The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	July 20, 1997 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	SPECIAL DELIVERY, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$16.95.) Romance comes to a mature couple who disliked each other in earlier encounters.	2	2
2	PLUM ISLAND, by Nelson DeMille. (Warner, \$25.) A detective probes the murder of a Long Island couple who may have been involved in germ warfare research.	1	7
3	FAT TUESDAY, by Sandra Brown. (Warner, \$24.) A troubled cop and the wife of a sinister attorney go on a tear in New Orleans during Mardi Gras.	3	4
4	THE PARTNER, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$26.95.) The pursuit of \$90 million stolen by a lawyer who apparently died but is actually hiding in Brazil.	4	19
5	UP ISLAND, by Anne Rivers Siddons. (HarperCollins, \$24.) An Atlanta woman, after a bad marriage and her mother's death, seeks a new life on Martha's Vineyard.	5	6
6	LONDON, by Edward Rutherfurd. (Crown, \$25.95.) Two thousand years of life in Britain's capital as seen through the eyes of six families.	7	7
7	THE NOTEBOOK, by Nicholas Sparks. (Warner, \$16.95.) A World War II veteran meets an old flame who is about to be married.	8	39
8	CHASING CEZANNE, by Peter Mayle. (Knopf, \$23.) A photographer pursues a painting taken from a house in the south of France.	6	4
9	COLD MOUNTAIN, by Charles Frazier. (Atlantic Monthly, \$24.) A Confederate soldier journeys home toward the end of the Civil War to meet an old love.	13	2
10	THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER, by Jack Higgins. (Putnam, \$23.95.) The President of the United States copes with kidnappers who threaten to kill his love child.	9	7
11	PRETEND YOU DON'T SEE HER, by Mary Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.) A chance witness to a murder is obliged to live anonymously to save her life.	10	13
12	THE LAST HEROES, by W. E. B. Griffin. (Putnam, \$24.95.) During World War II, two O.S.S. agents try to secure an ore that will power the atomic bomb.		1
13	THE MAZE, by Catherine Coulter. (Putnam, \$19.95.) A woman, determined to locate her sister's killer, finds herself his new target.		1
14	SNOW IN AUGUST, by Pete Hamill. (Little, Brown, \$23.95.) The friendship of an Irish Catholic boy and a Czechoslovak rabbi in Brooklyn during the late 1940's.	14	9
15	DECEPTION ON HIS MIND, by Elizabeth George. (Bantam, \$24.95.) Barbara Havers probes the murder of a respected Asian resident of a British coastal town.		1
16	POWER OF A WOMAN, by Barbara Taylor Bradford. (HarperCollins, \$25.) A businesswoman struggles with her past after her daughter is the victim of violence.		1

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1	ANGELA'S ASHES, by Frank McCourt. (Scribner, \$24.) An Irish-American writer recalls his childhood amid the miseries of Limerick.	1	44
2	INTO THIN AIR, by Jon Krakauer. (Villard, \$24.95.) A journalist's account of his ascent of Mount Everest in 1996, the deadliest season in history.	2	11
3	THE PERFECT STORM, by Sebastian Junger. (Norton, \$23.95.) An account of the nor'easter of 1991, focusing on a crew of fishermen from Gloucester, Mass.	4	6
4	THE BIBLE CODE, by Michael Drosnin. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.) A journalist contends that important events have been predicted in the Bible.	3	5
5	BRAIN DROPPINGS, by George Carlin. (Hyperion, \$19.95.) Comments on life and the ways of the world by the stand-up comedian.	5	7
6	THE GIFT OF FEAR, by Gavin de Becker. (Little, Brown, \$22.95.) Intuitive signals that can protect us from becoming the victims of violence.	6	3
7	MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL, by John Berendt. (Random House, \$23.) The mysterious death of a young man in Savannah, Ga.	7	157
8	CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD: Book 1, by Neale Donald Walsch. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The author addresses questions of good and evil, guilt and sin.	10	31
9	JUST AS I AM, by Billy Graham. (HarperSanFrancisco/Zondervan, \$28.50.) The autobiography of the crusading preacher.	8	10
10	THE MILLIONAIRE NEXT DOOR, by Thomas J. Stanley and William D. Danko. (Longstreet, \$22.) An analysis of the lives of wealthy Americans discloses that they have seven characteristics in common.	9	26
11	MARTHA STEWART JUST DESSERTS, by Jerry Oppenheimer. (Morrow, \$24.) A biography of "the doyenne of domesticity."		1
12	INTO THE STORM, by Tom Clancy with Fred Franks Jr. (Putnam, \$27.50.) The battle against Iraq during the gulf war as experienced by a general who commanded armor and infantry.	11	7
13	WITHOUT A DOUBT, by Marcia Clark with Teresa Carpenter. (Viking, \$25.95.) The prosecution of O. J. Simpson as seen by the former deputy district attorney.	12	9
14	UNDERBOSS, by Peter Maas. (HarperCollins, \$25.) Life in the Mafia as lived and observed by Salvatore (Sammy the Bull) Gravano.	14	12
15	CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD: Book 2, by Neale Donald Walsch. (Hampton Roads, \$19.95) More discussions of moral questions.	15	9