

# This month's bestseller list from Exclusive Books.

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## Fiction.

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1. **A Prayer for Owen Meany/John Irving** (Corgi R23,99). Owen Meany is the most heartbreaking hero Irving has yet created. From the author of *The World According to Garp*.
2. **September/Rosamunde Pilcher** (New English Library R54,99). Author of *Shellseekers* using her rare talent to portray the complexities of human emotions and family life.
3. **Ties of Blood/Gillian Slovo** (Headline R23,99). Saga of individuals, families and whole races caught up in an epic struggle. An impressive achievement.
4. **Devices and Desires/P D James** (Faber & Faber R35,99). Cerebral grande dame of crime on murder in nuclear England.
5. **Remains of the Day/Kazuo Ishiguro** (Faber & Faber R22,99). 1989 Booker Prize winner's wholly convincing portrait of English life, told with delicacy and humour.
6. **The Joy Luck Club/Amy Tan** (Minerva R20,99). That rare phenomenon — a brilliantly successful first novel. Two generations of women struggle to come to terms with their cultural identity.
7. **The Power of One/Bryce Courtenay** (Mandarin R20,50). Spellbinding South African tale of compassion and faith, filled with unique characters and much pathos.
8. **Women in His Life/Barbara Taylor Bradford** (Grafton R54,99). Classic Bradford in which glitzy male hero attempts to handle his internal angst. Set against an international background and ranging over five decades.
9. **Thoughts in a Makeshift Mortuary/Jenny Hobbs** (Grafton R23,99). Local writer's first novel. Shortlisted for 1989 CNA Literary Award. Winner will be announced on 5 September.
10. **Paradise Redecorated/Koos Kombuis** (Nemesis R27,99). Alias Andre Letoit of *Suidpunt Jazz* "fame". His wacky, first venture into "Engels".

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## Non-Fiction.

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1. **My Traitor's Heart/Rian Malan** (Bodley Head R49,99). Boer prodigal's incisive, often terrifying, engagement with his land, its people and the fears of our being here, now.
2. **The Road Less Travelled/M. Scott Peck** (Arrow R24,99). A new psychology of love, traditional values and spiritual growth.
3. **The Mind of South Africa/Allister Sparks** (Heinemann R69,99). Recently announced winner of Sanlam Prize, the book outlines the seminal, historical events that have shaped the S.A. drama.
4. **Making Money Made Simple/Noel Whittaker & Magnus Heystek** (Struik/Timmins R30,45). Local adaptation of Australian megaseller.
5. **France — the Beautiful Cookbook G. Pudlowski** (Merehurst R109,99). Lavish presentation of French cuisine, beautifully produced.
6. **Beyond the Headlines/Nomavenda Mathiane** (Southern R43,99). Stories re-published from *Frontline* saying aloud things about S.A. life that most people only mumble about — quietly.
7. **South Africa's Silent Revolution/John Kane-Berman** (Southern R19,99). Executive Director of S.A. Institute of Race Relations' provocative insight into trade unions, businessmen and others.
8. **Beyers Naude: Pilgrimage of Faith/Colleen Ryan** (David Philip R30,99). Timeous biography of a great South African.
9. **150 S.A. Paintings/L. Alexander & E. Cohen** (Struikhof R89,99). Eclectic collection of local masterpieces in extremely well designed volume.
10. **Sobukwe and Apartheid/Benjamin Pogrand** (Jonathan Ball R40,99). First detailed biography of a leading figure in the development of black resistance.

(All prices subject to change)

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