

# The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	September 20, 2009 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	DARK SLAYER, by Christine Feehan. (Berkley, \$25.95.) A slayer who travels with a wolf pack frees a Dragon seeker from prison and falls in love with him; a Carpathian novel.	--	1
2	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
3	SOUTH OF BROAD, by Pat Conroy. (Nan A. Talese/Doubleday, \$29.95.) An unlikely group's friendship from the '60s to the '80s, by the author of "The Prince of Tides."	2	4
4	SPARTAN GOLD, by Clive Cussler with Grant Blackwood. (Putnam, \$26.96.) Husband-and-wife treasure hunters search for bottles of wine from Napoleon's "lost cellar."	--	1
5	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	3	23
6	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."	5	3
7	HOMER & LANGLEY, by E. L. Doctorow. (Random House, \$26.) The lives of the reclusive Collyer brothers; by the author of "Ragtime."	--	1
8	206 BONES, by Kathy Reichs. (Scribner, \$26.99.) Temperance Brennan is accused of mishandling an autopsy.	4	2
9	THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE, by Stieg Larsson. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A Swedish hacker becomes a murder suspect.	6	6
10	A GATE AT THE STAIRS, by Lorrie Moore. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A Midwestern college student takes a job as a nanny with a couple on the eve of adoption.	--	1
11	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.	8	4
12	DEAD AND GONE, by Charlaine Harris. (Ace, \$25.95.) Sookie Stackhouse searches for the killer of a werepanther.	10	18
13	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."	7	5
14	THE SPIRE, by Richard North Patterson. (Holt, \$26.) A new college president opens an inquiry into a murder that occurred when he was a student.	--	1
15	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.	11	4

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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	6
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.”	2	42
3	IN THE PRESIDENT’S SECRET SERVICE, by Ronald Kessler. (Crown, \$26.) Agents and the presidents they protect.	3	5
4	STRENGTH IN WHAT REMAINS, by Tracy Kidder. (Random House,, \$26.) A medical student survives civil war and genocide in Burundi, and, after a difficult beginning, flourishes in the United States.	12	2
5	BORN TO RUN, by Christopher McDougall. (Knopf, \$24.95.) Secrets of distance running from a Mexican Indian tribe.	4	12
6	A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY, by Bill O’Reilly. (Broadway, \$26.) The Fox News commentator on his upbringing and career.	5	45
7	LIBERTY AND TYRANNY, by Mark R. Levin. (Threshold Editions, \$25.) A conservative manifesto from a talk-show host and president of Landmark Legal Foundation.	9	24
8	CATASTROPHE, by Dick Morris and Eileen McGann. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) Stopping President Obama before he transforms America into a socialist state.	8	11
9	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.	6	2
10	NURTURESHOCK, by Po Bronson and Ashley Merryman. (Twelve, \$24.99.) A report on recent research that challenges the conventional wisdom about child-rearing.	--	1
11	ZEITOUN, by Dave Eggers. (McSweeney’s, \$24.) The travails of a Syrian-American man and his family after Hurricane Katrina.	10	4
12	LAST LION, edited by Peter S. Canellos. (Simon & Schuster, \$28.) Ted Kennedy’s career, with contributions from a team of six Boston Globe reporters.	--	2
13	A BIG LITTLE LIFE, by Dean Koontz. (Hyperion, \$24.99.) The novelist adopts a dog.	7	2
14	HOMER’S ODYSSEY, by Gwen Cooper. (Delacorte, \$20.) A woman adopts a sightless cat.	14	2
15	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.	11	2