

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	July 23, 2006 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	TWELVE SHARP, by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$26.95.) The bounty hunter Stephanie Plum must find a killer and rescue a kidnapped child.	1	3
2	COMING OUT, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$20.) An attorney's household is thrown into chaos when her daughters receive an invitation to a debutante ball.	3	2
3	CAN'T WAIT TO GET TO HEAVEN, by Fannie Flagg. (Random House, \$29.95.) A return to Elmwood Springs, Mo., the setting of Flagg's novel "Standing in the Rainbow."	--	1
4	DANSE MACABRE, by Laurell K. Hamilton. (Berkley, \$29.95.) Complications arise when the vampire hunter Anita Blake discovers that she may be pregnant.	2	2
5	BEACH ROAD, by James Patterson and Peter de Jonge. (Little, Brown, \$27.95.) An East Hampton lawyer becomes involved in a highly publicized trial that pits locals against the super-rich.	4	10
6	THE HUSBAND, by Dean Koontz. (Bantam, \$27.) A man whose wife is kidnapped has 60 hours to come up with a huge ransom.	5	6
7	BLACK ORDER, by James Rollins. (Morrow, \$24.95.) Sigma Force, a special military unit, investigates worldwide mysteries that all originate with a secret Nazi experiment smuggled out of wartime Berlin.	7	2
8	THE BOOK OF THE DEAD, by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child. (Warner, \$25.95.) The final volume of a trilogy involving Secret Agent Aloysius Pendergast of the F.B.I. and his criminal brother.	8	6
9	AT RISK, by Patricia Cornwell. (Putnam, \$21.95.) A Massachusetts state investigator applies DNA and other forensic techniques to a cold murder case; written as a serial for The New York Times Magazine.	10	7
10	BABY PROOF, by Emily Giffin. (St. Martin's, \$23.95.) Everything changes for a high-powered childless-bychoice Manhattan couple when the husband decides he wants a child after all.	12	4
11	WATER FOR ELEPHANTS, by Sara Gruen (Algonquin, \$24.95.) A young man — and an elephant — save a Depression-era circus.	--	3
12	COVER OF NIGHT, by Linda Howard. (Ballantine, \$27.) A young widow fights back when armed intruders storm her bed-and-breakfast in rural Idaho.	6	2
13	CAPTIVE OF MY DESIRES, by Johanna Lindsey. (Pocket Books, \$25.) The daughter of a Caribbean pirate is introduced to London society but falls in love with a dashing American sea captain.	--	2
14	PROOF POSITIVE, by Phillip Margolin (HarperCollins, \$25.95.) An attorney discovers that the head of the state crime laboratory is manufacturing evidence.	--	1
15	SANDCASTLES, by Luanne Rice. (Bantam, \$24.) An artist who has been jailed in Ireland returns to his Connecticut home to find a conflicted wife and troubled daughters.	9	2

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1	MARLEY & ME, by John Grogan. (Morrow, \$21.95.) A newspaper columnist and his wife learn some life lessons from their neurotic dog.	1	38
2	FREAKONOMICS, by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner. (Morrow, \$25.95.) A maverick scholar applies economic thinking to everything from sumo wrestlers who cheat to legalized abortion and the falling crime rate.	8	65
3	THE ONE PERCENT DOCTRINE, by Ron Suskind. (Simon & Schuster, \$27.) An investigation of the Bush administration's strategic thinking and of the role of ideology and personality in the decision to go to war.	3	3
4	GODLESS, by Ann Coulter. (Crown Forum, \$27.95.) The columnist argues that liberalism is a religion with sacraments, a creation myth and a clergy.	2	5
5	THE WORLD IS FLAT, by Thomas L. Friedman. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$27.50; updated and expanded edition, \$30.) A columnist for The New York Times analyzes 21st-century economics and foreign policy.	6	66
6	MAYFLOWER, by Nathaniel Philbrick. (Viking, \$29.95.) How America began, from the author of "In the Heart of the Sea."	7	9
7	WISDOM OF OUR FATHERS, by Tim Russert. (Random House, \$22.95.) The host of "Meet the Press" presents readers' letters about their fathers in response to his book "Big Russ and Me."	5	7
8	DISPATCHES FROM THE EDGE, by Anderson Cooper. (HarperCollins, \$24.95.) The CNN correspondent describes a year of covering the tsunami in Sri Lanka, the war in Iraq and Hurricane Katrina.	4	7
9	MYTHS, LIES, AND DOWNRIGHT STUPIDITY, by John Stossel. (Hyperion, \$24.95.) The "20/20" anchor questions conventional wisdom.	9	9
10	HEAT, by Bill Buford (Knopf, \$25.95.) An editor changes his life by apprenticing in a restaurant kitchen.	10	4
11	BLINK, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$25.95.) The author of "The Tipping Point" explores the importance of hunch and instinct to the workings of the mind.	11	72
12	DON'T MAKE A BLACK WOMAN TAKE OFF HER EARRINGS, by Tyler Perry. (Riverhead, \$23.95.) The man behind "Diary of a Mad Black Woman" muses on life.	--	11
13	THE OMNIVORE'S DILEMMA, by Michael Pollan. (Penguin Press, \$26.95.) Tracking dinner from the soil to the plate, a journalist juggles appetite and conscience.	14	9
14	MY LIFE IN & OUT OF THE ROUGH, by John Daly with Glen Waggoner. (HarperCollins, \$25.95.) A memoir by the bad-boy golf champion.	12	9
15	AMERICAN GOSPEL, by Jon Meacham. (Random House, \$23.95.) The founding fathers' belief in a religion that shapes public life without controlling it.	--	3