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"Black guides morbidly curious readers through baffling crime scenes, ancient crypts, and courtroom testimony to illuminate the body of evidence bones, even the smallest fragments, can offer to forensic investigators...Enjoyable." —Booklist

In *Written in Bone*, forensic anthropologist Sue Black isn't just writing about what our bones can say about us from a scientific perspective, she's telling us about a story that we don't even know we're writing. Each one of us writes an autobiography of sorts into our bones, and it's the job of forensic scientists to pick apart that story and translate it after we've passed. Here, we've explored unifying themes running throughout her book and selected additional recommendations around each.

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PROFESSIONAL LESSONS ON LIFE AND DEATH

Each of these authors is intimately involved with death through their professional career. In their books, they weave in details of their lives with their analyses of death in narratives that are personal, touching, and occasionally tragic, but also instilled with humor.



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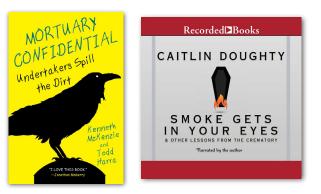
"Essential...an insightful, compelling, and often entertaining memoir about a life spent studying and reckoning with the dead and their secrets." —*CrimeReads*, "The Best True-Crime Books of the Month"

As Professor of Anatomy and Forensic Anthropology, Black focuses on mortal remains in her lab, at burial sites, at scenes of violence, murder, and criminal dismemberment, and when investigating mass fatalities due to war, accidents, or natural disaster. In *All That Remains*, she reveals the many faces of death she has come to know, using key cases to explore how forensic science has developed, and what her work has taught her.

STIFF BY MARY ROACH

"This quirky, funny read offers perspective and insight about life, death, and the medical profession...You can close this book with an appreciation of the miracle that the human body really is." —Tara Parker-Pope, *Wall Street Journal*

An oddly compelling, often hilarious exploration of the strange lives of our bodies postmortem. For 2,000 years, cadavers—some willingly, some unwittingly—have been involved in science's boldest strides and weirdest undertakings. They've tested France's first guillotines, ridden the NASA Space Shuttle, been crucified in a Parisian laboratory to test the authenticity of the Shroud of Turin, and helped solve the mystery of TWA Flight 800.



MORTUARY CONFIDENTIAL BY KENNETH MCKENZIE AND TODD HARRA

"McKenzie and Harra keep us reading because these true mortuary tales are poignant—and suddenly, gaspingly, in-your-face funny."—*Booklist*

In this macabre and moving compilation, funeral directors across the country share their most embarrassing, jaw-dropping, irreverent, and deeply poignant stories about life at death's door. Discover what scares them and what moves them to tears. Learn about rookie mistakes and why death sometimes calls for duct tape.

SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES BY CAITLIN DOUGHTY

"Doughty reels you in with wonderful anecdotes about her work. Intermixed with the humor is a love of life that will make you reconsider how our culture treats the dead."—San Francisco Chronicle

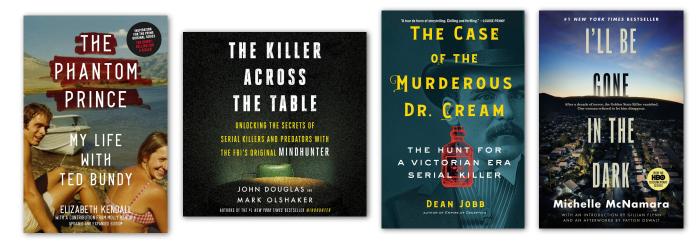
Armed with a degree in medieval history and a flair for the macabre, Caitlin Doughty took a job at a crematory and turned morbid curiosity into her life's work, and became an intrepid explorer in the world of the dead. In this bestselling memoir, brimming with gallows humor and vivid characters, she marvels at the gruesome history of undertaking and relates her unique coming-of-age story with bold curiosity and mordant wit.





TRUE CRIME

From podcasts to TV shows and, of course, to books, the true crime genre is more popular than ever. Here are some of the best titles hoopla has to offer, each delving into the twisted minds of killers.



THE PHANTOM PRINCE BY ELIZABETH KENDALL

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The inspiration for the five-part Amazon original docuseries *Ted Bundy: Falling for a Killer*

Ted Bundy is one of the most notorious serial killers in American history and one of the most publicized to this day. However, very rarely do we hear from the women he left behind—the ones forgotten as mere footnotes in this tragedy. This updated and expanded reissue of Elizabeth Kendall's 1981 book *The Phantom Prince* chronicles her intense six-year relationship with Ted Bundy and its eventual unraveling. Featuring a new introduction and a new afterword by the author, never-before-seen photos, and a new chapter from the author's daughter, Molly, this gripping account presents a remarkable examination of obsession, intrigue, and the darkness that love can mask.

THE KILLER ACROSS THE TABLE BY JOHN E. DOUGLAS AND MARK OLSHAKER

"This fascinating and haunting expert account helps us understand why the most shocking homicides occur." —Booklist, Starred Review

The legendary FBI criminal profiler, number-one *New York Times* bestselling author, and inspiration for the hit Netflix show *Mindhunter* delves deep into the lives and crimes of four of the most disturbing and complex predatory killers, offering never-before-revealed details about his profiling process, and divulging the strategies used to crack some of America's most challenging cases.

THE CASE OF THE MURDEROUS DR. CREAM BY DEAN JOBB

"A tour de force of storytelling." —Louise Penny, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

"When a doctor does go wrong he is the first of criminals," Sherlock Holmes observed during one of his most baffling investigations. In the span of fifteen years, Dr. Thomas Neill Cream murdered as many as ten people in the United States, Britain, and Canada, a death toll with almost no precedent. Poison was his weapon of choice. Largely forgotten today, this villain was as brazen as the notorious Jack the Ripper. Structured around the doctor's London murder trial in 1892, when he was finally brought to justice, The Case of the Murderous Dr. Cream exposes the blind trust given to medical practitioners, as well as the flawed detection methods, bungled investigations, corrupt officials, and stifling morality of Victorian society that allowed Dr. Cream to prey on vulnerable and desperate women, many of whom had turned to him for medical help.

I'LL BE GONE IN THE DARK BY MICHELLE MCNAMARA Now a Major HBO Documentary Series

The haunting true story of the elusive serial rapist turned murderer who terrorized California during the 1970s and '80s, and of the gifted journalist who died tragically while investigating the case—which was solved in April 2018.

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Sue Black is a leading scientist in the male-dominated field of forensic anthropology. From an astronomer to a neuroscientist to a MythBuster, here is a curated collection of narratives from or about female scientists.



THE LAST STARGAZERS BY EMILY LEVESQUE

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"Warm, engaging and packed with highly accessible science, *The Last Stargazers* is thoroughly entertaining and an impetus for readers to take up a little stargazing of their own." —*Shelf Awareness*

In this sweeping work of narrative science, Levesque shows how astronomers in this scrappy and evolving field are going beyond the machines to infuse creativity and passion into the stars and space, and inspires us all to peer skyward in pursuit of the universe's secrets.

18 TINY DEATHS BY BRUCE GOLDFARB

"Eye-opening biography of Frances Glessner Lee, who brought American medical forensics into the scientific age...genuinely compelling."—*Kirkus Reviews*

18 Tiny Deaths delves into Lee's journey from grandmother without a college degree to leading the scientific investigation of unexpected death out of the dark confines of centuries-old techniques and into the light of the modern day. Lee developed a system that used the Nutshell dioramas to train law enforcement officers to investigate violent crimes, and her methods are still used today.

CRASH TEST GIRL BY KARI BYRON

"This engaging book is the closest you'll get to a roadmap of how to be smart and savvy no matter what life throws at you." —Mayim Bialik, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Girling Up*

In *Crash Test Girl*, Kari reveals her fascinating life story on the set of *MythBusters* and beyond. With her signature gusto and roll-up-your-sleeves enthusiasm, she invites readers behind the duct tape and the dynamite, to the unlikely friendships and low-budget sets that turned a crazy idea into a famously inventive show with a rabid fanbase.

UNTHINKABLE BY HELEN THOMSON

"A user-friendly tour of the brain and the curious things that go on inside of it." —*Kirkus Reviews*

Helen Thomson has spent years traveling the world, tracking down incredibly rare brain disorders. In *Unthinkable*, she tells the stories of nine extraordinary people she encountered along the way. From the man who thinks he's a tiger to the doctor who feels the pain of others just by looking at them to a woman who hears music that's not there, their experiences illustrate how the brain can shape our lives in unexpected and, in some cases, brilliant and alarming ways.



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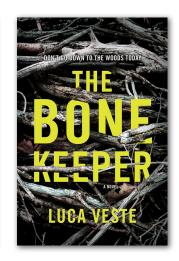
CRIME FICTION

While truth can be stranger than fiction, these titles definitely give it a run for its money and will satisfy your morbid curiosity. Follow these fictional forensic investigators as they solve the mystery of bones.



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BONES OF BETRAYAL BY JEFFERSON BASS

"Bones of Betrayal has more than its share of twists, turns, and red herrings...Wartime Oak Ridge proves nearly as atmospheric a crime scene as Sam Spade's San Francisco or Philip Marlowe's L.A." —Wilmington Star News

Bones of Betrayal is the fourth heart-racing thriller from the world's top forensic anthropologist. A hideous murder has links that connect it to World War II's Manhattan Project and the development of the atomic bomb—adding a fascinating historical element that enriches an already superior crime series.

A ROOM FULL OF BONES BY ELLY GRIFFITHS

"Bone-chilling stuff..." —Times (U.K.)

When Ruth Galloway arrives to supervise the opening of a coffin containing the bones of a medieval bishop, she finds the museum's curator lying dead on the floor. Soon after, the museum's wealthy owner is also found dead, in his stables.

These two deaths could be from natural causes, but once again Ruth and DCI Harry Nelson cross paths during the investigation. When threatening letters come to light, events take an even more sinister turn. But as Ruth's friends become involved, where will her loyalties lie?

WHITE BONES BY GRAHAM MASTERTON

"A natural storyteller with a unique gift for turning the mundane into the terrifyingly real." —*New York Journal of Books*

One wet, windswept November morning, a field on a desolate farm gives up the dismembered bones of eleven women. Their skeletons bear the marks of a meticulous butcher. The bodies date back to 1915. All were likely skinned alive. But then a young woman goes missing, and her remains, the bones carefully stripped and arranged in an arcane pattern, are discovered on the same farm. With the crimes of the past echoing in the present, D.S. Katie Maguire must solve a decades-old murder steeped in ancient legend...before this terrifying killer strikes again.

THE BONE KEEPER BY LUCA VESTE

"A solid sense of place, a looming sense of menace: a frequently gripping read." —*Kirkus Reviews*

He'll slice your flesh. Your bones he'll keep. The Bone Keeper's coming. And he'll make you weep.

What if the figure that haunted your nightmares as a child was real?

Twenty years ago, four teenagers went exploring in the local woods, trying to find the supposed home of the Bone Keeper. Only three returned. Now, a woman is found wandering the streets, horrifically injured, claiming to have fled the evil urban myth. And then a body turns up.