

# Hetty Flattermaus

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## Foreign Rights Guide

Autumn 2019

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Sabine Ludwig • Kerstin Schoene

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# Children's Books

Autumn 2019

# Which animal's birthday is it today?

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

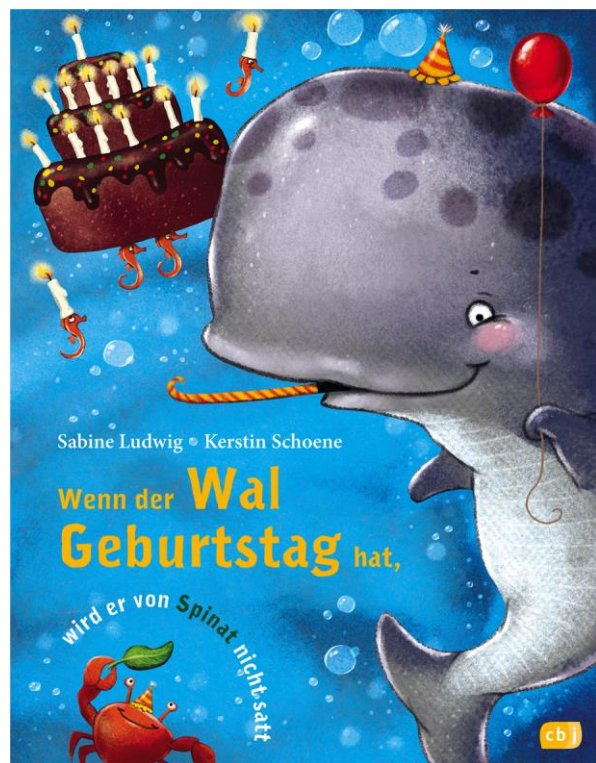
Birthdays: a favourite topic for young and old alike and one approached by Sabine Ludwig with her usual shrewdness. She introduces to us seven exotic birthday boys and girls from the animal world, each with more or less capricious wishes. Who is meant? – That is something we don't find out until we turn the page ...

Together with Kerstin Schoene's delightful and amusing illustrations the book is a work of art that is a pleasure to read aloud and look at, that will make you laugh, and fill you with amazement.

- A delightful picture book crammed with guessing games – which animal's birthday is it?
- Typical Sabine Ludwig: playful, witty, humourous, intelligent
- Wonderfully beautiful pictures by Kerstin Schoene (*The Little Dormouse*)

**Sabine Ludwig**, born in Berlin, studied German and French literature. After university she spent a short time teaching at a grammar school. Then she worked as a broadcasting editor before going freelance as an author. She has written several children's and young-adult books which have been awarded prizes and translated into many languages. She herself translates from English, and this brought her a nomination for awards like the German Youth Literature Prize. In 2010 she was elected the "Reading Artist of the Year".

**Kerstin Schoene** studied communication design at the University in Wuppertal. During her study she focused on illustrations. Since her graduation, she has been freelancing as illustrator and graphic designer. She works for numerous publishing houses, and writes and illustrates her own children's books. She lives in Haan.



**Sabine Ludwig**  
**On the Whale's Birthday, Spinach Won't Fill His Tummy – No way!**

40 pages | 21,0 x 27,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Schoene, Kerstin  
September 2019

**3+**

# Christmas with Ute Krause – warm-hearted, witty, and full of miracles

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Fake news! A dodgy journalist has written that "Father Christmas doesn't exist". The Father Christmases are terribly hurt and before doing anything else make off for the South Seas for a holiday. Only young Anton won't believe this dreadful news and sets out on an adventurous search for the missing Father Christmases. After all, you can't just cancel Christmas!

- Amusing, fast-paced and with a beautiful message: Only if you believe in it will you experience the miracle of Christmas
- About fake news and the magic of children's imagination



## Ute Krause Help for the Father Christmases

40 pages | 27,0 x 23,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Krause, Ute  
September 2019

4+

Over 380,000 copies of the author's books  
sold

Read more at [www.ute-krause.com](http://www.ute-krause.com)

# "I'm just me!" Hetty Bumblebat cries as she plunges into adventure

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

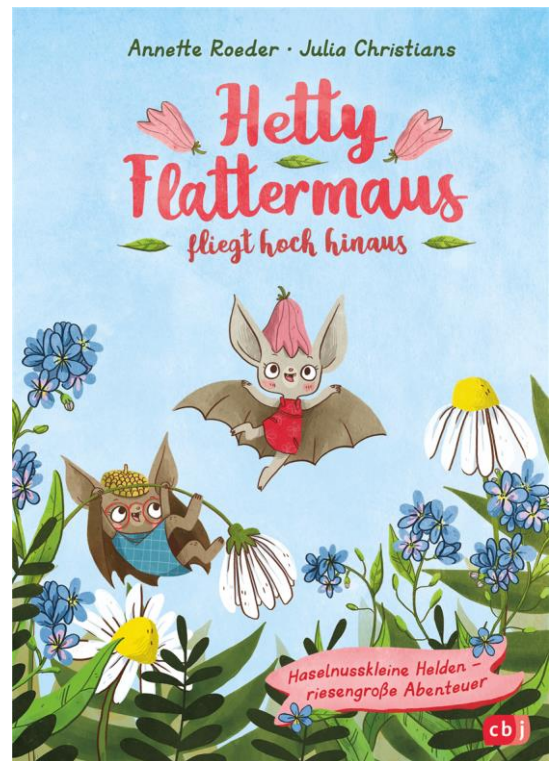
Little Hetty Bumblebat's mummy Hulda loves her daughter dearly and wants to protect her from all possible dangers, but Hetty's thirst for adventure can scarcely be stopped. Not even scary stories of ghost bat Kattaka can hold her back. Quite the opposite, in fact: they only increase Hetty's curiosity about the world outside her home up in the attic ...

In spite of the ultrasonic tracker, the fearless and sociable mini-bat finds all sorts of ways of making off and together with her friend Fidelia and shrew boy Möppelchen Pi she flutters off from one adventure to the next.

- As huggable as a bumblebee and more curious than Maya the Bee!
- The new delightful children's book character – amusing and loveable!
- Charming setting: an abandoned mansion and an enchanted garden with a palm house

**Annette Roeder**, born in Munich in 1968, is an author, illustrator, and architect. Since 2000 she has been writing picture books and children's books and also novels for adults. She and her three children live on the outskirts of Munich.

**Julia Christians**, born in 1984, studied communications design at the university in Braunschweig and graduated as designer. Since then she has been freelancing as graphics designer and illustrator for numerous children's book publishers. She is also internationally renowned.



## Annette Roeder Hetty Bumblebat Flies Up High

128 pages | 17,0 x 24,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Christians, Julia  
July 2019

6+

Volume 1, volume 2 out in April 2020

When lady cat Soja discovers that there are still so many animals in the animal shelter waiting for a new home she is horrified – it'll soon be Christmas! One thing is for sure: Soja is going to have to help! Together with her good-natured doggy friend Bruno she sets out on the search for the perfect home for all the lonely animals.

But it's not all that easy: where's the best place for a minipig to go? And where on earth would a chameleon feel at home? Their first attempts at home-finding definitively go wrong. But Soja and Bruno refuse to give up before every one of the animals has a new home for Christmas!

- Soja and Bruno – Christmas angels on four paws
- A different kind of present: book and advent calendar in one

**Karen Christine Angermayer** studied photo engineering in Cologne and worked in the film business before setting out anew in 2000 and doing training in the field of word and writing. She has spent 15 years working as an author, consultant, writing coach, and trainer for private individuals and in business, and is the director of sorriso publishing. Her children's books, young adult books, and non-fiction are read internationally.



**Karen Christine Angermayer**  
**A Snoutful of Christmas –**  
**The Christmas Pig is Coming Tomorrow**  
An Advent story in 24 chapters

104 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Swoboda, Annette  
September 2019

8+

Volume 5

**The pre-Christmas success: over 120,000  
copies of the series sold**

# Night elf alarm! – Volume 2 of the adorable adventure series

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

In Violet Valley, well protected between rugged mountains, there lives a colourful mixture of all sorts of fairy peoples. Not always do the river elves and the fire fairies agree about everything, but they throw wild parties and have lots of adventures with the flower fairies and stone elves.

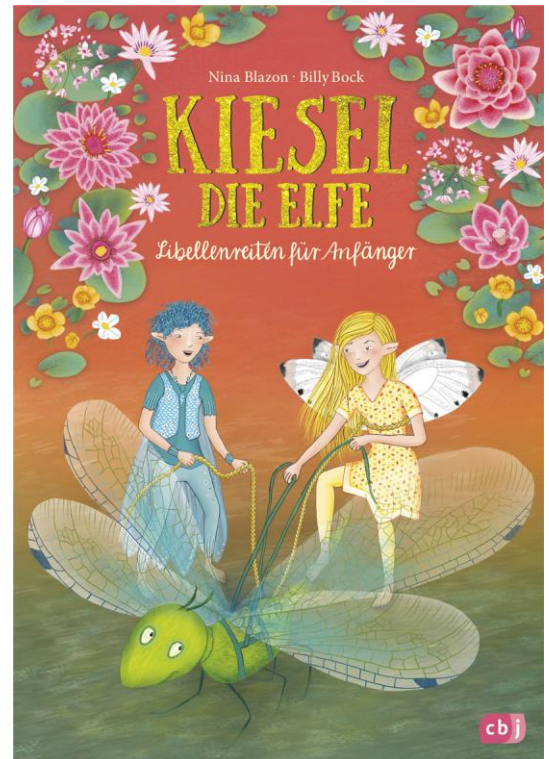
It is a matter of honour that Pebble is taught to ride a dragonfly by her new friend, Unda, the river elf. But when the adventure starts getting slightly out of hand, Pebble suddenly finds herself in the sinister Night Mountains – eye to eye with a night elf! What's more, as everyone in Violet Valley knows, the "Sinister Ones" are the biggest enemies of the day elves ...

- Pebble meets the notorious night elves
- A magnificent world of elves, warm-hearted stories of friendship with lots of exciting adventures – fantasy for young readers

**Nina Blazon**, born in 1969 in Koper, Slovenia, studied German language and literature. Even as a youngster she read fantasy literature with great enthusiasm. She started writing – stage plays and short stories – while at university, before authoring the teenage fantasy novel *Under the Spell of the Curse Carrier*, which was awarded the 2003 Wolfgang Hohlbein Prize. Her romantic fantasy *Faun Blood* is a big success.

[www.ninablazon.de](http://www.ninablazon.de)

**Billy Bock** lives and works in Berlin. She is a graduate in communications design and illustrates and designs children's books. She particularly has fun developing her own projects for the senses, from feel-and-stroke books to 3D pop-up books. Every detail is important to her and she sometimes even letters titles by hand. She places particular value on humour and playful aspects.



## Nina Blazon Pebble, the Elf – Dragonfly Riding for Beginners

144 pages | 17,0 x 24,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Bock, Billy  
July 2019

6+

Volume 2

Over 210,000 copies of the author's books sold

# Auntie Mila is my best friend

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Auntie Mila is Granny's sister. She and her dog, Othello, and the cats Little Flame, Elvis, Möhrchen, and Annabelle all live together in the village. Their house is old and crammed with things that tell stories. The little garden gate is crooked; the windows and doors are usually open; Auntie Mila's favourite colour is red; and there is a prince living in her aquarium. Some people find Auntie Mila a little quaint. Even Mum and Dad, and Ron. This is something Luzie cannot understand. She quite simply loves Auntie Mila.

- A wonderfully warm-hearted storytime book by the bestselling *Spiegel* author
- About the value of three generations in one family
- Auntie Mila stands for being different, imagination, and human warmth

**Monika Feth** was born in 1951. After completing her literary studies, she was initially employed as a journalist. She now lives near Cologne, where she writes award-winning books for all age groups. The sensational success of *The Strawberry Picker* thriller series made her famous far beyond the realm of young-adult literature. Her books have been translated into more than 24 languages.



## Monika Feth The Things Auntie Mila Gets Up To

96 pages | 17,0 x 24,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Sieverding, Carola  
October 2019

6+

Over 1.75 million copies of the author's  
books sold

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# MISTER MARPLE

und die Schnüfflerbande



**Middle Grade**

**Autumn 2019**

# Welcome to the "Detective Agency for Animal Affairs"

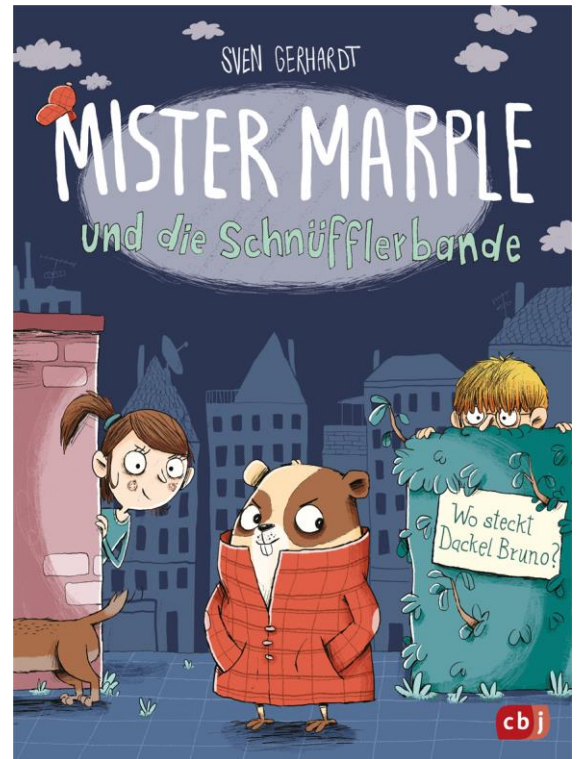
MIDDLE GRADE

The Sleuth Gang consists of Theo, Elsa, and hamster Mister Marple. Their speciality is all kinds of "animal affairs", not least because of Mister Marple, who has a very keen nose for these cases. Even if Theo and Elsa are completely different, they always stick together and so can solve almost every case.

Life as a hamster is really rather boring: sleeping, eating, sleeping again, eating again. But Mister Marple knows that his place is with the big wigs. Every day he does pullups on the bars of his cage so as to be fit for the day when his skills as a detective are called for. Only Theo still hasn't cottoned on to the fact that Mister Marple is not any common-and-garden hamster. So what a good thing it is that one day Elsa barges into Theo's life. Unlike Theo, Elsa bubbles over with a thirst for adventure. And indeed, it is not long before Theo, Elsa, and Mister Marple are in the thick of their first case: Dachshund Bruno has gone missing, and the Sleuth Gang do all they can to find him again ...

- Bestly amusing detective adventure with wonderfully funny illustrations by Nikolai Renger
- Brilliant setting: The "Detective Agency for Animal Affairs" on the roof of an old garage

**Sven Gerhardt**, born in 1977, is married with three children. He very nearly became an elementary school teacher, but then decided to make his hobby his profession. After several years in advertising, he now works as a graphic designer and writer. His adventures featuring the *Haystack Scoundrels* even made it to the bestselling children's book list.



## Sven Gerhardt Mister Marple and the Sleuth Gang – Where Has Dachshund Bruno Gone?

160 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Renger, Nikolai  
September 2019

8+

**Volume 1, volume 2 to be published in  
Spring 2020**

# The Muscleteers



- Children's books series
- Target group: 7+
- More than 210,000 copies of the series sold
- Rights sold in 2 languages:  
Chinese (Simplified), Hungarian



**Ute Krause** was born in 1960 and grew up in Turkey, Nigeria, India, and the USA. She is successful as a writer, illustrator, screenplay writer, and director. Her picture and children's books have been translated into several languages and adapted for television. Ute Krause has been awarded prizes by the Book Art Foundation and nominated for the German Children's Literature Award.

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# A wonderful Christmas adventure with the little heroes

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

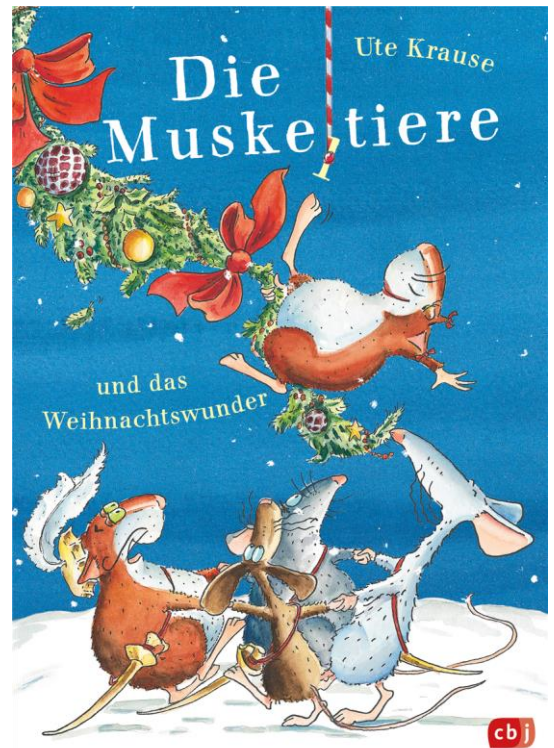
It is Christmas time and much to the delight of the Muscleteers there is so much going on in Frau Fröhlich's deli. In the midst of all this, Gruyère notices a little girl who comes in every day and longingly eyes for Frau Fröhlich's yummy chocolates without ever buying anything. When shoplifting increases Margarethe's suspicions fall on the little girl. The Muscleteers don't believe she is right and start looking for the chocolate thief off their own bat. In the middle of their investigations they stumble into a huge Christmas adventure ...

- The Muscleteers help a little girl have an unforgettable Christmas adventure
- Friendship, compassion, and helpfulness – important issues for little heroes
- KIKA is planning a TV series

"Knowing that there is a plucky and vitally important Muscleteer in each one of us is what makes reading this story such fun." *Tages-Anzeiger on volume 1 of The Muscleteers*

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**Ute Krause**

**The Muscleteers and the Christmas Miracle**

176 pages | 17,0 x 24,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Krause, Ute  
September 2019

**8+**

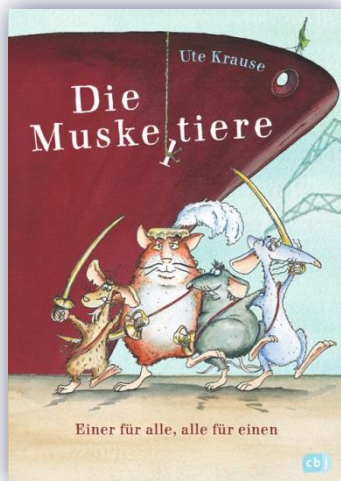
**Volume 4**

**The sensational success: more than 210,000  
copies of the Muscleteer series sold**

**Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), Hungarian**

Reading Aloud series *The Muscleteers* –  
Backlist: 8+, 200 pages

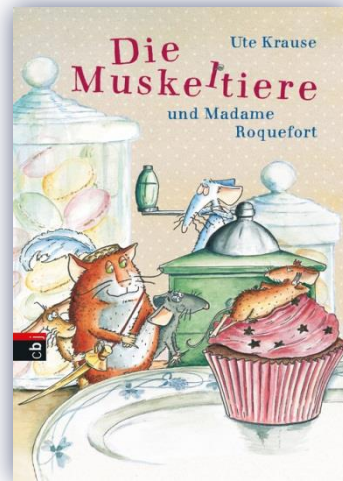
CHILDREN'S BOOKS



**One for All, All for One  
Vol. 1**



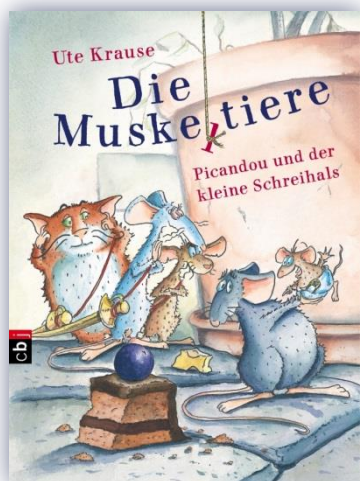
**The Muscleteers on a Long  
Journey  
Vol. 2**



**The Muscleteers and Madame  
Roquefort  
Vol. 3**

Read it Yourself series *The Muscleteers* –  
Backlist: 7+, 128 pages

CHILDREN'S BOOKS



**Picandou and the Little Cry-Baby**  
Vol. 1



**Hamster Bertram is Living Dangerously**  
Vol. 2

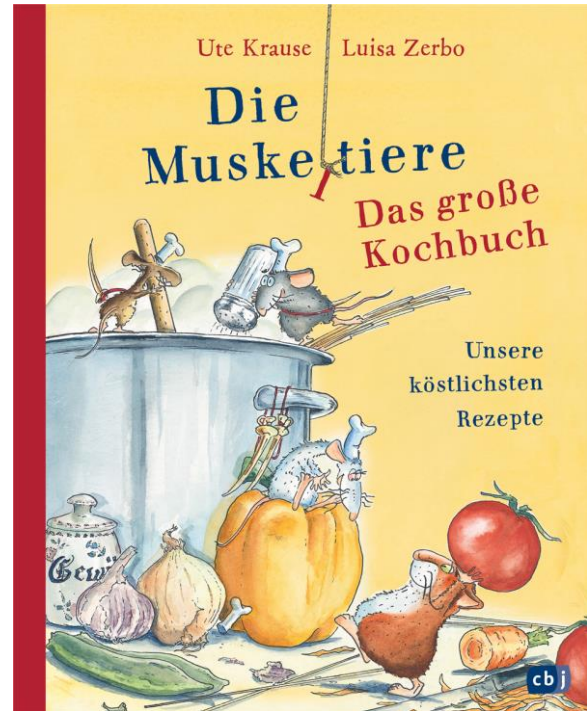
# Sweet and savoury delicacies – easy as pie for children to make

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

This beautifully got-up cookbook is a collection of the best recipes from Frau Fröhlich's deli shop. If you're like Picandou, Gruyère, and Pomme de Terre and just love nibbling at chocolate delights or savoury cheese specialities, then this gift book with its wonderful choice of ideas, from simple to ingenious, is just what you are looking for. The recipes are easy to follow with few ingredients and each one is an eye-catcher at any children's party.

The recipes all come from the magic kitchen of the popular food blogger Luisa Zerbo ("The Taste of Love"), known from the TV show THE TASTE, who has obviously been paying attention to what the Muscleteers are particularly fond of.

- Recipes easy as pie for children to follow
- With short Muscleteer stories, brilliant food pictures, and lots of sweet illustrations



## Ute Krause / Luisa Zerbo The Muscleteers – The Great Cookbook Our yummiest recipes

96 pages | 19,5 x 24,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Krause, Ute  
September 2019

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**Luisa Zerbo** was born in 1989 as the daughter of Sicilian-German parents and as a child often helped out in her father's restaurant – and then one day she was a better cook than he was. After studying fashion design she could no longer ignore her passion for cooking and opened her own café. In 2017 she took part in the SAT.1 cooking show THE TASTE. In her blog "The taste of love" she tells us about her favourite recipes.

# Shrewd, fantastic, gripping – The eagerly awaited new instalment of the *Secrets of Oaksend*

MIDDLE GRADE

Robin has been injured! When he comes round in the Montgomerys' lighthouse, the home of Melvin's family, he can't remember anything. But then he finds some dark marks on his arm. Are they from a Parzer? The myth-enshrouded race of monsters has a reputation for being exceedingly dangerous.

When it turns out that the wounds won't heal and Robin's condition is deteriorating, the only help they can get is from the Jarvers' Monster Oracle. In return, Robin and Melvin first have to descend to the underworld in order to recover the Jarvers' most valuable possession, their druid's eye, from the Ratzen. But down in the underground maze of tunnels there are some very different dangers awaiting the friends. And Robin doesn't have much time left ...

- The search for a remedy takes Robin and Melvin on a fast-paced adventure into the underworld!
- With cool monster gadgets such as the hatchpatch, a kind of magic express tunnel

Even as a child **Andrea Martin** suspected that there was much more to things than people said there was. She grew up in the USA, Austria, and Germany. In 1995, after training as a graphic designer, she set up a medical and communications agency, where she worked as the art director, graphic designer, and illustrator, developing marketing strategies for clients in the fields of medicine and pharmaceuticals. *The Secrets of Oaksend* is her fantasy debut.



**Andrea Martin**  
**The Secrets of Oaksend – The Monster Oracle**

300 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover |  
illustrated by Meinzold, Max  
October 2019

**10+**

**Volume 2**

**Rights sold: Russian**

# *Find the Culprit*

## Unique hide & seek detective series

- **10 volumes available**
- **Target group: 8+**
- **With b/w illustrations throughout**
- **Over 320,000 copies of the series sold**
- **Rights sold in 18 languages:**

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**Bulgarian** (Miranda)

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**Czech Republic** (Fragment)\*

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**Italy** (Giunti)\*

**Japan** (Iwanami)

**Korea** (Blue Wing)

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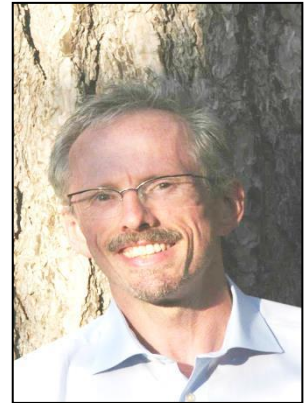
**Sweden** (Fortellerforlaget)

**Thailand** (Nanmeebooks)\*

**Ukrainian** (Bohdan)

**USA** (Grosset & Dunlap)

\* rights available again



**Julian Press**, born 1960, is the son of the famous *Black Hand* author, Hans Jürgen Press. Julian Press studied graphics and illustration, trained in a publishing house specializing in literature for young people and later worked for young people's magazines. Even at an early age he followed in his father's footsteps and began writing and drawing for children. His readings are very popular in Germany and France.

# 4 new cases for the Liquorice Gang

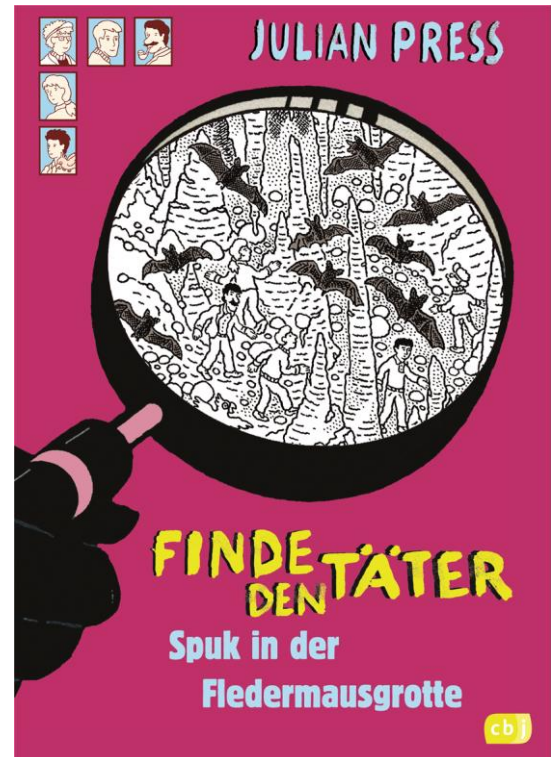
MIDDLE GRADE

Leo, Caro, Flo, Phillip, and Inspector Lars don't have a minute's peace: no sooner have the Liquorice Gang solved the case of the lost treasure than a sinister monster puts the fear of God into the town. There is nothing for it: the young sleuths simply must help.

There are important clues hidden in numerous hidden-object pictures and you have to look very closely to find them – for the next puzzle is already waiting!

- Four gripping guessing stories with look-and-find pictures and detective questions
- Guaranteed to keep children busy for hours
- Well-tried look-and-find activities

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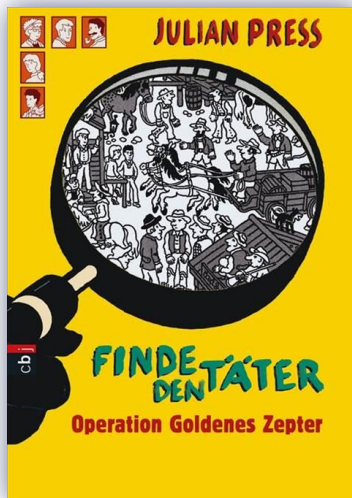
**Julian Press**  
**Find the Culprit – The Haunting of Bat Grotto**

128 pages | 17,0 x 24,0 cm | Quality  
Paperback | illustrated by Press, Julian  
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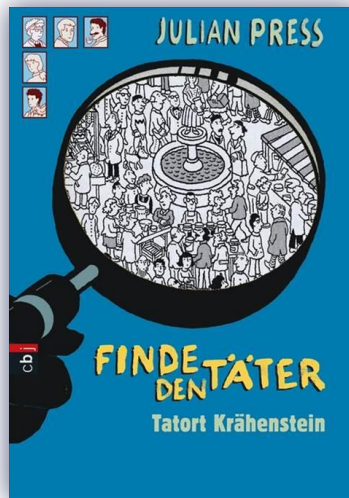
**8+**

**Volume 10**

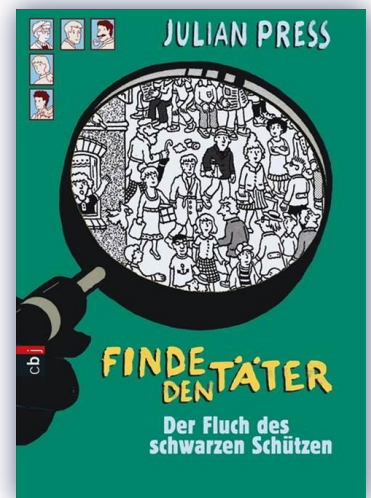
**Bestselling series for reluctant readers:  
320,000 copies already sold**



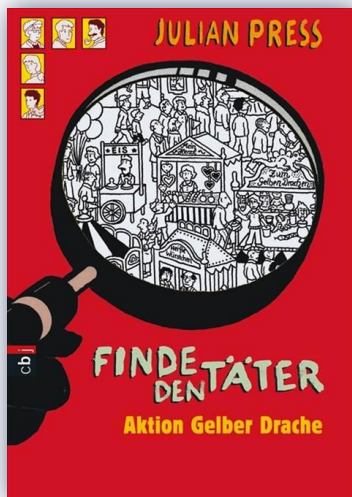
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Vol. 1



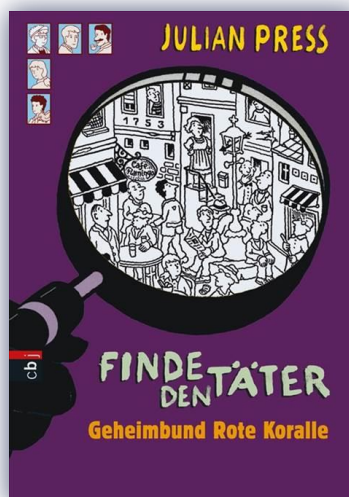
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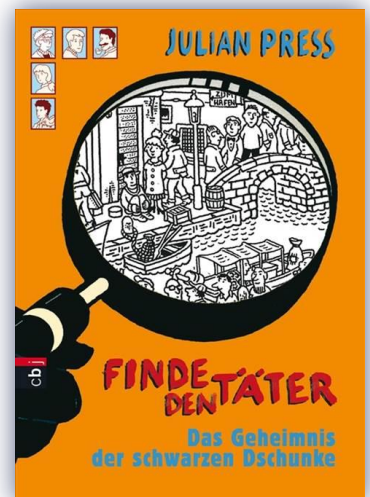
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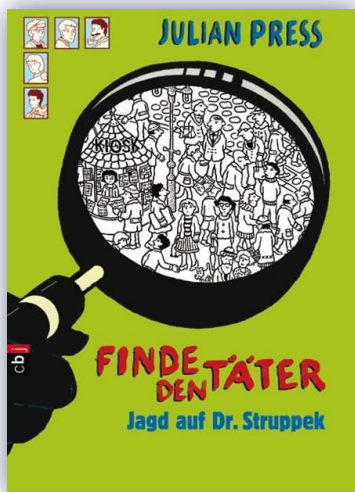
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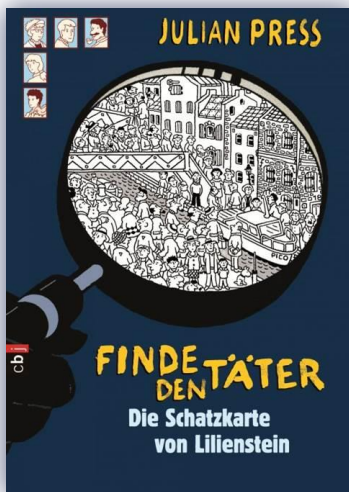
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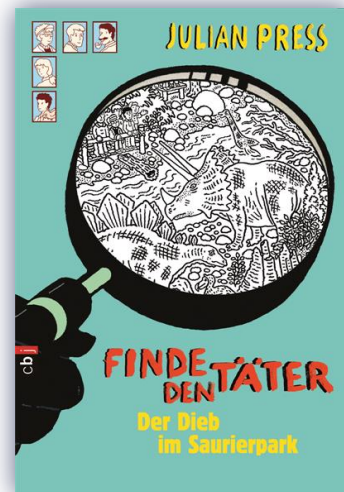
The Secret of the Black Junk  
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Chasing Dr. Struppek  
Vol. 7



The Treasure Map of  
Lilienstein, Vol. 8



The Thief in the Dino Park  
Vol. 9

## 5. In der Bildergalerie

Jemand muss die Tabakspfeife und die Nippesfigur aus der Wohnung genommen haben!«, bemerkte Caro, nachdem sie das Foto noch einmal betrachtet hatte.

»Sicher Meißener Porzellan!«, meinte Flo.

Die Lakritzbande war gerade im Begriff, die Wohnung zu verlassen, als Philipp in der Diele noch etwas auffiel.

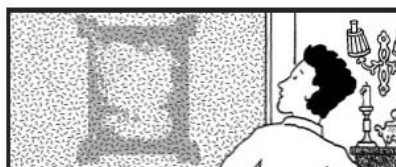
»Schaut!«, rief er seinen Freunden zu und zeigte auf einen auffälligen Schmutzrand an der vergilbten Tapete. »Hier muss ein rechteckiger Bilderrahmen mit besonders ausgearbeiteten Ecken gegangen haben!«

Während Lars und Leo noch in der Wohnung blieben, um mögliche Fingerabdrücke zu sichern, schlug Caro vor, die Bildergalerie von Otto Rose in der Prinzenstraße aufzusuchen.

»Wäre doch Zufall, wenn wir hier das Bild mit der besonderen Rahmung aus Edwine Rubinsteins Wohnung wieder finden!«, meinte Philipp, als er das Geschäft betrat und damit die Tür-glocke auslöste.

»Ein solches Bild habe ich tatsächlich in den vergangenen Tagen aufgekauft, aber wo steckt es nur!«, meinte der Laden-inhaber, als er von der Lakritzbande befragt worden war.

»Also«, rief Philipp, »ich denke, das dort muss es sein!«



14 | ? Welches Bild meinte Philipp?



# Wintery riding adventure on the beautiful island of Iceland

MIDDLE GRADE

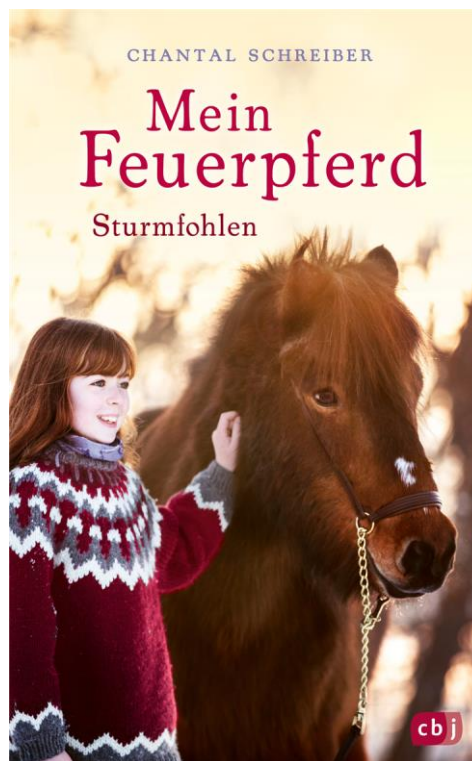
Eva is at last back in Iceland, at her father's with her new brother and, of course, Eldur – her horse. Yet their joy at being together again is somewhat dampened when Eva's cousin, Emma, appears on the scene. It seems she can't stand Eva and makes life difficult for her. It is not long before Eva feels completely alone, and Eldur is the only being she can rely on.

One day, when the two girls are alone together, of all times, they are caught in a hefty snow storm endangering the horses – especially Gusta, who is in foal. In order to save the foal, Emma and Eva have to bury the hatchet, forget their hostility, and work together. But they don't have much time ...

- A girl, an Icelandic horse, and a very special friendship – For the young fans of *Windstorm*
- A poignant story about family, friendship, and a love of horses – Exciting, sensitive, and incredibly likeable

**Chantal Schreiber** was born and bred in Vienna, and she always knew that she was going to be a writer. She abandoned her degree course in languages, however, in order to travel and see as much as possible of the world. Once back in Austria she started writing screenplays for children's television and in 2007 finally published her first children's book. Her thirst for travel and adventure is reflected in most of her stories. Chantal Schreiber lives near Vienna with her family, a dog, and a horse.

<http://www.chantalschreiber.com>



**Chantal Schreiber**  
**My Fire Horse – Storm Foal**

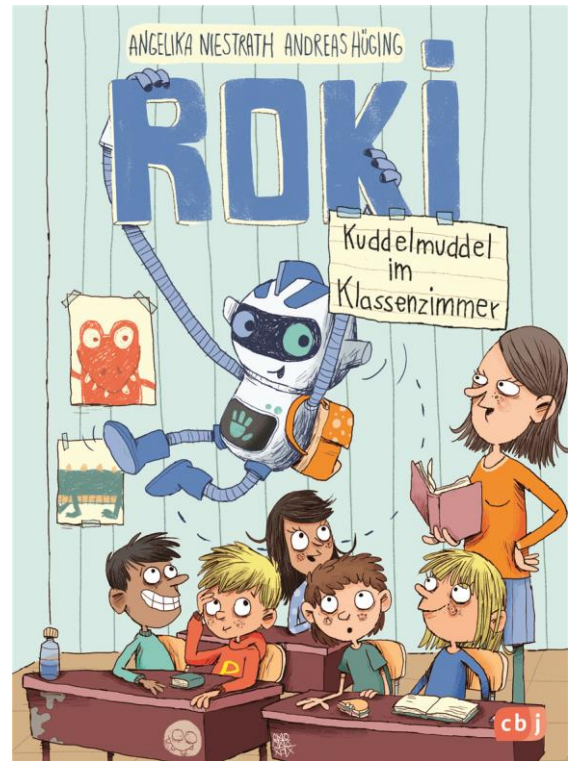
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September 2019

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**Volume 2**

Paul can hardly wait to take his robot friend to school at last. Unfortunately, Roki's inventor Adam has never allowed it. When the little robot finally takes things into his own hands, chaos breaks out at school! A crazy vacuum cleaner, six pugs at the hairdresser's, and a birthday party called off cause even more kerfuffle. And then there is that horrid Professor Neklapil: will he manage to kidnap Roki this time?

- Roki: as cute as a little brother and a thousand times as cunning
- With robot child Roki, Paul has the most exciting day at school in his whole life
- For fans of *Robbi*, *Tobbi and the Fliewatoot* and *Gustav Gorky*



**Andreas Hüging / Angelika Niestrath**  
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Volume 2

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**Non-Fiction**

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Finger paints and water colours, wax crayons and pavement chalk – this is where things get colourful! No matter whether it is stamping, printing with leaves and daily objects, drawing with ice cubes or making your own paints – this book contains 26 exciting projects for children age 2 and up. They are all easy to achieve with simple materials from round the house and don't demand a lot of effort. The illustrated step-by-step instructions make for quick success.

- For handicraft kids age 2 to 4
- Crafting with the very youngest is trendy
- With the simplest materials from round the house
- 26 super easy projects for colouring and crafting: with finger paints and water colours, crayons and pavement chalk

**Christine Sinnwell-Backes** lives in the Saarland with her husband and two children. Along with cooking, her passion is reading, and she is strongly committed to promoting reading by children.

Read more about the author on the blog "littleredtemptations".



**Christine Sinnwell-Backes**  
**Fun with Colours for the Youngest**

64 pages | 17,0 x 24,0 cm | Hardcover |  
July 2019

**2+**

# Coconut discovers Ancient Egypt

NON-FICTION

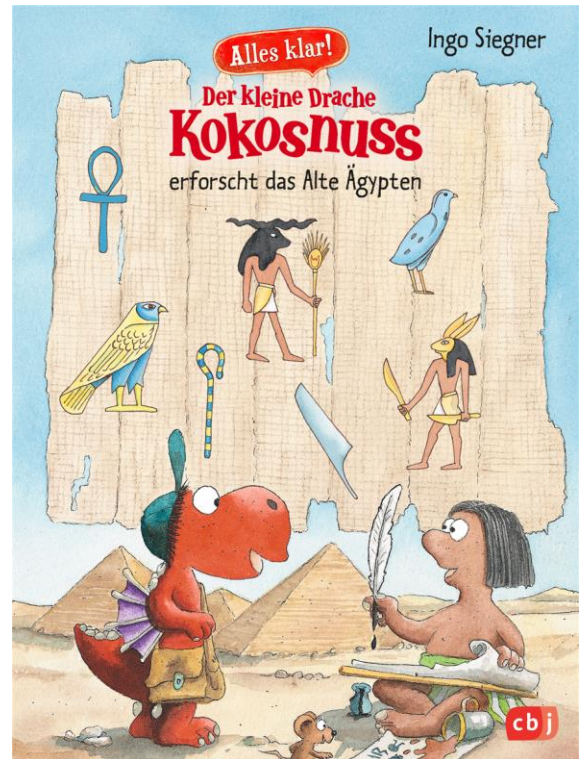
Why did the Ancient Egyptians build the huge pyramids? And how were they able to do it without excavators and cranes? Why did they put up the big sphynx statue? And how do we know what the hieroglyphs mean? How is a mummy made?

The little dragon Coconut, porcupine Matilda, and guzzle guts dragon Oskar want to find the answers to these and many other questions, and so they go to Egypt with Professor Mushroom. And of course they write everything down to pass on to their fans ...

- Pyramids, hieroglyphs, mummies: fascinating topics for kids age 6 and up
- Knowledge – playfully shared and easy to understand
- With lots of pictures of Coconut and things connected with Ancient Egypt

**Ingo Siegner**, born in 1965, studied history and French, spent two years in France as an au pair and as a student, and trained as a bank clerk. He is an autodidact who prefers to always carry his paints with him. He has been writing and drawing for years for neighbours' children and loves to read them stories. His little dragon Coconut is one of the best-known children's book characters in Germany. The books about the little fire dragon have been translated into many languages. His stories about *Meerkat Gustav* and *Eliot and Isabella* are also very popular with children. Ingo Siegner is a freelance writer and illustrator and lives with his wife in Hanover.

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**Ingo Siegner**  
**Now We Know! The Little Dragon Coconut Investigates – Ancient Egypt**

80 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover |  
September 2019

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Volume 3

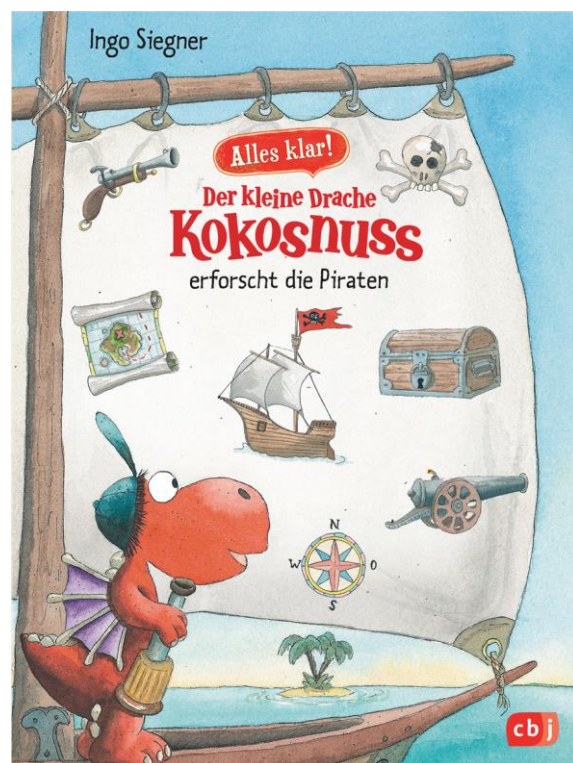
# Fire dragon Coconut: off we go out to sea!

NON-FICTION

In which century were pirate ships sailing through the ocean waves? Why did people become pirates? What booty did the pirates hope to get their hands on when they captured a ship? How was the booty split up?

The little dragon Coconut, Oskar, and Matilda once again visit Bad Jim and Pieter Backboard to find out more about the exciting life of a pirate. And of course they write everything down to pass on to their fans ...

- Pirates, buccaneers, corsairs: a great topic for kids age 6 and up
- Knowledge – playfully shared and easy to understand
- With lots of pictures of Coconut and pirates



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# Forgotten victims: abducted children under the Nazis

NON-FICTION

Alodia Witaszek is five years old when her father is executed by the Nazis. Her mother is deported to Auschwitz. Alodia, with her blond hair and blue eyes, is regarded as being "beneficial for the race". She is put in a "Lebensborn" home and given as "gift from the Führer" to a German family to be adopted.

After the war, Alodia's biological mother spends two years looking for her kidnapped child. Shortly before Christmas in 1947 she is successful: Alodia returns to her almost forgotten family and has to relearn her mother tongue.

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**Reiner Engelmann**

**"Alodia, You Are Now Alice!"**

Child abduction and forced adoption under the Nazis

240 pages | 11,8 x 18,7 cm | Paperback |  
September 2019

**14+**



OPHELIA  
SCALE

DER HIMMEL WIRD BEBEN

**Young Adult**

**Autumn 2019**

# She offers death her defiance and fate her heart

YOUNG ADULT

18-year-old Ophelia has been sentenced to death. At the behest of the Resistance she has made an attack on the king and also sacrificed her love of his brother, Lucien. But then Phoenix, head of the secret service, offers her a deal: if she is prepared to spy on her ReVerse friends she will be able to save both her life and that of her best friend. So now Ophelia has to decide – between her feelings and what she believes to be right.

- *Wonder Woman* meets *Katniss Everdeen*

## Press on *Ophelia Scale – The World Will Burn*

"Kiefer's narration is full of action and easygoing in its tone, with surprising turns and refined cliffhangers." *Eselsohr*

"The easy-to-read fantasy novel with its amiable protagonists immerses the reader immediately into the story. A great start of the trilogy surrounding Ophelia Scale."

*Fränkische Nachrichten*

"I love this book! There are books, you simply read. And then there are those [...] that teleport you in another dimension."

*Die VOR-Leser*

**Lena Kiefer**, born in 1984, already as a child was a keen reader and loved making up stories. Initially it never occurred to her to make her hobby into her profession. After school she strayed into the world of paragraphs but just in time found her way back to literature and studied German. Lena Kiefer now lives with her husband near Freiburg and spends every minute at her disposal – or not at her disposal – writing. The *Ophelia Scale* trilogy is her debut.



**Lena Kiefer**

**Ophelia Scale – The Sky Will Quake**

496 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm | Hardcover | August 2019

**14+**

**Volume 2, volume 3 to be published in November 2019, trilogy**

**Rights sold: Russian**

# A mysterious project – A missing girl – And four teenagers whose talents are more dangerous than weapons

Matt, Jeanie, and Luke are anything but normal teenagers: they all have a genetic anomaly that makes them into freaks – or so they think.

The fact that on the other hand their special talents can also make them into super heroes in real life is something they don't find out about until they get to know each other and through their school mate Develine are drawn into the adventure of a lifetime. It concerns nothing less than the highly dangerous technical optimisation of living beings and the bursting of all ethical and legal boundaries.

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- *The Gifted* meets *Fringe*

Even as a child, all **Janet Clark** wanted to do was write novels. The more exciting the better! But it turned out that many years, countries, and jobs were to lie between her and her vocational dream before she handed in her first manuscript. Then, however, success came almost by return of post. Her novels for adults and teenagers are entertainment of the highest level and packed with suspense. A huge community of followers now look forward to her next publications.

YOUNG ADULT



**Janet Clark**  
**INGENIUM – You Cannot Escape**

350 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm | Quality  
Paperback |  
October 2019

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# She has to solve the mystery – otherwise all will be lost

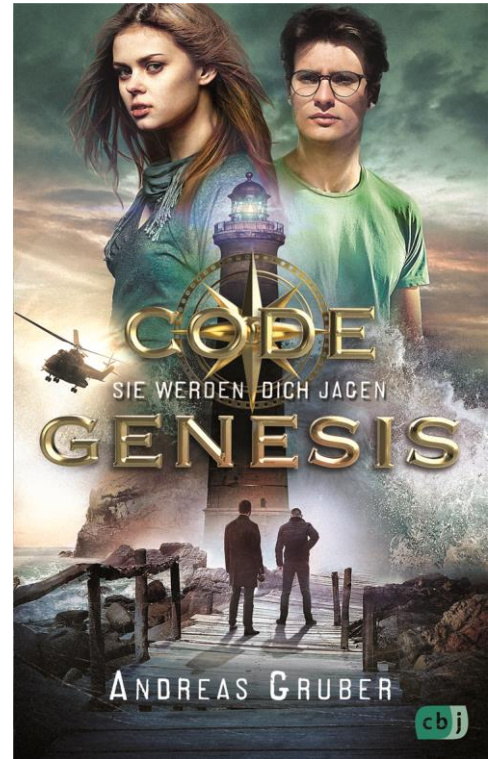
YOUNG ADULT

Terry is groping in the dark. What was her mother, Dr. Amanda West, researching before she died? What is the meaning of the "Jericho's Shard", that strange piece of horn from the wreck of Amanda's crashed plane? And why is the pharmaceutical firm of Biosyde determined to get its hands on it, and is, to this end, hunting Terry and her friends from the Copernicus halfway round the globe?

There is a trail leading from Venice to the island of Santorin and on to a castle in Scotland. Did Amanda West develop a dangerous serum there that must on no account get into the wrong hands? Even while Terry is still agonising over the question of which side her mother was really on, her enemies are hot on her heels ...

- Will Terry and her friends solve the mystery of "Jericho's Shard"?
- Fast-paced action, relentless suspense, surprising turns: Gruber at his best!

**Andreas Gruber**, born in Vienna in 1968, lives with his family as a freelance writer in Austria. His thrillers and novels of suspense for adults have a huge fan following and are regularly in the *Spiegel* bestselling charts. Andreas Gruber has been nominated for the Friedrich Glauser Crime Prize and, twice, for the Leo Perutz Crime Prize of the city of Vienna. He has been awarded the Herzogenrather Handschelle and several times been the winner of the Vincent Prize and the Deutscher Phantastik Preis. With his *Code Genesis* trilogy, Gruber opens a new chapter in his successful career.



## Andreas Gruber Code Genesis – They Will Hunt You

350 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm | Quality  
Paperback |  
October 2019

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**Volume 2, volume 3 to be published in  
2020, trilogy**

**Over 2.5 million copies of the author's  
books sold**

**Rights sold: Russian**

# A girl seeking her roots: A sensitive and compelling approach to an existential topic

YOUNG ADULT

For other kids, the 16th birthday means a licence for a moped or at last legally being able to drink beer – for Elena it means the long-awaited possibility of getting to know the anonymous sperm donor. Elena realises that this decision will not only unsettle her mother quite a bit but also turn her own life upside down – and yet everything turns out differently to what was expected ...

Similar to adopted children, more than 80 per cent of donor children who have been told about the facts of their birth feel the need to get to know their biological fathers.

- The story of a moving quest for identity
- Gripping and empathetic coming-of-age story

"Children and young adults probably like to read Christine Fehér because she is very close to them, and takes them seriously." *RBB Kulturradio*

**Christine Fehér** was born in 1965. She taught religion at the school of a psychiatric clinic for children and young adults, and is at present working at an elementary school. She also writes books for children and teenagers.

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## Christine Fehér Until I Find Him

The story of searching for a father

320 pages | 11,8 x 18,7 cm | Paperback |  
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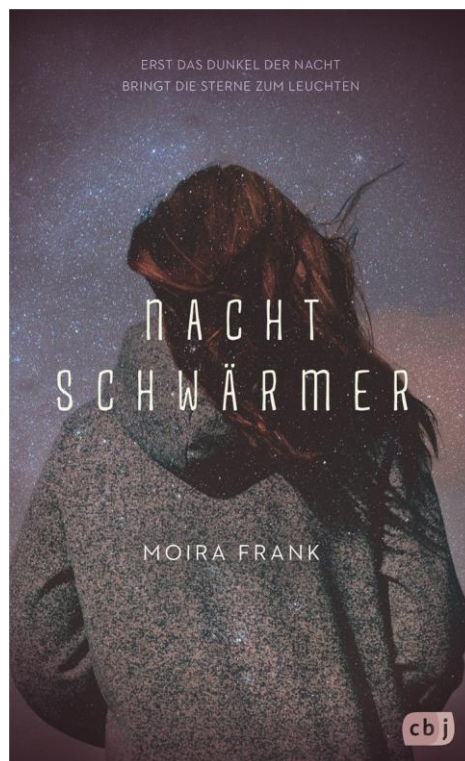
# Looking for a lost brother

YOUNG ADULT

For all of three weeks, Helena had a half-brother. Lukas found her on Facebook and they spent hours on the telephone together, but before they could meet up he dies in a car accident. When in the summer holidays Helena goes tenting in the Uckermark with her unsuspecting boyfriend in order to visit Lukas' grave, she meets his two best friends and the girl he was dating. And after weeks of nothing happening Helena's life rapidly gathers speed ...

- A girl looking for her lost brother
- For readers of Janne Teller and Antonia Michaelis

"Eloquent, socially critical, many layered, with striking imagery." Reader's review on *Storm Shimmer*



**Moira Frank**  
**Night Owl**

400 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm | Hardcover |  
July 2019

**14+**

**Moira Frank** was born in 1993 and studied creative writing and culture journalism. She has already published in anthologies and magazines and in 2015 was invited to the literature course for talented young writers at the Ingeborg Bachmann Prize in Klagenfurt.

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