

## Aunt Dimity Paranormal Detective

By Nancy Atherton

About an only child whose mother always read to her at night and told her stories of Aunt Dimity. Whatever horrible things befell everything always ended with a hot cup of tea and some toasted brown bread. The main character always thought Aunt Dimity was a fictional character, till her own life falls apart. She gets this beautiful envelope with a request to show up at an attorney's office, where she discovers aunt Dimity was real and left her a request. The writing is so engrossing. Total escapism.

## Sharpe's Escape

By Bernard Cornwell

The last two Sharpe books were moving toward the battle of Waterloo. Sharpe's revenge was the best as far as all kinds of things going on. He and his friend the Irish sergeant have been dismissed from their jobs in the British army and accused of theft because of an earlier incident. They were accused of the theft of Napoleon's gold. He was charged because there was a group of villains who stole it and blamed him. So Sharpe and his sergeant without uniforms have to walk across the English coast and be anonymous because if they were caught they would be jailed and killed. They actually discover the villains and of course they win. It's a terrific book it'll keep you hooked.

## Back of Beyond

By C J Box

Author of the Joe Pickett novels. This is a different series and a very different character than the Joe Pickett. He's a sometimes recovering alcoholic. Cody Hoyt - a cop out west who stumbles onto a problem when a friend of his is found burned to death in a cabin. At first they believe it's a suicide which he can't believe. He finds more clues showing many people in a very short amount of time having found dead burned in remote cabins. There's a clue that links the person to an outfitter who takes multi day pack trips into Yellowstone. He signs up and his two daughters- It's a real cliffhanger. Really good- I like the character. I love his writing and his knowledge of the west. He's really good at describing the teen characters and how they act.

## Guilty Minds

By Joseph Finder

Chief Justice of the supreme court's career is about to be destroyed by a reporter. Nick Heller is the main character. Author writes very well. It was difficult to put down. Characterization is very good. Even the small things that are added.

The Hidden Dimension

By Edward T. Hall

Companion book is called the silent language. He talks about nonverbal communication. He asks about the different perceptions that cultures have about their sense of the space around them. How they perceive space.

A Piece of the World

By Christina Baker Kline

About Andrew Wyeth's muse Christina. Very interesting fictionalization. It follows Christina and her interaction with "Andy" as a young man and how he sets up in her house and does a lot of painting there. Fascinating.

The Alice Network

By Kate Quinn

A fictionalization of an occurrence during WW1. There's a woman who wants to find her cousin who disappeared during WW2. She finds a reference to a woman who ran a spy network in WW1. Absolutely gripping. Goes back and forth in each chapter. Finally you come to the conclusion. Wonderful.

The Temptation of Compassion

By Donna Leon

This book is very interesting. I just devour them. This one really opens with quite the usual wonderful stuff about the main characters family, but gets into some really tough stuff later on. The main character runs into some ethical dilemmas and it has an extremely surprising ending. She's savage at the beginning of the book and she's such a good writer.

Cuckoo's Calling

JK Rowling

She wrote under a pseudonym. Forensic linguists discovered it was her in a matter of an hour or two. So good. Main character is Cormoran Strike. He lives in London and he's a retired military investigator. He was sent him to Afghanistan to investigate a crime. In this novel it's about a young beautiful model- they think she committed suicide in the middle of winter but her brother comes to him to investigate because he doesn't believe she did it. Highly recommended.