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Witching Hour Ballantine Books

The hypnotic, deeply seductive novels of Anne Rice have captivated millions of fans around the world. It all began a quarter of a century ago with *Interview with the Vampire*. Now, in one chilling volume, here are the first three classic novels of *The Vampire Chronicles*. **INTERVIEW WITH THE VAMPIRE** Witness the confessions of a vampire. A novel of mesmerizing beauty and astonishing force, it is a story of danger and flight, love and loss, suspense and resolution, and the extraordinary power of the senses. "A magnificent, compulsively

readable thriller . . . Anne Rice begins where Bram Stoker and the Hollywood versions leave off and penetrates directly to the true fascination of the myth—the education of the vampire." —Chicago Tribune **THE VAMPIRE LESTAT** Once an aristocrat from pre-revolutionary France, now a rock star in the decadent 1980s, Lestat rushes through the centuries seeking to fathom the mystery of his existence. His is a mesmerizing story—passionate and thrilling. "Frightening, sensual . . . A psychological, mythological sojourn . . . Anne Rice will live on through the ages of literature. . . . To read her is to become giddy as if spinning through the mind of time." —San Francisco Chronicle **QUEEN OF THE DAMNED** Akasha, the

queen of the damned, has risen from a six-thousand-year sleep to let loose the powers of the night. She has a marvelously devious plan to "save" mankind—in this vivid novel of the erotic, electrifying world of the undead. "With *The Queen of the Damned*, Anne Rice has created universes within universes, traveling back in time as far as ancient, pre-pyramidal Egypt and journeying from the frozen mountain peaks of Nepal to the crowded, sweating streets of southern Florida." —Los Angeles Times *Lasher* Anchor A chilling ghost story with a twist: the New York Times bestselling author of *The Winter People* returns to the woods of Vermont to tell the story of a husband and wife who don't simply move into a haunted house--

they build one . . . In a quest for a simpler life, Helen and Nate have abandoned the comforts of suburbia to take up residence on forty-four acres of rural land where they will begin the ultimate, aspirational do-it-yourself project: building the house of their dreams. When they discover that this beautiful property has a dark and violent past, Helen, a former history teacher, becomes consumed by the local legend of Hattie Breckenridge, a woman who lived and died there a century ago. With her passion for artifacts, Helen finds special materials to incorporate into the house--a beam from an old schoolroom, bricks from a mill, a mantel from a farmhouse--objects that draw her deeper into the story of Hattie and her descendants, three generations of Breckenridge women, each of whom died suspiciously. As the building project progresses, the house will become a place of menace and unfinished business: a new home, now haunted, that beckons its owners and their neighbors toward unimaginable danger.

How Witchcraft Saved My Life Titan Publishing Company

From the iconic, bestselling author of *The Vampire Chronicles*—Ramses the Great, former pharaoh of Egypt, is reawakened by the elixir of life in Edwardian England. Now immortal with his bride-to-be, he is swept up in a fierce and deadly battle of wills and psyches against the once-great Queen Cleopatra. In this mesmerizing, glamorous tale of ancient feuds and modern passions, Ramses has reawakened Cleopatra with the same perilous elixir whose unworldly force brings the dead back to life. But as these ancient rulers defy one another in their quest to understand the powers of the strange elixir, they are haunted by a mysterious presence even older and more powerful than they, a figure drawn forth from the mists of history who possesses spectacular magical potions and tonics eight millennia old. This is a figure who ruled over an ancient kingdom stretching from the once-fertile earth of the Sahara to the far corners of the world, a queen with a supreme knowledge of the deepest origins of the

elixir of life. She may be the only one who can make known to Ramses and Cleopatra the key to their immortality—and the secrets of the miraculous, unknowable, endless expanse of the universe.

**Witching Hour Hacks**

Abrams

In a new and major novel, the creator of fantastic universes of vampires and witches takes us now into the world of Isaiah and Jeremiah, and the destruction of Solomon's Temple, to tell the story of Azriel, Servant of the Bones. He is ghost, genie, demon, angel--pure spirit made visible. He pours his heart out to us as he journeys from an ancient Babylon of royal plottings and religious upheavals to Europe of the Black Death and on to the modern world. There he finds himself, amidst the towers of Manhattan, in confrontation with his own human origins and the dark forces that have sought to condemn him to a life of evil and destruction.

**The Vampire**

**Chronicles Collection**

Random House

*A Book of Dynamic Spells and Potent Magick* from Bestselling Author Silver RavenWolf Includes more than 100 formulas for magickal powders and

herbal blends Cultivate the energetic power of magick with renowned witch Silver RavenWolf. The Witching Hour shows you how to use the right tools, materials, and techniques for powders and spells that work. Explore the secrets of fluid condensers, beeswax, and the planets. Create your own conjuring bags and sachets. Discover how to work with powders, herbs, and magickal timing with more than 100 recipes and formulas for a variety of purposes: Abundance Blessed Baby/Fertility Psychic Shield Fairy Conjure Steady Income Transition White Owl Wisdom Ancestral Honor Serenity Last Ditch Binding Boss Fix Worry Breaker Dreams and Visions Love Drawing Body Powder Five Rivers Fear Breaker Healer's Touch Aura Spiritual Cleanse Family Protection SunLion Success And Many More Awaken the depths of your personal power and perform your magick with courage and confidence. This book shows you how to transform yourself and your world with the application of essential skills and true intent. *Midlife Curses* Ballantine Books

In her new novel, perennial bestseller Anne Rice fuses her two uniquely seductive strains of narrative -- her Vampire legend and her lore of the Mayfair witches -- to give us a world of classic deep-south luxury and ancestral secrets. Welcome to Blackwood Farm: soaring white columns, spacious drawing rooms, bright, sun-drenched gardens, and a dark strip of the dense Sugar Devil Swamp. This is the world of Quinn Blackwood, a brilliant young man haunted since birth by a mysterious doppelgänger, "Goblin," a spirit from a dream world that Quinn can't escape and that prevents him from belonging anywhere. When Quinn is made a Vampire, losing all that is rightfully his and gaining an unwanted immortality, his doppelgänger becomes even more vampiric and terrifying than Quinn himself. As the novel moves backwards and forwards in time, from Quinn's boyhood on Blackwood Farm to present day New Orleans, from ancient Athens to 19th-century Naples, Quinn seeks out the legendary Vampire Lestat in the hope of freeing himself from the spectre

that draws him inexorably back to Sugar Devil Swamp and the explosive secrets it holds. A story of youth and promise, of loss and the search for love, of secrets and destiny, Blackwood Farm is Anne Rice at her mesmerizing best.

#### Drover's Wife, The

Llewellyn Worldwide

Most people know Roald Dahl as a famous write of children's books and adult short stories, but few are aware of his fascination with medicine. Right from his earliest days to the end of his life, Dahl was intrigued by what doctors do, and why they do it. During his lifetime, he and his family suffered some terrible medical tragedies: Dahl nearly died when his fighter plane went down in World War II; his son had severe brain injury in an accident; and his daughter died of measles infection of the brain. But he also had some medical triumphs: he dragged himself back to health after the plane crash, despite a skull fracture, back injuries, and blindness; he was responsible for inventing a medical device (the Wade-Dahl-Till valve) to treat his son's hydrocephalus (water on the brain), and he taught his first wife Patricia to

talk again after a devastating stroke. His medical interactions clearly influenced some of his writing – for example the explosive potions in George’s Marvellous Medicine. And sometimes his writing impacted on events in his life – for example the research on neuroanatomy he did for his short story William and Mary later helped him design the valve for treating hydrocephalus. In this unique book, Professor Tom Solomon, who looked after Dahl towards the end of his life, examines Dahl’s fascination with medicine. Taking examples from Dahl’s life, and illustrated with excerpts from his writing, the book uses Dahl’s medical interactions as a starting point to explore some extraordinary areas of medical science. Solomon is an award-winning science communicator, and he effortlessly explains the medical concepts underpinning the stories, in language that everyone can understand. The book is also peppered with anecdotes from Dahl’s late night hospital discussions with Solomon, which give new insights into this remarkable man’s thinking as his life

came to an end.

### **The Witching Hour**

Ballantine Books

As a half-elf paranormal recruitment consultant, Julia knows to stay away from vampires—to them, she’s just food. So why would bloodthirsty alpha male Nathaniel La Caz be any different. When she turns up to the meeting in his factory, she senses that there is something about him. Julia is suddenly overwhelmed by her senses and her magic goes haywire when she is near him. Things go from weird to worst, when Julia witnesses the kidnapping of her cousin Claudia. And when more elves and fairies begin to vanish without a trace, and no help in sight, Julia knows that she is her cousin’s only hope. The police suspect vampires. And if they’re right, this could be a one day death trap. But Julia is willing to risk it all to save Claudia, even if it means she could become this crazed vampire’s next victim. Talton Ballantine Books From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Nightingale* and *The Great Alone* comes an incandescent story about the resilience of the human spirit, the triumph of hope, and the meaning of home. In the rugged

Pacific Northwest lies the Olympic National Forest—nearly a million acres of impenetrable darkness and impossible beauty. From deep within this old growth forest, a six-year-old girl appears. Speechless and alone, she offers no clue as to her identity, no hint of her past. Having retreated to her western Washington hometown after a scandal left her career in ruins, child psychiatrist Dr. Julia Cates is determined to free the extraordinary little girl she calls Alice from a prison of unimaginable fear and isolation. To reach her, Julia must discover the truth about Alice’s past—although doing so requires help from Julia’s estranged sister, a local police officer. The shocking facts of Alice’s life test the limits of Julia’s faith and strength, even as she struggles to make a home for Alice—and for herself. “One of [Kristin Hannah’s] most compelling and riveting novels.”—Booklist *The Witching Hour* Ballantine Books Could you survive the witching hour? This book could save your life. With five survivalist hacks from everyday objects, ghosts and ghouls don’t stand a chance! Hacks are paired

with a STEM connection that explains the science behind how the hack works. Written at a lower reading level with considerate text, these super engaging, high maturity books are sure to grab struggling readers. Also includes a table of contents, glossary, index, author biography, sidebars, educational matter, and activities.

### **The Hungry Moon**

Ballantine Books

Leah Purcell's play caused a sensation on performance and won the NSW Premier's Prize Book of the Year and now she is expanding that play and a film script to write a novel that while still 'Tarantino meets Deadwood' is also so much more. In the titular character The Drover's Wife, Purcell has created a figure who is as resonant and significant as Ned Kelly. Lawson's original short story is reimagined vividly to portray the drover's heroic wife as a righteous avenger - on behalf of herself, her children and her race - in a savage male world. Challenging responses to family violence and black white relations. A taut thriller of our pioneering past, The Drover's Wife is full of fury, power, family love and intimate friendships.

And has a black sting to the tail, reaching from our nation's settled infancy into our complicated present.

### *The Witching Hours*

Joanna Mazurkiewicz

The Witching Hours is an anthology of comics written and illustrated, by women and non-binary persons. Our aim is to explore the range of what a witch can be as well as celebrate powerful and magical women. This book features 11 stories ranging from fantasy to horror to slice of life, written and drawn by some of the best comics creators in Western Canada.

### **Wonder Woman & the Justice League Dark:**

### **The Witching Hour**

Ballantine Books

" A] huge and sprawling tale of horror." --The New York Times Book Review Demonstrating once again her gift for spellbinding storytelling, Anne Rice makes real for us a great dynasty of four centuries of witches--a family given to poetry and incest, murder and philosophy, a family that over the ages is itself haunted by a powerful, dangerous, and seductive being called Lasher who haunts the Mayfair women. Moving in time from today's New Orleans and San Francisco

to long-ago Amsterdam and the France of Louis XIV, from the coffee plantations of Port-au-Prince to Civil War New Orleans and back to today, Anne Rice has spun a mesmerizing tale that challenges everything we believe in.

### **Love with Fangs (Vampire Paranormal Romance Series Book 1)**

Ballantine Books

An enchanting, hypnotic trilogy of witchcraft, adventure, and romance from the beloved author of Interview with the Vampire and The Vampire Lestat, *The Mayfair Witches* is a wondrous journey through the centuries, across the globe, and between the human and demonic worlds. Now all three novels in Anne Rice's spellbinding series have been collected for the first time in this stunning eBook bundle: **THE WITCHING HOUR LASHER TALTOS** On the screened porch of a great New Orleans house, now faded, a mute and fragile woman sits rocking. She belongs to a legendary dynasty of witches—a family that is itself haunted over the ages by a dangerous and seductive being named Lasher. Their story begins in our time, with a rescue

at sea. Rowan Mayfair, a brilliant neurosurgeon aware of her abilities but oblivious to her ancient line, finds the drowned body of Michael Curry off the coast of California and brings him to life. In his brief interval of death, he has acquired a sensory power that mystifies and frightens him. Fiercely drawn to each other, Rowan and Michael set out to solve the mystery of her past and his unwelcome gift, and an intricate tale of evil unfolds: an evil unleashed in seventeenth-century Scotland, where the first “witch,” Suzanne of the Mayfair, conjures up the spirit that spells her own destruction and torments each of her descendants in turn. Praise for Anne Rice and *The Mayfair Witches* “Behind all the velvet drapes and the gossamer winding sheets, this is an old-fashioned family saga. . . . Rice’s descriptive writing is so opulent that it almost begs to be read [by] candlelight.”—The Washington Post Book World “[A] huge and sprawling tale of horror.”—The New York Times Book Review “Lush prose, dense atmosphere, steamy sex, Gothic tension . . . Rice stages her scenes in a wide

variety of times and locales, tapping deeply into the richest veins of mythology and history.”—San Francisco Chronicle “Spellbinding . . . mythical . . . Rice is a pure storyteller.”—Cosmopolitan “Rice sees things on a grand scale. . . . There is a wide-screen historical sweep to the tale as it moves from one generation of witches to the other.”—The Boston Globe “An intricate, stunning imagination.”—Los Angeles Times Book Review “It is hard to praise sufficiently the originality of *Miss Rice*. . . . She has made a masterpiece of the morbid, worthy of Poe’s daughter.”—The Wall Street Journal *Violin* Pan Macmillan NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the beloved author of the Vampire Chronicles, the second installation of her spellbinding *Mayfair Chronicles*—the inspiration for the hit television series! “[Anne] Rice’s descriptive writing is so opulent it almost begs to be read by candlelight.”—The Washington Post Book World In seventeenth-century Scotland, the first “witch,” Suzanne of the

Mayfair, conjured up the spirit she named Lasher—a creation that spelled her own destruction and torments each of her descendants. Now, the beautiful Rowan Mayfair, queen of the coven, must flee from this darkly brutal yet irresistible demon. The magic of the Mayfairs continues: **THE WITCHING HOUR • LASHER • TALTOS**  
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Washington Post Book World When Ashlar learns that another Taltos has been seen, he is suddenly propelled into the haunting world of the Mayfair family, the New Orleans dynasty of witches forever besieged by ghosts, spirits, and their own dizzying powers. For Ashlar knows this powerful clan is intimately linked to the heritage of the Taltos. In a swirling universe filled with death and life, corruption and innocence, this mesmerizing novel takes us on a wondrous journey back through the centuries to a civilization half-human, of wholly mysterious origin, at odds with mortality and immortality, justice and guilt. It is an enchanted, hypnotic world that could only come from the imagination of Anne Rice. . . . The magic of the Mayfairs continues: *THE WITCHING HOUR* • LASHER • TALTOS *The Invited* Cloudscape Comics “In every respect, Campbell’s best.” - Kirkus Reviews Isolated on the moors of northern England, the town of Moonwell has remained faithful to their Druid traditions and kept their old rituals alive. Right-wing evangelist Godwin

Mann isn’t about to let that continue, and his intolerant brand of fundamentalism has struck a chord with the residents. But Mann goes too far when he descends into the pit where the ancient being who’s been worshipped by the Druids for centuries is said to dwell. What emerges is a demon in Mann’s shape, and only the town’s outcasts can see that something is horribly wrong. As the evil spreads, Moonwell becomes cut off from the rest of the world... *FLAME TREE PRESS* is the new fiction imprint of Flame Tree Publishing. Launched in 2018 the list brings together brilliant new authors and the more established; the award winners, and exciting, original voices. *Magic Hour* Anchor A callous man builds a machine that can transport locations from the future into the present, but unbeknownst to him, the room that he materializes and enters is part of a future prison’s death chamber. *The Witching Hour* 45th Parallel Press NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the beloved author of the *Vampire Chronicles*, the first installation of her

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