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The Skeleton Road **The Skeleton Road** The Skeleton Road **Out of Bounds** **The Distant Echo (Detective Karen Pirie, Book 1)** The Skeleton Road *A Darker Domain (Detective Karen Pirie, Book 2)* **Skeleton Road** *Still Life Forensics* **Trick Of The Dark** *Imagine A Country* *Insidious Intent* The Vanishing Point The Retribution **My Scotland** **A Place of Execution** Cross and Burn **Val McDermid 3-Book Crime Collection: A Place of Execution, The Distant Echo, The Grave Tattoo** How the Dead Speak *Cleanskin* Val McDermid 3-Book Thriller Collection: The Mermaids Singing, The Wire in the Blood, The Last Temptation (Tony Hill and Carol Jordan) The Way of All Flesh **Star Struck (PI Kate Brannigan, Book 6)** The Mermaids Singing (Tony Hill and Carol Jordan, Book 1) *Booked for Murder* Killing the Shadows **Cold Woods** **Splinter the Silence** **Death in Profile** *Resistance* *Northanger* *Abbey* *November Road* **1979** **The Old Bog Road** **No Man's Nightingale** *Close to the Bone (Logan McRae, Book 8)* 1989 *The Red Road* The Grave Tattoo

*Cleanskin* Feb 09 2021 A taut psychological thriller from the bestselling author behind the popular *Wire in the Blood* TV series

*Forensics* Jan 20 2022  
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Bestselling author of *Broken Ground* “offers fascinating glimpses” into the real world of criminal forensics from its beginnings to the modern day (*The Boston Globe*). The dead can tell us all about **Access Free [oldredlist.iucnredlist.org](http://oldredlist.iucnredlist.org) on November 30, 2022 Free Download Pdf**

themselves: where they came from, how they lived, how they died, and, of course, who killed them. Using the messages left by a corpse, a crime scene, or the faintest of human traces, forensic scientists unlock the mysteries of the past and serve justice. In *Forensics*, international bestselling crime author Val McDermid guides readers through this field, drawing on interviews with top-level professionals, groundbreaking research, and her own experiences on the scene. Along the way, McDermid discovers how maggots collected from a corpse can help determine one's time of death; how a DNA trace a millionth the size of a grain of salt can be used to convict a killer; and how a team of young Argentine scientists led by a maverick American anthropologist were able to uncover the victims of a genocide. Prepare to travel to war zones, fire scenes, and autopsy suites as McDermid comes into contact with both extraordinary bravery and wickedness, tracing the history

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of forensics from its earliest beginnings to the cutting-edge science of the modern day. *Resistance* Mar 30 2020 A gritty, dark tale of infectious disease gone wrong - the timely graphic novel from Sunday Times bestselling author Val McDermid, stunningly illustrated by Kathryn Briggs 'A brilliant and timely story, told with McDermid's verve, style and passion. I couldn't stop turning the pages, even when I could barely take the tension. Wonderful.' Denise Mina It's the summer solstice weekend, and 150,000 people descend on a farm in the northeast of England for an open-air music festival. At first, a spot of rain seems to be the only thing dampening the fun - until a mystery bug appears. Before long, the illness is spreading at an electrifying speed and seems resistant to all antibiotics. Can journalist Zoe Meadows track the outbreak to its source, and will a cure be found before the disease becomes a pandemic? A heart-racing thriller, *Resistance* imagines a nightmare

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pandemic that seems only too credible in the wake of COVID-19. Number one bestseller and queen of crime Val McDermid has teamed up with illustrator Kathryn Briggs to create a masterful graphic novel. 'One of today's most accomplished crime writers' Literary Review 'A powerful, unique look at the benign origins of catastrophe' Kirkus Reviews

**A Place of Execution** Jun 13 2021 A riveting psychological thriller from the Number One bestselling Queen of crime fiction - Val McDermid.

*Imagine A Country* Nov 18 2021 The first step on the road to change is to imagine possibility. *Imagine A Country* offers visions of a new future from an astonishing array of Scottish voices, from comedians to economists, writers to musicians. Edited, curated and introduced by bestselling author Val McDermid and geographer Jo Sharp, it is a collection of ideas, dreams and ambitions, aiming to inspire change, hope and imagination. Featuring: Ali  
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Smith, Phill Jupitus, A.L. Kennedy, Alan Cumming, Kerry Hudson, Greg Hemphill, Carol Ann Duffy, Chris Brookmyre, Alison Watt, Alasdair Gray, Leila Aboulela, Ian Rankin, Selina Hales, Sanjeev Kohli, Jackie Kay, Damian Barr, Elaine C. Smith, Abir Mukherjee, Anne Glover, Alan Bissett, Louise Welsh, Jo Clifford, Ricky Ross, Trishna Singh, Cameron McNeish, Alexander McCall Smith, Carla Jenkins, Don Paterson, and many more . . .

**Out of Bounds** Jul 26 2022 Don't miss the series that inspired the major ITV drama, *Karen Pirie*, starring Lauren Lyle - *Out of Bounds* is the fourth *Karen Pirie* thriller Read Val McDermid's masterful new novel, 1989, now and pre-order the eagerly awaited New *Karen Pirie* Thriller, publishing October 2023 'It grabs the reader by the throat and never lets go' Daily Mail 'Incredibly suspenseful' Sunday Mirror \_\_\_\_\_ 'There are lots of things that ran in families, but murder wasn't one of them . . .'

When a teenage joyride  
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crashes a stolen car and ends up in a coma, a routine DNA test could be the key to unlocking the mystery of a twenty-year-old murder inquiry. Detective Chief Inspector Karen Pirie is an expert at solving the unsolvable. With each cold case closed, justice is served. So, finding the answer should be straightforward, but it's as twisted as the DNA helix itself. Meanwhile Karen finds herself irresistibly drawn to another case, one that she has no business investigating. And as she pieces together decades-old evidence, Karen discovers the most dangerous kinds of secrets. Secrets that someone is willing to kill for . . . An atmospheric, gripping mystery from the number one bestseller. \_\_\_\_\_ Praise for Val McDermid: 'Brilliant . . . Sensational . . . Unforgettable' Guardian 'Compulsively readable' Irish Times 'As good a psychological thriller as it is possible to get' Sunday Express This is the fourth book in the bestselling Karen Pirie series.

**No Man's Nightingale** Oct 25  
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2019 INCLUDES AN EXCERPT OF RENDELL'S FINAL NOVEL, DARK CORNERS From "one of the most remarkable novelists of her generation" (People) a "refined, probing, and intelligent" (USA TODAY) mystery in the masterful Inspector Wexford series...more enthralling than ever after fifty years. A female vicar named Sarah Hussein is discovered strangled in her Kingsmarkham vicarage. A single mother to a teenage girl, Hussein was working in a male-dominated profession. Moreover, she was of mixed race and wanted to modernize the church. Could racism or sexism have played a factor in her murder? Maxine, the gossipy cleaning woman who discovered the body, happens to also be in the employ of retired Chief Inspector Wexford and his wife. Wexford is intrigued by the unusual circumstances of the murder, and when he is invited by his old deputy to tag along with the investigators, he leaps at the chance. As Wexford searches the Vicar's house, free

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sees a book on her bedside table. Inside the book is a letter serving as a bookmark. Without thinking much, Wexford puts it into his pocket. Wexford soon realizes he has made a grave error in removing a piece of valuable evidence from the scene without telling anybody. Yet what he finds inside begins to illuminate the murky past of Sarah Hussein. Is there more to her than meets the eye? No Man's Nightingale is Ruth Rendell's masterful twenty-fourth installment in one of the great crime series of all time, an "absorbing and rewarding" (Seattle Times) mystery that explores issues of sexism, class, and racism. As Stephen King said: "No one surpasses Ruth Rendell."

The Skeleton Road May 24 2022 Don't miss the series that inspired the major ITV drama, Karen Pirie, starring Lauren Lyle - The Skeleton Road is the third Karen Pirie thriller Read Val McDermid's masterful new novel, 1989, now and pre-order the eagerly awaited New Karen Pirie Thriller, publishing

October 2023  
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'Gripping, thought-provoking and original - a tour-de-force' Literary Review When a skeleton is discovered hidden at the top of a crumbling, gothic building in Edinburgh, Detective Chief Inspector Karen Pirie is faced with the unenviable task of identifying the bones. As Karen's investigation gathers momentum, she is drawn deeper into a dark world of intrigue and betrayal. Meanwhile, someone is taking the law into their own hands in the name of justice and revenge -- but when present resentment collides with secrets of the past, the truth is more shocking than anyone could have imagined . . . An atmospheric, chilling mystery from the number one bestseller. \_\_\_\_\_ Praise for Val McDermid: 'It grabs the reader by the throat and never lets go' Daily Mail 'As good a psychological thriller as it is possible to get' Sunday Express 'One of today's most accomplished crime writers' Literary Review 'McDermid remains unrivalled' **Oldredlist**

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'The queen of crime is still at the top of her game'

Independent This is the third book in the bestselling Karen Pirie series.

*Booked for Murder* Sep 04

2020 Lindsay Gordon

investigates the murder of a bestselling author and discovers that, beneath the glittering facade, the London publishing world is a hotbed of seething rivalries, soured relationships and desperate power plays. Fifth in the series.

Why would anyone want to kill Penny Varnavides, bestselling author of the 'Teen Dreams' series? Her demise can't be the freak accident it first appeared -- it's an exact replica of the murder method in her forthcoming book. Only three people knew the plot of Penny's unpublished novel: her literary agent, her editor and her ex-girlfriend Meredith. In an effort to clear Meredith, Lindsay Gordon delves beneath the glittering facade of the seemingly glamorous world of London publishing in search of a murderer. While hobnobbing with industry notables, Lindsay

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encounters an unsavoury mix of soured relationships, desperate power plays, underhanded fraud, and seething rivalries. Who, amongst this sordid group, wanted Penny Varnavides dead?

**Skeleton Road** Mar 22 2022

**Death in Profile** Apr 30 2020

The genteel façade of London's Hampstead is shattered by a series of terrifying murders, and the ensuing police hunt is threatened by internal politics, and a burgeoning love triangle within the investigative team. Pressurized by senior officers desperate for a result, a new initiative is clearly needed, but what? Intellectual analysis and police procedure vie with the gut instinct of "copper's nose," and help appears to offer itself from a very unlikely source a famous fictional detective. A psychological profile of the murderer allows the police to narrow down their search, but will Scotland Yard lose patience with the team before they can crack the case? This is an intelligent, quirky, and mannered crime drama.

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which hovers Hampstead, a magical village evoking the elegance of an earlier time, and the spirit of mystery-solving detectives.

**1979** Dec 27 2019 A Scottish journalist is drawn into a world of corruption, terror, and murder in the new novel by “one of crime fiction’s most eminent writers”

(Entertainment Weekly). The year started badly and only got worse—blizzards, strikes, power cuts, and political unrest were the norm. For

investigative journalist Allie Burns, however, someone else’s bad news was the unmistakable sound of opportunity knocking, and 1979 is ripe with possibilities.

But Allie is a woman in what is still a man’s world. Desperate to get away from the “women’s stories” the Glasgow desk

keeps assigning her, she strikes up an alliance with wannabe investigative journalist Danny Sullivan. From the start, their stories create enemies. First an international tax fraud, then a potential

Scottish terrorist group aiming

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to cause mayhem ahead of an impending referendum. And then Danny is found murdered in his flat. For Allie, investigative journalism just got personal. The debut of an intense new series, 1979 is an atmospheric journey into the past with intriguing insight into the present, from a Diamond Dagger winner and multiple Edgar Award finalist. “The queen of psychological thrillers.” —Irish Independent “There are few other crime writers in the same league.”

—The Washington Post  
*November Road* Jan 28 2020

"When people say they want to read a really good novel, the kind you just can't put down, this is the kind of book they mean. Exceptional."

—STEPHEN KING “Berney’s emotional, empathetic writing keeps . . . the pages turning.”

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Fiction Novel, and the CWA Ian  
Fleming Steel Dagger award  
for Best Thriller Novel! Set  
against the assassination of  
JFK, a poignant and evocative  
crime novel that centers on a  
desperate cat-and-mouse chase  
across 1960s America—a story  
of unexpected connections,  
daring possibilities, and the  
hope of second chances from  
the Edgar Award-winning  
author of *The Long and  
Faraway Gone*. Frank Guidry's  
luck has finally run out. A loyal  
street lieutenant to New  
Orleans' mob boss Carlos  
Marcello, Guidry has learned  
that everybody is expendable.  
But now it's his turn—he knows  
too much about the crime of  
the century: the assassination  
of President John F. Kennedy.  
Within hours of JFK's murder,  
everyone with ties to Marcello

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is turning up dead, and Guidry  
suspects he's next: he was in  
Dallas on an errand for the  
boss less than two weeks  
before the president was shot.  
With few good options, Guidry  
hits the road to Las Vegas, to  
see an old associate—a  
dangerous man who hates  
Marcello enough to help Guidry  
vanish. Guidry knows that the  
first rule of running is "don't  
stop," but when he sees a  
beautiful housewife on the side  
of the road with a broken-down  
car, two little daughters and a  
dog in the back seat, he sees  
the perfect disguise to cover  
his tracks from the hit men on  
his tail. Posing as an insurance  
man, Guidry offers to help  
Charlotte reach her  
destination, California. If she  
accompanies him to Vegas, he  
can help her get a new car. For  
her, it's more than a car— it's  
an escape. She's on the run  
too, from a stifling existence in  
small-town Oklahoma and a  
kindly husband who's a  
hopeless drunk. It's an  
American story: two strangers  
meet to share the open road  
west, a dream, a hope

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find each other on the way. Charlotte sees that he's strong and kind; Guidry discovers that she's smart and funny. He learns that she's determined to give herself and her kids a new life; she can't know that he's desperate to leave his old one behind. Another rule—fugitives shouldn't fall in love, especially with each other. A road isn't just a road, it's a trail, and Guidry's ruthless and relentless hunters are closing in on him. But now Guidry doesn't want to just survive, he wants to really live, maybe for the first time. Everyone's expendable, or they should be, but now Guidry just can't throw away the woman he's come to love. And it might get them both killed.

How the Dead Speak Mar 10 2021 'The queen of crime is still at the top of her game' Independent 'No one can tell a story like she can' Daily Express 'One of today's most accomplished crime writers' Literary Review 'We are all creatures of habit. Even murderers . . .' When human remains are discovered in the grounds of an old convent, it

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quickly becomes clear that someone has been using the site as their personal burial ground. But with the convent abandoned long ago and bodies dating back many years, could this be the work of more than one obsessive killer? The investigation throws up more questions as the evidence mounts but, after their last disastrous case, Tony Hill and Carol Jordan can only watch from afar. As they deal with the consequences, someone with a terrifying routine is biding their time - and both Tony and Carol find themselves closer to the edge than they have ever been before . . . Masterful and filled with suspense, this an electrifying, heart-racing thriller from the number one bestseller. If you enjoyed *How the Dead Speak*, don't miss the first in a new series from the unrivalled Queen of Crime. 1979 is out now, introducing the unforgettable Allie Burns.

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a psychological thriller as it is possible to get' Sunday Express 'It grabs the reader by the throat and never lets go' Daily Mail 'One of today's most accomplished crime writers' Literary Review This is the eleventh book in the bestselling Tony Hill and Carol Jordan series.

*A Darker Domain (Detective Karen Pirie, Book 2)* Apr 23 2022 The second riveting crime novel in the Karen Pirie series, from No.1 Sunday Times bestseller Val McDermid. 'A superb mystery' The Times 1989 Aug 23 2019 THE SECOND THRILLING NOVEL IN VAL MCDERMID'S NEW SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING SERIES There's nothing like a killer story . . . 1989. The world is changing, and Allie Burns is still on the front line, covering the stories that count. Although Allie is no longer an investigative journalist, her instincts are sharper than ever. When she discovers a lead about the exploitation of society's most vulnerable, Allie is determined to give a voice to those who  
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have been silenced. As Allie edges closer to exposing the truth, she travels behind the Iron Curtain, to East Berlin on the brink of revolution. The dark heart of the story is more shocking than she ever imagined. And to tell it, Allie must risk her freedom and her life . . . The latest Allie Burns thriller, set a decade after the bestselling first novel in the ground-breaking, iconic new series. Praise for 1979 'McDermid is at her considerable best' GUARDIAN 'Irresistible' PATRICIA CORNWELL 'A brilliant novel by a supremo of the genre' PETER JAMES 'Outstanding' SPECTATOR 'Another masterpiece' DAVID BALDACCI 'Sensational. One of Britain's most accomplished writers' SUNDAY EXPRESS  
**Cold Woods** Jul 02 2020 Buried bones of the past rise to the surface in this chilling mystery from the bestselling author of River Bodies. When the long-buried bones of a man turn up in the middle of December, Pennsylvania homicide detective Pa  
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Reed knows he's in for a cold case. Trisha and her friends were teenagers when Trisha's stepdad went missing. Now, thirty years later, his remains have been found in the mountains. The women have always known there was more to his disappearance than meets the eye, and they must confront their grim past. Secrets can stay secret a long time in the lonely Appalachian foothills--but not forever. When Parker and his partner identify the remains, their investigation leads them to Trisha's childhood home. But the deeper Parker digs into the crime, the more he realizes that the truth isn't always simple. In fact, it's so complicated that even Trisha and her friends don't fully understand what really happened in those cold woods. *Still Life* Feb 21 2022 Don't miss the series that inspired the major ITV drama, Karen Pirie, starring Lauren Lyle - *Still Life* is the sixth Karen Pirie thriller Read Val McDermid's masterful new novel, 1989, now and pre-order **Access Free The Skeleton Road Val Mcdermid Free Download Pdf**

the eagerly awaited New Karen Pirie Thriller, publishing October 2023 'No one can tell a story like she can' Daily Express 'The queen of psychological thrillers' Irish Independent \_\_\_\_\_ 'The bodies never stay buried forever . . .' On a freezing winter morning, fishermen pull a body from the sea. It is quickly discovered that the dead man was the prime suspect in a decade-old investigation, when a prominent civil servant disappeared without trace. DCI Karen Pirie was the last detective to review the file and is drawn into a sinister world of betrayal and dark secrets. But Karen is already grappling with another case, one with even more questions and fewer answers. A skeleton has been discovered in an abandoned campervan and all clues point to a killer who never faced justice - a killer who is still out there. In her search for the truth, Karen uncovers a network of lies that has gone unchallenged for years. But lies and secrets can turn deadly **Access Free oldredlist.iucnredlist.org on November 30, 2022 Free Download Pdf**

when someone is determined to keep them hidden for good . . . \_\_\_\_\_ Praise for Val McDermid: 'Brilliant . . . Sensational . . . Unforgettable' Guardian 'Compulsively readable' Irish Times 'As good a psychological thriller as it is possible to get' Sunday Express 'It grabs the reader by the throat and never lets go' Daily Mail 'One of today's most accomplished crime writers' Literary Review

[The Mermaids Singing \(Tony Hill and Carol Jordan, Book 1\)](#)

Oct 05 2020 In this special 20th anniversary edition, Lee Child introduces the Gold Dagger award-winning serial killer thriller that began the Number One bestselling crime series featuring clinical psychologist Dr Tony Hill, hero of TV's much-loved Wire in the Blood.

[The Way of All Flesh](#) Dec 07 2020 SHORTLISTED FOR THE 2019 McILVANNEY PRIZE  
LONGLISTED FOR THEAKSTON OLD PECULIER CRIME NOVEL OF THE YEAR  
A NEW STATESMAN BOOK OF THE YEAR  
A Raven and Fisher  
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Mystery: Book 1 Edinburgh, 1847. Will Raven is a medical student, apprenticing for the brilliant and renowned Dr Simpson. Sarah Fisher is Simpson's housemaid, and has all of Raven's intelligence but none of his privileges. As bodies begin to appear across the Old Town, Raven and Sarah find themselves propelled headlong into the darkest shadows of Edinburgh's underworld. And if either of them are to make it out alive, they will have to work together to find out who's responsible for the gruesome deaths.

[Northanger Abbey](#) Feb 27 2020

An ordinary girl in search of an extraordinary life: one of the world's premier thriller writers reimagines Jane Austen's classic as a contemporary gothic adventure, to universal acclaim Cat Morland is ready to grow up. A home-schooled minister's daughter in the quaint, sheltered Piddle Valley in Dorset, she loses herself in novels and is sure there is a glamorous adventure awaiting her beyond the valley's narrow horizon. So imagine her

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when the Allens, neighbours and friends of her parents, invite her to attend the Edinburgh Festival as their guest. Armed with a sunny personality, show tickets every night and a few key wardrobe additions, Cat begins to take Edinburgh by storm and is welcomed into the bosom of the Thorpe family, particularly by eldest daughter Bella. And then there's the handsome Henry Tilney, an up-and-coming lawyer whose family home is the beautiful and forbidding Northanger Abbey. Cat is entranced by Henry and his charming sister Eleanor, but she can't help wondering if everything about them is as perfect as it seems. Or has she just been reading too many novels? A delectable, note-perfect modern update of the Jane Austen classic, *Northanger Abbey* tells a timeless story of innocence amid cynicism, the exquisite angst of young love, and the value of friendship. "Val McDermid's brilliant re-working of Jane Austen's original shows that innocent,

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bookish girls in thrall to the supernatural have changed surprisingly little in two centuries. Witty and shrewd, full of romance and skulduggery - I loved it." —J.K. Rowling

### **The Distant Echo (Detective Karen Pirie, Book 1)**

Jun 25 2022 The first novel in the bestselling Karen Pirie series The award-winning Number One bestseller and Queen of crime fiction Val McDermid carves out a stunning psychological thriller. The past is behind them, but what's still to come will tear them apart...

*The Red Road* Jul 22 2019

Power, abuse, love gone horribly wrong - and a crime that stretches back two decades... From the two-time THEAKSTONS OLD PECULIER CRIME NOVEL OF THE YEAR AWARD-winning author. A girl who has seen more darkness than most. A Scottish lawyer waiting to be killed. A fingerprint discovered at a murder scene, from a man who couldn't possibly have been there. As DI Alex Morrow investigates the death of

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young businessman, she uncovers a vicious network of power and corruption that reaches back to Glasgow on the night Princess Diana died. And to a fourteen-year-old girl sat in a car with a dead body, the murder weapon still in her hand.

[Killing the Shadows](#) Aug 03

2020 The Number One bestselling, award-winning Queen of crime fiction Val McDermid delivers a searing psychological suspense thriller. A serial killer is on the loose. His victims? Crime writers...

[The Skeleton Road](#) Aug 27

2022 A thrilling new novel from one of the world's most celebrated crime writers proves that the past can never stay buried... Val McDermid is the queen of psychological suspense and the #1 bestselling author of *The Retribution*, *Cross and Burn* and *The Vanishing Point*, among many others. Her newest masterpiece of suspense begins in Edinburgh with the discovery of a skeleton. Investigators are shocked to find this is not the  
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result of a recent crime but in fact a death that has remained hidden and unknown for several decades. The stakes rise when unexpected connections to the Croatian military are uncovered. When evil has no borders and the past refuses to stay in the past, everyone involved is placed into new and unforeseen danger. Told with Val McDermid's signature brilliance and panache, *The Skeleton Road* is sure to have readers on the edge of their seats and glued to the pages long into the night. Praise for Val McDermid "She's the best we've got." —New York Times "Val McDermid has become our leading pathologist of everyday evil. . . . The subtle orchestration of terror is masterful." —The Guardian "One of the world's leading mystery writers . . . Thomas Harris crossed with Agatha Christie, if you will... a great read." —Observer

**My Scotland** Jul 14 2021 'I love stories. My life has been book-ended and bookmarked by hearing them, read **Access Free *My Scotland* on November 30, 2022 Free Download Pdf**

and telling them. In my mind's eye, I can see where each of these stories unfolds . . .' In MY SCOTLAND, number one bestselling author Val McDermid takes readers to the landscapes she has known all her life, and the places where her stories and characters reside. Accompanied by over 100 stunning photographs, this remarkable book uncovers Val's own Scotland in all its glory - from the iconic Isle of Skye to the majestic streets of Edinburgh; from the undiscovered hideaways of the Highlands to the wild and untamed Jura. Featuring excerpts from Val McDermid's bestselling novels and charting Karen Pirie's Fife to Lindsay Gordon's Glasgow, MY SCOTLAND is an unforgettable and uniquely personal journey.

**The Skeleton Road** Sep 28 2022 The thrilling new stand-alone novel from one of the world's most celebrated crime writers proves that the secrets of the past can never really be hidden . . . In the centre of historic Edinburgh, builders are preparing to demolish a

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disused Victorian Gothic building. They are understandably surprised to find skeletal remains hidden in a high pinnacle that hasn't been touched by maintenance for years. Who do the bones belong to, and how did they get there? Could the eccentric British pastime of free climbing the outside of buildings play a role? Enter cold case detective Karen Pirie, who gets to work trying to establish the corpse's identity. When it turns out the bones may be from as far away as the former Yugoslavia, Karen will need to dig deeper than she ever imagined into the tragic history of the Balkans: to war crimes and their consequences, and ultimately to the notion of what justice is and who serves it.

Atmospheric, spine-chilling and brimming with intrigue and suspense, this is Val McDermid's richest and most accomplished psychological thriller to date. PRAISE FOR VAL MCDERMID "She's the best we've got." —THE NEW YORK TIMES "Val McDermid has become our leading

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pathologist of everyday evil. . .  
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Psychologist Tony Hill and ex-  
DCI Carol Jordan—the UK  
crime fighting partners from  
the TV series Wire in the  
Blood—face down a serial  
killer. International bestselling  
crime writer Val McDermid’s  
work speaks for itself: her  
books have sold millions of  
copies worldwide, won  
numerous accolades, and  
attracted a devoted following  
of readers around the globe.  
Cross and Burn picks up where  
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The Retribution left off:  
following the best crime-  
fighting team in the  
UK—clinical psychologist Tony  
Hill and police detective Carol  
Jordan—who when we last saw  
them were barely speaking,  
and whose relationship will  
now be challenged even  
further. But just because  
they’re not talking doesn’t  
mean the killing stops. Women  
are being murdered—ones who  
bear an unsettling resemblance  
to Carol Jordan. And when the  
evidence begins to point in a  
disturbing direction, thinking  
the unthinkable seems the only  
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The Grave Tattoo Jun 20 2019 When torrential summer rains uncover a bizarrely tattooed body on a hillside in England's Lake District, locals are convinced it is the corpse of Fletcher Christian, infamous mutineer on the *Bounty*. Though history records that Christian died in a massacre on Pitcairn Island, Lakelanders have long maintained that he returned home—where his old friend and schoolmate, William Wordsworth, risked facing the gallows by harbouring the fugitive. It was rumoured that the poet had written an epic verse recounting Christian's version of events, only to hide it away for fear its publication would result in his arrest. For the Wordsworth scholar Jane Gresham, the missing manuscript—if indeed it ever existed—is the ultimate mystery.

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But on her trail is someone with a more than academic interest in the 200-year-old text, someone who will kill to get their hands on a bounty worth millions.

*Close to the Bone* (Logan McRae, Book 8) Sep 23 2019  
The eighth Logan McRae novel in the No.1 bestselling crime series from Stuart MacBride. Every murder tells a story. But not every victim tells the truth. 'A terrific writer ... McRae is a delight' The Times

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Meanwhile, someone is taking the law into their own hands in the name of justice and revenge -- but when present resentment collides with secrets of the past, the truth is more shocking than anyone could have imagined . . . From number one bestseller, Val McDermid comes an atmospheric, spine-chilling tour de force -- her richest and most accomplished psychological thriller to date.

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doesn't know who sent the package, or why, yet she can't get the crime out of her head. But as she delves deeper, and steps back into the mysterious world of Oxford colleges, she realises that there is much more to this crime than meets the eye... A stunning standalone thriller from the number one bestseller.

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*Insidious Intent* Oct 17 2021  
'One of the most surprising twists you'll read this year. Outstanding' Irish Independent  
'Engrossing . . . a colossal reminder of just why McDermid has been the queen of crime for three decades' Heat  
'Murdered people don't kill themselves . . .' A quiet night on a country road. The stillness shattered by a car engulfed in flames, and a  
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burned body discovered in the driver's seat. As the investigation unfolds, DCI Carol Jordan and psychological profiler Tony Hill quickly realise that this is more than just a tragic accident. And so begins the hunt for a truly terrifying killer, someone who believes he is invisible, untraceable and untouchable. As other victims are found to have met the same terrible fate, and with more women at risk, Tony and Carol are drawn into a dark and twisted web of fear and revenge that will force them to question their own ideas of justice . . . A pulse-pounding mystery from the number one bestseller. If you enjoyed *Insidious Intent*, don't miss the first in a new series from the Queen of Crime. 1979 is out now, introducing the unforgettable Allie Burns.

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Apr 11 2021 Read the award-winning and Number One bestselling Val McDermid at the top of her game in these three nail-biting crime thrillers.

**Splinter the Silence** Jun 01 2020 The bestselling "Queen of Crime reigns again" when a profiler and an ex-cop investigate the suspicious deaths of women targeted by Internet trolls (Independent, UK). From the international bestselling author of The Mermaids Singing and The Wire in the Blood comes the ninth installment of her beloved series featuring psychologist Tony Hill and former DCI Carol Jordan . . .

Vicious online attacks seem to be driving outspoken women to silence themselves through suicide. Yet for profiler Tony

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Hill, who knows a thing or two about patterns in human behavior, something doesn't add up. Carol Jordan, meanwhile, is too busy tackling her own demons to think about a potential serial killer. But when she gets an opportunity for a second chance, it's game on. This time around, though, the stakes have never been higher. One of the Boston Globe's Best Books of 2015 **The Old Bog Road** Nov 25 2019 The body of a young woman is found in the ditch at the side of the road on a wet and wild night in the west of Ireland. Detective inspector Mick Hays and his good-looking assistant, sergeant Maureen Lyons are assigned to the case. At first they have difficulty identifying the girl, until two German hikers turn in a mobile phone that they found at the side of the road while walking along the Wild Atlantic Way. Hays and Lyons follow a number of leads in an effort to identify the killer. Their quest takes them overseas, but the killer turns out to be much nearer home than either of

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them believed possible. The story has a final twist when the detectives eventually get the perpetrator before the court in Galway.

[The Vanishing Point](#) Sep 16 2021 “Marked by [McDermid’s] trademark stunners, including a climax that packs a vicious punch. And readers are again left to marvel at her ingenuity.”

—Jay Strafford, Richmond Times-Dispatch From one of the finest crime writers we have, *The Vanishing Point* kicks off with a nightmare scenario—the abduction of a child in an international airport. Stephanie Harker is in the screening booth at airport security, separated from Jimmy Higgins, the five-year-old boy she’s in the process of adopting, when a man in a TSA uniform leads the boy away. The more Stephanie sounds the

alarm, the more the security agents suspect her, and the further away the kidnapper gets. It soon becomes apparent that nothing in this situation is clear-cut. For starters, Jimmy’s birth mother was a celebrity—living in a world where conspiracy and obfuscation are excused for the sake of column inches. And then there are the bad boys in both women’s pasts. As FBI agent Vivian McKuras and Scotland Yard Detective Nick Nicolaidis investigate on both sides of the pond, Stephanie learns just how deep a parent’s fear can reach. And the horrifying reality is that she has good reason to be afraid—for reasons she never saw coming. “[McDermid’s] work is taut, psychologically complex and so gripping that it puts your life on hold.” —The Times (London)