

# The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	August 16, 2009 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE, by Stieg Larsson. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A Swedish hacker becomes a murder suspect.	--	1
2	THE DEFECTOR, by Daniel Silva. (Putnam, \$26.95.) When a Russian defector who once saved his life disappears, Gabriel Allon, an art restorer and occasional spy for the Israeli secret service, attempts to rescue him.	1	2
3	BEST FRIENDS FOREVER, by Jennifer Weiner. (Atria, \$26.99.) Childhood friends, estranged in high school, reunite years later when the popular one needs the mousy one's help.	2	3
4	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	5	18
5	SWIMSUIT, by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) A former cop, now a reporter for The Los Angeles Times, investigates the disappearance of a supermodel.	3	5
6	TWENTIES GIRL, by Sophie Kinsella. (Dial, \$26.) A young woman is haunted by the spirit of her great-aunt, who wants her to find a missing necklace.	4	2
7	HOT PURSUIT, by Suzanne Brockmann. (Ballantine, \$26.) Alyssa Locke, the team leader of the security agency Troubleshooters, Inc., is captured by a serial killer.	--	1
8	BLACK HILLS, by Nora Roberts. (Putnam, \$26.95.) A South Dakota wildlife biologist and an ex-cop, childhood sweethearts, reunite to pursue a serial killer.	6	4
9	FINGER LICKIN' FIFTEEN, by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$27.95.) The bounty hunter Stephanie Plum tracks a celebrity chef's killer.	7	6
10	FIRE AND ICE, by J. A. Jance. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$25.99.) The Seattle investigator J. P. Beaumont finds that his pursuit of a murderer leads him into the territory of Joanna Brady, an Arizona sheriff.	8	2
11	DEAD AND GONE, by Charlaine Harris. (Ace, \$25.95.) Sookie Stackhouse searches for the killer of a werepanther.	11	13
12	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.	--	59
13	THE DEVIL'S PUNCHBOWL, by Greg Iles. (Scribner, \$26.99.) The mayor of Natchez, Miss., pursues a killer who opposes his attempt to clean up riverboat gambling.	9	4
14	SHANGHAI GIRLS, by Lisa See. (Random House, \$25.) Two Chinese sisters in the 1930s are sold as wives to men from California, and leave their war-torn country to join them.	15	10
15	RAIN GODS, by James Lee Burke. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.99.) A Texas sheriff investigates a mass murder of illegal aliens and tries to find the young Iraq war veteran who may have been involved — before the F.B.I. can.	10	3

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1	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.	--	1
2	LIBERTY AND TYRANNY, by Mark R. Levin. (Threshold Editions, \$25.) A conservative manifesto from a talk-show host and president of Landmark Legal Foundation.	2	19
3	OUTLIERS, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed — it has to do with luck and opportunity as well as talent — from the author of "Blink."	1	37
4	CATASTROPHE, by Dick Morris and Eileen McGann. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) Stopping President Obama before he transforms America into a socialist state and destroys the health care system.	4	6
5	UNMASKED, by Ian Halperin. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$25.) Michael Jackson's final years.	3	3
6	THE END OF OVEREATING, by David A. Kessler. (Rodale, \$25.95.) How eating sugar, fat and salt affects our minds and bodies and encourages overindulgence.	12	13
7	THE WILDERNESS WARRIOR, by Douglas Brinkley. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$34.99.) Theodore Roosevelt's crusade for conservation.	--	1
8	THE ACCIDENTAL BILLIONAIRES, by Ben Mezrich. (Doubleday, \$25.) How two Harvard undergraduates created Facebook from the author of "Bringing Down the House."	6	3
9	A COLOSSAL FAILURE OF COMMON SENSE, by Lawrence G. McDonald and Patrick Robinson. (Crown Business, \$27.) The inside story of the collapse of Lehman Brothers, from a former vice president of the firm.	7	2
10	A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY, by Bill O'Reilly. (Broadway, \$26.) The Fox News commentator on his upbringing and career.	--	40
11	MICHAEL JACKSON, by J. Randy Taraborrelli. (Grand Central, \$18.99.) An updated version of a 1991 biography now covers Jackson's last years and his death.	--	1
12	BOBBY AND JACKIE, by C. David Heymann. (Atria, \$26.) The connection between Bobby and Jackie Kennedy.	5	3
13	MOMMYWOOD, by Tori Spelling with Hilary Liftin. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$25.) Humorous stories about Hollywood motherhood, from the author of "Stori Telling" and star of "Tori & Dean: Home Sweet Hollywood."	10	8
14	HORSE SOLDIERS, by Doug Stanton. (Scribner, \$28.) A small group of Special Forces soldiers fought the Taliban on horseback shortly after 9/11.	11	12
15	BORN TO RUN, by Christopher McDougall. (Knopf, \$24.95.) Secrets of distance running from a Mexican Indian tribe.	15	8