

# The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	August 31, 2008 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	SMOKE SCREEN, by Sandra Brown. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.95.) Scandalous deaths thwart the investigation of a fatal fire at police headquarters in Charleston, S.C.	--	1
2	THE BOURNE SANCTION, by Eric Van Lustbader. (Grand Central, \$25.99.) Robert Ludlum's character Jason Bourne pursues the leader of a Muslim terrorist group.	2	3
3	ACHERON, by Sherrilyn Kenyon. (St. Martin's, \$24.95.) Book 12 of the Dark-Hunter paranormal series.	1	2
4	THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY, by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. (Dial, \$22.) After World War II, a journalist travels to the island of Guernsey to meet residents who resisted the Nazi occupation.	3	3
5	MOSCOW RULES, by Daniel Silva. (Putnam, \$26.95.) Gabriel Allon, an art restorer and an occasional spy for the Israeli secret service, uncovers a Russian arms sales plot.	4	4
6	THE HOST, by Stephenie Meyer. (Little, Brown, \$25.99.) Aliens have taken control of the minds and bodies of most humans, but one woman won't surrender.	5	15
7	THE STORY OF EDGAR SAWTELLE, by David Wroblewski. (Ecco, \$25.95.) A mute takes refuge with three dogs in the Wisconsin woods after his father's murder.	6	10
8	THE MERCEDES COFFIN, by Faye Kellerman. (Morrow, \$25.95.) Decker and Lazarus investigate cases of murder victims found in Mercedes-Benz trunks.	--	1
9	OFF SEASON, by Anne Rivers Siddons. (Grand Central, \$24.95.) A widow returns to her hometown in Maine to regather the strands of her life.	--	1
10	THE LACE READER, by Brunonia Barry. (Morrow, \$24.95.) Secrets of a family of Salem women who foresee the future.	7	3
11	TRIBUTE, by Nora Roberts. (Putnam, \$26.95.) A former child star returns to Virginia to rehabilitate the farm owned by her grandmother, an actress who died mysteriously.	8	6
12	THE 19TH WIFE, by David Ebershoff. (Random House, \$26.) A tale of Mormon outcasts past and present: a wife of Brigham Young and a son of a murdered polygamist.	--	1
13	FOREIGN BODY, by Robin Cook. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A medical student investigates a rising number of deaths among medical tourists at foreign hospitals.	9	2
14	THE ASSASSIN, by Stephen Coonts. (St. Martin's, \$26.95.) A top Qaeda terrorist pursues Western leaders.	12	2
15	LOVE THE ONE YOU'RE WITH, by Emily Giffin. (St. Martin's, \$24.95.) A woman encounters an old boyfriend.	13	14
16	THE GARGOYLE, by Andrew Davidson. (Doubleday, \$25.95.) A hideously burned man is cared for by a sculptress who claims they were lovers seven centuries ago.	14	2

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This Week	August 31, 2008 Non-Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE OBAMA NATION, by Jerome R. Corsi. (Threshold, \$28.) The Democratic candidate as an extreme leftist, from a co-author of "Unfit for Command: Swift Boat Veterans Speak Out Against John Kerry."	1	3
2	STORI TELLING, by Tori Spelling with Hilary Liftin. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$24.95.) A memoir.	2	12
3	THE WAY OF THE WORLD, by Ron Suskind. (Harper, 27.95.) How the Bush administration ignored evidence about Iraq in its rush to war.	3	2
4	ARE YOU THERE, VODKA? IT'S ME, CHELSEA, by Chelsea Handler. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$24.95.) Humorous personal essays from the stand-up comedian.	6	17
5	WHEN YOU ARE ENGULFED IN FLAMES, by David Sedaris. (Little, Brown, \$25.99.) The humorist's latest essays.	4	11
6	THE CASE AGAINST BARACK OBAMA, by David Freddoso. (Regnery, \$27.95.) The Democratic candidate as a calculating extreme leftist.	5	2
7	FLEECED, by Dick Morris and Eileen McGann. (Harper, \$26.95.) Americans are fleeced by government, business, labor unions and lobbyists.	8	8
8	THE DARK SIDE, by Jane Mayer. (Doubleday, \$27.50.) How the Bush administration embraced the practice of torture.	7	5
9	THE LIMITS OF POWER, by Andrew Bacevich. (Metropolitan/Holt, \$24.) A retired Army colonel argues that American citizens are ultimately responsible for the country's military and economic woes.	--	1
10	TRAFFIC, by Tom Vanderbilt. (Knopf, \$24.95.) Why we drive the way we do.	--	2
11	THE WRECKING CREW, by Thomas Frank. (Metropolitan/Holt, \$25.) The deliberate mismanagement of Republican rule.	11	2
12	THE NIGHT OF THE GUN, by David Carr. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.) A New York Times media columnist and culture reporter recounts his former life as a crack addict, cokehead and alcoholic, and how he got back on track.	--	1
13	THE POST-AMERICAN WORLD, by Fareed Zakaria. (Norton, \$25.95.) The rise of China and India.	12	16
14	HAVANA NOCTURNE, by T. J. English. (Morrow, \$27.95.) When American gangsters controlled Cuba's casinos.	13	4
15	LIFE WITH MY SISTER MADONNA, by Christopher Ciccone with Wendy Leigh. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$26.) What she's really like.	9	5
16	WAITER RANT, by the Waiter. (Ecco, \$24.95.) An anonymous New York waiter on customers' outrageous behavior.	14	3