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FOR MORE THAN THIRTY YEARS, Greystone Books has published books that change how readers see and understand the natural world through powerful storytelling. Many of these titles continue to sell and to influence readers today. Yet with hundreds of new books published each year, even extraordinary works from previous seasons can fade from public attention.

To introduce a new generation of readers to some of the finest books we have published, we are launching **Greystone Nature Classics**, a new series devoted to standout works of literary nature writing.

This season we launch the series with *Eating Dirt*, *Trauma Farm*, and *A Geography of Blood*. Each of these books was widely acclaimed on publication, winning major awards and earning devoted readerships. Each also offers a distinctive and deeply personal perspective on the natural world. They return in striking new editions with a bold, unified series design and new forewords to introduce them to a new generation of readers. Keep an eye out for more titles in future seasons.

Alongside these classics, we are also publishing an illustrated edition of a more recent landmark in nature writing: *The Inner Life of Animals*, featuring enchanting photographs that illuminate the emotional and intellectual lives of non-human creatures.

This season's list also explores our world in surprising ways—from the hidden history of chemistry to the global influence of the humble bean, life lessons from a Harris's hawk, and powerful Indigenous perspectives on science and leadership.

Together, these books celebrate the curiosity, wonder, and insight that define Greystone's publishing. And many will become classics in future years.

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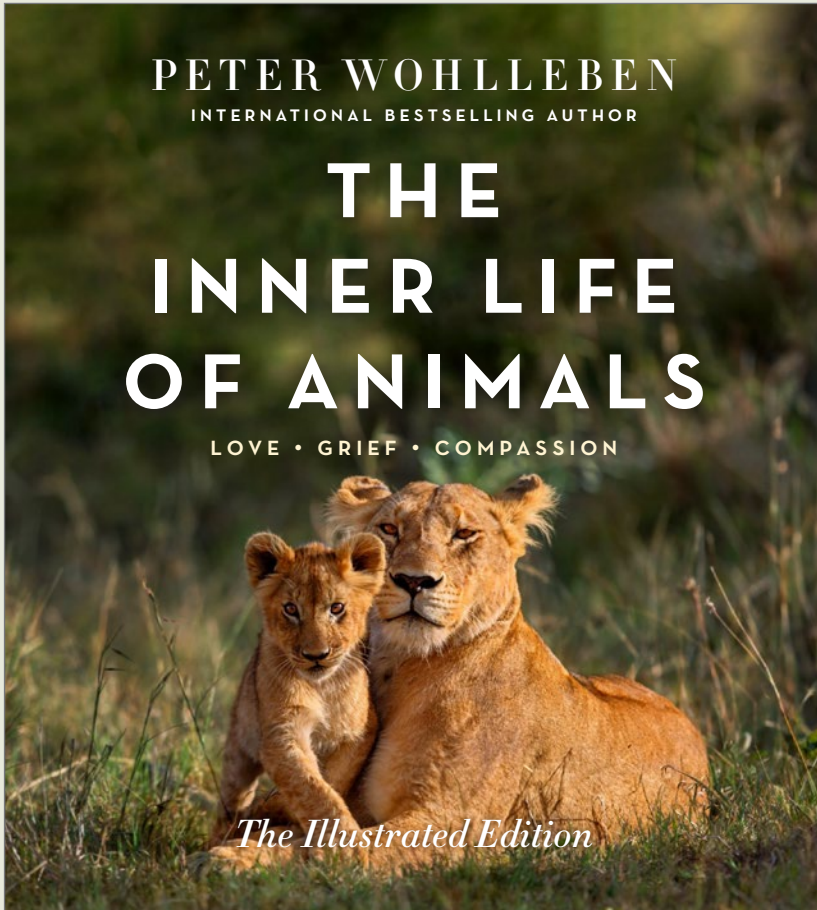
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The Inner Life of Animals: The Illustrated Edition

PETER WOHLLEBEN

Translated by JANE BILLINGHURST



From the internationally bestselling author of *The Hidden Life of Trees* comes a beautifully illustrated edition of the beloved second book in his *Mysteries of Nature* series.



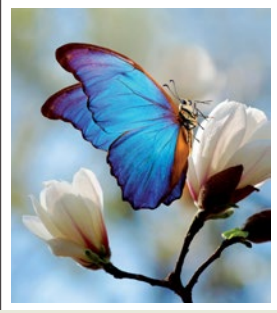
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It was a hot summer in an oak forest's ridge deep in the woods. Several of the white and black-striped shrews were sitting on a log in the shade. One of the shrews was looking at the other shrews and then looking back at the log. It was looking at the log as if it were a person and the shrews were looking at it as if it were a person. The shrews were looking at the log as if it were a person and the shrews were looking at it as if it were a person. The shrews were looking at the log as if it were a person and the shrews were looking at it as if it were a person.

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They sit on the forest floor of an oak forest in the Eifel region of western Germany. The shrews are looking at the log as if it were a person and the shrews were looking at it as if it were a person. The shrews were looking at the log as if it were a person and the shrews were looking at it as if it were a person.



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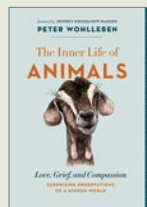
“*The Inner Life of Animals* will rock your world. This book shows us that animals think, feel, and know in much the same way as we do.”

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THROUGH VIVID STORIES of devoted pigs, two-timing magpies, and scheming roosters, *The Inner Life of Animals: The Illustrated Edition* weaves scientific research into how animals interact with the world with breathtaking photographs and Peter Wohlleben’s own observations from his wild home. In this abridged, gorgeously illustrated version of the original book, readers will learn that horses feel shame, deer grieve, and goats discipline their kids. Ravens call their friends by name, rats regret bad choices, and butterflies select the best places for their children to grow up.

PETER WOHLLEBEN is the internationally renowned author of many bestselling books about the natural world, including *The Mysteries of Nature* Trilogy books *The Hidden Life of Trees*, *The Inner Life of Animals*, and *The Secret Wisdom of Nature*. A retired forester, Wohlleben lives in the Eifel region of Germany, where he manages a sustainable forest and advocates for natural forest conservation around the world.

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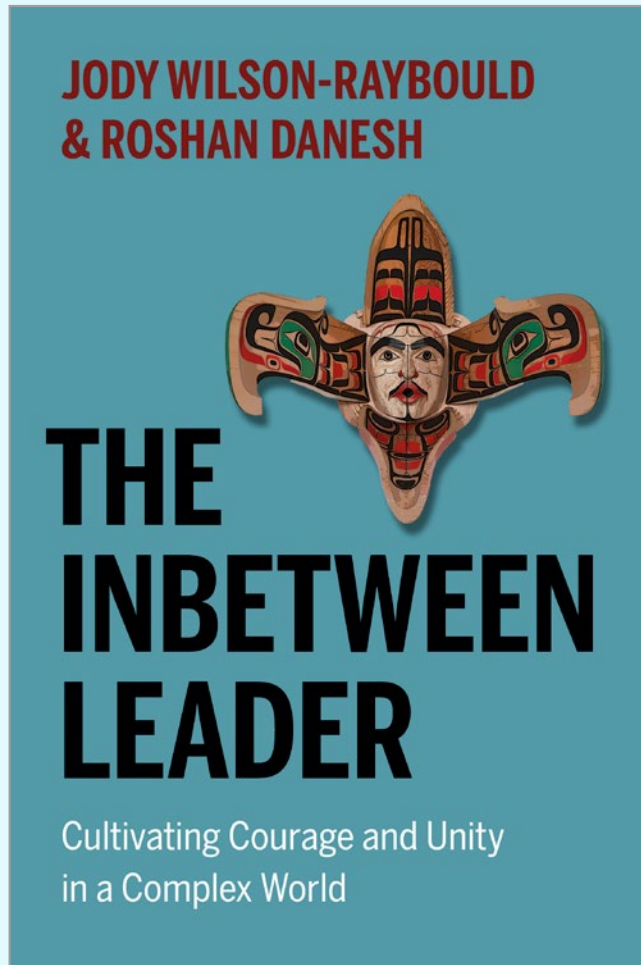


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The Inbetween Leader

Cultivating Courage and Unity in a Complex World

JODY WILSON-RAYBOULD AND ROSHAN DANESH



From Indigenous leader and former justice minister of Canada Jody Wilson-Raybould and educator and lawyer Roshan Danesh comes a how-to guide for a new type of leadership.

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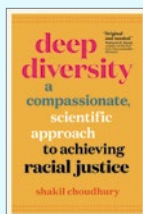
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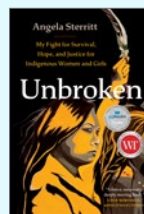
The Honourable **DR. JODY WILSON-RAYBOULD, PC, OBC, KC**, is the former minister of justice and attorney general, a member of We Wai Kai Nation, a lawyer, a leader among Canada's Indigenous Peoples, and the author of four bestselling books. She lives in Cape Mudge, BC.

DR. ROSHAN DANESH, KC, is an internationally renowned lawyer and educator who has been on the frontlines of advancing Indigenous rights and reconciliation in Canada, and he has worked around the globe on issues of peace-building and conflict resolution. He has written or co-authored over twenty articles and books. He lives in Nanaimo, BC.

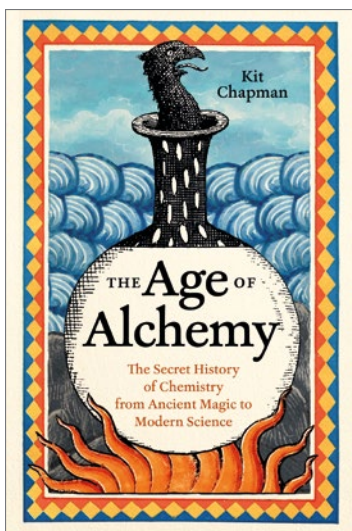
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The Secret History of Chemistry from Ancient Magic to Modern Science

KIT CHAPMAN

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THREE THOUSAND YEARS ago, on the banks of the Tigris in what is now known as Iraq, a perfumer named Tappūtī mastered the control of temperature and the arts of distillation, calcination, condensation, filtering, purification, fixation, and sublimation, unknowingly staking her claim as the first chemist in history.

From Egyptian tombs and the dazzling workshops of Alexandria to Chinese emperors seeking immortality, *The Age of Alchemy* uncovers the hidden roots of alchemy and its transformation into chemistry. Kit Chapman brings to life forgotten innovators—women alchemists, artisan experimenters, and ingenious fraudsters—while challenging Eurocentric myths and celebrating the diverse cultures that forged our understanding of matter. Blending vivid storytelling, forgotten history, and fascinating science, the book explores the meaning and impact of chemical knowledge—its power to heal, to harm, and to transform societies.

KIT CHAPMAN is an award-winning science journalist and historian specializing in the history of chemistry. He is the author of several acclaimed books and a lecturer at Falmouth University. Chapman lives in Falmouth, U.K.

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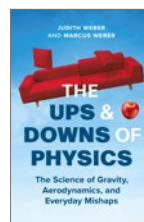


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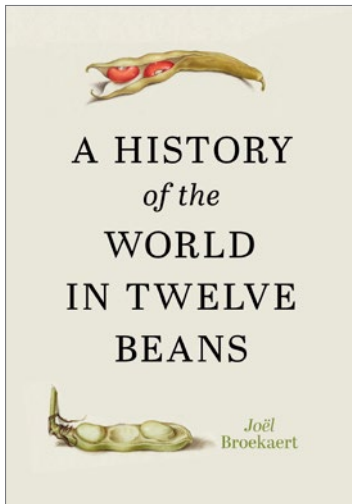


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JOËL BROEKAERT

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From ancient empires to modern kitchens, discover how twelve humble beans have quietly changed the world in vast and unexpected ways.

FOOD WRITER AND history buff Joël Broekaert spills the beans—the actual beans!—in this highly engaging debut, which reveals how beans have profoundly shaped human history, culture, and society, over the course of centuries and across the globe.

Did you know that fava beans helped Europe’s population explode in the Middle Ages? Or that Gregor Mendel’s experiments with peas laid the foundation for modern genetics? Did you know that coffee beans turbocharged the French Revolution? Or that chickpeas are a point of political contention in the Middle East?

Beans may be small, but they are mighty. And the twelve beans in this book have had an outsized impact on human history. As Broekaert shows with wit and originality, beans have not only changed civilization, botany, anthropology, and economics; they might be a key to a sustainable future too.

JOËL BROEKAERT is a culinary journalist and restaurant critic, author, and television and podcast presenter with a background in history studies. He is the author of several books about food and a judge for the Dutch edition of *Celebrity MasterChef*.

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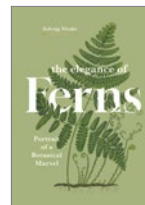
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Be More Bird

Life Lessons from a Hawk

CANDIDA MEYRICK

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In this exhilarating debut memoir, a woman’s extraordinary bond with her hawk imparts life lessons about resilience, freedom, and self-discovery.

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Set against the untamed beauty of remote and rustic Welsh and English forests, fields, hedgerows, and seashore, Meyrick’s evocative story charts the subtle, profound bond between human and hawk—a relationship that bridges species, cultures, and worlds. Each adventure through field and woodland becomes a meditation on freedom, resilience, and the wildness within us all.

Be More Bird offers a living fable for our times: a call to untether our souls and rediscover our place in the wilder world.

Be More Bird is **CANDIDA MEYRICK**’s first work of nonfiction. She has published six novels under the pen name Candida Clark and written journalism, short fiction, and poetry.

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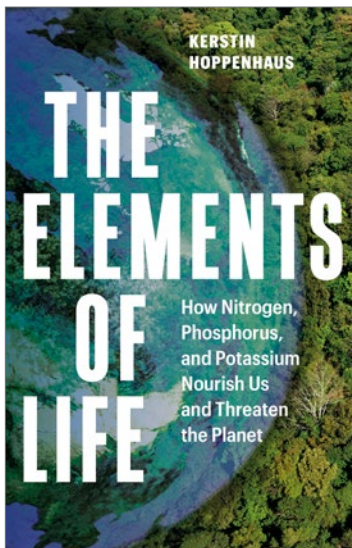


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*How Nitrogen, Phosphorus, and Potassium Nourish Us
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KERSTIN HOPPENHAUS

Translated by **SARAH PYBUS**

**Discover the extraordinary hidden history of three elements that
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THREE CHEMICAL ELEMENTS—nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium—are literally the stuff of life. They're flowing through your body right now, powering every heartbeat, every thought, every breath. They're in every plant, every animal, every ecosystem on Earth.

For thousands of years, farmers faced a fundamental problem: these nutrients get used up. Crops remove them from soil, and without replenishment, fields become barren. Traditional solutions—manure, compost, crop rotation—could only feed so many people.

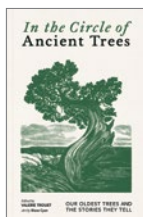
Then came the breakthrough: Scientists learned to manufacture nitrogen from thin air. Suddenly, humanity could produce fertilizer on a massive scale. This “Green Revolution” fed billions and prevented famines. It's arguably the most important technological achievement of the twentieth century.

But there's a dark side. We're now producing and using so much fertilizer that we've completely overwhelmed nature's delicate balance. Excess nutrients are washing into rivers and oceans, creating vast dead zones where nothing can survive. They're contributing to climate change. They're destabilizing the very planetary systems that keep Earth habitable.

This book tells the whole story—the science, the history, the environmental crisis, and the innovative solutions emerging worldwide. It's about understanding the invisible forces sustaining civilization and the urgent need to manage them wisely.

KERSTIN HOPPENHAUS is a science journalist and filmmaker specializing in environmental and Earth system sciences. Her work bridges complex scientific research and accessible storytelling.

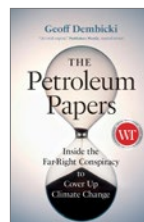
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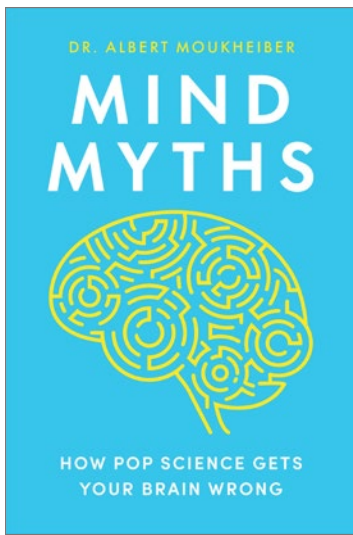
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How Pop Science Gets Your Brain Wrong

DR. ALBERT MOUKHEIBER

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Discover the truth about your brain—and why everything you think you know about it may be wrong.

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Mind Myths exposes the dangerous gap between real science and popular fiction, from courtroom verdicts based on flawed brain scans to workplace burnout blamed on your neurons instead of bad management. Packed with surprising research and compelling stories, *Mind Myths* empowers you to see through the hype, reclaim your agency, and understand what neuroscience actually reveals about being human. You and your brain deserve better.

ALBERT MOUKHEIBER is a neuroscientist and clinical psychologist specializing in cognitive science and behavioral therapy. He lectures internationally on neuroscience myths and their societal impact, bridging academic research with public understanding. Based in France, he advocates for evidence-based approaches to mental health and challenges reductionist interpretations of brain science in popular culture and policy.

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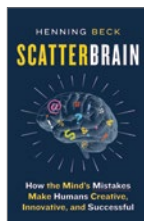
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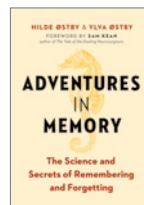
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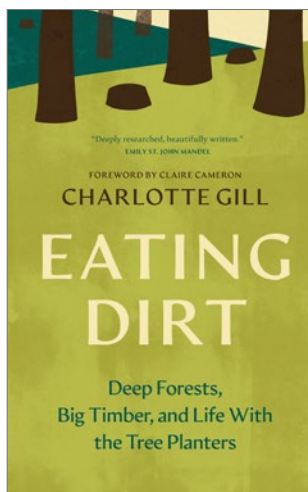
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Eating Dirt

Deep Forests, Big Timber, and Life With the Tree Planters

CHARLOTTE GILL

Foreword by **CLAIRE CAMERON**

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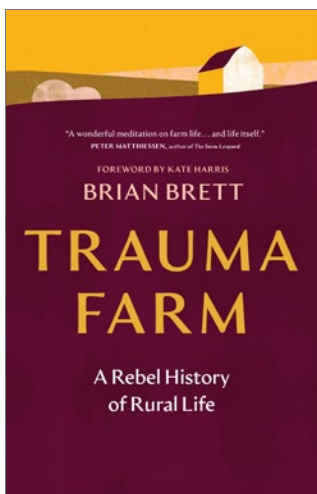
"Gill's is a book you can live in. You come to speak its language and to feel as she feels." **GLOBE AND MAIL**

**A tree planter's gritty and powerful story of a
unique subculture and the magical life of the forest.**

CHARLOTTE GILL was born in London and raised in Canada and the United States. Her book *Eating Dirt* was a national bestseller. She lives on the Sunshine Coast of British Columbia, Canada.

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Trauma Farm

A Rebel History of Rural Life

BRIAN BRETT

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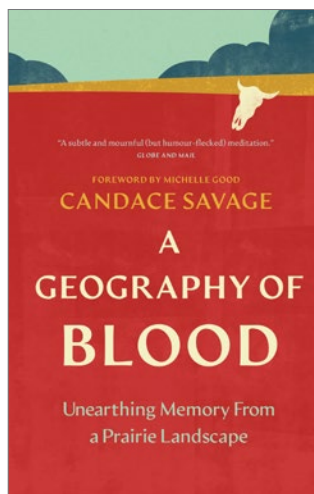
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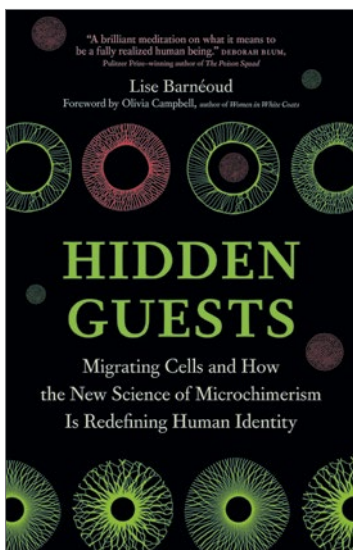
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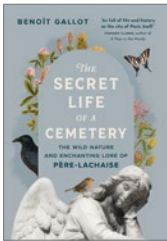
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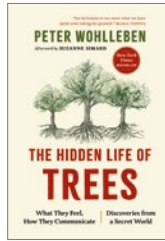
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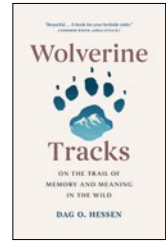
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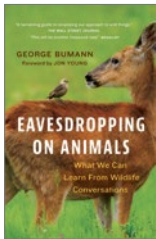
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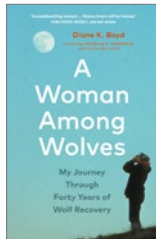
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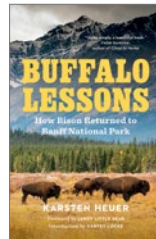
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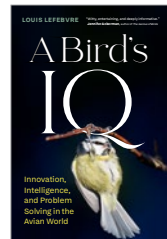
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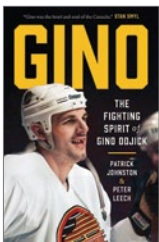


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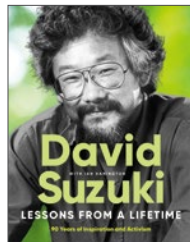


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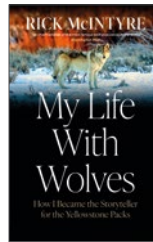
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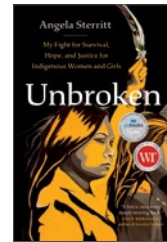
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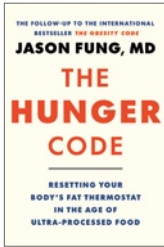
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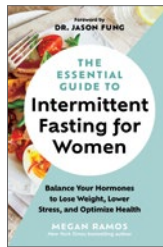
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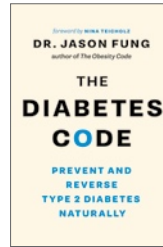
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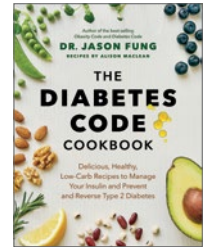
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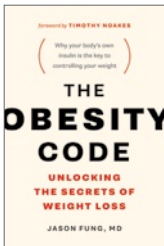
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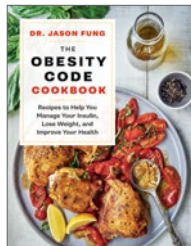
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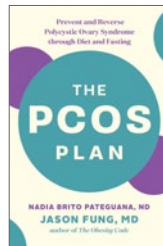
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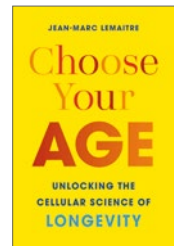
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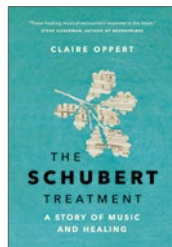
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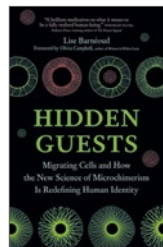
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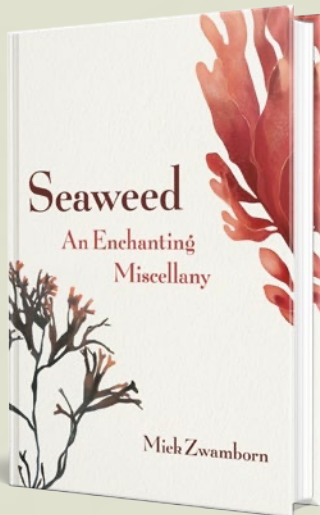
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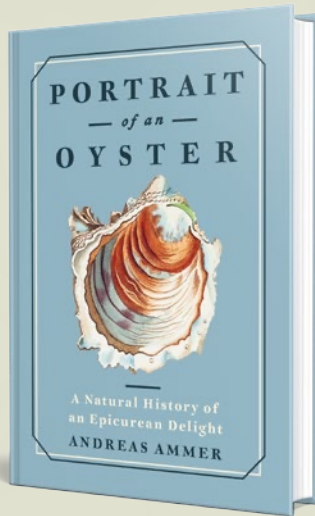
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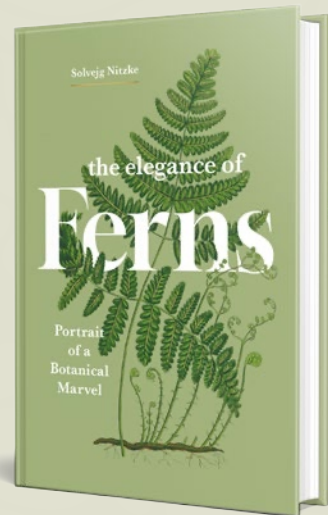
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