

# The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	December 20, 1992 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	DOLORES CLAIBORNE, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$23.50.) After being accused of murdering her employer, a woman tells of killing her husband almost 30 years earlier and of her life ever since.	1	3
2	MIXED BLESSINGS, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$23.50.) Three couples' lives are strained by the problems of having children.	2	5
3	MEXICO, by James A. Michener. (Random House, \$25.) While researching the lives of his ancestors, an American journalist learns about the history of the land south of the border.	4	7
4	THE TALE OF THE BODY THIEF, by Anne Rice. (Knopf, \$24.) Lestat embarks on a dangerous enterprise; "The Vampire Chronicles," continued.	3	9
5	THE PELICAN BRIEF, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$22.50.) A woman law student probes the murder of two Supreme Court justices.	6	41
6	GRIFFIN & SABINE, by Nick Bantock. (Chronicle Books, \$17.95.) The romance of an artist and a secret admirer, told through cards and letters.	9	16
7	THE BRIDGES OF MADISON COUNTY, by Robert James Waller. (Warner, \$14.95.) A photographer and a lonely farmer's wife in Iowa.	12	19
8	THE STARS SHINE DOWN, by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow, \$23.) The fortunes of a businesswoman are imperiled by secrets from her past.	7	10
9	THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER, by Nelson DeMille. (Warner, \$21.95.) The investigation of the murder of a woman officer, a general's daughter, unearths scandals in the military.	5	5
10	MOSTLY HARMLESS, by Douglas Adams. (Harmony, \$20.) In the fifth volume of the "Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" series, a survivor tries to cope with new predicaments.	8	8
11	GERALD'S GAME, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$23.50.) Twenty-eight hours of horror suffered by a woman handcuffed to a bedpost.	11	23
12	SABINE'S NOTEBOOK, by Nick Bantock. (Chronicle Books, \$17.95.) Continuing the epistolary romance begun in "Griffin & Sabine."	10	10
13	DRIVING FORCE, by Dick Francis. (Putnam, \$21.95.) An ex-jockey's horse-transport business is besieged by a series of mysterious deaths.	13	8
14	WHERE IS JOE MERCHANT? by Jimmy Buffett. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$19.95.) A couple on the trail of a dead rock star who has been sighted.	15	16
15	RED SQUARE, by Martin Cruz Smith. (Random House, \$23.) Investigator Arkady Renko, returning to Moscow and Berlin after the collapse of Communism, still faces a perdurable mafia.	--	4

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1	THE WAY THINGS OUGHT TO BE, by Rush H. Limbaugh 3d. (Pocket, \$22.) Anecdotes and opinions offered by the talk show host.	1	14
2	IT DOESN'T TAKE A HERO, by H. Norman Schwarzkopf with Peter Petre. (Linda Grey/ Bantam, \$25.) The autobiography of the general who commanded the allied forces in the gulf war.	2	11
3	EVERY LIVING THING, by James Herriot. (St. Martin's, \$22.95.) Continuing the memoirs of the Yorkshire veterinarian.	3	16
4	TRUMAN, by David McCullough. (Simon & Schuster, \$30.) A biography of the 33d President.	6	27
5	I CAN'T BELIEVE I SAID THAT! by Kathie Lee Gifford with Jim Jerome. (Pocket, \$22.) The autobiography of the co-host of the television show "Live With Regis and Kathie Lee."	5	9
6	SEX, by Madonna. (Warner, \$49.95.) Erotic photographs of the pop star by Steven Meisel, and her reflections on them.	4	7
7	THE TE OF PIGLET, by Benjamin Hoff. (Dutton, \$16.) Aspects of Taoist philosophy explained through the actions of an A. A. Milne character.	7	13
8	MY LIFE, by Earvin (Magic) Johnson with William Novak. (Random House, \$22.) The autobiography of the retired Los Angeles Lakers basketball player.	8	5
9	WOMEN WHO RUN WITH THE WOLVES, by Clarissa Pinkola Estes. (Ballantine, \$20.) A Jungian analyst reinterprets myths and folk tales to enable women to understand their psyches.	9	19
10	GENIUS, by James Gleick. (Pantheon, \$27.50.) The life and achievements of Richard Feynman, the Nobel Prize-winning physicist.	13	7
11	JFK: Reckless Youth, by Nigel Hamilton. (Random House, \$30.) The first 29 years of the 35th President.	11	2
12	YOUNG MEN & FIRE, by Norman Maclean. (University of Chicago, \$19.95.) An account of a disastrous fire in a Montana forest in 1949.	15	16
13	BANKRUPTCY 1995, by Harry E. Figgie Jr. with Gerald J. Swanson. (Little, Brown, \$19.95.) The authors predict the collapse of America under Government debt and suggest ways to cope with it.	10	8
14	EARTH IN THE BALANCE, by Al Gore. (Houghton Mifflin, \$22.95.) The Vice President-elect discusses factors affecting the environment and what must be done to save the earth.	12	28
15	THE SILENT PASSAGE, by Gail Sheehy. (Random House, \$16.) The psychological and social significance of menopause for today's women.	14	30