

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	September 13, 2009 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	ALEX CROSS'S TRIAL, by James Patterson and Richard DiLallo. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) The detective Alex Cross writes a novel about his great-uncle, who fought the Klan.	--	1
2	SOUTH OF BROAD, by Pat Conroy. (Nan A. Talese/Doubleday, \$29.95.) An unlikely group's friendship from the '60s to the '80s, and from South Carolina to San Francisco; by the author of "The Prince of Tides."	1	3
3	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	4	22
4	206 BONES, by Kathy Reichs. (Scribner, \$26.99.) Temperance Brennan is accused of mishandling an autopsy.	--	1
5	THE WHITE QUEEN, by Philippa Gregory. (Touchstone/Simon & Schuster, \$25.99.) Palace intrigue during the War of the Roses, by the author of "The Other Boleyn Girl."	2	2
6	THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE, by Stieg Larsson. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A Swedish hacker becomes a murder suspect.	6	5
7	THAT OLD CAPE MAGIC, by Richard Russo. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A long-married couple wrestle with dissatisfactions during a Cape Cod weekend; by the author of "Empire Falls."	5	4
8	THE ELEVENTH VICTIM, by Nancy Grace. (Hyperion, \$25.99.) A prosecutor turned therapist is drawn back to crime-fighting when her clients start getting murdered one by one.	9	3
9	EVEN MONEY, by Dick Francis and Felix Francis. (Putnam, \$26.95.) A bookmaker learns that his father, whom he had believed was long dead, was the chief suspect in the murder of his mother.	--	1
10	DEAD AND GONE, by Charlaine Harris. (Ace, \$25.95.) Sookie Stackhouse searches for the killer of a werepanther.	12	17
11	SMASH CUT, by Sandra Brown. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.99.) A publicity-seeking lawyer tries to get to the bottom of who murdered a wealthy executive.	8	3
12	DREAMFEVER, by Karen Marie Moning. (Delacorte, \$26.) MacKlaya finds herself under the erotic spell of a Fae master.	3	2
13	THE SWORD OF THE LADY, by S. M. Stirling. (Roc, \$25.95.) Adventures in a postapocalypse America.	--	1
14	ABYSS, by Troy Denning. (Del Rey/Ballantine/Lucas, \$27.) In a "Star Wars" book, Luke Skywalker goes to the Mind Walker's world to try to redeem the Jedi.	7	2
15	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.	11	7
16	RESURRECTING MIDNIGHT, by Eric Jerome Dickey. (Dutton, \$26.95.) Gideon, an international assassin, travels to Argentina in pursuit of a dangerous assignment.	--	1

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1	CULTURE OF CORRUPTION, by Michelle Malkin. (Regnery, \$27.95.) President Obama and his team of tax cheats, petty crooks, influence peddlers and Wall Street cronies.	1	5
2	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.”	3	41
3	IN THE PRESIDENT’S SECRET SERVICE, by Ronald Kessler. (Crown, \$26.) Agents and the presidents they protect.	2	4
4	BORN TO RUN, by Christopher McDougall. (Knopf, \$24.95.) Secrets of distance running from a Mexican Indian tribe.	4	11
5	A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY, by Bill O’Reilly. (Broadway, \$26.) The Fox News commentator on his upbringing and career.	8	44
6	THE HEALING OF AMERICA, by T. R. Reid. (Penguin Press, \$25.95.) How other industrialized democracies provide health care for all at a reasonable cost.	--	1
7	A BIG LITTLE LIFE, by Dean Koontz. (Hyperion, \$24.99.) The novelist adopts a dog.	--	1
8	CATASTROPHE, by Dick Morris and Eileen McGann. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) Stopping President Obama before he transforms America into a socialist state.	7	10
9	LIBERTY AND TYRANNY, by Mark R. Levin. (Threshold Editions, \$25.) A conservative manifesto from a talk-show host and president of Landmark Legal Foundation.	5	23
10	ZEITOUN, by Dave Eggers. (McSweeney’s, \$24.) The travails of a Syrian-American man and his family after Hurricane Katrina.	6	3
11	THE SECRET LIFE OF MARILYN MONROE, by J. Randy Taraborrelli. (Grand Central, \$26.99.) Details about Monroe’s foster mother, her father and her mentally ill mother, as well as about her relationship with the Kennedy brothers.	--	1
12	STRENGTH IN WHAT REMAINS, by Tracy Kidder. (Random House, \$26.) A medical student survives civil war and genocide in Burundi, and flourishes in the United States.	--	1
13	THE EVOLUTION OF GOD, by Robert Wright. (Little, Brown, \$25.99.) How Western religions have created a worldview that has room for both science and the divine.	12	5
14	HOMER’S ODYSSEY, by Gwen Cooper. (Delacorte, \$20.) A woman adopts a sightless cat.	--	1
15	BORN ROUND, by Frank Bruni. (Penguin Press, \$25.95.) A memoir by the former Times restaurant critic focuses on his struggles with his weight and body image.	--	1