

# The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	August 19, 2007 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	A THOUSAND SPLENDID SUNS, by Khaled Hosseini. (Riverhead, \$25.95.) A friendship between two women in Afghanistan against the backdrop of 30 years of war.	1	11
2	THE QUICKIE, by James Patterson and Michael Ledwidge. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) A police officer's attempt to get back at her husband, whom she suspects of cheating on her, goes dangerously awry.	3	5
3	THE SECRET SERVANT, by Daniel Silva. (Putnam, \$25.95.) Gabriel Allon, an art restorer and an occasional spy for the Israeli secret service, joins the search for the kidnapped daughter of an American ambassador.	2	2
4	HIGH NOON, by Nora Roberts. (Putnam, \$26.95.) A hostage negotiator must face down her unknown stalker.	4	4
5	THE TIN ROOF BLOWDOWN, by James Lee Burke. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.) The Louisiana detective Dave Robicheaux copes with the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.	5	3
6	BEYOND REACH, by Karin Slaughter. (Delacorte, \$25.) In defending herself from murder charges, a police officer must confront her past.	--	1
7	LEAN MEAN THIRTEEN, by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$27.95.) The New Jersey bounty hunter Stephanie Plum becomes a suspect when her ex-husband disappears.	6	7
8	THE FIRST COMMANDMENT, by Brad Thor. (Atria, \$25.95.) Scot Harvath, a Homeland Security superagent, is stalked by a terrorist released from Guantánamo.	9	3
9	THE BOURNE BETRAYAL, by Eric Van Lustbader. (Warner, \$25.99.) Robert Ludlum's character Jason Bourne tangles with a group of diabolical Islamic terrorists.	11	9
10	JUSTICE DENIED, by J. A. Jance. (Morrow, \$25.95.) J. P. Beaumont's murder investigation suggests a conspiracy.	8	2
11	UP CLOSE AND DANGEROUS, by Linda Howard. (Ballantine, \$25.95.) After a suspicious plane crash, a woman struggles to find a way out of the Idaho wilderness.	7	3
12	IN AT THE DEATH, by Harry Turtledove. (Del Rey, \$26.95.) The finale to the "Settling Accounts" alternative history series imagines an American war of secession in 1944.	--	1
13	THURSDAY NEXT, by Jasper Fforde. (Viking, \$24.95.) In an alternative British universe, a special operative in literary detection must cope with a killer on the loose in the Bookworld; fifth in a series.	10	2
14	BUNGALOW 2, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$27.) A writer deals with the effects of Hollywood success on her family life.	12	6
15	THE MAYTREES, by Annie Dillard. (HarperCollins, \$24.95.) The story of a long marriage between creative types, from romance to disillusionment to reconciliation.	--	1
16	THE JUDAS STRAIN, by James Rollins. (Morrow, \$25.95.) Sigma Force operatives trained in science investigate the re-emergence of an ancient plague.	13	5

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1	IT'S ALL ABOUT HIM, by Denise Jackson with Ellen Vaughn. (Thomas Nelson, \$24.99.) The wife of the country music star Alan Jackson describes how religious faith re-stored her marriage.	--	1
2	LONE SURVIVOR, by Marcus Luttrell with Patrick Robinson. (Little, Brown, \$24.99.) The only survivor of a Navy Seal operation in northern Afghanistan describes the battle, his comrades and his courageous escape.	1	8
3	QUIET STRENGTH, by Tony Dungy with Nathan Whitaker. (Tyndale, \$26.99.) A memoir by the first black coach to win a Super Bowl (he did it with the Indianapolis Colts in February 2007).	2	4
4	GOD IS NOT GREAT, by Christopher Hitchens. (Twelve, \$24.99.) Religion as a malignant force in the world.	3	14
5	A LONG WAY GONE, by Ishmael Beah. (Sarah Crichton/Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$22.) A former child soldier from Sierra Leone describes his drug-crazed killing spree and his return to humanity.	4	25
6	LEGACY OF ASHES, by Tim Weiner. (Doubleday, \$27.95.) A history of the Central Intelligence Agency by a New York Times reporter, focusing on the agency's failures and delusions of grandeur.	5	4
7	THE WORLD WITHOUT US, by Alan Weisman. (Thomas Dunne/St. Martin's, \$24.95.) What Earth would be like if humans disappeared.	6	4
8	ANIMAL, VEGETABLE, MIRACLE, by Barbara Kingsolver with Steven L. Hopp and Camille Kingsolver. (HarperCollins, \$26.95.) The novelist and her family spend a year eating homegrown or local food.	9	14
9	THE PRINCE OF DARKNESS, by Robert D. Novak. (Crown Forum, \$29.95.) Reflections on 50 years as a Washington journalist.	10	3
10	THE DIANA CHRONICLES, by Tina Brown. (Doubleday, \$27.50.) The Princess of Wales's relationship with the royal family and her romance with the media.	7	8
11	THE BLACK SWAN, by Nassim Nicholas Taleb. (Random House, \$26.95.) The role of the unexpected.	--	12
12	MERLE'S DOOR, by Ted Kerasote. (Harcourt, \$25.) Lessons from a freethinking dog: a nature writer's tribute to the quirky Labrador mutt he adopted.	--	3
13	THE ASSAULT ON REASON, by Al Gore. (Penguin Press, \$25.95.) How the Bush administration has degraded the political environment.	8	11
14	FREAKONOMICS, by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner. (Morrow, \$27.95.) A maverick scholar and a journalist apply economic theory to nearly everything.	12	105
15	PROMISES TO KEEP, by Joe Biden. (Random House, \$25.95.) The Delaware senator and 2008 presidential candidate reflects on his personal background and political career.	--	1