

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	August 9, 2009 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE DEFECTOR, by Daniel Silva. (Putnam, \$26.95.) When a Russian defector who once saved his life disappears, Gabriel Allon, an art restorer and occasional spy for the Israeli secret service, attempts to rescue him.	--	1
2	BEST FRIENDS FOREVER, by Jennifer Weiner. (Atria, \$26.99.) Childhood friends, estranged in high school, reunite years later when the popular one needs the mousy one's help.	1	2
3	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.	2	4
4	TWENTIES GIRL, by Sophie Kinsella. (Dial, \$26.) A young woman is haunted by the spirit of her great-aunt, who wants her to find a missing necklace.	--	1
5	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	5	17
6	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.	3	3
7	FINGER LICKIN' FIFTEEN, by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$27.95.) The bounty hunter Stephanie Plum tracks a celebrity chef's killer.	4	5
8	FIRE AND ICE, by J. A. Jance. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$25.99.) The Seattle investigator J. P. Beaumont finds that his pursuit of a murder leads him into the territory of Joanna Brady, an Arizona Sheriff.	--	1
9	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.	8	3
10	RAIN GODS, by James Lee Burke. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.99.) A Texas sheriff investigates a mass murder of illegal aliens and tries to find the young Iraq war veteran who may have been involved — before the F.B.I. can.	6	2
11	DEAD AND GONE, by Charlaine Harris. (Ace, \$25.95.) Sookie Stackhouse searches for the killer of a werepanther.	12	12
12	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.	9	4
13	THE DOOMSDAY KEY, by James Rollins. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$27.99.) Sigma Force operatives attempt to solve an ancient mystery that has deadly consequences.	7	5
14	THE ANGEL'S GAME, by Carlos Ruiz Zafón. (Doubleday, \$26.95.) A Barcelona writer accepts a sinister commission.	--	5
15	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.	13	9

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This Week	August 9, 2009 Non-Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	OUTLIERS, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed — it has to do with luck and opportunity as well as talent — from the author of “Blink.”	2	36
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.	3	18
3	UNMASKED, by Ian Halperin. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$25.) Michael Jackson’s final years.	1	2
4	CATASTROPHE, by Dick Morris and Eileen McGann. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) Stopping President Obama before he transforms America into a socialist state and destroys the health care system.	4	5
5	BOBBY AND JACKIE, by C. David Heymann. (Atria, \$26.) The connection between Bobby and Jackie Kennedy.	8	2
6	THE ACCIDENTAL BILLIONAIRES, by Ben Mezrich. (Doubleday, \$25.) How two Harvard undergraduates created Facebook.	5	2
7	A COLOSSAL FAILURE OF COMMON SENSE, by Lawrence G. McDonald and Patrick Robinson. (Crown Business, \$27.) The inside story of the collapse of Lehman Brothers, from a former vice president of the firm.	--	1
8	THE EVOLUTION OF GOD, by Robert Wright. (Little, Brown, \$25.99.) How Western religions have become more tolerant over time, creating a worldview that has room for both science and the divine.	15	3
9	MAGNIFICENT DESOLATION, by Buzz Aldrin with Ken Abraham. (Harmony, \$27.) A first-person account of the first lunar landing and a description of personal challenges back on Earth, by the former astronaut.	14	3
10	MOMMYWOOD, by Tori Spelling with Hilary Liftin. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$25.) Humorous stories about Hollywood motherhood, from the author of “Stori Telling” and star of “Tori & Dean: Home Sweet Hollywood.”	10	7
11	HORSE SOLDIERS, by Doug Stanton. (Scribner, \$28.) A small group of Special Forces soldiers fought the Taliban on horseback shortly after 9/11.	6	11
12	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.	7	12
13	ROCKET MEN, by Craig Nelson. (Viking, \$27.95.) The Apollo 11 mission and the first moon landing.	16	2
14	ARE YOU THERE, VODKA? IT’S ME, CHELSEA, by Chelsea Handler. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$24.95.) Humorous personal essays from the stand-up comedian.	--	47
15	BORN TO RUN, by Christopher McDougall. (Knopf, \$24.95.) Secrets of distance running from a Mexican Indian tribe.	13	7