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Wealthy businessmen and politicians gather at the Camel Club, unaware that their conversations are being monitored. After homeless Oliver Stone witnesses a murder, Secret Service agent Alex Ford interviews him. Ford's subsequent investigation yields information on a potential political assassination. Some violence and some strong language. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2005.

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Cotton Malone, retired top operative of the U.S. Justice Department, comes to the aid of his former supervisor Stephanie Nelle, who is pursuing the legendary treasure of the Knights Templar. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook. 2006.

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Professor Robert Langdon from Angels and Demons (RC0 51799) investigates the crime scene of the Louvre's murdered curator. Joining him is French cryptologist Sophie Neveu. The clues left behind pit two Catholic societies against each other in search of the Holy Grail. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

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Princeton seniors Tom Sullivan and Paul Harris unravel the secrets of the Hypnerotomachia Poliphili, a baffling Renaissance text. Using the Rule of Four, they decode a hidden crypt's location and quickly face revelations, bizarre events, and even death. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

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**Spartan Gold** By Clive Cussler

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Treasure-hunting couple Sam and Remi Fargo discover a World War II-era midget torpedo submarine in a Maryland swamp. Inside the craft they spot one of Napoleon Bonaparte's rare bottles of wine and begin searching for the entire collection--but they are not the only ones interested in finding it. Bestseller. 2009.

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**The Prague Cemetery** By Umberto Eco

Read by Barry Bernson Reading time 13 hours, 48 minutes

1897. Captain Simone Simonini and Abbé Dalla Picola leave notes for each other in a diary. Steeped in the many conspiracies of the age--involving Freemasons, Jesuits, Jews, and others--Simonini is spurred on to reflect on his career as secret agent and forger. Translated from Italian. Bestseller. 2010.

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**The Geographer’s Library** By Jon Fasman

Read by Bill Wallace Reading time 14 hours, 31 minutes

Small-town Connecticut reporter Paul Tomm is assigned to write the obituary of enigmatic history professor Jaan Pühapev. Researching, Paul uncovers links to occult objects stolen from a twelfth-century royal geographer and learns that neither Jaan's life nor his death were what they seemed. Strong language and some violence. 2005.

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**The Footprints of God** By Greg Iles

Read by Mark Ashby Reading time 14 hours, 5 minutes

Dr. David Tennant is working on a government program: building a computer that can think. The scientists begin suffering neurological symptoms, and when a murder occurs David and his psychiatrist, Rachel Weiss, flee. Rachel tries to decipher David's religious visions as the computer takes over. Violence and strong language. 2003.

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**The Last Templar** By Raymond Khoury

Read by Jim Zeiger Reading time 15 hours, 5 minutes

During a showing of Vatican treasures at New York City's Metropolitan Museum of Art, horsemen dressed as Knights Templar attack and steal precious artifacts including an encoder. FBI agent Sean Reilly and archaeologist Tess Chaykin investigate while Catholic Church authorities worry about the consequences. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2005.

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**The Last Ember** by Daniel Levin

Read by Colleen Delany Reading time 15 hours, 55 minutes

American lawyer and former classics scholar Jonathan Marcus is summoned to Rome to examine fragments of an ancient stone map. Clues lead Jonathan and his ex-flame Dr. Emili Travia to Jerusalem's Old City, a biblical artifact, and a plot to destroy it. Some violence and some strong language. 2009.

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**The Inner Circle** By Brad Meltzer

Read by Gregory Gorton Reading time 12 hours, 40 minutes

Young Beecher White, an archivist at the National Archives, helps his childhood crush Clementine Kaye search for her long-lost father's identity. In the secure reading room of the U.S. president, Beecher and Clementine stumble upon an artifact that turns Beecher's world on end. Violence and some strong language. Bestseller. 2011.

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**Labyrinth** By Kate Mosse

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee Reading time 19 hours, 31 minutes

France, 2005. Alice Tanner finds two skeletons and a labyrinth-engraved ring at an archaeological site. As Alice avoids enemies lured by the discovery, her thirteenth-century Cathar Christian counterpart, Alaïs, safeguards from Crusaders three books containing secrets of the Holy Grail. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller. 2005.

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**The Eight a Novel** By Katherine Neville

Read by Yvonne Fair Tessler Reading time 25 hours, 54 minutes

Two women share an adventure spanning three continents and two centuries. Catherine Velis, a computer expert, is sent to Algeria and and becomes involved in the search for a jeweled chess set that holds the key to great power. Her story alternates with that of Mireille de Remy, a novice at the Montglane Abbey in the revolution-torn France of 1790, who helped hide the chess pieces for safe keeping. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1988.

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**The Nautical Chart** By Arturo Pérez-Reverte

Read by Mark Ashby Reading time 15 hours, 6 minutes

Spain, 1990s. An antique nautical chart introduces two unlikely partners, Manuel Coy of the Merchant Marine and Tánger Soto of the Madrid Naval Museum. They use the map to search for a sunken, seventeenth-century Jesuit ship and its presumed treasure. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller. 2000.

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**Black Order a Sigma Force Novel** By James Rollins

Read by Richard Davidson Reading time 17 hours, 26 minutes

Painter Crowe and Grayson Pierce of Sigma Force investigate strange, simultaneous occurrences--a plague in Nepal, a killer beast preying in South Africa, and the purchase of Darwin's Bible in Denmark. They uncover a Nazi experiment involving evolution, quantum physics, and a lost baby. Violence and some strong language. Bestseller. 2006.

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**The Confessor** By Daniel Silva

Read by Roy Avers Reading time 11 hours, 14 minutes

Israeli spy Gabriel Allon investigates the murder of his colleague Benjamin Stern. Stern was working on documents linking the Catholic Church to the Holocaust. Allon discovers an assassin hired by a conservative church group to keep its archives secret and the new pope silent. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

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Also available on cassette RC055724

**Sanctus** By Simon Toyne

Read by Jennifer Hubbard Reading time 13 hours, 51 minutes

A monk leaps off a mountain after learning the truth held by his secret religious society--and his brethren will stop at nothing to keep the information hidden. Meanwhile, reporter Liv Adamsen searches for answers about her missing brother and makes a shocking discovery. Some violence. 2011.

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**Angelology** By Danielle Trussoni

Read by Gabriella Cavallero Reading time 18 hours, 40 minutes

After receiving a peculiar request to access St. Rose Convent's archives, Sister Evangeline searches for answers on her own. Her discoveries thrust her into an age-old battle between the Society for Angelologists and the half-angel, half-human Nephilim as a catastrophic event nears. Violence. Bestseller. 2010.

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