Lake Neversdorf in Schleswig-Holstein.

Off to Tuscany!



- » Dolce Vita meets dark machinations
- » Dark palazzi, real guys and a surprising amount of heart
- » Art theft between Florence and San Gimignano

Actually, Constantin Schiefer is only looking for a house in Tuscany for his well-deserved retirement. But when a valuable Caravaggio painting suddenly disappears and mysterious threats appear, the retired criminologist becomes entangled in a case that goes back to a spectacular art theft from a Florentine museum in 1998. Supported by the headstrong forensic scientist Elena Einaudi, he has to face a network of mafia and corrupt art dealers – but the closer he gets to the truth, the more dangerous it becomes for him.

Between cypresses and palazzi: In Tuscany, art, power and crime merge into a murderous game.

*»If you don't know Tuscany, you learn to love it. If you don't know the Mafia, you get closer to it – a highly exciting read.«
(Michael Kothe, Author)*

Alessio Guerrini
In the shadow of the palazzi
Lake Garda crime thriller

288 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
Softcover
ISBN 978-3-8392-8025-6
€ 15,00 [D]
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Series: »Professors« Constantin Schiefer
Volume: 1

Under the pseudonym **Alessio Guerrini**, a Stuttgart lawyer successfully refutes the prejudice that good lawyers are characterized by bad German.

Deadly switchbacks



- » Suspense against the picturesque backdrop of Lake Garda
- » Dark machinations in professional cycling
- » A retired inspector and his wife investigate on vacation

This is not how Heiner Krum, retired commissioner, and his art-loving wife Antonia imagined their holiday on Lake Garda: On the very first day, a professional cyclist drives into their car during a training ride. The young man falls down a slope and dies. Krum's sense of smell immediately awakens, finally he is back in his element! Together with Antonia and the local Commissario Bresola, he begins to investigate. Soon they find out that there is much more to the alleged accident of the talented athlete than anyone realizes.

Idyll with an abyss: Ex-inspector Heiner Krum investigates on Lake Garda – between pasta, Pinot Grigio and a deadly cycling scandal.

Rosa Monti
Murder between pasta and pedals

A case for Commissario Gallo

352 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm

Softcover

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€ 15,00 [D]

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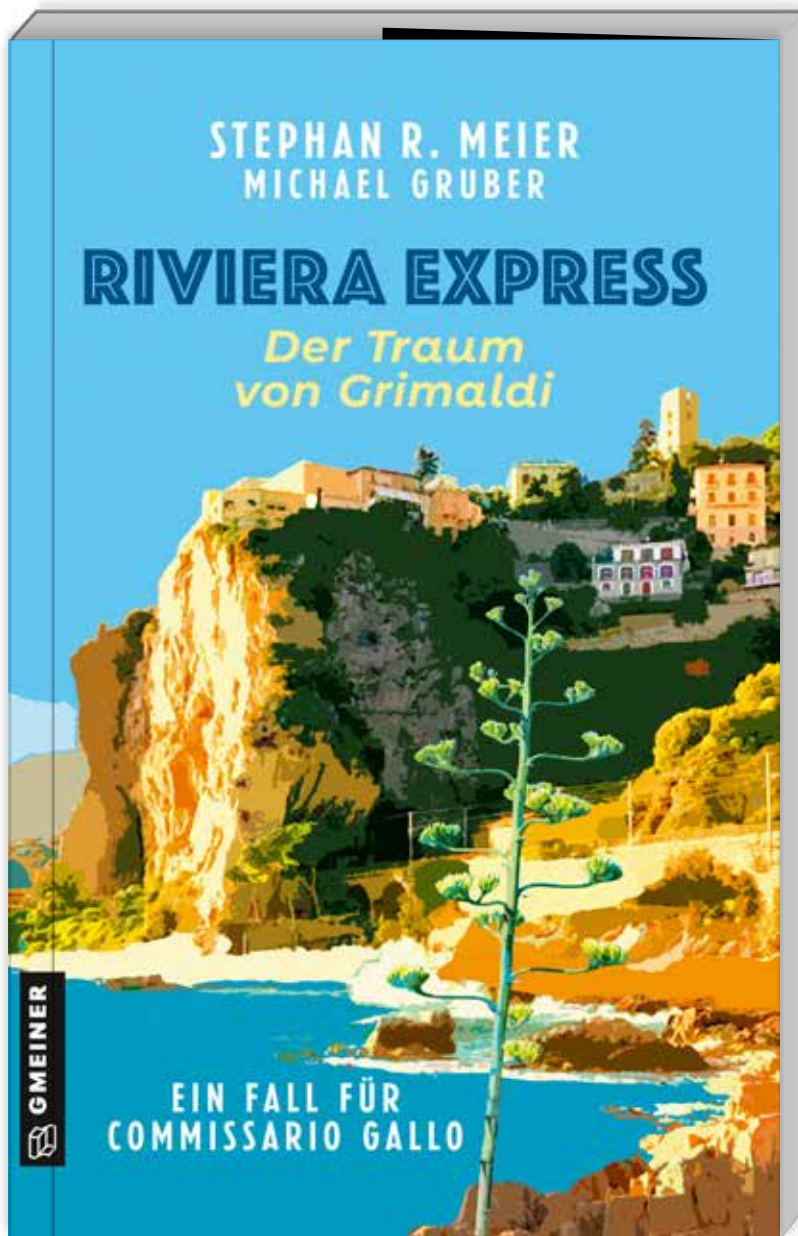
Series: Former inspector Heiner Krum investigates

Volume: 1

Uschi Kurz has published several crime novels and short crime novels set in Baden-Württemberg. As **Rosa Monti**, she now discovers Lake Garda with a lot of criminal energy.

Premium flap softcover

Murder on the enchanting Riviera near Grimaldi



- » Grimaldi – a small dreamy town on the Riviera
- » Pure Riviera feeling: pleasure, danger and Italian charm
- » Old medical experiments challenge Commissario Gallo
- » Start of eight-part TV production in spring 2026

The most beautiful plateau of the Riviera, with a view from Grimaldi down to the bay of Menton, becomes the scene of a nightmare for Commissario Gallo. A body washed up on the world-famous Bordighera rocks. When Gallo identifies the victim as Gianluca Bellacci, an old friend and former colleague, the case becomes a personal test of endurance. Between steep coastal slopes and the deep blue sea, the investigation leads Gallo to the »Path of Hope« on the border with France, where he discovers a dark secret in Grimaldi.

Against the picturesque backdrop of Grimaldi's blooming gardens, Commissario Gallo investigates his most personal case, which takes him deep into the terrible past of the place ...

Michael Gruber, Stephan R. Meier

Riviera Express – The Dream of Grimaldi

Lake Garda crime thriller

Series: Commissario Tomas Gallo
Volume: 4

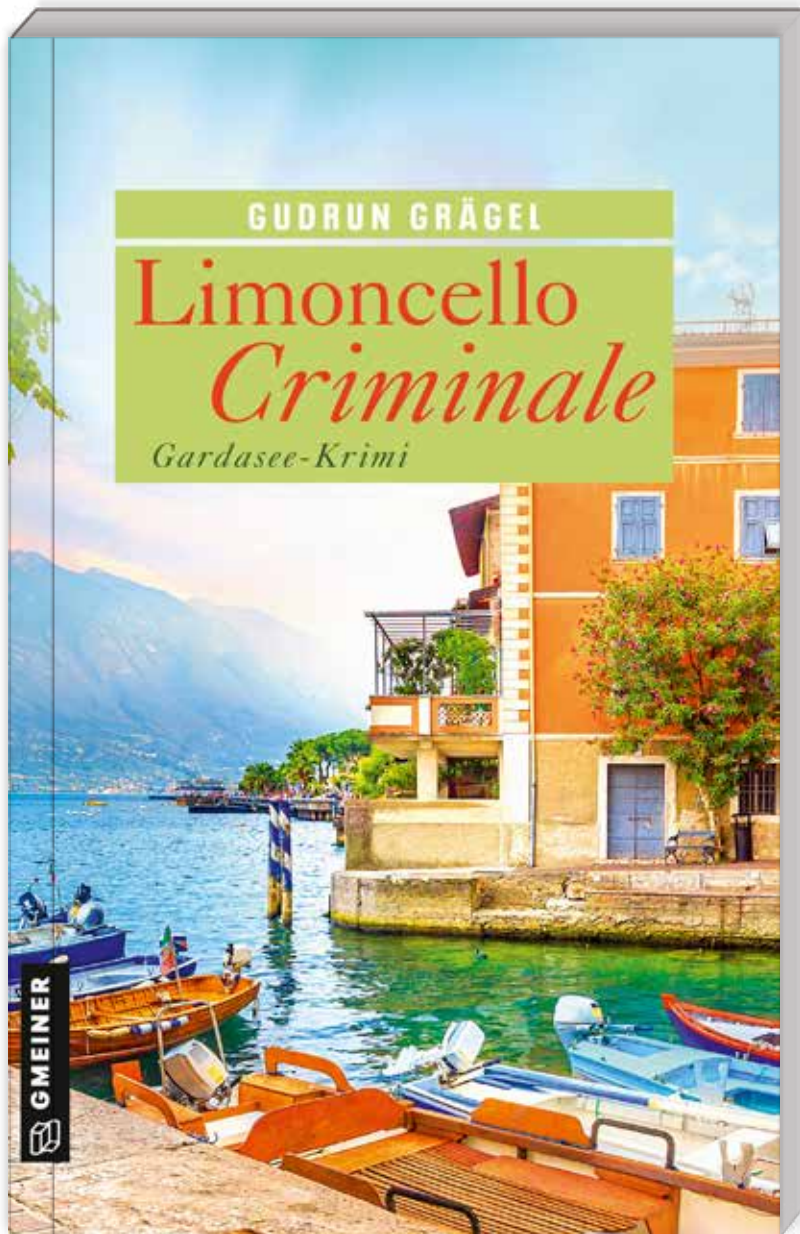
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ISBN 978-3-8392-8003-4
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Stephan R. Meier lives as an author in Munich and Sanremo. The nature and culture of the Ligurian coast inspired him to write his crime series.

Michael H. Gruber, author, producer and passionate screenwriter, lives in the idyllic countryside east of Munich.

Murderous feelings on Lake Garda



- » The charming chef Doro Ritter continues to investigate with heart and mind
- » Full of Italian flair and culinary delights
- » Delicious limoncello with a shot

Doro Ritter, top chef from Munich, is moving the centre of her life to Lake Garda for an indefinite period of time. Love is in the air, the engagement to her Prince Charming Vinc makes her float on a cloud of happiness – until a dead woman in the mountains and mysterious activities in the neighborhood poison the atmosphere. When there is another death and Doro is personally threatened, anger defeats her fear, and she gets closer and closer to a murderer. This time even at the express request of Capitano Forti, who remembers her talent as a detective from an earlier case.

Exciting, culinary, with a pinch of humour and a pinch of amore – dolce vita à la carte. A killer menu!

Gudrun Grägel
Limoncello Criminale
Lake Garda crime thriller

Series: Cook Doro Ritter
Volume: 7

400 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8012-6
€ 16,00 [D]
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Firmly rooted in Bavaria herself, author **Gudrun Grägel** sends her protagonist Doro Ritter, top chef from Munich, on an investigative trip to Lake Garda for the seventh time in »Limoncello Criminale«.

Premium flap softcover

No saint on Lake Garda



- » Abysses in the holiday paradise
- » Ex-Cardinal Mario has to choose between two women
- » [Blurb by Dagmar Hager comes]

Riva is upside down: an illegal pimp ring is blown up, a barista is shot and a woman's corpse floats in the Sarca. Rosina Gamper would like to investigate, but has enough on her plate, because her business is anything but rosy. At the moment she has to restore a statue of the Madonna and commutes between Riva and Malcesine. And her relationship with ex-Cardinal Mario is also at a turning point: cold shoulder instead of flames of passion. When Madonna, an old acquaintance from Rome, knocks on Mario's door, Rosina's collar bursts.

Criminally good entertainment on Lake Garda between amore, murder and espresso.

A new case for Italy's weirdest investigator duo!

Katharina Eigner
Madonna del Garda
 Crime novel

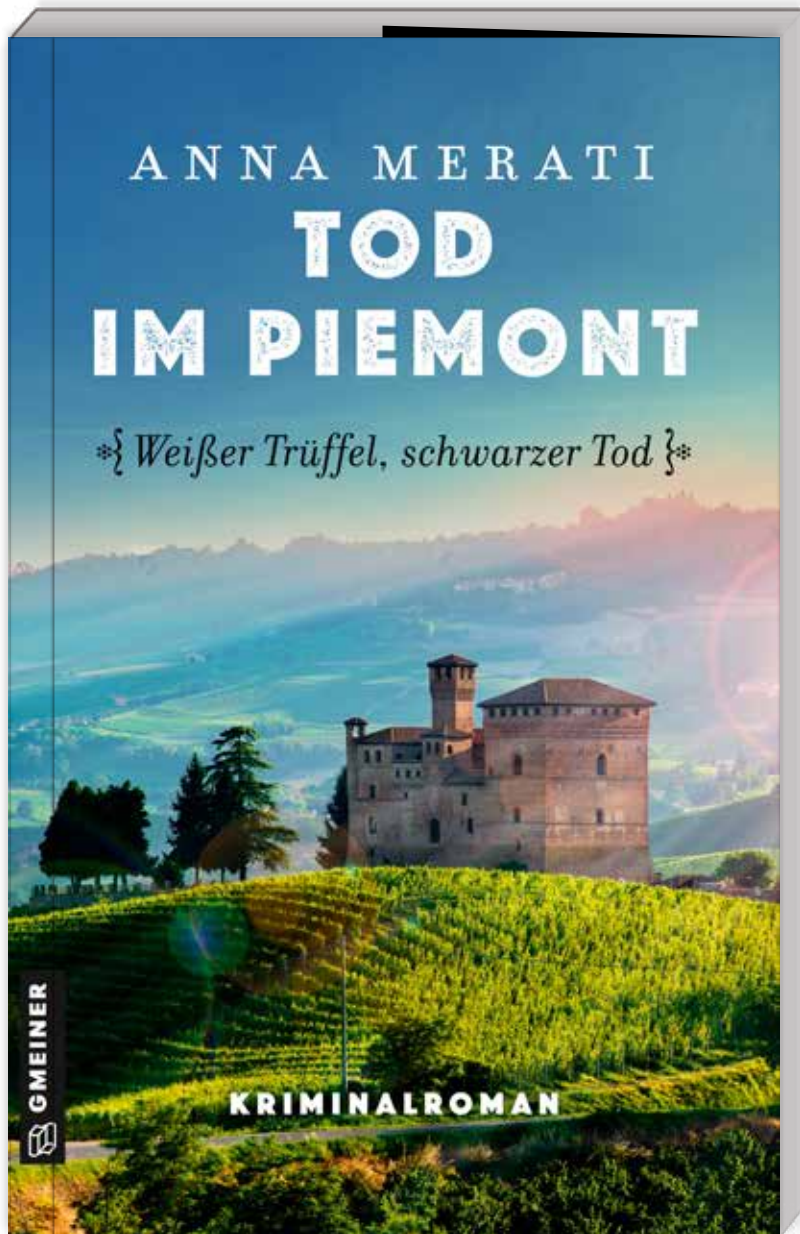
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€ 16,00 [D]
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Series: Restorer Rosina Gamper
Volume: 3

Katharina Eigner loves excitement, chocolate and strong espresso. She lives with her family on the southern outskirts of Salzburg and dreams of a Vespa.

Premium flap softcover

A thriller like a short vacation



- » Culinary investigations between truffle dogs and love letters
- » Murderous truffle hunt in Piedmont
- » Investigator Sofia: epicurean with Italian temperament and flair

Would she have read Anna's death in the coffee grounds? Café owner Sofia Dalmasso can no longer answer this question, because the market woman is found murdered before Sofia can predict the future for her. Commissario Alessandro Ranieri takes over the investigation. But even if the case is in the best hands with Sofia's boyfriend, it certainly doesn't hurt to do your own research. And so her research leads Sofia from Lake Maggiore to Alba, where white truffles and dark secrets lie buried ...

Murder in the land of the white truffles: In the hills of Piedmont, café owner Sofia Dalmasso uncovers a delicate truth.

A Piedmont crime thriller full of atmosphere, enjoyment and a dash of supernatural foreboding.

Anna Merati
Death in Piedmont – White truffle, black death
Italian crime thriller

Series: Cosy crime novel from Piedmont
Volume: 2

272 Seiten, 13.5 x 21 cm
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Anna Merati is the pseudonym of the author **Dorothea Böhme**. During her studies, she spent a few months in northern Italy. Since then, she has been particularly fond of the Piedmont region and Lake Maggiore.

Premium flap softcover

Dolce Vita



- » The perfect Adriatic feeling
- » Beach towel thriller with cooling guarantee
- » Investigator undercover between flirtation and danger
- » Continuation of the successful series

Holidays on the Adriatic? For Commissioner Isabelle Martin, it remains wishful thinking. Because as soon as she arrives in Bibione, the young runner Alina collapses dead before her eyes – a super talent with great ambitions. And that just a few days before the big Adria Beach Run. The autopsy detects doping substances in the blood: tragic accident or murder? Between beach vendors, smugglers and a hot holiday romance, Isabelle investigates undercover, supported by her jealous but always smart favorite colleague Sigi Schwaiger – and gets into danger herself.

Summer, sun, beach holidays – and a deadly secret: Inspector Isabelle Martin investigates undercover on the Adriatic Sea.

An atmospheric crime thriller on the Italian Adriatic – exciting, charming, explosive.

Hermann Ehmann
Carbonara, Chianti, murder!
Italian crime thriller

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Series: Chief Inspector Sigi Schwaiger
 and Inspector Isabelle Martin
Volume: 4

SPIEGEL bestselling author
Hermann Ehmann, born in 1964,
 has been vacationing on the
 Adriatic Sea since his childhood.
 He feels deeply connected to the
 landscape and people who have
 grown close to his heart.

Luxury camping on the Adriatic Sea



- » Class reunion with fatal outcome on the beach of Jesolo
- » Glamping, glamour, poison – holiday idyll with a dark side
- » Commissario Vialli and journalist Ambra investigate
- » [Petra quote-search, something with »the most exciting debut of the year«]

A balmy summer evening in Jesolo Pineta: old classmates celebrate their 30th anniversary on a glamping site. Cosmetic surgeon Annina Ponti flirts, teases and attracts everyone's attention – just like in the old days. A few hours later, she is found dead on the beach. Commissario Vialli and journalist Ambra Santoro take up the investigation. There are plenty of motives, because Ponti apparently had more than just friends in the world of the vain and important. Under the sun of Jesolo, it becomes clear that beauty has its price – and so do some secrets.

Beach, sun, vanity – and a murder that shatters the beautiful illusions of Jesolo.

Nadia Weiss
Ciao Jesolo
 Crime novel

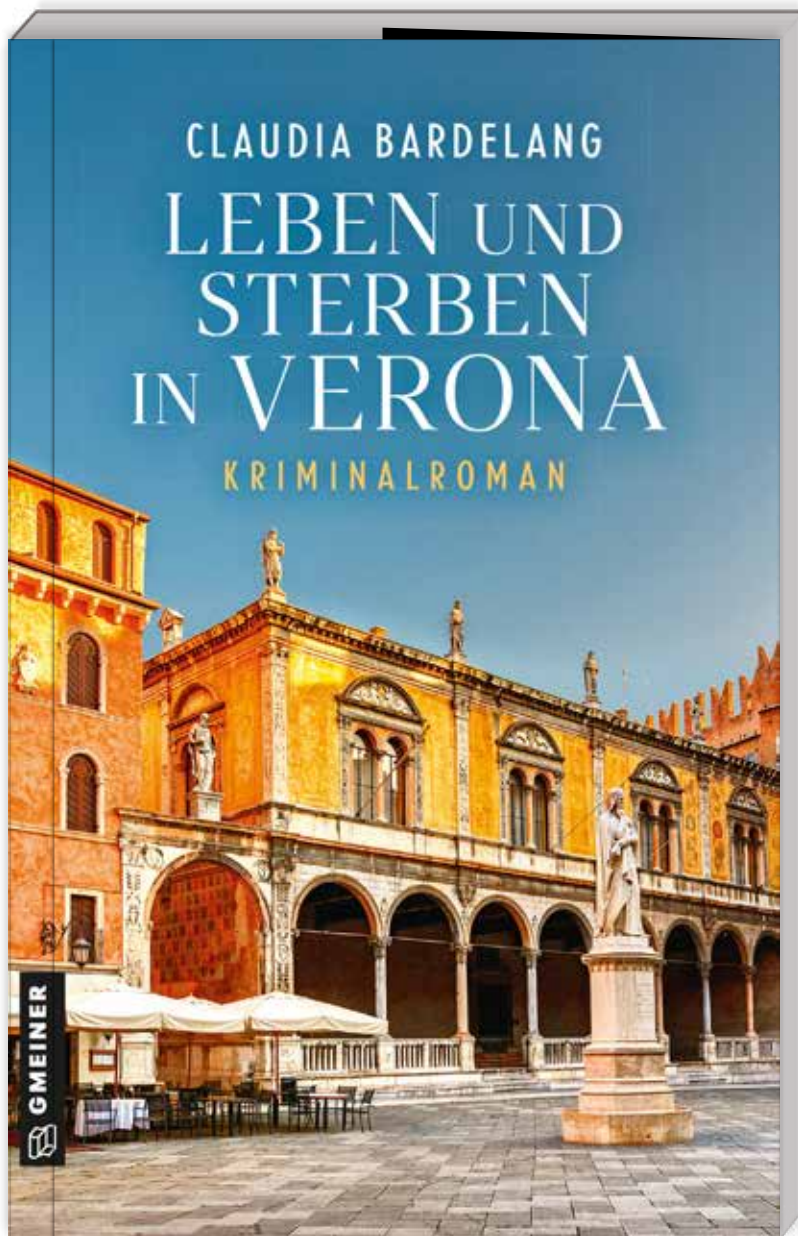
Series: Commissario Vialli and journalist Ambra Santoro
Volume: 2

Nadia Weiss lives and works as an author, filmmaker and journalist in Vienna and South Tyrol. In her novels, she processes her experiences in the media and art world.

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Deadly game in Verona



- » Verona as a stage – city of love, city of abysses
- » Searching for traces between antiques and Amarone
- » Combining psychological depth, everyday drama and Italian flair

Commissario Matteo Forlani, once Verona's most sought-after bachelor, now a new father and husband, is in a crisis: his wife suffers from severe postpartum depression, the baby overwhelms him and his mother knows everything better. When a good friend and antique dealer and his employees are murdered, Forlani throws himself into the investigation. The trail leads into the world of precious antiques – and to an old weapon with a deadly past. Forlani realizes too late that the murderer has long since set his sights on him.

Verona's beauty is deceptive: When a double murder uncovers old traces, Commissario Forlani gets caught up in a case that also pushes him to his limits in his private life.

Claudia Bardelang
Living and dying in Verona
 Crime novel

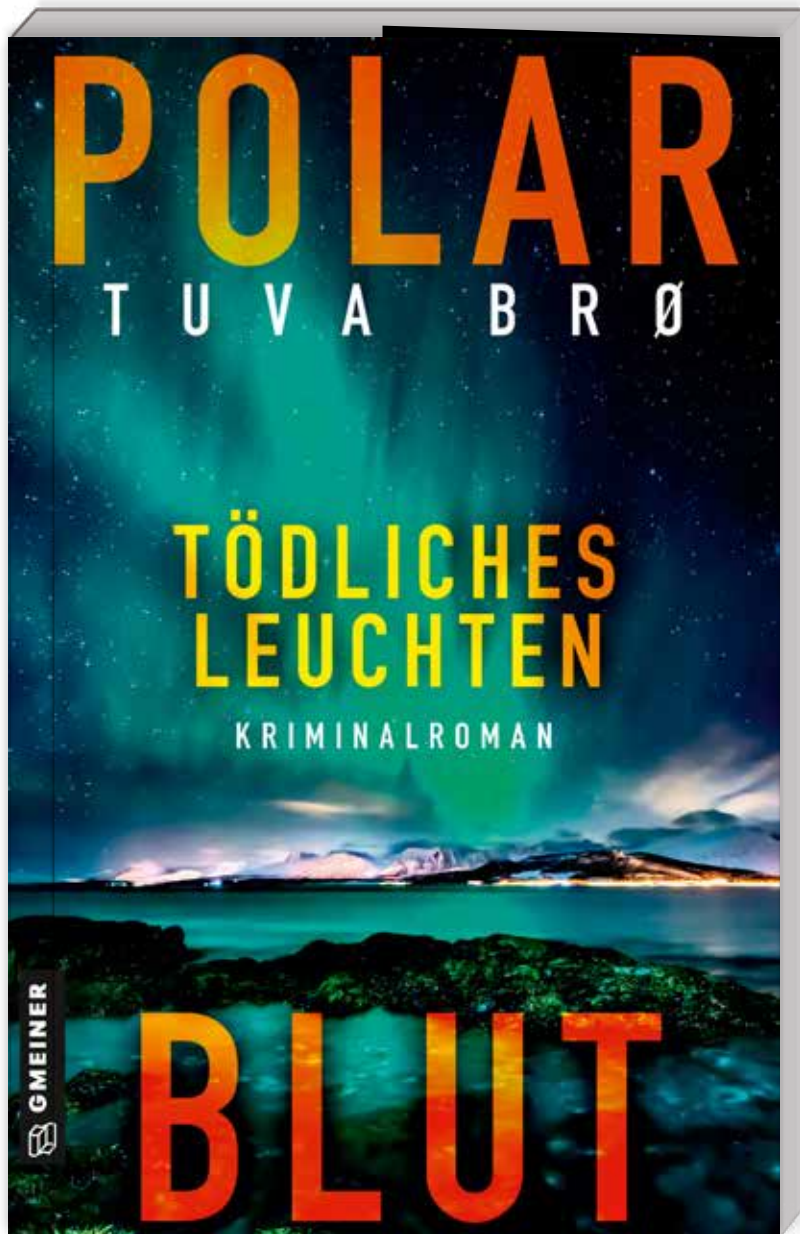
Series: Commissario Matteo Forlani
Volume: 1

Claudia Bardelang is a lithographer, painter and author. The love for Italy has accompanied her from childhood and has never let go. She currently lives in Basel with her partner.

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The cold creeps deeper



- » A web of sex, lies and deadly tourism
- » Two murders. Endless night. No escape.
- » Anta Thorsen's first case
- » A thriller as relentless as the Arctic winter
- » Under the deceptive glow of the Northern Lights

In the icy darkness of Tromsø, a brutal murder shakes the snowy idyll. The successful tourism entrepreneur Glen Solberg is found dead in front of his house, executed with a shot to the head at close range. Even before Anta Thorsen and Hans Vigeland of the Tromsø police can find answers, a second murder occurs. Deep in the snow, in a remote hut, a man is lured into an ambush and stabbed to death – on a night when the Northern Lights dance particularly brightly across the sky. Two dead. Two crime scenes. And there are only silent witnesses: the Northern Lights.

»The Northern Lights are the souls of the dead. If you talk about them, they can reach down and get you.«

An atmospheric and captivating Nordic noir crime thriller set in the rough and mysterious Norwegian winter landscape.

Tuva Brø
Polar Blood – Deadly Glow
 Garden thriller

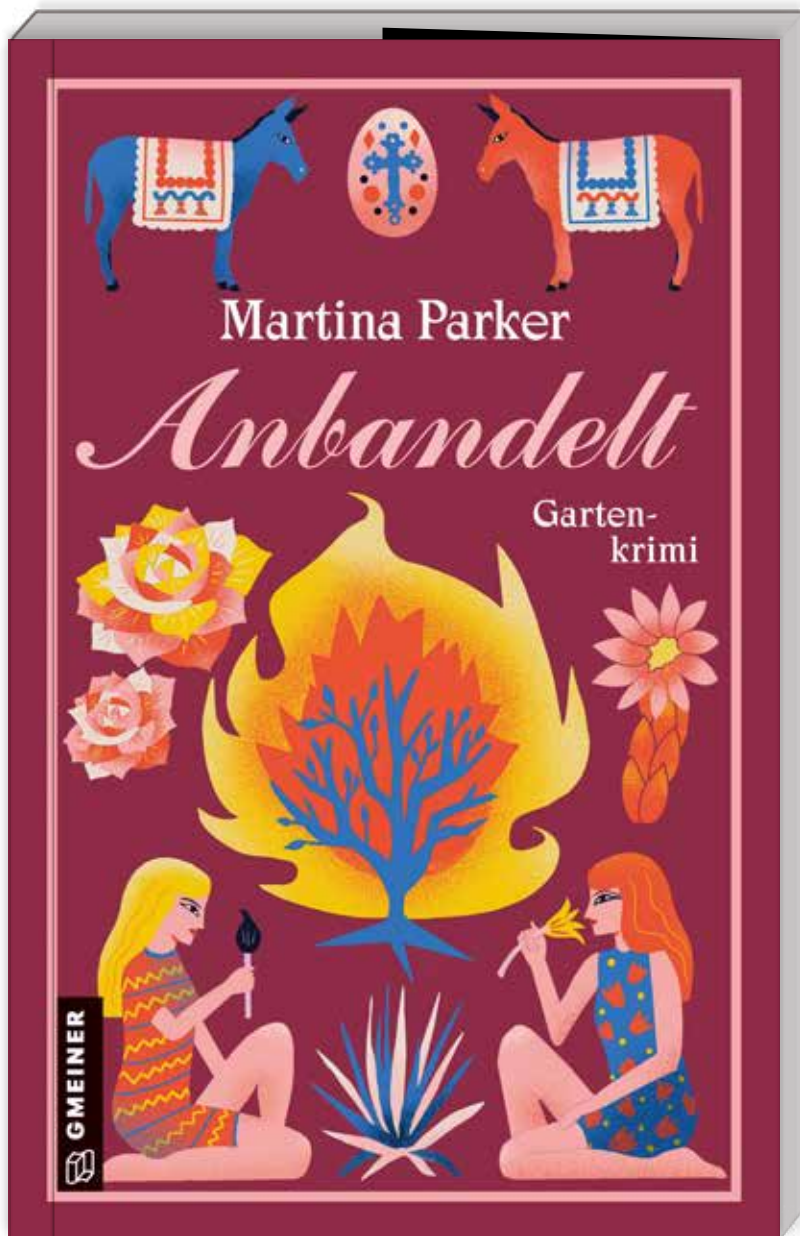
Series: Polar Blood
Volume: 1

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€ 18,00 [D]
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Tuva Brø lives and works in Hamburg. The rugged beauty of Tromsø captivated the Norway lover on her first visit.

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Finally a garden thriller again!



Martina Parker
Anhookelt
 Garden thriller

Series: Green Thumbs Club
Volume: 6

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ET: 4.2.2026

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Actually, they only wanted to admire the rare plants in the desert garden, but the garden friends promptly stumble across a lifeless man in the thorn bush.

Uwe Rohbeuschl, known for his unquenchable thirst and blooming imagination, is convinced: the legendary vineyard witches are behind it. Of course, it is not uncommon in southern Burgenland that one tends to have psychic inspirations with five per mille.

While the club is investigating, Grandma Hil-da instigates a protest action to save the local supermarket and rams the shopping cart into the hip of opponent of the demo, Ludwig. Anger turns into affection, but the harmony is deceptive: Ludwig's sister disappears without a trace and a mysterious stalker causes unrest among the gardeners.

Between cacti, Easter Striezel and old secrets, the trail leads back to the commune days of the 1970s. Will the Club of Green Thumbs succeed once again in revealing all the secrets?

»We used to travel after the pop stars, today we travel after the authors.«

Marion Trimmel (reading visitor)

»I don't know anyone who doesn't read her books.«

Donna Andrea (reader)

»Your best garden thriller so far.«

Barbara Karlich

»Dry as in the desert and dangerously pointed as a cactus – a brilliant garden thriller.«

Ralph Huber-Blechinger, ORF editor and desert gardener

Martina Parker writes smart crime novels with strong female characters, dry humor and depth. In just five years, she landed eight bestsellers. Her debut Zuagroast was made into a film in 2025 and is the most streamed film of all time on Joyn.at.

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Land in sight



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Everyone seeks their fortune in the countryside, but everyone finds something different. Paul finds cheap building land, affairs and a few strange plants. Vera finds her ex, a job as a poorly paid local journalist and lots of slugs. Johanna thinks the newcomers have more money than sense. They would even buy nettles if there was a price sticker. And Harald thinks it was a big mistake to help these newcomers. Because every favor takes revenge.

The ultimate fan book for the film with Martina Parker's personal anecdotes from the shoot and exclusive photo material from the film set.

There are two new superstars in the crime sky: Martina Parker and South Burgenland. My mouth was often open while reading and a few pages later I laughed tears. | Barbara Karlich, ORF presenter

Martina Parker brings the flair of Paris, the excitement of New York and the poshness of London to the southern Burgenland immigration milieu! A must-read! | Daniel Kalt, Editor-in-Chief, Die Presse Schaufenster

Martina Parker
Zuagroast: The Movie Book
 Crime novel

Series: Green Thumbs Club
Band: –

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Death in Klagenfurt



Andreas Pittler
Carinthian treasure
 Crime novel

256 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
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Series: Obiltschnig and Popatnig
Volume: 4

Andreas Pittler, born in 1964, has made a name for himself as an Austrian crime writer over the past two decades, as evidenced by the numerous bestseller placements and translations into several languages.

- » When history becomes deadly
- » Roman treasure becomes a death sentence
- » Carinthian humour meets human abysses

In St. Andrä, a Roman skeleton is discovered during excavation work – but soon a current murder at the University of Klagenfurt overshadows the investigation. Chief Inspector Sigisbert Obiltschnig and his colleague Ferdinand Popatnig are looking for the perpetrator in the environment of a lonely ancient historian who seemed to have neither enemies nor friends. The trail leads them from the lecture halls of the university to the archaeological excavations of Roman relics, where past and present meet in an explosive way.

Deadly secrets under Carinthia's soil – Obiltschnig and Popatnig investigate in their new case

Where Carinthia's history breathes, danger lurks: an ancient secret becomes a deadly game with the past.

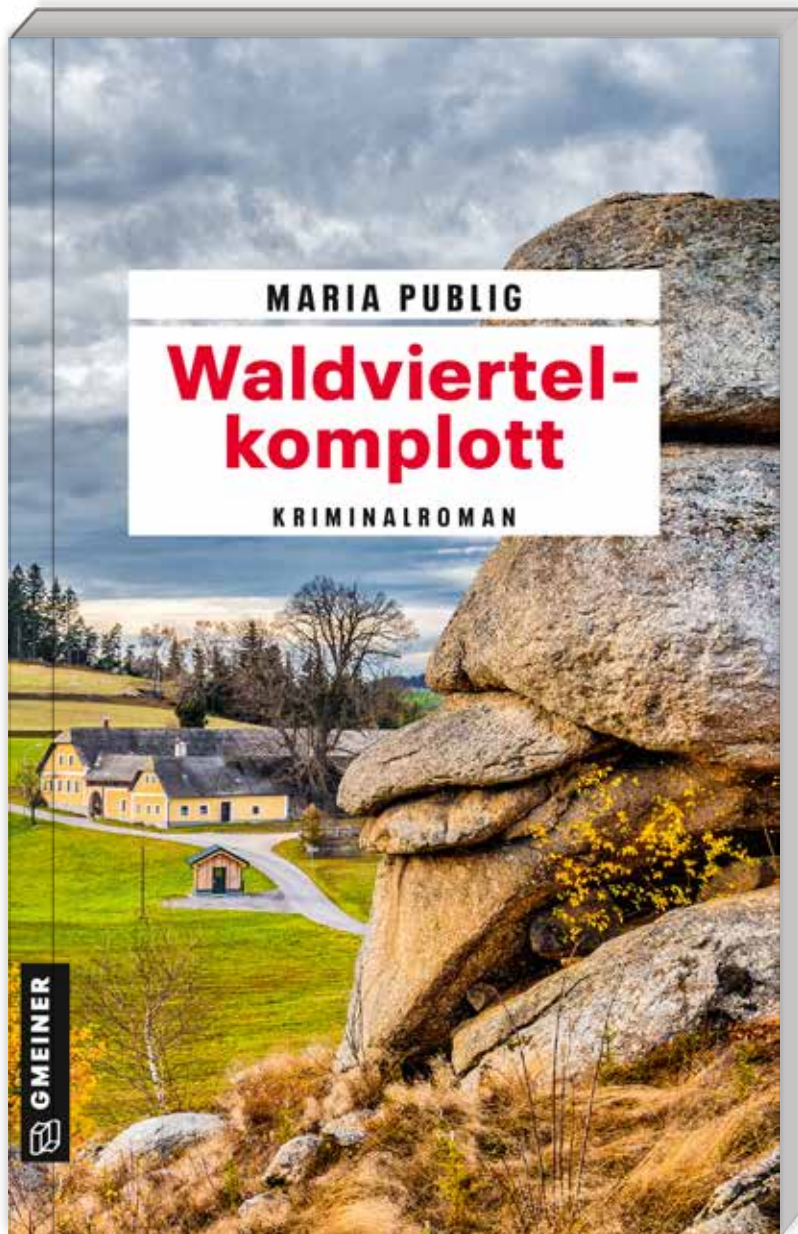
»Very humorous, as entertaining as it is exciting.«

Johannes Kößler at Guten Morgen Österreich on »Carinthian Finale«

»Successful author from Vienna wrote an exciting crime novel about his new homeland.«
 Marcel Tratnik, Kronen Zeitung on »Carinthian Finale«

»In his second case about the Ferlach investigators, Andreas Pittler, who lives in Carinthia, tells a rather gruesome story, but with a good dose of humor and, above all, a lot of local color.«
 Kleine Zeitung

The Waldviertel shows its true face



- » Walli Winzer is back
- » Culinary thriller: dumplings as a deadly weapon
- » Austria's province – weird, biting, absolutely authentic

In Großlichten, everything revolves around Waldviertel dumplings. The PR lady Walli Winzer has launched a cooking competition to boost tourism in the village as well as in the Waldviertel. While ambitious amateur cooks compete with secret family recipes, old enmities and new jealousies are bubbling behind the scenes. When the judge is found dead, food poisoning of all things puts the village policeman Grubinger out of action. Now only Walli Winzer can help solve the case and save the dumpling festival.

At the Waldviertel dumpling competition, enjoyment meets greed – and PR lady Walli Winzer meets old acquaintances and a spicy case!

Maria Publig
Waldviertel conspiracy
Upper Austria crime thriller

288 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
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€ 15,50 [D]
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Series: PR agent Walli Winzer
Volume: 8

Maria Publig studied theatre, film and media studies and was an ORF presenter, journalist and non-fiction author before devoting herself to crime novels. She likes to take time for good stories – quite often in the Waldviertel.

No one dissects female abysses as astutely as Eva Reichl



Eva Reichl
Two corpses with Prosecco
Salzburg crime novels

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 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8059-1
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ET: 11.3.2026

Series: Chief Inspector Lotta Meinich
Volume: 2

- » Inspector Lotta Stein always gives 120 percent
- » Murderously funny girl power against unfaithful husbands
- » »Reichl succeeds in creating an entertaining Upper Austrian crime thriller with surprising twists and turns that makes you want more.« *The Oberösterreichische Nachrichten*

In the Kürnberg Forest, Chief Inspector Lotta Meinich and her father Gustav come across a cruelly mutilated male corpse during a walk. Two days later, another dead man is discovered not far from the first crime scene. There seems to be no connection between the murder victims, and all suspects have alibis. While Lotta desperately searches for a pattern, Gustav causes chaos: he meets with one of the grieving widows, of all people, and thus pushes not only the investigators, but also Lotta's patience to their limits. A mysterious case, a father with his own plans and a murderer who has more to hide than anyone suspects.

A multi-layered crime thriller full of twists, abysses and with an investigator duo that could hardly be more different.

»Eva Reichl creates an unusual investigator duo with the sympathetic and capable investigator and her musty father with her heart in the right place. Reichl succeeds in creating an entertaining Upper Austrian crime thriller with surprising twists and turns that makes you want more.«

The Oberösterreichische Nachrichten about »Three Corpses for Breakfast«

Eva Reichl lives with her family in Upper Austria, where her crime novels and thrillers are also set. True to the motto: »Why wander into the distance when evil is so close?« she transforms her home into a crime scene.

Making music and murder in Salzburg



Manfred Baumann
Murder and Mozartkugel
Crime novel

Serie: –
Band: –

336 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8062-1
€ 14,50 [D]
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- » Anthology for CRIMINALE 2026
- » 20 respected crime writers murder their way through Salzburg
- » From the alleys of Salzburg's old town to the Salzkammergut
- » This is where murder is done for all it's worth

The festival city of Salzburg fascinates: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, baroque glory, World Heritage Site – millions of guests from all over the world are inspired every year. But does this glamorous ambience also have dark sides? Do you find something mysterious or even illegal things come to light if you just search thoroughly? 20 well-known authors of the SYNDIKAT have set out to explore the abysmal in the run-up to the CRIMINALE festival. The result is 20 criminally exciting stories from the city and province of Salzburg.

With contributions by: Mina Albich, Sandra Åslund, Volker Backert, Manfred Baumann, Wolfgang Bortlik, Christine Brand, Nadine Buranaseda, Herbert Dutzler, Katharina Eigner, Beate Ferchländer, Heike and Peter Gerdes, Andreas Gruber, Andreas Izquierdo, Lutz Kreutzer, Niemann & Goerz, Robert Preis, Jutta Profijt, Claudia Rossbacher, Gudrun Wieser and Bastian Zach.

»The Criminale is like a frenzy – terrific atmosphere, exciting books and goosebump moments. At readings, lectures, galas – all criminally good and to celebrate with!«
 Carola Christiansen
 Chairwoman of the Board of SYNDIKAT e.V.

Manfred Baumann, born in 1956 in Hallein/Salzburg, lives as a freelance writer, cabaret artist, director and presenter near Salzburg.

Premium flap softcover

With her award-winning Styrian crime novels, Claudia Rossbacher conquers the hearts of her readers



- » For the first time, Graz becomes a crime scene
- » Sandra Mohr has to deal with her hated half-brother
- » A dead jogger in the Mur
- » Claudia Rossbacher: Her books are bestsellers, her awards numerous – a true great of Austrian literature

As soon as Sandra Mohr is back from vacation, a dead jogger with a severed throat is recovered from the Mur in Graz. At the scene, the LKA investigator finds that she knew the murdered hotel manager fleetingly. Shortly afterwards, the body of a homeless man with similar injuries is found under a nearby bridge. Did the woman accidentally become a murder witness while jogging and therefore had to die? Or was everything completely different? Sandra Mohr and Sascha Bergmann investigate a case that becomes even more opaque with each new lead.

In her 15th Styrian crime novel, Claudia Rossbacher delivers a gripping murder case that also demands a lot from Sandra Mohr in her private life.

*»Better to read well than just watch it on TV.«
Kerstin Wassermann, Kronen Zeitung Kärnten on »Styrian Forest«*

*»Claudia Rossbacher's crime series is a declaration of love to Styria.«
Kleine Zeitung Steiermark*

Claudia Rossbacher
Styrian Dispute
Styrian crime novel

Series: LKA investigators Sandra Mohr and Sascha Bergmann
Volume: 15

288 Seiten, 13.5 x 21 cm
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€ 18,4,00 [D]
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Claudia Rossbacher worked as a model, copywriter and creative director before she became a multi-award-winning bestselling author with her Styrian crime novels.

»Super exciting. Breathtaking. Violent.«



- » Captivating crime novel set in the gloomy Styrian forest
- » Serial killer wants revenge on investigator
- » Changing perpetrator and victim perspectives

A businessman is found murdered in a posh area of Graz. The LKA investigators Alina Fink and Alexander Thaler are to find out who killed the entrepreneur with his golf club. But the escape of the psychopathic serial killer Nikolas Novak from the Graz-Karlau prison overshadows the investigation. Will he take revenge on Alina, who arrested him two years ago? Time is pressing, because Novak is planning a morbid work of art – made from the tattooed skin of his victims. As Alina gets closer to solving both cases, she increasingly finds herself in danger.

A dead entrepreneur. A psychopath who sees his cruel work as art. And two investigators who pay bitterly for their ambition.

*»Super exciting. Breathtaking. Violent.«
(Reader's opinion)*

»I am always fascinated by Nicole Stranzl's diverse themes and interesting twists.« (Reader's opinion)

Nicole Stranzl
Forest Mystery
Crime novel

Series: LKA investigators Leon Esposito and Alexander Thaler in action
Volume: 2

Nicole Stranzl was born in Graz in 1994 and studied journalism and PR. Since 2021, she has been working as an editor at the daily newspaper »Kleine Zeitung«.

320 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
Softcover
ISBN 978-3-8392-8000-3
€ 14,50 [D]
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Cosy crime with a view of the Alps



- » Murder and intrigue in the Alpine idyll of Tyrol
- » Between latte, pasture fence and murder investigation
- » Tyrolean crime thriller with heart and horn

On her very first day as chief inspector of the Innsbruck Criminal Investigation Department, Susanne Gabl is called to a crime scene. A woman's body was found in the gravel bed of a construction site in the Tyrolean Oberland. Apparently, the young officer has been poisoned. The investigations lead Gabl and her Imst colleague George Taschner to the violent partner of the dead woman and to a cattle breeder whose questionable business practices the dead woman had tracked down. The deeper Gabl digs, the more outrageous deeds come to light – because dark secrets lurk in the idyllic Tyrolean landscape.

Idyll with a dark side: This country crime thriller shows how deadly the Tyrolean Oberland can be – inspired by real life.

Agnes Dorn
Not everything that stinks is organic
Crime novel

Series: Chief Inspector Susanne Gabl investigates
Volume: 1

Agnes Dorn is a regional journalist and takes her readers into Tyrolean country and city life in her crime novel, where not everything is as idyllic as it seems.

224 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
 Softcover
 ISBN 978-3-8392-8069-0
€ 14,50 [D]
ET: 8.4.2026

Firestorm on the Karwendel



- » A murder, a forest fire, a community breaks up
- » Danger to life on the campsite
- » Highly exciting and oppressively topical

The campsite by the lake at the foot of the Karwendel mountains has changed. Drought and heat have turned the refreshing bathing lake into a mud hole. Operator Mira can hardly count on guests anymore – only the permanent campers remain loyal to her. Unexpectedly, a couple rents a mobile home on the site. Mira is happy about the income. But something is wrong with the sporty man and the young woman, who often disappears into the forest despite the risk of fire. When Mira follows her, she makes a gruesome discovery ...

Highly exciting, oppressively topical – and with a heroine who has more courage than she thinks herself.

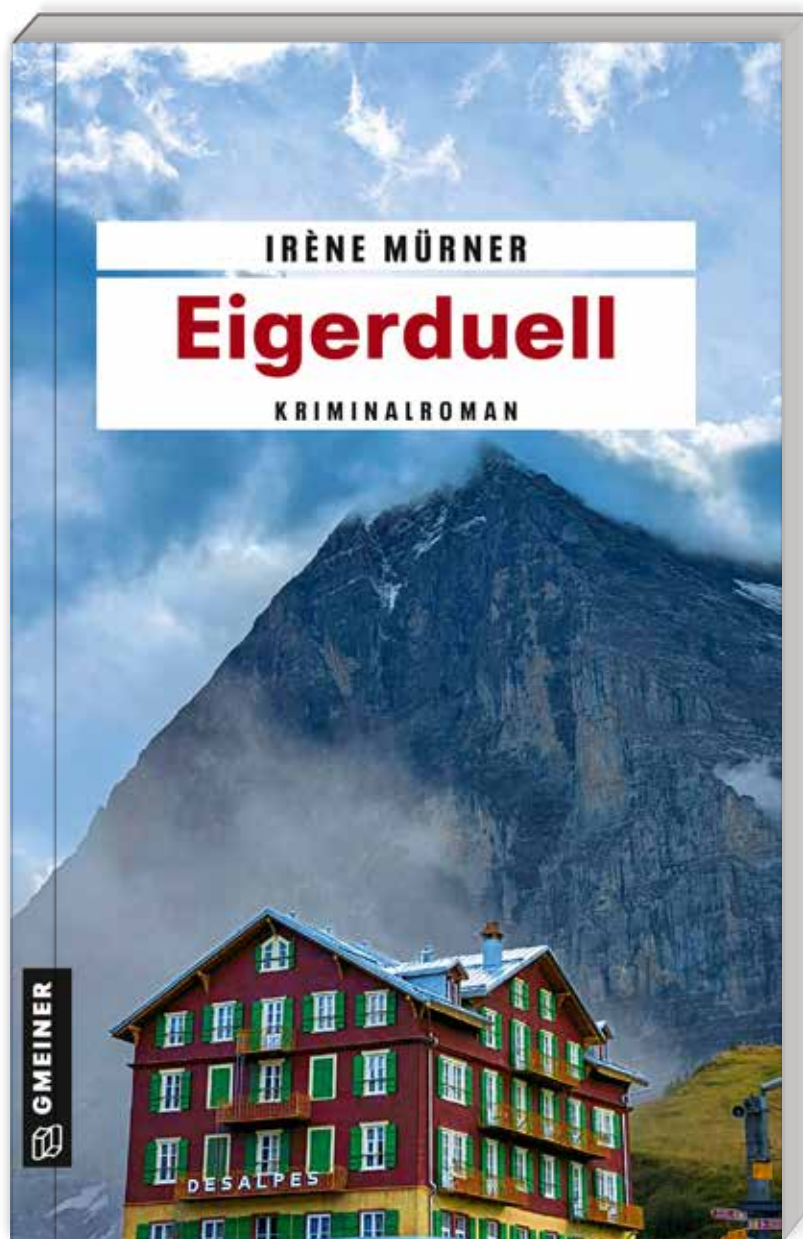
Friederike Schmöe
Shadows over the Karwendel
Crime novel

Series: Mountain Trilogy
Volume: 3

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Friederike Schmöe became a book lover at an early age – a passion that the university lecturer now pursues professionally. In her writing workshop in the World Heritage City of Bamberg, she writes crime novels and short stories.

Welcome to the Eiger Murder Wall!



» Speed climbing on the north face of the Eiger

» Two rivals in a deadly competition

» As deadly and abysmal as the north face

Arielle von Känel, the best speed climber in Switzerland, wants to break the record on the Eiger north face of her rival Victoria Adler. But before it comes to the duel, Ariel is found dead sneezing. For investigator Megan and Aunt Ida, an abyss of envy, wounded pride and deadly ambition opens up. They quickly come across a whole rope team of suspects – first and foremost Victoria Adler. But when the mountain claims another corpse, it becomes clear: In the shadow of the icy Swiss peaks, fame is a matter of life and death ...

Between dizzying heights and deadly abysses – a crime novel as murderous as the north face of the Eiger and as ice-cold as the Eiger Glacier.

To the test at Petra's:

»The crime novel is highly exciting and the resolution should be a tricky task even for clever crime readers.« Literaturwelle Radio Rottu Upper Valais on Murder in the Tropical House

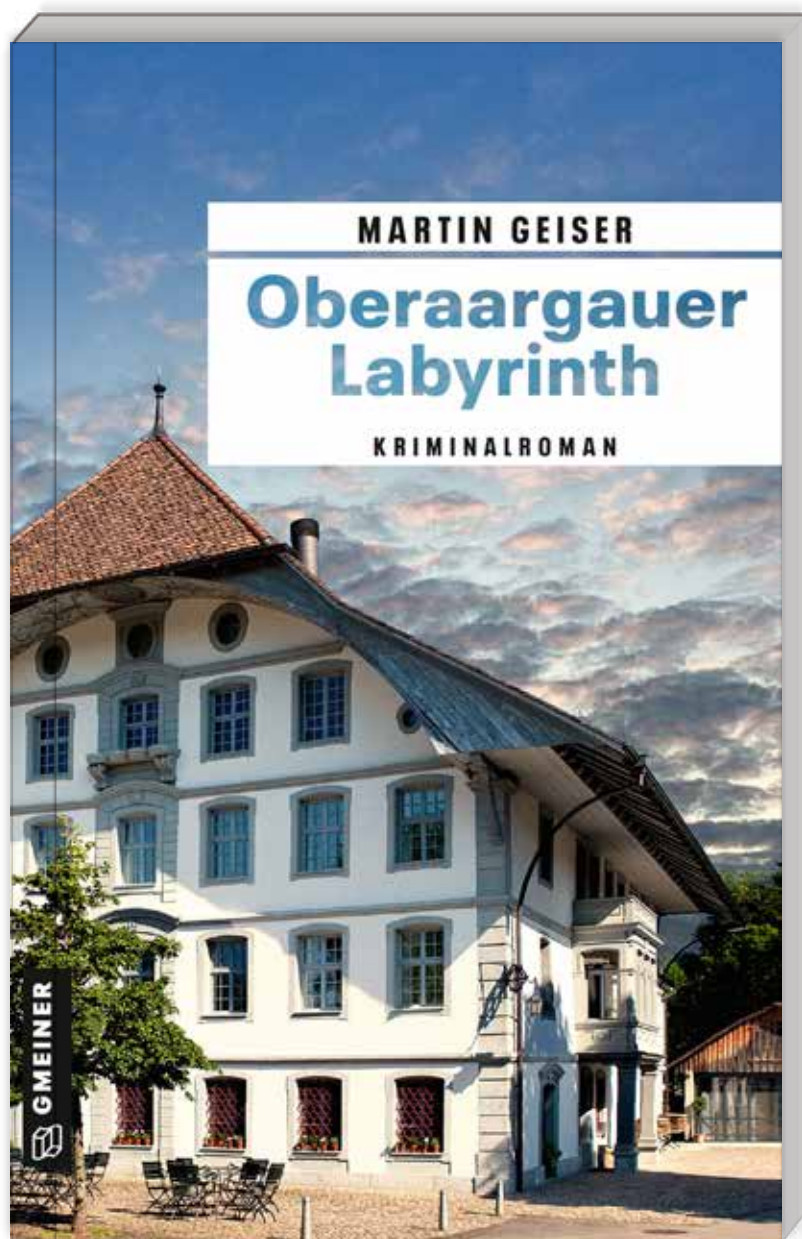
Irène Mürner
Eiger duel
Crime novel

Series: Detective Megan Hunter
Volume: 3

288 Seiten, 12.5 x 20.5 cm
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Irène Mürner is a trained teacher, police officer, flight attendant, guide and librarian. But most of all she prefers to write crime novels.

The dark heart of Switzerland



Martin Geiser
Oberaargau Labyrinth
 Crime novel

Series: Urspeter Hugi and Stefania Russo investigate
Volume: 2

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 ISBN 978-3-8392-8073-7
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- » A psychologically mature Aargau crime thriller
- » Looted art and murder in the heart of Switzerland
- » Ex-inspector Urspeter Hugi intervenes

A dead artist, draped on a golden monkey statue in the middle of a restaurant, and an ex-investigator who actually just wanted to visit an old friend: what begins as a chance reunion becomes a return to the world of investigations for Urspeter Hugi. He supports his successor Stefania Russo in solving the mysterious murder case on the Porzi site in Langenthal. Between artists' studios, investor plans and the shadows of the past, great abysses open up. And the truth has its price.

A dead artist and a dark secret in the porcelain manufactory – his new case takes Urspeter Hugi deep into Langenthal's history.

Art, greed and a shadow of the past – welcome to the Porzi site.

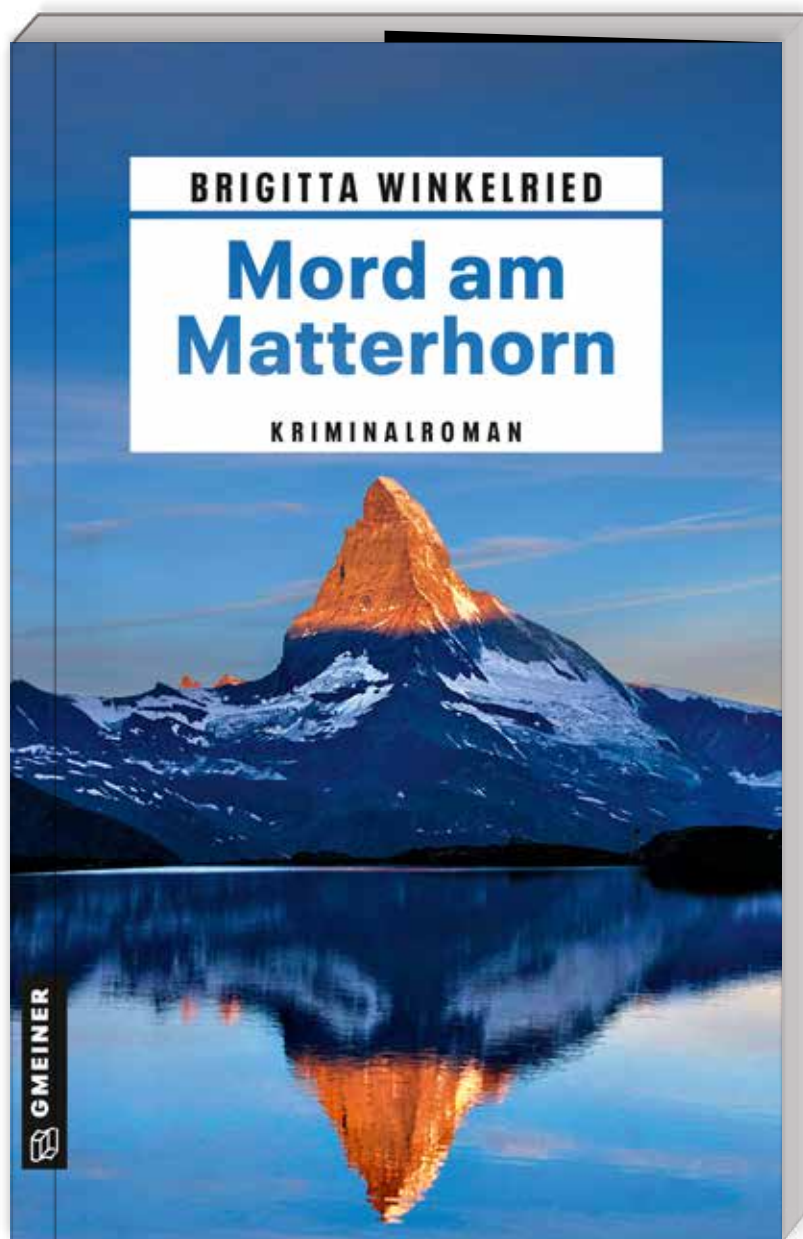
»Martin Geiser considers two factors of his history to be central. On the one hand, the Oberaargau local [...] On the other hand, the author builds up the plot deliberately, writes atmospherically and with psychological sensitivity.«

Brigitte Meier, Unter-Emmentaler

Martin Geiser grew up in Roggwil. He lives and works in Oberaargau. He also incorporates his passions – literature and writing – into his work as a teacher.

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Matterhorn, summit of revenge



- » Ski tour becomes a death trap
- » Mysterious deaths in Zermatt
- » Sophisticated criminal case against the majestic backdrop of the Matterhorn

Surprised by a snowstorm, seven ski tourers from Zermatt get lost on the flanks of the Matterhorn. Inspector Steinalper is part of the rescue mission, which can only recover three of the young athletes dead. While the survivors are plagued by feelings of guilt and fear, Steinalper investigates what conflicts there were among the tourers – because one of the dead did not die because of the snowstorm. Then another member of the group is killed. What really connects the victims?

Icy heights and deadly secrets – Inspector Steinalper hunts down a murderer in front of the most impressive backdrop of the Swiss Alps.

Deaths on the Haute Route, at the Gornergrat-Zermatt Marathon and the Zermatt Speed Race – sport is murder on the Matterhorn.

Brigitta Winkelried
Murder on the Matterhorn
Crime novel

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Series: Inspector Steinalper investigates
Volume: 5

Brigitta Winkelried worked as an economics teacher before she started writing crime novels. These are set in the magnificent mountains of their homeland, the Valais.

St. Gallen in the crosshairs



- » A manuscript that casts deadly shadows
- » Cultural heritage in the sights of international thieves
- » Searching for clues de luxe

In the estate of a count in Tuscany, a medieval manuscript of inestimable value is found, which comes from the Abbey Library of St. Gall. A little later, the deputy library director hangs dead from the balustrade in the Baroque Hall. But how did the valuable book get from the secure archive of the Abbey Library to the Count's book collection? Did the librarian hang himself out of disappointed love, or was he murdered? And is there a connection between the two cases?

A valuable manuscript, a dead librarian and a mysterious find. Inspector Keller investigates between St. Gallen and Tuscany.

Luca DiPorreta
Death in the Abbey Library
Crime novel

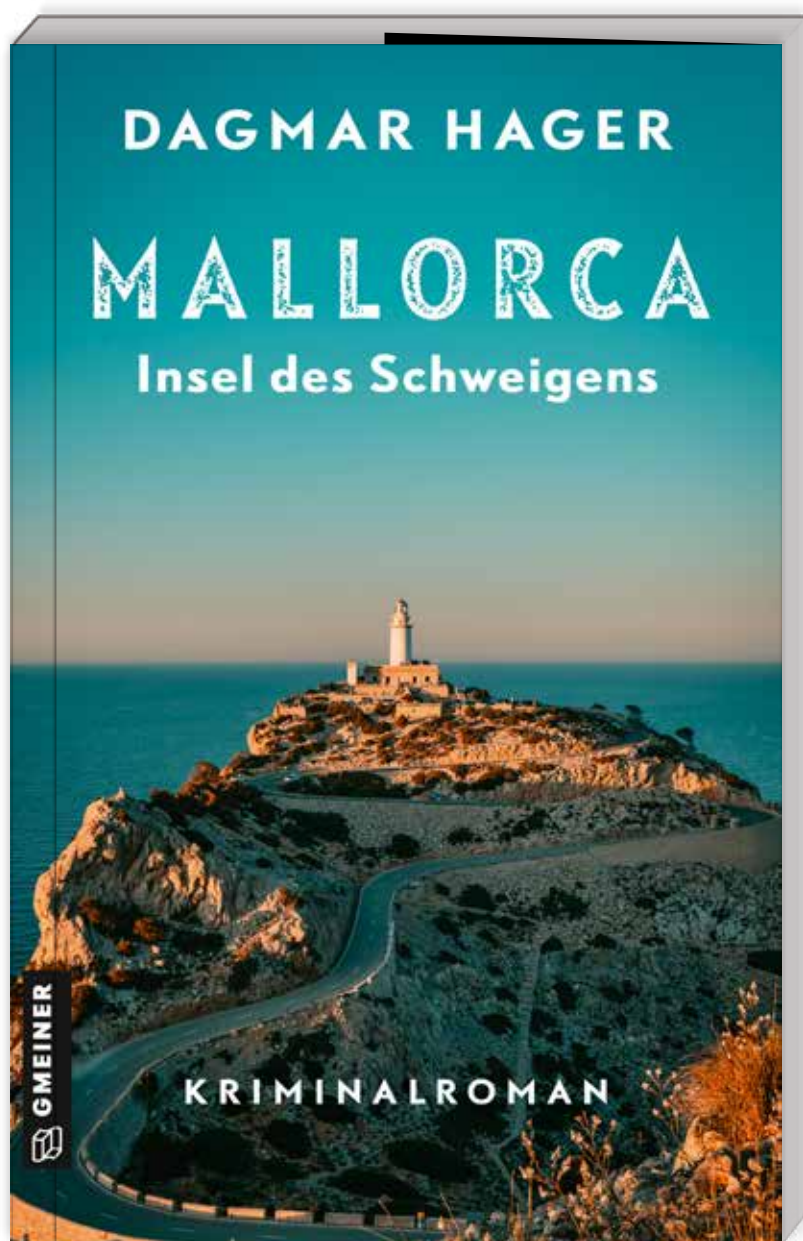
Series: Head of the homicide squad
 Robert Keller
Volume: 2

Luca DiPorreta is a pseudonym. The author, who has since died, lived in St. Gallen and Tuscany. He has worked in various areas of science and business.

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Secrets between lemon trees and the sound of the sea



Dagmar Hager
Mallorca – Island of Silence
 Novel

Series: Profiler Elena Vela investigates
Volume: 1

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 Flap softcover
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» Death lurks between Valldemossa, Sóller and Sa Calobra

» A mysterious dead woman on the coast near Cala Deià

» The first case for profiler Elena Vela

Sun. Sand. Silence. Elena Vela has left her career as a profiler behind to find peace on the island of her childhood. Near Deià, she is looking for a new beginning under olive and lemon trees. But when a corpse with a strange tattoo washes up on the beach, the past catches up with her. Soon, the local comisario asks her for help – but his behavior only raises more questions. Between lonely bays, fincas and the glaring light of Mallorca, the search for the truth soon turns into a dangerous game.

The Mallorcan idyll is deceptive: dark secrets reveal themselves in the bays of the island.

Where olive groves rustle in the wind and waves break on the rough coast – the start of the new atmospheric Mallorca series around profiler Elena Vela

»I could hardly put the book down. Rosina is real, funny, strong, but also vulnerable. While reading, you can hear the waves of Lake Garda, smell the coffee – and feel the goosebumps at the same time. Katharina Eigner combines excitement with emotion and a lot of Italian atmosphere.« Dagmar Hager

Dagmar Hager lives in Austria and Mallorca. She is an author and podcaster (»Books are like cookies«) and loves water sports and travel.

Novels

Where strangers become friends – stories that connect



» A small hotel for big feelings

» A hotel becomes a refuge

» A story full of heart, courage and hope

In her charming hotel at Getreidemarkt, Marille has created a cosy refuge for people in search of security, which magically attracts both travellers and creatives. She is completely absorbed in her role as a hotel owner and does not notice that her best friend Ferdinand feels more and more attracted to her. When a young man from Afghanistan shows up and Marille offers him help, their small, protected world begins to falter. And then there is Astrid from the travel agency next door, who is desperately looking for a connection. When her brother suddenly appears on the mat, they all have to decide: Is friendship stronger than hate?

A small hotel, big feelings and a weekend that changes everything – touching, courageous, full of hope.

Cheers to friendship and the courage that can come from it!

Gerda Stauner
The small hotel at the Getreidemarkt
Novel

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Before **Gerda Stauner** began writing, she ran a small hotel herself. Today she writes novels and plays and hosts a podcast.

Dancing on the volcano in the Roaring Twenties



- » A chambermaid defies politics, glamour and violence
- » Dance and dreams in the legendary Berlin hotel
- » A love that tears apart in the spotlight

Berlin 1921: The Hotel Adlon is a place of dreams and glamour. For the young Irabella Keller, the job as a chambermaid means the chance for a better life. Clever and fearless, she brings a breath of fresh air into the house, convinces the hotel owner Louis Adlon with her ideas and conquers the hearts of guests and colleagues. But when Maxim, a charming restaurant heir, and Charles, a sensitive poet, cross paths and the uncertainty of time takes its toll, Irabella must fight resolutely to continue to take control of her own life.

A captivating portrait of a strong young woman about courage, self-discovery and the price of freedom.

If you love stories in which music, dance and the attitude to life of the 1920s play a major role, you will get your money's worth here.

Anett Diell
The chambermaid of the Adlon
 Novel

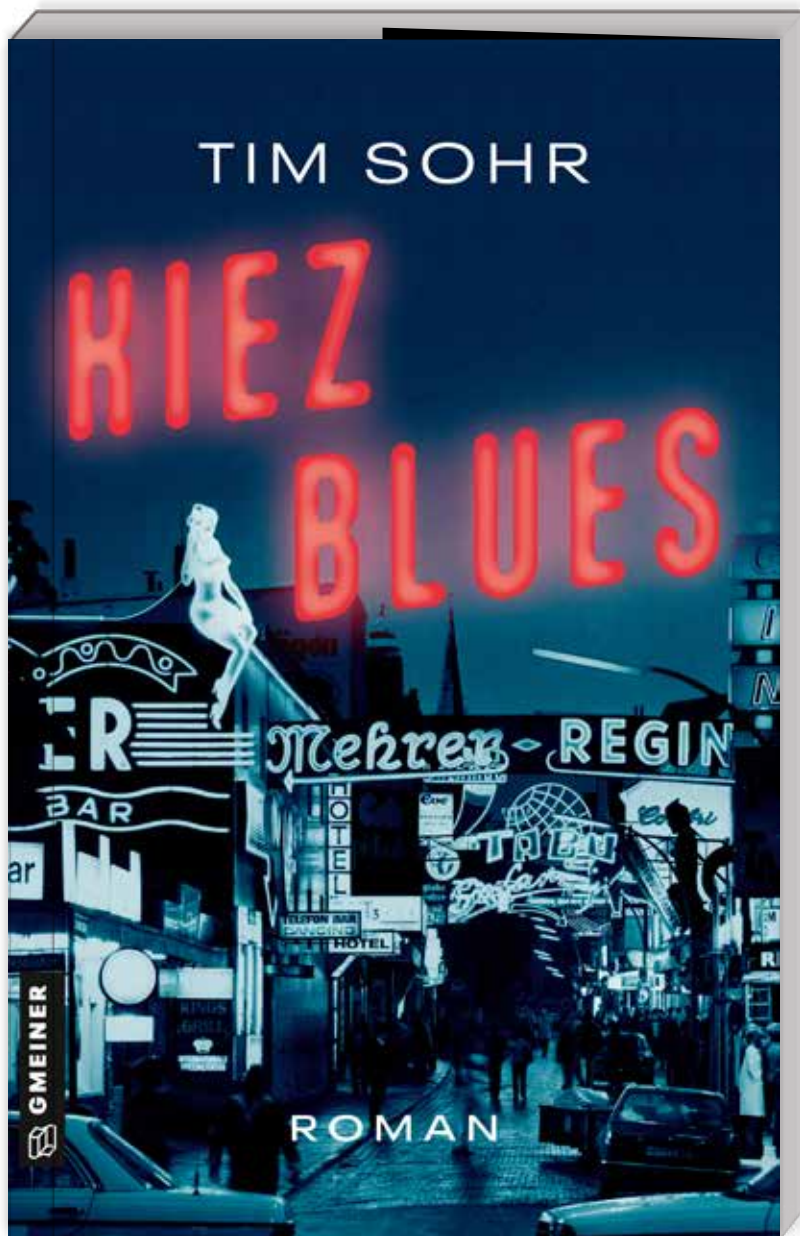
Series: The chambermaid of the Adlon
Volume: 1

Anett Diell lives with her family in the south of Germany. Stories have been part of her life since she was little, so she loves to tell them.

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Red light, rock and revolt – Hamburg's true heart beats here



Tim Sohr
KiezBlues
 Novel

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» Pure St. Pauli, without filters

» A novel like a nocturnal foray into Hamburg

» Five decades of Hamburg's neighbourhood

Hamburg in the 1970s: Tom »Katze« Katzenberger, a 17-year-old with a camera and big dreams, ends up as the youngest police reporter at the »Hamburger Morgenpost«. Soon, the celebrated young reporter is always the first on the scene of the crime – and right in the middle of a world full of violence, greed and glamour. In the harsh reality of the red-light district, he grows up to be the chronicler of St. Pauli. But the decades take their toll: power struggles and personal losses push Katze to his limits. When an old acquaintance asks him for help, he has to decide: Does he keep his distance or does he get involved in one last dangerous game?

Hamburg's dark side in the spotlight: From the wild 70s to the 90s, Tom »Katze« Katzenberger documents St. Pauli's rise and fall.

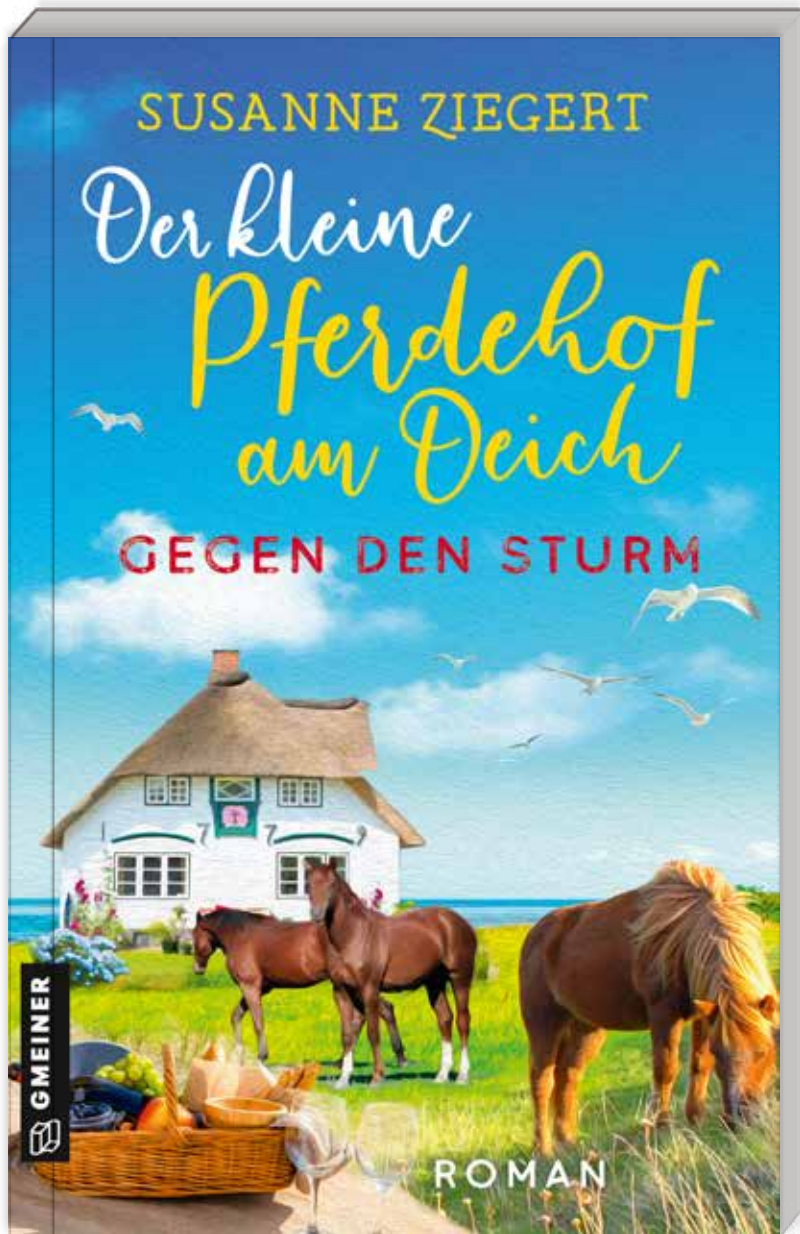
»Tim Sohr has written a good, and surprisingly exciting book.« (Heinz Strunk)

»You should bet on Tim Sohr. He wants to, he can and does it!« (Tino Hanekamp)

»What Heinz says. What Tino says. And I say: Awesome!« (Romy Hausmann)

The author **Tim Sohr** lived in St. Pauli for a long time and witnessed how the district has changed over the past 20 years. »KiezBlues« tells of the old neighbourhood stories that fascinate Sohr so much.

Heart palpitations on the horse farm



- » Love, courage and miracle on the dike
- » Lara and André fight for their farm
- » Between horse happiness and North Sea dreams

After a turbulent year, Lara and André have fulfilled the conditions for the inheritance and are the proud owners of the horse farm on the North Sea. But the farm is heavily in debt and an investor is after the property and the land. A film project is intended to provide income and save the farm. But arguments, jealousy and setbacks shake everything up and put their relationship to the test. Lara and André fight for their vision – the non-violent handling of horses. Will her farm and her love weather the storm?

Where horses and people are happy – return to the small horse farm on the dike.

The impending end, a courageous film project and a love that fights for survival – new romantic-turbulent challenges await at the horse farm!

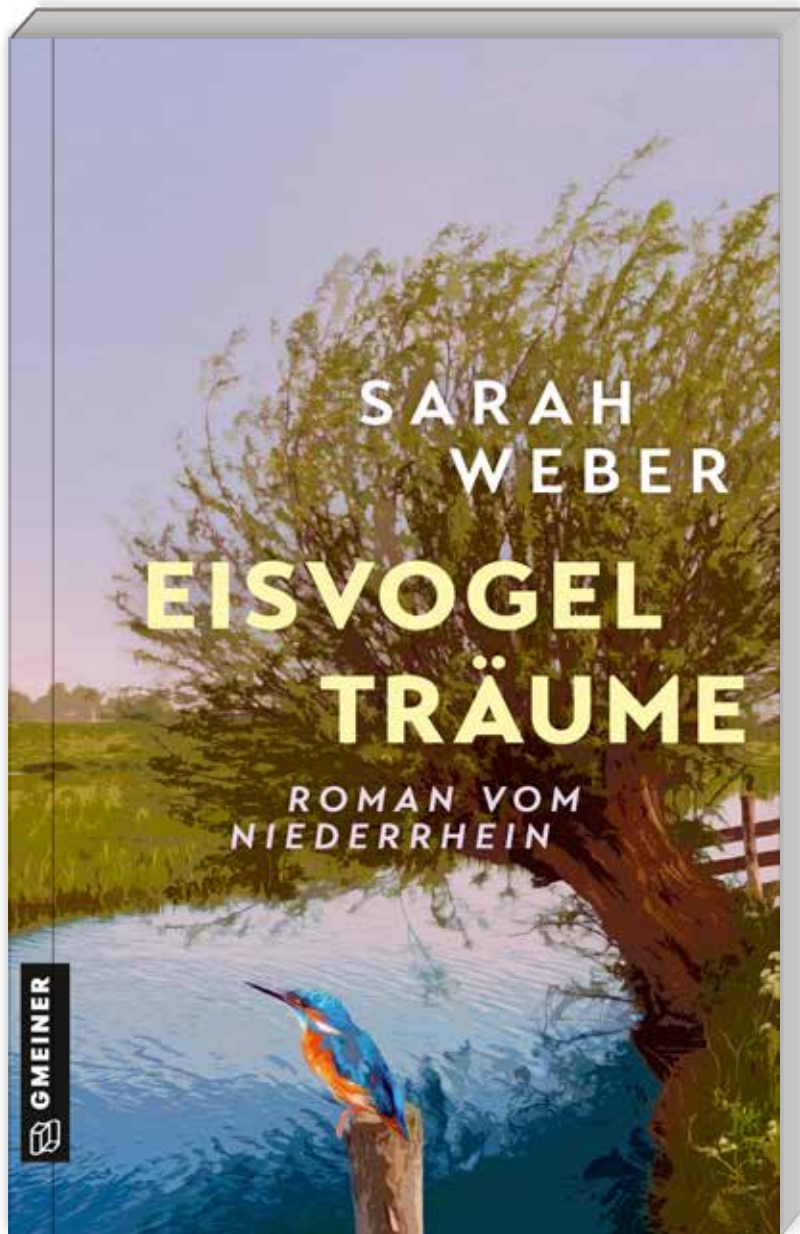
Susanne Ziegert
The small horse farm on the dike – Against the storm
Roman from the Lower Rhine

Series: The small horse farm on the dike
Volume: 2

Susanne Ziegert lives with her husband and horses, donkeys and cats on an old farm with a view of the dike. The stormy North Sea wind inspires them to write exciting stories.

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Where memories take root – A novel from the Lower Rhine



- » Emotional, but not cheesy; touching, but not kitschy
- » For readers of Anne Gesthuysen – warm-hearted, true-to-life, Lower Rhine
- » Touching approach to the topic of Alzheimer's

After more than twenty years, Kathrin finds her way back to the Lower Rhine – the place of her childhood where a tragic event changed her life forever. Actually, she just wants to look for her mother's missing amulet and then back to Borkum. But she has made the calculation without Jakob: The farmer from the neighboring farm turns Kathrin's life upside down. Between glowing yellow fields, old wounds and new love, a journey to oneself begins. Can she finally make peace with the past – and dare a future with Jakob on the Lower Rhine?

A poignant story about love, loss and the courage to make a new start.

Sarah Weber
Kingfisher dreams
Novel

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Sarah Weber, born in 1988 in Moers, lives as a journalist and author in the Lower Rhine region. Since 2015, she has been writing about her homeland on her popular blog »Niederrheinblond«.

Back to the countryside – but please with palpitations!



» Who kisses whom awake here?

» Village gossip, love chaos and a touch of wanderlust

» Almond blossom kisses and Palatinate heart moments

Maja works where others go on holiday – all the more reluctantly she complies with her parents' request to return to the Palatinate to sell the family residence. But the reunion with Ben, an old school friend, and the warmth of the village community in Heckenwelsch awaken more in her than just memories. Between renovation and village life, she discovers a love that deserves a second chance. When an investor wants to turn the property into a resort, Maja's decision is clear: she has to fight – for the castle and for a new life in a place she had long since written off.

»It's not the houses that make a home. It's the people who live in it.«

Empathetic, charming and full of heart – a novel about home, new beginnings and the power of community, rooted in the picturesque Palatinate.

Maria Buhl
Kissed awake under almond blossoms
Novel

Series: The Palatinate in the heart
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Maria Buhl found love in the Palatinate and lost her heart to the Palatinate, almond blossoms and half-timbered houses. She lives in Schwegenheim and prefers to write about love.

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Sweets, wind and wonders



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The candy making
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- » Between the Baltic Sea wind and candy luck: Annika is looking for her new home by the sea
- » A magical novel about home, longing and new happiness
- » The prelude to the great »Happiness tastes like the sea« saga
- » For readers of Marie Schönbeck, Julia Rogasch and Julie Caplin
- » Left page:
- » Between salty coastal air and hand-made sweets, Annika discovers that happiness is often waiting there, where the memories reside.

Annika's life is turned upside down. An unknown aunt has appointed her as sole heir – but only if she moves to the small town of Maasholm an der Schlei and continues the family's candy making business. She decides to make a new start, even though her daughter remains in Stuttgart. Soon Annika's shop becomes a center of attraction, because word gets around: Here everyone gets the sweets they need most at the moment. But what does Annika need to be happy? Candies don't always help, sometimes you just have to trust fate.

A warm-hearted novel about courage, family and the sweet surprises of life – with Nordic flair and a touch of magic.

When you read, the sea is very close.

The author and journalist **Birte Stährmann** lives in Eckernförde on the Baltic Sea. Here she writes travel books, quizzes and novels about happiness by the sea.

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Sylt – Summer, sun, longing



- » Two siblings spontaneously run a Sylt guesthouse
- » Old love, new chances: heart palpitations between dunes and dike
- » Island soap with heart, humor and a real Sylt feeling

The 43-year-old lively Hamburg teacher Paula is longing for her summer holidays. Like every year, she wants to spend carefree holidays with her brother Franz on Sylt. But everything turns out differently and much more chaotic than planned. When she arrives, her aunt, who rents out holiday apartments in her old Frisian house, seems to have disappeared without a trace – and with her the occupancy plan of the guest rooms. But that's not all: The new island veterinarian turns out to be an old student sweetheart. Fearing disappointment, Paula lets him fidget – and experiences the summer of her life.

A heart-warming novel about the colourful and unexpected facets of happiness.

A summer novel set against the dreamlike backdrop of the North Sea island of Sylt with the white beach of Kampen and the green dike meadows on the mudflats.

Rita Fischer
This summer on Sylt
Novel

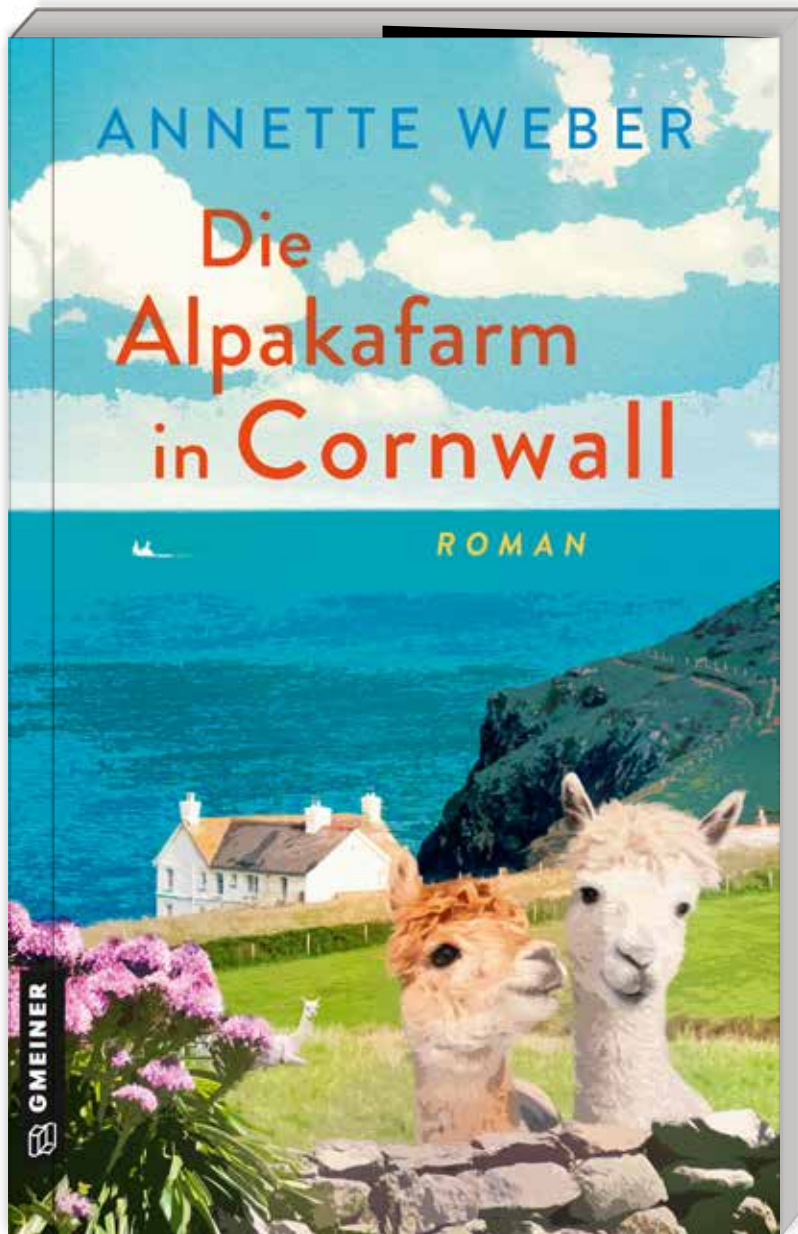
Series: Love between dunes and dike
Volume: 1

Rita Fischer has lived in Hamburg since 1980 and devoted herself to writing there after working as a secondary school teacher.

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Head over heels



- » A road trip of the heart – with fluffy accompaniment
- » A moving self-discovery in front of the dreamlike backdrop of Cornwall – with heart, courage and an alpaca at your side
- » For all those who dream of a life in the English countryside

Haylie actually only wanted to hike the South West Coast Path with her boyfriend. But when he confesses to her that he has fallen in love with another woman, her world collapses. She leaves him in a hurry and continues her hike through the wild coastal landscape of Cornwall alone. Until a stray alpaca crosses her path. Her search for the animal's home leads her to the Willow Creep farm, whose owner Alan, an unapproachable farmer, soon needs Haylie's help. Suddenly, Haylie finds herself as an animal keeper on the alpaca farm – and is faced with the biggest decision of her life.

Look an alpaca in the eye and your heart will never be the same.

Cornwall's rugged coastline, a lost alpaca and a farm full of surprises – sometimes your path will take you right where happiness awaits.

A road trip of the heart – with fluffy company!

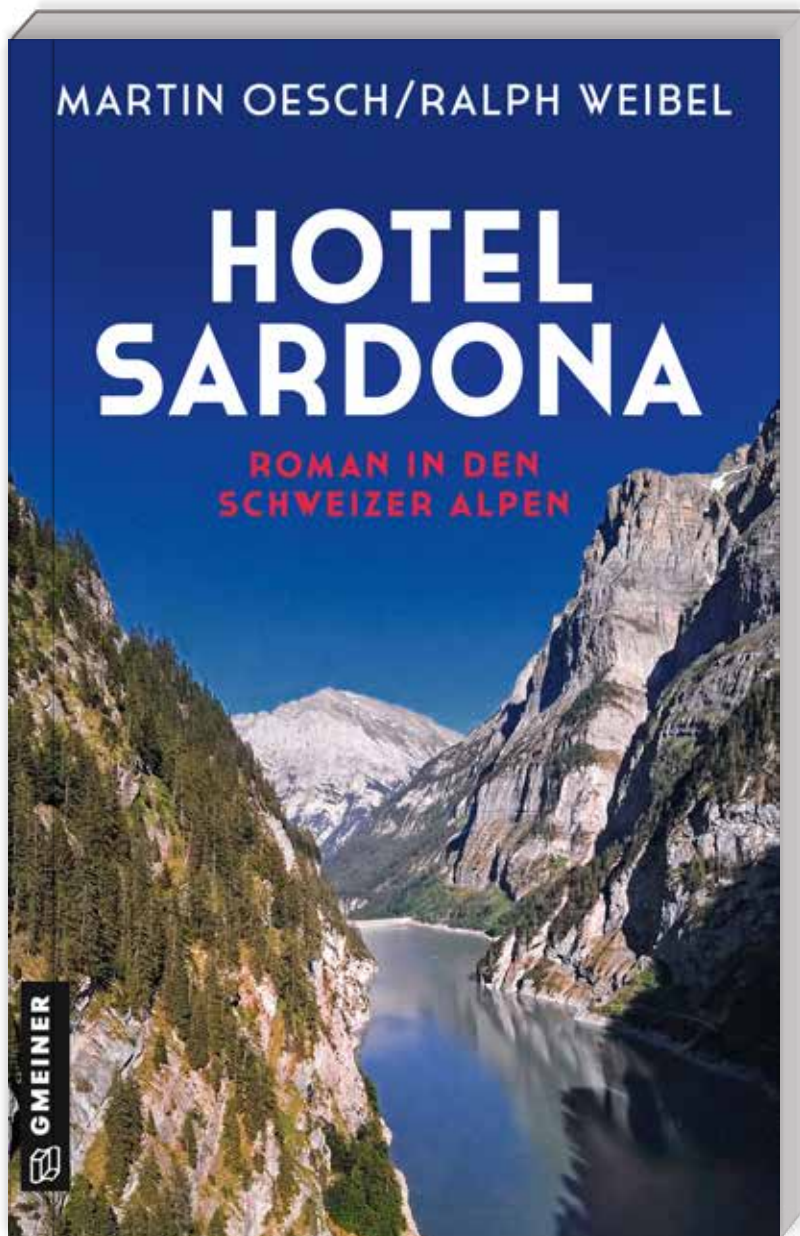
Annette Weber
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Annette Weber worked as a primary school teacher for 25 years. Since 2002 she has been working as a freelance author, writing children's and youth literature, novels and crime novels.

A hotel against the picturesque backdrop of the St. Gallen Alps



- » Three siblings inherit a run-down hotel
- » Save it together or break it up due to old conflicts?
- » With a keen eye for the region, wit and depth

Where once prominent guests stayed, there is now the dust of days gone by: The Hotel Sardona in the Swiss Alps has lost its luster. Three estranged siblings, marked by very different breaks in their lives, inherit the house – on the condition that they reopen it. As they wrestle together over the future of the hotel, old conflicts break out and long-suppressed truths come to light. Can a common future emerge from the ruins of the past?

A dilapidated hotel in the Swiss Alps. Three quarreling siblings. And a story about failed dreams, old secrets and the courage to make a new beginning.

Ralph Weibel Martin Oesch
Hotel Sardona
 Thriller

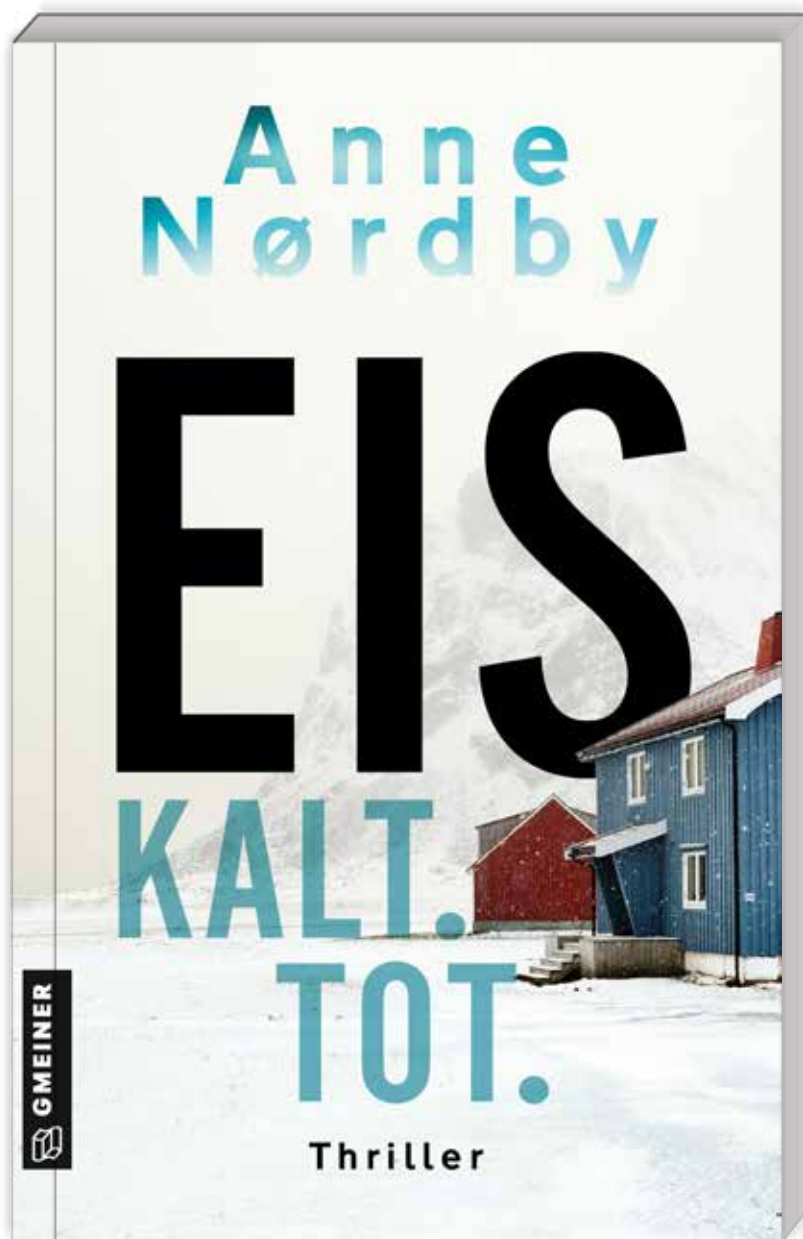
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After two crime novels, **Ralph Weibel** and **Martin Oesch** have now written a fast-paced family story set in an enchanted hotel in the Swiss Alps.

Thriller

Nightmare Murders



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»You know what it's for. We are watching you. And if you don't stop, we will come back. Then there will be more than this pinprick.«

When the tranquil alleys of Copenhagen turn into a place of horror and you don't know if you're the next victim...

A bizarre case for super-recognizer Marit Rauch Iversen and her colleagues from the homicide squad.

Between disgust and fascination – Anne Nørdby has a unique talent for putting the unspeakable into words. Combined with a good portion of adrenaline.

Horror lurks in ice-cold Copenhagen. A sick serial killer is on the loose in the city.

Anne Nordby
Ice. Cold. Dead.
Thriller

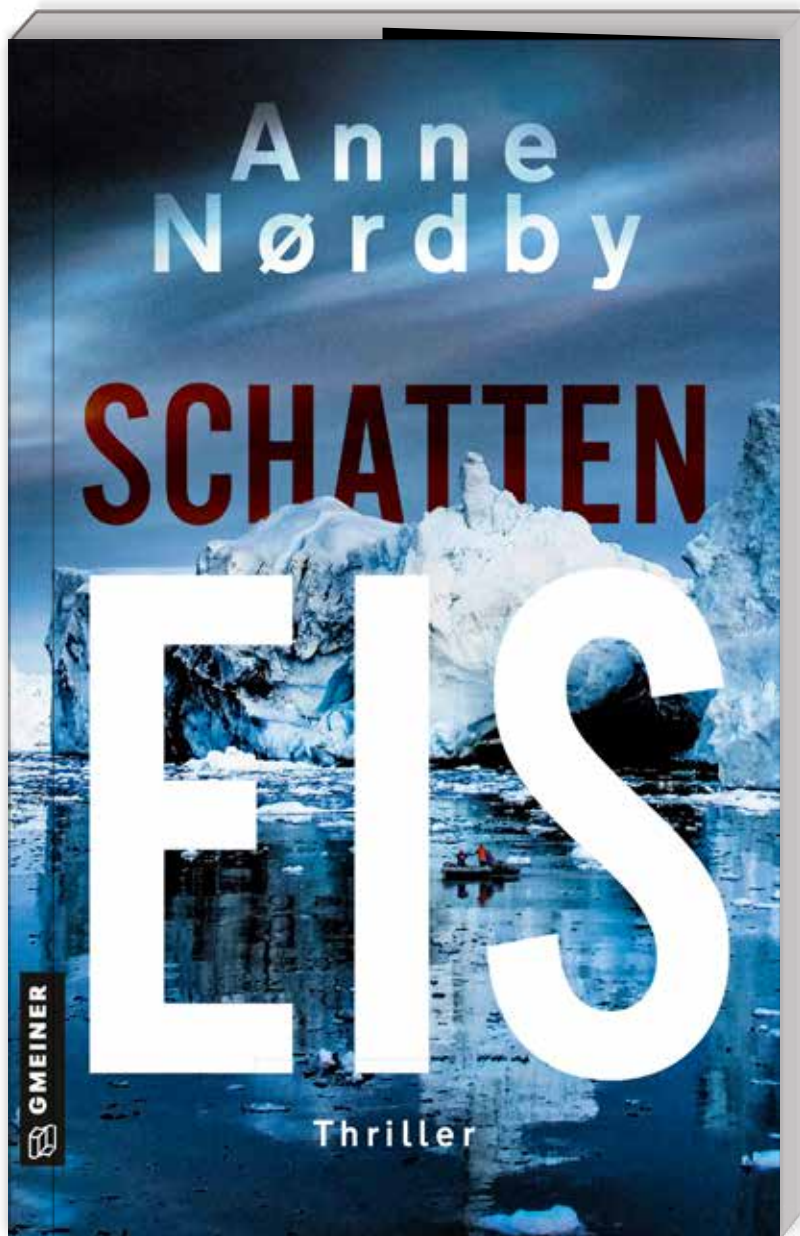
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Anne Nørdby, born in 1975, lives in Copenhagen and writes crime novels, thrillers and radio plays. Her novels are known for their dark Nordic atmosphere.

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A pact of ice and silence



- » The new one by Anne Nordby alias Anette Strohmeier
- » New thriller with super-recognizer Marit Rauch Iversen
- » More than death awaits in the Arctic ice

»The Anngiaq is an evil spirit. He smells secrets, feels magically attracted to them. It sneaks into your life and slowly poisons it. Like the carcass of a rotting animal that lies up in a stream and poisons the water that one draws down below and drinks thirstily.«
An ancient secret, hidden deep in Greenland's history. Whoever brings it to light must die. That's what an old curse says. Marit Rauch Iversen was still a child when the Anngiaq killed her family in Greenland. Today she works as a super-recognizer for the police in Copenhagen. She has long forgotten the curse of that time. Until a series of gruesome murders shakes the Danish capital.

»Don't paint your fingernails. They'll chew them off.« – Ivar Leon Menger

»Anne Nørdby is a must-read if you love Scandinavian thrillers!« – Ivar Leon Menger

Anne Nordby
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Thriller

Series: Private investigator
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Who controls your life?



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Hacker Oskar has freed himself – from a system that is not made for questions. The disused oil rig in the North Sea, from which he is fleeing, is the test site of the secret organization »Excellence Society«, which is developing artificial intelligence with a disturbing influence on politics and society. While Oskar goes into hiding to find the truth, PR professional Martha is assigned to the project. But what begins as a prestigious assignment pushes her to her limits – professionally, morally, existentially. When their paths cross, more than a human life is at stake.

A gripping thriller about manipulation, artificial intelligence and the power of social media – highly topical, explosive and frighteningly realistic.

Christoph Elbern
**Elite Code – They Manipulate
You Too**
Thriller

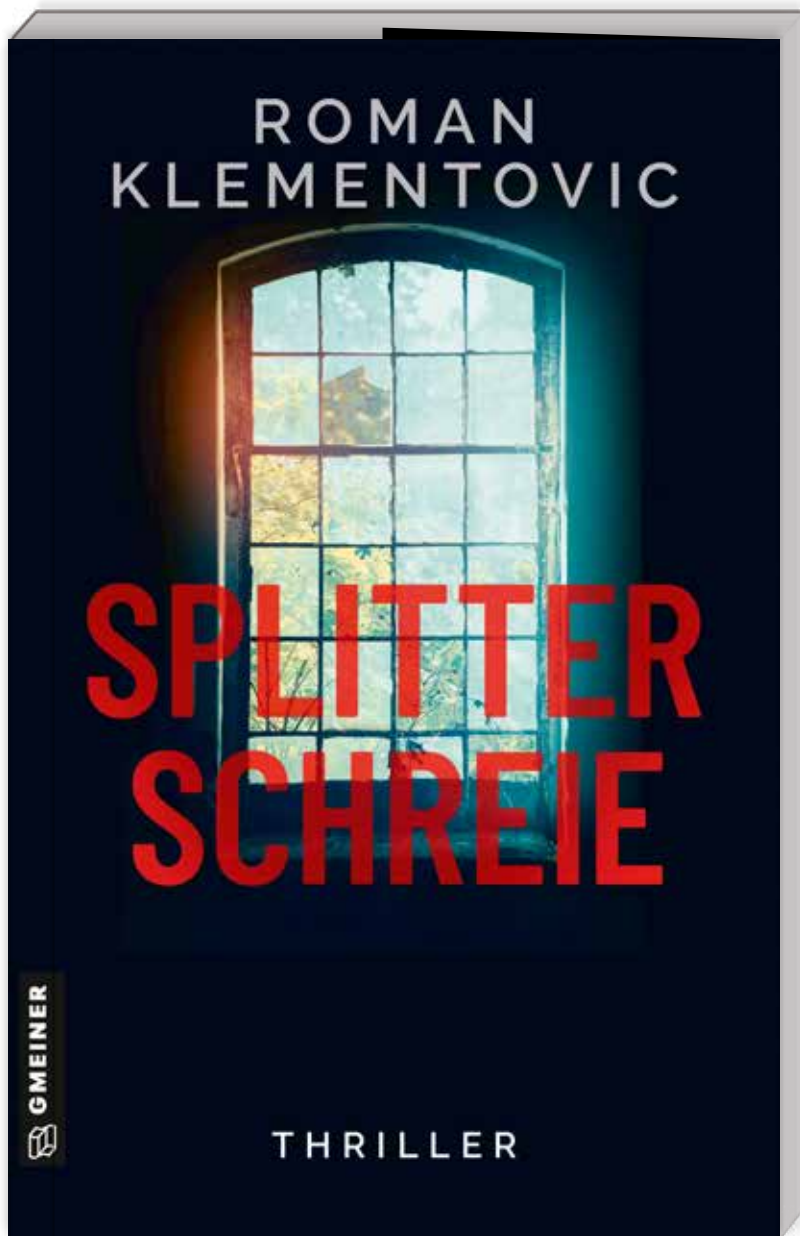
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Christoph Elbern, born in 1960, from Hamburg writes crime novels and thrillers with social depth. Under the pseudonym Klaas Kroon, his North Germany crime novels are published.

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In short. Gloomy. Mercilessly.



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Three brand new, highly exciting thrillers that have one thing in common: pure thrills

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»Rage, gripping, oppressive!« WIENERIN on »When the Silence Cries«

Roman Klementovic
Splinter Screams
Crime novel

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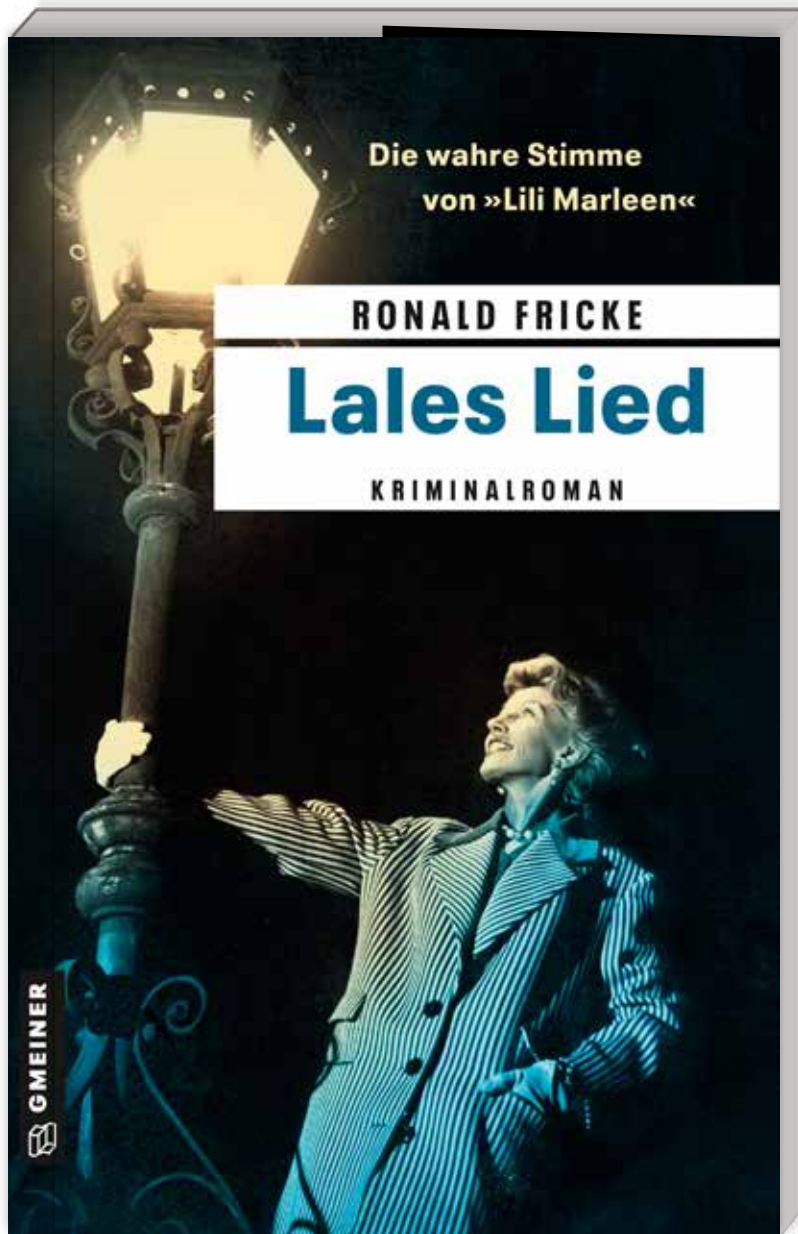
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Roman Klementovic, born in 1982, lives in Vienna. He loves beer in pubs, punk rock and SK Rapid. His thriller »Immerstill« was made into a film. A film adaptation of »When the Light Freezes« is also in the works.

Contem- porary Crime novels

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The true voice of »Lili Marleen«



- » Lale Andersen as an icon between fame, guilt and betrayal
- » Crime thriller meets contemporary history: investigations in the wake of the Nazi past
- » »Lili Marleen« stood for the power of music in the midst of war and dictatorship

Former Bremen inspector Thomas Nettelbeck is trying to gain a foothold as a private detective. His first case takes him to the island of Langeoog, where the legendary singer Lale Andersen has recently received anonymous threatening letters. At first, there seems to be no evidence that Lale is actually in danger. But then Lale's dog disappears – and Nettelbeck realizes that there is much more at stake here. Soon he suspects the key to the solution in the singer's past – and in her famous song »Lili Marleen«. Because there is a shadow on the song that stretches from the Nazi era to the present.

The story of Lale Andersen, the famous »Lili Marleen« interpreter, becomes a magnifying glass for the moral conflicts of an entire generation.

A crime novel about guilt, fame and a song that moved the world.

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Lales Song
Historical Vienna crime thriller

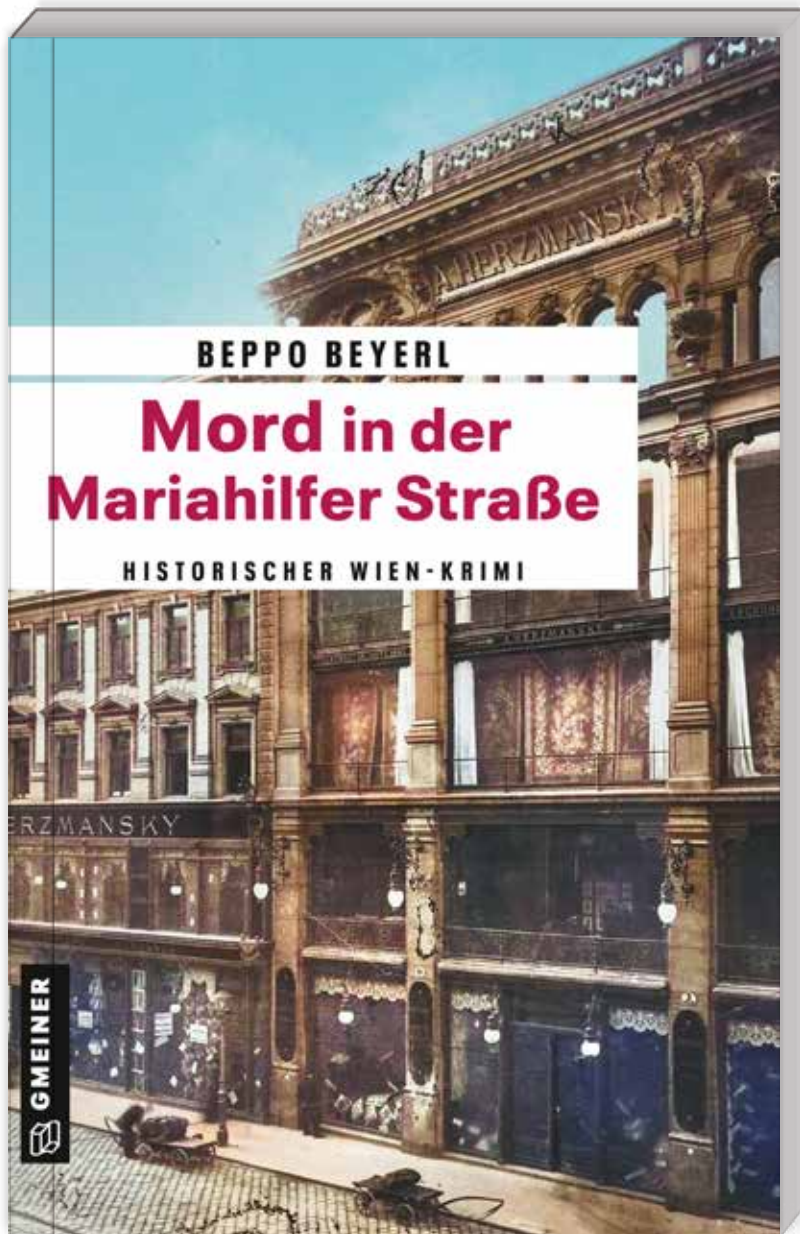
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Herzmansky department store – the beating heart of Vienna



» Vienna 1932 – a city on the abyss

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Vienna 1932. In the Herzmansky department store on Mariahilfer Straße, thefts are piling up – and suddenly suspicious deaths. Supposedly tragic accidents, but Chief Inspector Mitschek has a different suspicion and begins to investigate. In the process, he gets caught between fur smugglers, political intrigues and a saleswoman with intrusive advances. While dark deals with weapons are brewing in Trieste, masks are flying in Vienna – and people are flying from the second floor of the Herzmansky department store.

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