

The Man From Berlin A Gregor Reinhardt Novel

The Battle of Berlin was the longest and most sustained bombing offensive against one target in the Second World War. Bomber Command's Commander-in-Chief, Sir Arthur Harris, hoped to 'wreak Berlin from end to end' and 'produce a state of devastation in which German surrender is inevitable'. He dispatched nineteen major raids between August 1943 and March 1944 – more than 10,000 aircraft sorties dropped over 30,000 tons of bombs on Berlin. It was the RAF's supreme effort to end the war by aerial bombing. But Berlin was not destroyed and the RAF lost more than 600 aircraft and their crews. The controversy over whether the Battle of Berlin was a success or failure has continued ever since. Martin Middlebrook brings to this subject considerable experience as a military historian. In preparing his material he collected documents from both sides (many of the German ones never before used); he has also interviewed and corresponded with over 400 of the people involved in the battle and has made trips to Germany to interview the people of Berlin and Luftwaffe aircrews. He has achieved the difficult task of bringing together both sides of the Battle of Berlin – the bombing force and the people on the ground – to tell a coherent, single story. The author describes the battle, month by month, as the bombers waited for the dark nights, with no moon, to resume their effort to destroy Berlin and end the war. He recounts the ebb and flow of fortunes, identifying the tactical factors that helped first the bombers, then the night fighters, to gain the upper hand. Through the words of the participants, he brings to the reader the hopes, fears and bravery of the young bomber aircrews in the desperate air battles that were waged as the Luftwaffe attempted to protect

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their capital city. And he includes that element so often omitted from books about the bombing war – the experiences of ordinary people in the target city, showing how the bombing destroyed homes, killed families, affected morale and reduced the German war effort. Martin Middlebrook's meticulous attention to detail makes *The Bomber Battle of Berlin* one of his most accomplished books to date. Martin Middlebrook has written many other books that deal with important turning-points in the two world wars, including *The First Day on the Somme*, *Kaiser's Battle*, *The Peenemünde Raid*, *The Somme Battlefields* (with Mary Middlebrook), *The Nuremberg Raid 30-21st March 1944* and *Arnhem 1944* (all republished and in print with Pen and Sword). Martin Middlebrook is a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society and lives near Stroud, Gloucestershire.

Riddle of Berlin is the story of John C. Jaegerman. At the plateau of middle age frustration. In Paris, a voice in the water entices his leap from a parapet overlooking the Seine River at Notre Dame. A disfigured body without memory is lifted from the water days later by a gypsy nurse (Carmen) seeking her own path, embodiment of the voice. A campaign of terror engulfs the world. Thousands perish in terrorist incidents in Europe and California. Government is impotent to protect innocent citizens from brutal evisceration. Instigated by a shadowy arms trader, cleverly casting responsibility on others through an Internet site, insurance money laundering and government customers. *Riddle of Berlin* puts the integrity of NATO on the line, led by popular black American Vice President Lucius Alcorn. A man without fingerprints or history awakens on the Danube. Carmen calls him Del, my deliverer. Orange Girl at the Louvre attracts attention to the declared death of her father on the streets of Paris, becoming engulfed herself in the Riddle. Jaegerman is deemed the terrorist. Del crafts resolution of the Riddle. Reliving thrills of danger as he

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tastes new love with Carmen. Denouement brings the choice of everyman. Home is where it was, is or could be? Can we ever return?

Unless we are all mad, there is at the back of the most bewildering business a story: and if we are all mad, there is no such thing as madness. If I set a house on fire, it is quite true that I may illuminate many other people's weaknesses as well as my own. It may be that the master of the house was burned because he was drunk: it may be that the mistress of the house was burned because she was stingy, and perished arguing about the expense of a fire-escape. It is, nevertheless, broadly true that they both were burned because I set fire to their house. That is the story of the thing.

The mere facts of the story about the present European conflagration are quite as easy to tell. -- G.K. Chesterton This early work by G. K. Chesterton was originally published in 1914. Gilbert Keith Chesterton was born in London in 1874. He studied at the Slade School of Art, and upon graduating began to work as a freelance journalist. Over the course of his life, his literary output was incredibly diverse and highly prolific, ranging from philosophy and ontology to art criticism and detective fiction. However, he is probably best-remembered for his Christian apologetics, most notably in *Orthodoxy* (1908) and *The Everlasting Man* (1925). We are republishing these classic works in affordable, high quality, modern editions, using the original text and artwork.

THE ACCLAIMED INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER 'One of the most extraordinary and compelling novels written about World War II. Ever' Alan Furst Inspired by a true story, Hans Fallada's *Alone in Berlin* is a gripping wartime thriller following one ordinary man's determination to defy the tyranny of Nazi rule Berlin, 1940, and the city is filled with fear. At the house on 55 Jablonski Strasse, its various occupants try to live under Nazi rule in their different ways: the bullying Hitler

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loyalists the Persickes, the retired judge Fromm and the unassuming couple Otto and Anna Quangel. Then the Quangels receive the news that their beloved son has been killed fighting in France. Shocked out of their quiet existence, they begin a silent campaign of defiance, and a deadly game of cat and mouse develops between the Quangels and the ambitious Gestapo inspector Escherich. When petty criminals Kluge and Borkhausen also become involved, deception, betrayal and murder ensue, tightening the noose around the Quangels' necks ... This Penguin Classics edition contains an afterword by Geoff Wilkes, as well as facsimiles of the original Gestapo file which inspired the novel. 'Terrific ... a fast-moving, important and astutely deadpan thriller' Irish Times 'An unrivalled and vivid portrait of life in wartime Berlin' Philip Kerr 'To read Fallada's testament to the darkest years of the 20th century is to be accompanied by a wise, somber ghost who grips your shoulder and whispers into your ear: "This is how it was. This is what happened"' The New York Times In a book that is both biography and the most exciting form of history, here are eighteen years in the life of a man, Albert Einstein, and a city, Berlin, that were in many ways the defining years of the twentieth century. Einstein in Berlin In the spring of 1913 two of the giants of modern science traveled to Zurich. Their mission: to offer the most prestigious position in the very center of European scientific life to a man who had just six years before been a mere patent clerk. Albert Einstein accepted, arriving in Berlin in March 1914 to take up his new post. In December 1932 he left Berlin forever. "Take a good look," he said to his wife as they walked away from their house. "You will never see it again." In between, Einstein's Berlin years capture in microcosm the odyssey of the twentieth century. It is a century that opens with extravagant hopes--and climaxes in unparalleled calamity. These are tumultuous times, seen through the life of

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one man who is at once witness to and architect of his day--and ours. He is present at the events that will shape the journey from the commencement of the Great War to the rumblings of the next one. We begin with the eminent scientist, already widely recognized for his special theory of relativity. His personal life is in turmoil, with his marriage collapsing, an affair under way. Within two years of his arrival in Berlin he makes one of the landmark discoveries of all time: a new theory of gravity--and before long is transformed into the first international pop star of science. He flourishes during a war he hates, and serves as an instrument of reconciliation in the early months of the peace; he becomes first a symbol of the hope of reason, then a focus for the rage and madness of the right. And throughout these years Berlin is an equal character, with its astonishing eruption of revolutionary pathways in art and architecture, in music, theater, and literature. Its wild street life and sexual excesses are notorious. But with the debacle of the depression and Hitler's growing power, Berlin will be transformed, until by the end of 1932 it is no longer a safe home for Einstein. Once a hero, now vilified not only as the perpetrator of "Jewish physics" but as the preeminent symbol of all that the Nazis loathe, he knows it is time to leave.

In August 1914, Berlin, Ontario, settled largely by people of German origin, was a thriving, peaceful city. By the spring of 1915 it was a city torn apart by the tensions of war. By September 1916, Berlin had become Kitchener. It began with the need to raise a battalion of 1,100 men to support the British war effort. Meeting with resistance from a peace-loving community and spurred on by the jingoistic nationalism that demanded troops to fight the hated "Hun," frustrated soldiers began assaulting citizens in the streets and, on one infamous occasion, a Lutheran clergyman in his parsonage. Out of this turmoil arose a movement to rid the city of its German name,

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and this campaign, together with the recruiting efforts, made 1916 the most turbulent year in Kitchener's history. This is the story of the men and women involved in these battles, the soldiers, the civic officials, the business leaders, and the innocent bystanders, and how they behaved in the face of conditions they had never before experienced.

The Religious Identity of Young Muslim Women in Berlin offers an in-depth ethnographic account of Muslim youth's religious identity formation and their everyday life engagement with Islam. It deals with the reconstruction of selfhood and the collective content of identity formation in an urban and transnational setting.

In *A Jewish Mother from Berlin*, Martha Jadassohn's seemingly conventional life plunges into chaos after a brutal attack on her only child. As Martha assumes the self-imposed mission of combing Berlin for the man who raped five-year-old Ursa, she encounters Berlin's staid and seamy sides - a world peopled with working-class weekend gardeners, middle-class cultural snobs, transvestites, a former Spanish dancer turned hostess with a secret, and a Jewish lawyer who clings rigidly to the rule of law. During her harrowing quest, Martha becomes obsessed with a handsome, shallow "Aryan" type in a relationship that intensifies her solitude and alienation.

Kolmar peels away the layers of Martha's outward restraint to bare the soul of a woman slowly shattered by a callous society in which Jews are outcasts and women preyed upon. Another heroine on a quest for love and self-expression propels the lyrical novella *Susanna*, a finely wrought psychological portrait of an outsider. The ethereally beautiful Susanna sets out on a tragic search for her lost lover, only to find herself floundering in a world where everyone's perceptions clash with her own.

World War II is over, and former German intelligence

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officer Captain Gregor Reinhardt has returned to Berlin. A year after Germany's defeat, he has been hired back onto Berlin's civilian police force. The city is divided among the victorious allied powers, but tensions are growing, and the police are riven by internal rivalries as factions within it jockey for power and influence with Berlin's new masters. When a man is found slain in a broken-down tenement, Reinhardt embarks on a gruesome investigation uncovering a dangerous serial killer.

On-point historical photographs combined with strong narration bring the story of the Berlin Wall to life. Kids will learn about the partition of Berlin after WWII, the cold war tensions between the US and the USSR that led to the building of the wall, and the anti-communist pressures that led it to fall. The fall of the wall would become a symbol of democracy and freedom. Readers will understand the significance behind this event through text and clips of the event itself via the Capstone 4D augmented reality app.

Bernie Gunther enters a dangerous battleground when he investigates crimes on the Eastern Front at the height of World War 2 in this gripping historical mystery from New York Times bestselling author Philip Kerr. Berlin, 1943. A month has passed since Stalingrad. Though Hitler insists Germany is winning the war, morale is low and commanders on the ground know better. Then Berlin learns of a Red massacre of Polish troops near Smolensk, Russia. In a rare instance of agreement, both the Wehrmacht and Propaganda Minister Goebbels want irrefutable evidence of this Russian atrocity. And so

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Bernie Gunther is dispatched. In Smolensk, Bernie finds an enclave of Prussian aristocrats who look down at the wise-cracking, rough-edged Berlin bull. But Bernie doesn't care about fitting in. He only wants to uncover the identity of a savage killer—before becoming a victim himself.

In 1984, Johnny East, a dancer, is invited to West Berlin by mad Alice, an English girl living a bohemian life in the city at the heart of the Cold War. Alice is besotted with Johnny but on a trip to the East one day, Johnny meets and falls in love with a Russian tightrope walker in East Berlin. They begin an affair that leaves a trail of East-West transits, both legal and illegal, including one of the most daring crossings of the Berlin Wall. Twenty years on Johnny is the director of an aerial company and with an exciting new performance returns to Berlin, a new vibrant city, to face the ghosts of the past, the present, and Alice. *The Last Dance over the Berlin Wall* is a story of young love, decadence and tragedy in the walled-in city of West Berlin.

At the end of World War II, Andrew Tully was one of three Americans allowed to enter Berlin as a guest of a Russian artillery battalion commander. He spent the next seventeen years gathering eye-witness accounts, collecting war diaries and letters, and reading over one hundred books in order to write this gripping and comprehensive account about the fall of Berlin.

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

'A gripping espionage thriller' *Observer* London, 1941.

The city is in blackout and an enemy is hiding in plain

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sight. Jack Hoste has become entangled in a national treachery. His mission: to locate the most dangerous Nazi agent in the country. He soon receives a promising lead in Amy Strallen, whose life is a world away from the machinations of Nazi sympathisers. But when Hoste pays a visit to Amy's office, the dangerous game he is playing becomes even more lethal. 'A cracking tale of high-stakes espionage... Intensely atmospheric' Mail on Sunday *Perfect for fans of John Le Carré and Charles Cumming*

Tampa Sun newspaper writer Larry Mickle answers the call of a dying World War II admiral, and in doing so stumbles upon a decades old secret - and the answer to perhaps the most compelling mystery of the 20th century. Moon Over Berlin takes Mickle to rural Mossyrock, Florida, not far from the shores of the Suwannee River, and to the Alapaha Junction Nursing Home. There he meets nursing home resident Barney Butler, an 86-year-old former hardware store owner and mayor - well-known by virtually everyone in town. Or so they thought. Over the course of several days, Butler takes Mickle on a journey through time, one that begins in the swamps of North Florida and travels through war-torn Germany. A cast of characters present obstacles along the way - to both a young Barney Butler, and to a modern day Larry Mickle. Moon Over Berlin is a story of grit and determination, of the loyal bonds of friendship, of good and evil.

One hundred years after the Berlin Psychoanalytic Institute was established, this book recovers the cultural and intellectual history connected to this vibrant

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organization and places it alongside the London Bloomsbury group, the Paris Surrealist circle, and the Viennese fin-de-siècle as a crucial chapter in the history of modernism. Taking us from World War I Berlin to the Third Reich and beyond to 1940s Palestine and 1950s New York—and to the influential work of the Frankfurt School—Veronika Fuechtner traces the network of artists and psychoanalysts that began in Germany and continued in exile. Connecting movements, forms, and themes such as Dada, multi-perspectivity, and the urban experience with the theory and practice of psychoanalysis, she illuminates themes distinctive to the Berlin psychoanalytic context such as war trauma, masculinity and femininity, race and anti-Semitism, and the cultural avant-garde. In particular, she explores the lives and works of Alfred Döblin, Max Eitingon, Georg Groddeck, Karen Horney, Richard Huelsenbeck, Count Hermann von Keyserling, Ernst Simmel, and Arnold Zweig.

Presents documents on the United States policy towards the Federal Republic of Germany 1969 through 1972. Also includes lists of the following: unpublished and published sources; abbreviations; and persons.

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This new study casts fresh light on the roles of Harold Macmillan and Nikita Khrushchev and their efforts to achieve a compromise settlement on the pivotal Berlin Crisis. Drawing on previously unseen documents and secret archive material, Kitty Newman demonstrates how the British Prime Minister acted to prevent the crisis

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sliding into a disastrous nuclear conflict. She shows how his visit to Moscow in 1959 was a success, which convinced Khrushchev of a sincere effort to achieve a lasting settlement. Despite the initial reluctance of the French and the Americans, and the consistent opposition of the Germans, Macmillan's subsequent efforts led to a softening of the Western line on Berlin and to the formulation of a set of proposals that might have achieved a peaceful resolution to the crisis if the Paris Conference of 1960 had not collapsed in acrimony. This volume also assesses Khrushchev's role, which despite his sometimes intemperate language, was to secure a peaceful settlement which would stabilize the East German regime, maintain the status quo in Europe and prevent the reunification of a resurgent, nuclearized Germany, thereby paving the way for disarmament. This book will be of great interest to all students of post-war diplomacy, Soviet foreign policy, the Cold War and of international relations and strategic studies in general. Provocative and personal, *Berlin Witness* is likely to be the definitive American description of the first phase of the German Revolution until the government opens its archives in the next century and will be a valuable resource for anyone wishing to understand the background of the new Germany

Isaiah Berlin and the Enlightenment explores the development of Berlin's conception of the Enlightenment, noting its indebtedness to a specific German intellectual tradition. The book examines his comments on individual writers, arguing that some assigned to the Counter-Enlightenment have closer affinities to the Enlightenment

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than he recognized.

As the Nazi war machine caused death and destruction throughout Europe, one man in the Fatherland began his own reign of terror. This is the true story of the pursuit and capture of a serial killer in the heart of the Third Reich. For all appearances, Paul Ogorzow was a model German. An employed family man, party member, and sergeant in the infamous Brownshirts, he had worked his way up in the Berlin railroad from a manual laborer laying track to assistant signalman. But he also had a secret need to harass and frighten women. Then he was given a gift from the Nazi high command. Due to Allied bombing raids, a total blackout was instituted throughout Berlin, including on the commuter trains—trains often used by women riding home alone from the factories. Under cover of darkness and with a helpless flock of victims to choose from, Ogorzow's depredations grew more and more horrific. He escalated from simply frightening women to physically attacking them, eventually raping and murdering them. Beginning in September 1940, he started casually tossing their bodies off the moving train. Though the Nazi party tried to censor news of the attacks, the women of Berlin soon lived in a state of constant fear. It was up to Wilhelm Lüdtké, head of the Berlin police's serious crimes division, to hunt down the madman in their midst. For the first time, the gripping full story of Ogorzow's killing spree and Lüdtké's relentless pursuit is told in dramatic detail. The next book in the acclaimed Cormack and Woodward series, set during the Berlin Blockade of 1948, which has sometimes been described as the Cuban Missile Crisis

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of the 1940s, where a highly volatile situation could easily have developed into a full-blown conflict. Cormack arrives in Berlin to take over a new post as the head of a counter-intelligence unit whose job is both to detect Soviet agents and to deal with Black Market activity. He is soon re-united with his old friend Woodward, who is involved in the Airlift, and the two find themselves in the middle of an undercover operation in which an ex-Nazi assassin has been smuggled into Berlin. But who has he been sent to kill, and why? Their investigations lead them into discovering the shadowy outlines of a conspiracy whose plans, if successful, could lead to millions of deaths... and some of the conspirators seem to be their own superiors. Not knowing whom they can trust, Cormack and Woodward somehow have to prevent the assassination taking place. They do not even know who the victim is to be, nor where or when it is to happen, but the price of failure is World War Three...

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conquered city are always subject--the mass rape suffered by all, regardless of age or infirmity. A Woman in Berlin stands as "one of the essential books for understanding war and life" (A. S. Byatt, author of Possession).

Reproduction of the original: The Barbarism of Berlin by G.K. Chesterton

“Berlin is damned forever to become, and never to be.”

Scheffler could not have anticipated that his dictum would prove prophetic. No other author has captured the city’s fascinating and unique character as perfectly.

From the golden twenties to the anarchic nineties and its status of world capital of hipsterdom at the beginning of the new millennium – the formerly divided city has become the symbol of a new urbanity, blessed with the privilege of never having to be, but forever to become.

Unlike London or Paris, the metropolis on the Spree lacked an organic principle of development. Berlin was nothing more than a colonial city, its sole purpose to conquer the East, its inhabitants a hodgepodge of materialistic individualists. No art or culture with which it might compete with the great cities of the world. Nothing but provincialism and culinary aberrations far and wide. Berlin: “City of preserves, tinned vegetables and all-purpose dipping sauce.”

TERROR IN BERLIN By Ed Plaisted In World War II

London on December 24, 1943, a English socialite while parked in a lovers lane with an Army Air Corps captain is murdered and sodomized by an American GI in a military police uniform . When Metro police capture him, they learn that he is Karl Krueger, and is suspected of

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many such crimes. Fleet Street tabloids call him the sex beast. Prime Minister Winston Churchill reads about Krueger as German bombs continue to destroy his city. He wonders how interested members of the Nazi high-command would be in winning the war if their women and children were the sex beasts next victim. A short time later, MI6 Captain Winston Smythe is relegated the duty of training six criminals for a secret mission. Largely made up of sex offenders, including Krueger, the men are to be dropped into Berlin to rape and murder wives, girl friends and children of the Nazi elite. While four of the men begin to strike terror in Berlin, the other two, IRA man Colin MacAteer and Mafia hit man Anthony Costello, take different routes. MacAteer ingratiates himself with the Nazis while Costello returns to what he knows best the black market. Kruegers first victims are the wife and oldest daughter of Prussian general Siegfried Henrici. He is unaware that Henricis nine-year-old daughter, Margit, witnesses the entire crime from under her mothers bed. Margit tells her story to Berlin police inspector Helmut Hessler and goes to live with her aunt. Soon the Red Army storms into Berlin, wreaking more havoc than the small squad of criminals, raping and murdering women at will. Margit and her aunt narrowly escape such a fate themselves when Smythe, working in Berlin on intelligence and smitten by the aunts beauty, offers her a job and a place to live. Their relationship lasts through the post-war years until Smythe returns to London. Margit grows up and goes to England as well to earn a journalism degree from Cambridge. Smythe is able to locate her fathers millions

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tucked away in Swiss bank accounts, leaving her well provided for. Thomas Kelly grows up in South Boston, far from the horrors of World War II. After football puts him through college in 1960, Tom is called to active duty from his ROTC status and assigned to serve as a military police officer in Berlin. Tom hopes to some day be a lawyer and judge. As soon as Tom gets to Berlin, a rash of murder-rapes breaks out in the British and American sectors. He meets Helmut Hessler, who tells him about the murder-rapes that occurred during the war. While Tom tries to understand the connection between crimes that shared the same MO but could not have been perpetrated by the same people, CIA and MI6 agents move in to cover up an embarrassing WW II mess. They agree that each criminal must be terminated before speaking to the MPs about their 1944 mission. Tom meets Margit when she comes to his office asking questions about the murders. Margit is now a reporter for the Berlin Morgenpost and a great beauty. Soon Tom and Margit are dating. Margit eventually tells Tom the horrible story about the deaths of her mother and sister and about her father, a Wehrmacht general. who is wasting away in an Soviet labor camp. Tom and Margit soon become aware that there is more to these crimes than meets the eye. When CIA and MI6 operatives realize that Tom and Margit are starting to piece together the story, they try to have them terminated. The couple can trust only the old German captain and an African American MP sergeant. Meanwhile the East Germans decide to construct the Berlin Wall. Can Tom and Margit prevail against all odds that include Washington, London

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and Moscow? **TERROR IN BERLIN** is a realistic historic thriller of 97,000 words.

You can't keep a good thief down . . . Charlie Howard is back and robbing the city of Berlin blind, until he witnesses a murder being committed right before his eyes. Charlie Howard, part-time writer, part-time thief, has been engaged in a veritable spree of larceny and misappropriation since moving to Berlin, Germany. He's supposed to be working on his next novel. But high rent and a love for thrill-seeking has been hard on his word count. But Charlie's larcenous binge is interrupted by the call to duty—on behalf of Her Majesty's Government. Four embassy employees are suspected of stealing a sensitive item. Charlie is to break into their homes, find the culprit and recover the stolen property. But there's a catch. The item is so sensitive, Charlie isn't told what he's looking for. Not its size, not its weight, nothing. He's only told that he'll recognize it when he sees it. Charlie has been a successful thief because he follows his own rules, the first being "Don't get caught." Well, after he enters the first suspect's home, he has to add a new rule: "Don't admire the view." As Charlie stares across the street, he sees something he really wishes he hadn't—a woman being murdered. And that's just for starters. What follows is a wild adventure in the former cauldron of spies. With *The Good Thief's Guide to Berlin*, Chris Ewan shows why he was voted as one of America's favorite British authors by a Huffington Post poll. Clever and wildly entertaining, this is a mystery series that is "big fun" (*The Seattle Times*).

New York Times bestselling author Gregory Benford

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creates an alternate history about the creation of the atomic bomb that explores what could have happened if the bomb was ready to be used by June 6, 1944. Karl Cohen, a chemist and mathematician who is part of The Manhattan Project team, has discovered an alternate solution for creating the uranium isotope needed to cause a chain reaction: U-235. After convincing General Groves of his new method, Cohen and his team of scientists work at Oak Ridge preparing to have a nuclear bomb ready to drop by the summer of 1944 in an effort to stop the war on the western front. What ensues is an altered account of World War II in this taut thriller. Combining fascinating science with intimate and true accounts of several members of The Manhattan Project, *The Berlin Project* is an astounding novel that reimagines history and what could have happened if the atom bomb was ready in time to stop Hitler from killing millions of people.

Moritz Föllmer traces the history of individuality in Berlin from the late 1920s to the construction of the Berlin Wall in August 1961. The demand to be recognised as an individual was central to metropolitan society, as were the spectres of risk, isolation and loss of agency. This was true under all five regimes of the period, through economic depression, war, occupation and reconstruction. The quest for individuality could put democracy under pressure, as in the Weimar years, and could be satisfied by a dictatorship, as was the case in the Third Reich. It was only in the course of the 1950s, when liberal democracy was able to offer superior opportunities for consumerism, that individuality finally claimed the mantle. *Individuality and Modernity in Berlin* proposes a fresh perspective on twentieth-century Berlin that will engage

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readers with an interest in the German metropolis as well as European urban history more broadly.

Over the course of his long and controversial career, Joschka Fischer evolved from an archetypal 1960s radical--a firebrand street activist--into a shrewd political insider, operating at the heights of German politics. In the 1980s he was one of the first elected Greens and went on to become Germany's foreign minister from 1998 to 2005. His famous challenge to Donald Rumsfeld's case for invading Iraq--"Excuse me, I am not convinced"--won him worldwide recognition, and the Bush administration's contempt. Here is both a lively biography of Joschka Fischer and a gripping history 'from below' of postwar Germany. Paul Hockenos begins in the ruins of postwar Germany and guides us through the flashpoints of the late sixties and seventies, from the student protests and the terrorism of the Baader-Meinhof group to the evolution of Europe's premier Green party, and brings us up to the present in the united Germany. He shows how the grassroots movements that became the German Greens challenged and changed the republic's status quo, making postwar Germany more democratic, liberal and worldly along the way. Despite the ideological twists and turns of Fischer and his peers, the lessons of the Holocaust and the Nazi terror remained their constant coordinates. Hockenos traces that political journey, providing readers with unique insight into the impact that these movements and the Greens have had on Germany. Informed by hundreds of interviews with key figures and fellow travelers, Joschka Fischer and the Making of the Berlin Republic presents readers with one of the most intriguing personalities on the European scene, and paints a rich picture of the rebellious generation of 1968 that became the political elite of modern Germany.

He knew the city reasonably well, if anyone can ever really know Berlin to whatever extent. There was something

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enigmatic, maybe charismatic but certainly contradictory, even tragic about the metropolis that had always intrigued Steve... As a Londoner, he knew also that it was as difficult to understand a city as it was to comprehend a human being, yet always worth trying... Londoner Steve, a retired professional and published fiction author in his early sixties, is on a creative journey in Berlin. Being Jewish, he harbours some ambivalence about a city he has visited many times, and even before the Berlin Wall came down, though Steve has always sought to understand its intriguingly complex and enigmatic character. With his wife's blessing, he resides alone in a rented apartment in his favoured leafy and trendy neighbourhood of Prenzlauer Berg. Steve feels that he now is getting to grips with the German capital's postmodern zeitgeist, revealing itself against the still echoing vibes of a turbulent 20th century history. His aim is to complete the first draft of a contemporary novel set in this enterprising, cosmopolitan, easygoing, even indulgent metropolis. But he would never have anticipated embarking on a parallel journey, a voyage of self-discovery – with two fellow passengers, two women, neither of them his wife – that could end in tragedy... Last Days in Berlin offers a unique perspective of Berlin through the eyes of a man whose own personal dilemmas seem to mirror the city's own uncertainties.

The year is 1941. Nazi Germany is at the peak of its power, dominates Europe, about to defeat the might of Russia. But there's a worm in the apple. Heinrich Himmler, one of the most powerful men in the Third Reich is under threat. A single piece of paper could bring him down. He must have that piece of paper. He will do anything to get it. The man who has it will do anything to use it against Himmler. It's a game with only one winner, a game where the loser loses all.

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