

# The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	July 26, 2009 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	BLACK HILLS, by Nora Roberts. (Putnam, \$26.95.) A South Dakota wildlife biologist and an ex-cop, childhood sweethearts, reunite to pursue a serial killer.	--	1
2	SWIMSUIT, by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) A former cop, now a reporter for The Los Angeles Times, investigates the disappearance of a supermodel.	1	2
3	FINGER LICKIN' FIFTEEN, by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$27.95.) The bounty hunter Stephanie Plum tracks a celebrity chef's killer.	2	3
4	THE DEVIL'S PUNCHBOWL, by Greg Iles. (Scribner, \$26.99.) The mayor of Natchez, Miss., pursues a killer who opposes his attempt to clean up riverboat gambling.	--	1
5	THE APOSTLE, by Brad Thor. (Atria, \$26.99.) Scot Harvath, a Homeland Security superagent, is asked to free an Al Qaeda mastermind from an Afghan prison as part of a ransom deal.	3	2
6	BURN, by Linda Howard. (Ballantine, \$26.) A lottery winner on a luxury cruise is mysteriously taken hostage.	--	1
7	THE DOOMSDAY KEY, by James Rollins. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$27.99.) Sigma Force operatives attempt to solve an ancient mystery that has deadly consequences.	5	3
8	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	9	15
9	RETURN TO SULLIVANS ISLAND, by Dorothea Benton Frank. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$25.99.) A young woman returns to her family's South Carolina island home.	14	2
10	THE CASTAWAYS, by Elin Hilderbrand. (Little, Brown, \$24.99.) A Nantucket couple drowns, raising questions and precipitating conflicts among their group of friends.	--	1
11	BY HERESIES DISTRESSED, by David Weber. (Tor/Tom Doherty, \$27.99.) Intrigue on the planet Safehold.	--	1
12	SHANGHAI GIRLS, by Lisa See. (Random House, \$25.) Two Chinese sisters in the 1930s are sold as wives to men from California, and leave their war-torn country to join them.	6	7
13	THE ANGEL'S GAME, by Carlos Ruiz Zafón. (Doubleday, \$26.95.) A Barcelona writer accepts a sinister commission.	8	4
14	KNOCKOUT, by Catherine Coulter. (Putnam, \$26.95.) Dillon Savich and Lacey Sherlock — F.B.I. agents as well as husband and wife — try to protect a 7-year-old with psychic powers from her exploitive criminal uncle.	4	4
15	THE PHYSICK BOOK OF DELIVERANCE DANE, by Katherine Howe. (Voice, \$25.99.) A graduate student is caught up in her research on a healer accused of witchcraft in Salem.	10	5
16	DEAD AND GONE, by Charlaine Harris. (Ace, \$25.95.) Sookie Stackhouse searches for the killer of a werepanther.	13	10

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1	OUTLIERS, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed, from the author of "Blink."	3	34
2	LIBERTY AND TYRANNY, by Mark R. Levin. (Threshold Editions, \$25.) A conservative manifesto from a talk-show host and president of Landmark Legal Foundation.	2	16
3	CATASTROPHE, by Dick Morris and Eileen McGann. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) Stopping President Obama before he transforms America into a socialist state.	1	3
4	HORSE SOLDIERS, by Doug Stanton. (Scribner, \$28.) A small group of Special Forces soldiers fought the Taliban on horseback shortly after 9/11.	4	9
5	THE END OF OVEREATING, by David A. Kessler. (Rodale, \$25.95.) How eating sugar, fat and salt affects our minds and bodies and encourages overindulgence.	5	10
6	THE GIRLS FROM AMES, by Jeffrey Zaslow. (Gotham, \$26.) An enduring friendship among a group of Midwestern women.	7	11
7	ARE YOU THERE, VODKA? IT'S ME, CHELSEA, by Chelsea Handler. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$24.95.) Humorous personal essays from the stand-up comedian.	9	46
8	TEARS IN THE DARKNESS, by Michael Norman and Elizabeth M. Norman. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$30.) The Bataan death march and its aftermath.	--	3
9	MOMMYWOOD, by Tori Spelling with Hilary Liftin. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$25.) Humorous stories about Hollywood motherhood.	--	5
10	FIRST THINGS FIRST, by Kurt Warner and Brenda Warner with Jennifer Schuchmann. (Tyndale House, \$24.99.) The quarterback and his wife discuss family rules and values.	--	1
11	HOW THE MIGHTY FALL, by Jim Collins. (Jim Collins/HarperCollins, \$23.99.) Companies fail in stages, and their decline can be detected and reversed.	--	5
12	FREE, by Chris Anderson. (Hyperion, \$26.99.) How businesses can profit by giving things away.	--	1
13	A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY, by Bill O'Reilly. (Broadway, \$26.) The Fox News commentator on his upbringing and career.	11	39
14	CRAZY FOR THE STORM, by Norman Ollestad. (Ecco/HarperCollins, \$25.99.) An 11-year-old survives the plane crash that killed his father and hikes down a mountain alone in a blizzard.	10	4
15	RENEGADE, by Richard Wolffe. (Crown, \$26.) The rise of Barack Obama, based on a dozen interviews.	6	6