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*Animals in Person* Inner Traditions / Bear & Co

In this, the third and final instalment of the Liberty Realm Series, Zavier, Grace, Christian and the rest of the army of good travel to Shabirri Swamp where they come face to face with the worst evil imaginable.

**Joy and Tears** Routledge

In this engrossing, two-part novel, which weaves together fact and fiction, Yolanda Ortal-Miranda brings to center stage one of the tragic but generally under-reported results of the Cuban Revolution: the steady exodus by sea of thousands of Cubans, desperate for freedom and at the breaking point in their ability to tolerate the stifling tyranny of the Castro regime. The plot is gripping, and the characters are colorful, fascinating and endearing. Through them, we see the realities of life in post-Revolution Cuba and the enduring quest to live where there is freedom and respect for human rights. As the novel opens, the reader is immediately transported to Cuba--a parallel, but third world, universe just 90 miles from American shores. The year is 1970, and the story is true. Rafael, a determined young man, is cutting cane at a People's Farm, hating every minute of the cruel, obligatory servitude that has been thrust on him by the government. After unsuccessful attempts to leave legally, he and his three brothers decide to swim across the dangerous waters of Guantanamo Bay, in the dark of night, to seek political asylum at the U.S. Naval Base. Will they succeed? The characters of Part II are fictional stereotypes of the following generation, whose desperation to be free, no less than those who came before, gives them the courage to defy nature and the Cuban government by crossing the perilous, shark-infested Straits of Florida in anything that will float. The reader will meet, and come to know, a fascinating collage of desperate Cubans whose lives intersect in the 1990s as they flee their homeland in an old fishing boat: Amalia, a resolute university professor; Gustavo, an oceanographer in love with Amalia; Pedro, a veteran fisherman and captain of the boat; his wife, Aquilina, the devoted mother of their totally disabled son, Santiago; and Maribel and Arturo, political dissidents. When their boat capsizes, a "Brothers to the Rescue" plane appears. Will the survivors be saved? The author's hope in writing this novel is that its readers will emotionally connect with the characters as their stories unfold, and that they will be truly moved by the real and ongoing human tragedy that the book exposes.

**Dolphins and Their Power to Heal** Arcturus Publishing

A middle-grade fantasy novel about a half-angel, half-mermaid discovering her identity and fighting to protect the Laws of the Universe and the fate of the realms of land, sea and sky from the forces of evil. From the shore, the sky, and the depths of the sea, an epic adventure awaits. Stella Merriss has never felt like she belonged anywhere—her family was always on the run. During a daring escape her parents suddenly disappear into stormy, shark-infested waters. Alone and unsure of her future, she learns the truth: that she's actually half angel, half mermaid. Stella has no choice but to join an elite angel apprenticeship program where—despite having to hide her illegal dual nature—she finally feels as though she has found a home. But villainous forces are gathering to strike against Stella's newfound home and attack the three Timekeepers who spin and weave the fateful Thread of Life. Evil Lord Sylvain and his army will stop at nothing to corrupt the Laws of the Universe and bend them toward his own vile agenda. A child of land, sea, and sky is the only obstacle standing in his way. In this battle between good and evil, Stella and her friends must defend against the armies of Lord Sylvain or see the realms of land, sea, and sky plunged into chaos.

*The Escape* Lulu.com

This is the story of Phillip, a teen surfer from the sleepy town of Beluga Bay, who finds himself in the body of Finneus the dolphin after the dolphin saved him from drowning on a huge wave. Phillip always dreamed of being a dolphin, but this dream could become a nightmare if he can't survive in the ocean and find a way back to his human body, which now lays in a coma. Phillip loves the feeling of being in the dolphin's body. He can swim very fast, jump high out of the water, and ride any wave he wants to. He quickly realizes the high intelligence of the dolphins, and the difference between them and humans is very small. He's fascinated how he can communicate with all other ocean creatures. Along with his brother Linnaeus and cousin Pelorus, the three recently orphaned dolphins explore the ocean and experience killer whales, a blue whale mother and calf, migrating gray whales, tiger sharks, and schools of tuna hunting anchovies, which dolphins love to do. They also have fun riding waves with

surfers and off of the bows of large ships. Finneus leads their journey to prevent other dolphins from being orphaned and to save Beluga Bay from being changed from a charming small beach community to a busy yachting town and destroying local surf spots. These three have a lot of things to do and not much time. Phillip's family continues to suffer wondering if he'll ever wake from his coma, while Finneus faces life threatening situations, trying to survive on dolphin instinct, human knowledge, and help from his buddies. Have you ever wanted to be a dolphin? Will Finneus save other dolphins from harm? Will Finneus make it back to Phillip and his human body? Will Phillip recover from the coma? 2

*The Odyssey* Library of Alexandria

When a baby albino dolphin caught in old fishing netting washes ashore, Paralympics sailing hopeful Felix and English school girl Kara work with veterinarians and specialists to save and reunite the dolphin with her mother, setting off a chain of events that might just save the reef from the environmental effects of proposed dredging.

*The Spaces Between Us* Moody Publishers

Hidden amid lush parkland, Eardisford is the ultimate English country retreat and it's just been sold for the first time in its history. Romantic daredevil Kat Mason has been bequeathed the estate's lakeside sanctuary, Lake Farm, until she dies or marries. But the new owners want her out now . . . In rides charming playboy Dougie Everett, the man hired to sweep Kat off her feet and off the property. Dougie loves nothing more than the thrill of the chase, but does he risk losing his heart along the way?

*5 Very Good Reasons to Punch a Dolphin in the Mouth (And Other Useful Guides)* Simon and Schuster

Not just another guidebook. There's no shortage of travel information; guidebooks, the internet, tour firms... This book provides something different; travel wisdom. Pearl Escapes brings you a detailed first hand review of one recommended hotel, one spa, one top restaurant, and one exceptional sight in each of five popular Chinese locations; Hong Kong, Yangshuo, Shanghai, Huangshan and Beijing. Perfect for anyone who wants to be able to relax and enjoy the trip of a lifetime without researching or stressing. Pearl Escapes also gives you unparalleled first hand experience of China's ancient spa wisdom in some of the world's best spas as well as some of the world's simplest. And perhaps most importantly, this book includes the essential guide on where to Go. Each area's toilets have been rigorously reviewed, from where to find the best toilet in the world (Shanghai) and how to avoid the worst (Huangshan). If you've ever dreamed of visiting China, now is the time.

**Dark Life** Simon and Schuster

Written by Kate Russell under official license from the creators of, and based in the vast universe of, the seminal space trading computer game *Elite: Dangerous*. Commander Angel Rose, forced into a life of crime due to circumstances beyond her control, is determined to survive in the unforgiving void as a professional assassin. Will she be forced into the ignominy of moving back in with her parents when her efforts fail to leave her with credit-earning blood on her hands? After years of galactic travel, could Angel's destiny be to end up drinking cheap liquor in a bar in Slough... 10% of the proceeds of this book will be donated to Special Effect who have made it their mission to beat physical disability and allow everyone to enjoy playing video games.

*Ten Million Aliens* CreateSpace

Apes and dolphins: primates and cetaceans. Could any creatures appear to be more different? Yet both are large-brained intelligent mammals with complex communication and social interaction. In the first book to study apes and dolphins side by side, Maddalena Bearzi and Craig B. Stanford, a dolphin biologist and a primatologist who have spent their careers studying these animals in the wild, combine their insights with compelling results. *Beautiful Minds* explains how and why apes and dolphins are so distantly related yet so cognitively alike and what this teaches us about another large-brained mammal: *Homo sapiens*. Noting that apes and dolphins have had no common ancestor in nearly 100 million years, Bearzi and Stanford describe the parallel evolution that gave rise to their intelligence. And they closely observe that intelligence in action, in the territorial grassland and rainforest communities of chimpanzees and other apes, and in groups of dolphins moving freely through open coastal waters. The authors detail their subjects' ability to develop family bonds, form alliances, and care for their young. They offer an understanding of their culture, politics, social structure, personality, and capacity for emotion. The resulting dual portrait—with striking overlaps in behavior—is key to understanding the nature of “beautiful minds.”

*Island of the Blue Dolphins* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

How heavy is a blue whale's tongue? How lazy is a blobfish?

Which fish wrestle with their mouths? Young readers can find out the answers to these questions and more in this fun fact book. With clear, engaging text and vibrant illustrations, kids can get the low-down on the incredible world beneath our oceans in an accessible and entertaining way. Includes: • Deep-sea creatures • Sharks and dolphins • Octopus and squid • Reefs and sea beds With fabulous facts and stats that are great for sharing, this book introduces young minds to the natural world in an engaging and memorable way. Perfect for curious kids aged 7+. ABOUT THE SERIES: Big Ideas! is a dynamic, educational "fun fact" series for children aged seven and up, illustrated throughout with humorous cartoons. Packed with surprising facts, stats, and records that kids will just love to share, it revels in all things weird, unexpected, mind-blowing, funny, and gross!

*Why Don't Sharks Have Bones?* Fantastic Books Publishing

In 2009, a documentary movie called *The Cove* focused the spotlight of world attention on the tiny coastal village of Taiji, Japan. Lauded as the birthplace of Japanese whaling, present day Taiji hosts a secretive industry of marine mammal exploitation. This diminutive town is a principal provider of captive whales and dolphins to the world's marine parks and is responsible for the cruel slaughter of thousands of dolphins annually. *Salt Water Tears* is written around author Len Varleys first-person, eyewitness journal account of events in and around Taiji in the winter of 2010. It is a story that seeks to balance activism and marine conservation with Japanese traditional culture and introduces the reader to an enigmatic and highly intelligent sea dweller, the dolphin. Beyond this a far deeper universal notion resonates: the need for mankind to reconnect and re-harmonise with the natural environment while addressing the pressing dual issues of conservation and sustainability before it is too late. Weaving an intriguing tale of past and present, author Len Varley tables a deeper understanding of the once deeply spiritual Japanese whaling tradition. He observes its degeneration into present-day commercialism and greed, marred by stark acts of animal cruelty. Varley delivers a compelling exposé of the Taiji dolphin drive hunts, powerfully presented against the mysterious backdrop of Japan's deep spirituality and superstition, the haunting beauty of its landscape, and the gentle humility and warmth of its people. A must read book for any activist who wants the real story behind the Japanese dolphin slaughter in Taiji. Len's account is both heart-breaking and heart-warming in equal measure. Pete Bethune - Earthrace Conservation Organisation

*Stella and the Timekeepers* Fulton Books, Inc.

A scandalous affair. An old man with an attitude problem. A family inn crumbling to the ground. Will she ever survive the summer? Tana Martin was living her best life... until suddenly, she wasn't. When she catches her husband with a woman half her age, her friend suggests that she needs a little "you time" - meaning swimsuits, Mai Tais, and golden-sand beaches, not a cantankerous old man who needs a caretaker and a family inn that has fallen into a state of disrepair. She should be celebrating her silver wedding anniversary. Instead, she's gearing up for the worst summer of her life. But Dolphin Bay, the small island off the coast of Maine where Tana spent much of her childhood, has more than a few surprises in store. Amid the sea-breeze days and starry nights, old friendships are rekindled, new flames are ignited, and Tana begins to realize that the life she left behind might not be the one she craves after all. Visit the beautiful island of Dolphin Bay, where friendship, hope, love, and pastries are plentiful. This small-town women's fiction series is perfect for readers of all ages.

**The Escape** Harvard University Press

When Marco and the other Animorphs investigate Visser One's secret underwater project, Marco finds out that his mother is his worst enemy -- the leader of the Yeerk invasion of Earth.

*The Island Escape Collection* Lulu.com

The story of human evolution has been told hundreds of times, each time with a focus that seems most informative of the teller. No matter how it is told the primary characters are rarely mothers and infants. Darwin argued survival, but today we know that reproduction is what evolution is all about. Centering on this, Trevathan focuses on birth, which gives the study of human evolution a crucial new dimension. Unique among mammals, humans are bipedal. The evolution of bipedalism required fundamental changes in the pelvis and resulted in a narrow birth canal. Humans are also large-brained animals, which means that birth is much more challenging for our species than for most other animals. The result of this mismatch of large head and narrow pelvis is that women are highly dependent on assistance at birth and their babies are born in an unusually undeveloped state when the brain is still small. *Human Birth* discusses how the birth

process has evolved and ways in which human birth differs from birth in all other mammals. Human Birth is also concerned with mother-infant interaction immediately after birth. While working as a midwife trainee, Trevathan carefully documented the births of more than one hundred women and recorded maternal and infant behaviors during the first hour after birth. She suggests ways in which the interactions served not only to enhance mother-infant bonding, but also to ensure survival in the evolutionary past. With clarity and compelling logic Trevathan argues that modern birth practices often fail to meet evolved needs of women and infants and suggests changes that could lead to better birth experiences. This paperback edition includes a new introduction by the author.

**Finneus The Dolphin** Bonnier Zaffre Ltd.

This book presents a biblical and practical look at Christians and their emotions, building off of the concept that most contemporary Christians have misconceptions about why we have emotions and how we should handle them. Trusting God doesn't mean being consistently tranquil or subdued. Truth is, such a view makes life flat and two dimensional. We often forget that emotions are a gift; to fear them or stow them away would be to deny a huge part of what makes us human. This book explores the significance of the gift and the benefits of living a robust life of thought, action, and feeling. Illuminating the emotional life of Christ and his followers, As Dr. Gerald Peterman asks: If I'm forgiven, why do I feel guilt and shame? What about anger? What if I'm angry with God? What is the place of sadness in the Christian life? Is love only an action? Emotions don't just happen to us like the virus or the flu, they are inherently part of us. Readers will find that the discussion extends beyond "good" and "bad", as many emotions are neutral and it is up to them to figure out how to glorify God with them. Extended chapters on love and anger are included.

**One White Dolphin** Simon and Schuster

Haffner is charming, morally suspect, vain, obsessed by the libertine emperors. He is British and Jewish and a widower. But Haffner's attachments to his nation, his race, his marriage, have always been matters of conjecture. They have always been subjects of debate. There are many stories of Haffner—but this, the most secret, is the greatest of them all. The Escape opens in a spa town snug in the unfashionable eastern Alps, where Haffner has come to claim his wife's inheritance: a villa expropriated in darker times. After weeks of ignoring his task in order to conduct two affairs—one with a capricious young yoga instructor, the other with a hungrily passionate married woman—he discovers gradually that he wants this villa, very much. Squabbling with bureaucrats and their shadows means a fight, and Haffner wants anything he has to fight for. How can you ever escape your past,

your family, your history? That is the problem of Haffner's story in The Escape. That has always been the problem of Haffner—and his lifetime of metamorphoses and disappearances. How might Haffner ever become unattached? Through the improvised digressions of his comic couplings and uncouplings emerge the stories of Haffner's century: the chaos of World War II, the heyday of jazz, the postwar diaspora, the uncertain triumph of capitalism, and the inescapability of memory. The Escape is a swift, sad farce of sexual mayhem by a brilliant young novelist The New York Times has called "a prodigy and, as such, unstoppable."

**THE ANIMAL STORY BOOK - 63 true stories about animals** Abela Publishing Ltd

Follow along with brothers Mason and Asher in the third Aquatic Adventures in the Overworld book! Brothers Mason and Asher have only ever known the comfort of dry land in the Overworld. But when a terrifying shipwreck leaves them stranded, their new friend Luna urges them to safe haven—underwater. In each story of the all-new series for Minecrafters, Aquatic Adventures in the Overworld, this unlikely trio must make the choice of staying in the world they know best and risk death, or voyaging into an unknown world where anything could happen. Follow their journey as Mason, Asher, and Luna face incredible obstacles and discover strength they never knew they had in Aquatic Adventures in the Overworld. When Asher doesn't return from his hunt for buried treasure, Mason wonders what became of his brother. Then Luna appears, insisting that the pod of dolphins swimming nearby have a message for Mason. Do they know where Asher is? To find out more, Mason and Luna have to first earn the dolphins' trust. But when danger strikes, Mason wonders—is it too late to save his brother, and can he and Luna save the dolphins, too?

**Salt Water Tears** Univ of California Press

TWO BOOKS IN ONE! Within this Patricia Wilson omnibus, you'll find the perfect, sun-drenched romantic escape, with her novels *Villa of Secrets* and *Secrets of Santorini*. \*\*VILLA OF SECRETS\*\* Rebecca Neumann's marriage is on the brink of collapse, as her desire to be a mother becomes an obsession. Then she receives news from her estranged family in Rhodes. Called back to the beautiful Greek island of her birth, she realises how little she knows of the grandmother she has eluded for over a decade. Bubba has never spoken of the Nazi occupation during her youth, but there have always been whispers. What desperate measures did she take that terrible day in 1944 when her family was ripped apart? Can the rumour she had blood on her own hands really be true? But Bubba intends to take her secrets to the grave. However, as Rebecca arrives on Rhodes, bringing the promise of new life, this broken family must come together. The time has come to tell the truth about the darkest of days . . . \*\*SECRETS OF SANTORINI\*\* Sent away to a convent school in Dublin at the age

of five, Irini McGuire has always had a strained and distant relationship with her mother, Bridget, a celebrated archaeologist who lives on the paradise island of Santorini. So, when Irini receives news that Bridget has been injured at a dig and is in a coma, she knows it is finally time to return to the island of her birth. Reading through her mother's notes at her bedside, Irini starts to realise how little she knows about Bridget's life. Now, driven by rumours that her mother's injury was no accident, Irini must uncover the dark secrets behind her family's separation. Will she discover the truth about her parents and her past before it is too late?

**Spa Breaks - The Guide from Pearl Escapes August 2012** Oxford University Press

Dive deep into the vivid underwater world of Dark Life!The oceans rose, swallowing the lowlands. Earthquakes shattered the continents, toppling entire regions into the rising water. Now, humans live packed into stack cities. The only ones with any space of their own are those who live on the ocean floor: the Dark Life. Ty has spent his whole life living deep undersea. When outlaws attack his homestead, he finds himself in a fight to save the only home he has ever known. Joined by Gemma, a girl from Topside, Ty ventures into the frontier's rough underworld and discovers some dark secrets to Dark Life. Secrets that threaten to destroy everything.

**Delphi Works of Andrew Lang (Illustrated)** Farrar, Straus and Giroux

"Funny, thoughtful, informative, and wise" (Publishers Weekly, starred review), this scientific foray into the animal kingdom examines how the world's creatures—weird, wonderful, and everything in between—are inextricably linked. Life on planet earth is not weirder than we imagine. It's weirder than we are capable of imagining. And we're all in it together: humans, blue whales, rats, birds of paradise, beetles, mollusks the size of buses, gladiator slugs, bdelloid rotifers that haven't had sex for millions of years, and water bears—creatures that can be boiled, frozen, and fired off into space without dying. We're all part of the animal kingdom, appearing in what Darwin called "endless forms most beautiful and most wonderful." In this audacious book, Simon Barnes brings together all of the world's creatures, seeking not what sets them all apart but what unites them all. He explores arcane knowledge from the works of Darwin to James Joyce and David Attenborough to Sherlock Holmes, in addition to telling his own wild, don't-try-this-at-home adventures in humorous and compulsively readable prose. Fascinating, entertaining, and perfect for Discovery Channel enthusiasts, Ten Million Aliens will open your eyes to the animal world through Barnes's "unique voice, always willing to challenge conventional wisdom and look for deeper meanings" (The Sunday Telegraph).