The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	January 4, 1998 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	COLD MOUNTAIN, by Charles Frazier. (Atlantic Monthly, \$24.) A wounded Confederate soldier journeys home toward the end of the Civil War.	1	26
2	THE GHOST, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$25.95.) On a trip to New England, a man whose life has gone awry finds answers to his problems in diaries in an old trunk.	2	7
3	CAT & MOUSE, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$24.95.) Alex Cross contends with two serial killers determined to take his life.	3	7
4	THE WINNER, by David Baldacci. (Warner, \$25.) The tribulations of a dirt- poor woman who reluctantly participates in a scam to win the national lottery.	6	3
5	THE LETTER, by Richard Paul Evans. (Simon & Schuster, \$15.95.) In the last volume of the "Christmas Box" trilogy, the Parkin family recovers from its lingering grief over the loss of a daughter.	4	10
6	THE CHRISTMAS BOX, by Richard Paul Evans. (Simon & Schuster, \$14.95.) When a family moves in with a widow, they all learn the significance of Christmas.	8	27
7	A CERTAIN JUSTICE, by P. D. James. (Knopf, \$25.) Adam Dalgliesh in pursuit of the murderer of a celebrated and widely detested criminal lawyer.	5	4
8	THE GOD OF SMALL THINGS, by Arundhati Roy. (Random House, \$23.) Death and secrets haunt a once-prosperous merchant family in contemporary India.	12	21
9	VIOLIN, by Anne Rice. (Knopf, \$25.95.) From 19th-century Vienna to present-day New Orleans: a demonic fiddler preys upon a woman who loves his music.	11	10
10	COMANCHE MOON, by Larry McMurtry. (Simon & Schuster, \$28.50.) Two Texas Rangers, veterans of "Lonesome Dove," battle defiant Comanche Indians who are determined to defend their way of life.	10	8
11	WOBEGON BOY, by Garrison Keillor. (Viking, \$24.95.) After moving to New York, the manager of a radio station comes to terms with his Midwestern heritage.	9	6
12	ANOTHER CITY, NOT MY OWN, by Dominick Dunne. (Crown, \$25.) The O. J. Simpson murder trial as witnessed and participated in by a journalist.	7	6
13	MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA, by Arthur Golden. (Knopf, \$25.) The life of a young woman growing up in Kyoto who has to reinvent herself after World War II begins.	16	7
14	THE MATARESE COUNTDOWN, by Robert Ludlum. (Bantam, \$27.50.) A C.I.A. officer struggles to thwart the return of an international cabal of power brokers.	13	10
15	SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST, by Jonathan Kellerman. (Bantam, \$24.95.) Alex Delaware pursues the killer of a diplomat's teen-age daughter.	14	6

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1	MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL, by John Berendt. (Random House, \$25.) The mysterious death of a young man in Savannah, Ga.	1	181
2	ANGELA'S ASHES, by Frank McCourt. (Scribner, \$24.) An Irish-American writer recalls his childhood amid the miseries of Limerick.	2	68
3	THE PERFECT STORM, by Sebastian Junger. (Norton, \$23.95.) An account of the nor'easter of 1991.	4	30
4	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.	7	35
5	THE MAN WHO LISTENS TO HORSES, by Monty Roberts. (Random House, \$23.) The memoirs of a professional horse trainer.	3	20
6	CITIZEN SOLDIERS, by Stephen E. Ambrose. (Simon & Schuster, \$27.50.) The United States Army from Normandy to the Bulge to Germany's surrender.	5	7
7	THE DARK SIDE OF CAMELOT, by Seymour M. Hersh. (Little, Brown, \$26.95.) A reappraisal of the private and public life of John F. Kennedy.	6	6
8	DIRTY JOKES AND BEER, by Drew Carey. (Hyperion, \$22.95.) Observations on life by the comedian.	9	13
9	TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE, by Mitch Albom. (Doubleday, \$19.95.) A sportswriter tells of his weekly visits to his old college mentor, who was near death's door.	8	11
10	DIANA: HER TRUE STORY IN HER OWN WORDS, by Andrew Morton. (Simon & Schuster, \$22.95.) An updated version of a 1992 book about the Princess of Wales.	11	11
11	SOURCES OF STRENGTH, by Jimmy Carter. (Times Books/Random House, \$23.) Inspirational meditations on the Bible by the former President.	10	4
12	CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD: Book 1, by Neale Donald Walsch. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The author addresses questions of good and evil, guilt and sin.	13	55
13	THE MILLIONAIRE NEXT DOOR, by Thomas J. Stanley and William D. Danko. (Longstreet, \$22.) An analysis of the lives of wealthy Americans.	12	50
14	WAIT TILL NEXT YEAR, by Doris Kearns Goodwin. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.) Recollections of a 50's girlhood on Long Island, in the orbit of the Brooklyn Dodgers.	14	9
15	TALKING TO HEAVEN, by James Van Praagh. (Dutton, \$22.95.) A "world-famous medium" discusses communication with the other side.		1
16	THE WAY YOU WEAR YOUR HAT, by Bill Zehme. (HarperCollins, \$23.) A profusely illustrated celebration of the life of Frank Sinatra.		1