

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	October 18, 2009 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE LOST SYMBOL, by Dan Brown. (Doubleday, \$29.95.) Robert Langdon among the Masons.	1	3
2	AN ECHO IN THE BONE, by Diana Gabaldon. (Delacorte, \$30.) The descendants of Jamie Fraser and his wife, Claire, search for clues about their flight from North Carolina during the Revolution; the seventh Outlander novel.	2	2
3	ROUGH COUNTRY, by John Sandford. (Putnam, \$26.95.) Virgil Flowers investigates a string of murders at a Minnesota resort for women.	--	1
4	THE LAST SONG, by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central, \$24.99.) A 17-year-old girl spends the summer with her divorced father in North Carolina and finds many kinds of love.	3	4
5	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	4	27
6	HER FEARFUL SYMMETRY, by Audrey Niffenegger. (Scribner, \$26.99.) A woman haunts the flat she's left to her twin nieces near Highgate Cemetery in London.	--	1
7	THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS, by Debbie Macomber. (Mira, \$16.95.) A 33-year-old woman consults a matchmaker.	--	1
8	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."	6	8
9	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.	7	6
10	HOTHOUSE ORCHID, by Stuart Woods. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A C.I.A. special agent finds that much has changed, and not for the better, when she returns to her Florida hometown.	5	2
11	JULIET, NAKED, by Nick Hornby. (Riverhead, \$25.95.) A woman looking for a change begins a relationship with a reclusive singer-songwriter about to release a new album.	--	1
12	FROSTBITTEN, by Kelley Armstrong. (Bantam, \$26.) The world's only female werewolf and her mate track a rogue who's hunting humans in the Alaskan forest.	--	1
13	DEAD AND GONE, by Charlaine Harris. (Ace, \$25.95.) Sookie Stackhouse searches for the killer of a werepanther.	12	22
14	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."	10	5
15	THE YEAR OF THE FLOOD, by Margaret Atwood. (Nan A. Talese/Doubleday, \$26.95.) In a violent future society, survivors of a catastrophic pandemic make their way.	8	2
16	THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE, by Stieg Larsson. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A Swedish hacker becomes a murder suspect.	14	10

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1	HAVE A LITTLE FAITH, by Mitch Albom. (Hyperion, \$23.99.) A suburban rabbi and a Detroit pastor teach lessons about the comfort of belief.	--	1
2	ARGUING WITH IDIOTS, written and edited by Glenn Beck, Kevin Balfe and others. (Mercury Radio Arts/Threshold Editions, \$29.99.) The case against big government.	1	2
3	TRUE COMPASS, by Edward M. Kennedy. (Twelve, \$35.) The late senator's autobiography.	2	3
4	THE TIME OF MY LIFE, by Patrick Swayze and Lisa Niemi. (Atria, \$26.) A memoir by the actor, who died in September, and his wife.	--	1
5	THE MURDER OF KING TUT, by James Patterson and Martin Dugard. (Little, Brown, \$26.99.) Investigating the Boy King's sudden death.	--	1
6	HIGH ON ARRIVAL, by Mackenzie Phillips with Hilary Liftin. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$25.99.) The actress and daughter of Papa John Phillips recalls a life of parties, drugs and a complicated relationship with her father.	3	2
7	WHERE MEN WIN GLORY, by Jon Krakauer. (Doubleday, \$27.95.) The story of Pat Tillman, the N.F.L. player who enlisted after 9/11, and the Army's cover-up of his death by friendly fire in Afghanistan.	6	3
8	THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH, by Richard Dawkins. (Free Press, \$30.) Evidence for evolution; a counterattack on advocates of intelligent design.	5	2
9	OUTLIERS, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed, from the author of "Blink."	8	46
10	OFFICIAL BOOK CLUB SELECTION, by Kathy Griffin. (Ballantine, \$25.) A humorous memoir from the star of "My Life on the D-List."	7	4
11	AMERICAN ON PURPOSE, by Craig Ferguson. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$25.99.) The Scottish-born comedian describes his journey to television stardom and American citizenship.	4	2
12	END THE FED, by Ron Paul. (Grand Central, \$21.99.) Abolishing the Federal Reserve, by the Texas congressman.	15	3
13	HALF THE SKY, by Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn. (Knopf, \$27.95.) Women fighting sexual oppression in Asia and Africa.	--	2
14	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.	9	10
15	THE NATIONAL PARKS, by Dayton Duncan and Ken Burns. (Knopf, \$50.) A companion to the PBS series.	--	1
16	THE CASE FOR GOD, by Karen Armstrong. (Knopf, \$27.95.) Armstrong, a former nun, seeks to rescue the idea of God from atheists and literal-minded believers alike.	10	2