

Moonlight And Ashes A Moving Wartime Saga From The Sunday Times Bestseller

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A Silver Lining Aug 09 2020 Should she wait for him? Jinny Hendrie is content working in the accounts office of a large bakery in Edinburgh, but when she meets handsome Viennese cake expert Viktor Linden, she realises she could be happier. The promise of an exciting future with Viktor beckons, but her father and her kind-hearted boss, Ross MacBain, warn against it. But then war is declared between Great Britain and Germany and Jinny has little choice but to break things off with Viktor, who must return home to fight. Austria has joined forces with Germany and he is now the enemy. Her dreams in tatters, she must do her best to carry on without Viktor. Troubled years lie ahead without news of him, and while Jinny finds new love, there is huge uncertainty over whether Viktor will return when the war is over – and whether his homecoming will lead to happiness or heartbreak... An enthralling Scottish Second World War saga perfect for fans of Elaine Everest and Fenella J. Miller.

The Dover Cafe Under Fire Jan 14 2021 'Brilliantly written and researched . . . I loved it.' Rosie Goodwin The third book in a moving and heartwarming World War II saga series. Perfect for readers of Ellie Dean and Annie Groves and for fans of the Home Fires series. Dover, 1940 As firebombs fall on Dover, Edie Castle's life is thrown into turmoil when the garage where she lives and works is damaged and her beloved boss is arrested. With no job and nowhere else to go, Edie returns to Castle's Café and her formidable mother, Nellie. Living with her mother is never easy, but tensions reach boiling point when an old friend of Nellie's arrives looking for a place to stay. Meanwhile, desperate to clear her boss's name, Edie turns to his nephew for help. But when the café is engulfed in scandal, a shocking tragedy brings long-buried memories to the surface, and Edie realises she can't trust anyone - not even her own mother . . . - - - - - Praise for the Dover Cafe series: 'A brilliant evocation of a family and community pulling together in wartime. Full of drama, laughter, and nail biting cliff hangers. A triumph!' Annie Clarke, author of The Factory Girls series 'Well-researched and expertly written . . . Perfect for those days when all you want is a book to lose yourself in.' Fiona Ford, author of The Liberty Girls 'A joyous read, the sort of book to read in one sitting.' Kitty Danton, author of A Wartime Christmas 'A rattling good novel that gives the reader a front seat at the Dover café during World War 2 . . . a really good start to what looks to be a fascinating saga.' Shirley Mann, author of Lily's War 'Brilliantly researched, written with warmth and insight, brimming with emotion and drama, and starring a cast of superbly drawn characters who are guaranteed to touch the hearts of readers everywhere.' Lancashire Post

The Uncharted Voyage Oct 11 2020

The Wartime Bookshop Oct 30 2019 The first in a brand-new nostalgic and heart-warming WWII series, perfect for fans of Donna Douglas and Elaine Everest. Alice is nursing an injured hand and a broken heart when she moves to the village of Churchwood at the start of WWII. She is desperate to be independent but worries that her injuries will make that impossible. Kate lives with her family on Brimbles Farm, where her father and brothers treat her no better than a servant. With no mother or sisters, and shunned by the locals, Kate longs for a friend of her own. Naomi is looked up to for owning the best house in the village. But privately, she carries the hurts of childlessness, a husband who has little time for her and some deep-rooted insecurities. With war raging overseas, and difficulties to overcome at home, friendship is needed now more than ever. Can the war effort and a shared love of books bring these women - and the community of Churchwood - together? ----- **Real readers are LOVING The Wartime Bookshop** 'BRILLIANT' 'Oh I loved this book... please carry on the good writing' 'Wow what a brilliant start to a new series' 'Outstandingly fabulous, warm and inviting... so glad there is going to be a follow-on' 'I was only two pages in when I knew this would be a 5 star read... I honestly can't put my excitement into words at the thought of reading the next one'

The Cornish Blacksmith's Daughter Sep 09 2020 The Great War rages in Europe. Will two Cornish women overcome tragedy and scandal to expose the truth? Verity Tregorran is one of the local blacksmith's nine daughters, and madly in love with the boy next door, Ned Chegwidan, who is now serving in the trenches of World War I. She must withhold her true feelings for Ned from her parents, who would be horrified to learn of her attachment to someone outside the family's strict Christian sect. On the coastal path one evening, Verity witnesses something suspicious on the cliffs which causes her to fear the involvement of German spies. There's only one person she can turn to: Effie Dawes, wife of the local police constable. Effie faces tragedy as her husband fights overseas, while scandal threatens to rock Verity's family, but the two friends remain determined in their efforts to discover what really happened on the cliffs... An enthralling wartime saga perfect for fans of Lynn Johnson and Francesca Capaldi.

Evie's War Dec 13 2020 After discovering that her fiancée, Timmy, has been less than faithful, Eliza is faced with a dilemma of the heart - she must try to mend their relationship or otherwise cut all ties and move on. Moving on from a first love is never easy though and it's further complicated by the fact that Timmy's mother is the headmistress at Eliza's school and can't hear a bad word said against him. Luckily, Eliza has two sisters and a close circle of friends to help her through the tough times and as the war brings British RAF officers and American GIs to the once quiet and calm village - as well as evacuees, Land Girls and wounded servicemen - life is going to be anything but dull.

The War Nurses: A Moving Wartime Romance Saga Full of Heart Aug 01 2022 'Completely spellbinding - I absolutely loved it. The storyline is wonderful and the characters just bounce off the page. I love how she's captured the essence of the time.' Elizabeth Gill, bestselling author of Miss Appleby's Academy. As war takes its toll, the love and care of two brave young nurses will become everything to the wounded soldiers they tend. A gritty, emotional read for fans of Nadine Dorries, Rosie Goodwin and A Shilling for a Wife. 1914 - Two young nurses pledge to help the war effort: Mairi, a wholesome idealist hoping to leave behind her past and Elsie, a glamorous single mother with a weakness for handsome soldiers. Despite their differences, the pair become firm friends. At the emergency medical shelter where they're based, Elsie and Mairi work around the clock to treat wounded soldiers. It's heart-breaking work and they are at constant risk from shelling, fire and disease. But there are also happier times... parties, trips and letters. And maybe even the possibility of love with an attractive officer in their care... But as the war continues and the stress of duty threatens to pull the two women apart, will Elsie and Mairi's special nurses' bond be strong enough to see them through? A powerfully moving wartime saga - you won't want to put it down!

Moonlight and Ashes Jun 30 2022 The Sunday Times bestselling author of A Simple Wish brings a heart-rending and compelling wartime saga of love and loss that is sure to stay with you long after you have finished the last page. When war is declared a family is torn apart... Despite being trapped in an abusive marriage, Maggie Bright still feels blessed with her eight-year-old twins, Danny and Lizzie, and baby girl, Lucy. But when the Second World War begins it seems that her blessings may have run out. Although the war lets her escape her husband when he's sent to the front, she must also face losing the twins when they're evacuated from Coventry to Wales. Lizzie seems to be staying with the perfect family, while Danny is left with a man who resents his presence. But appearances can be deceptive and, while Maggie struggles to survive the bombings at home, her twins face danger of a different kind . . .

Bessie's War Dec 25 2021 A moving and nostalgic saga from Pam Evans, set in London during the Second World War. Perfect for readers of Katie Flynn, Kitty Neale and Dilly Court. It is autumn 1940 and, as the bombs drop on London, a close-knit community struggles to survive. Working at the local post office, Bessie Green does her best to keep her customers' spirits up, but when she receives a telegram addressed to her parents, there's nothing she can do to prevent the heartache that lies ahead. Then Bessie hears that eleven-year-old Daisy Mason has been orphaned in a blast, and she's sure that taking Daisy into their home is just what her parents need to help them overcome their grief. At first, Daisy won't settle, then her handsome brother Josh comes back on leave and things look up for all of them. But the war brings further challenges for Bessie and her friends - with more hearts broken and loved-ones lost - before they can dare to dream of a brighter future... Readers love Pam Evans heartwarming family sagas: 'A touching novel' Daily Express 'An unforgettable tale of life during the war' Our Time 'Nostalgia, heartbreak, danger and war: all the ingredients of an engrossing novel' Bolton News 'There's a special kind of warmth that shines through the characters' Lancashire Evening Post 'This book touched me very, very much. It's lovely' North Wales Chronicle

The Silent War Apr 28 2022 When tragedy strikes, will she ever find happiness again? A young girl battles against adversity in *The Silent War*, a moving saga by popular author Victor Pemberton. Perfect for fans of Harry Bowling and Cathy Sharp. Sunday Collins is less than happy with her lot in war-torn London, working in the sweaty, steamy laundry round the corner from her home in a stark Holloway council flat known as 'the buildings' where she has been brought up by May Collins, a Salvation Army Officer who found her on the Sally Army steps along with her bossy sister Louie. Sunday lives for Saturday nights, when she makes the most of her Betty Grable looks at the Athenaeum Dance Hall. But Sunday's recklessly lived life is changed dramatically when, one summer morning in 1944, the laundry receives a direct hit from one of Hitler's V-1s, and she finds she is - and it seems permanently - deaf... What readers are saying about *The Silent War*: 'I ran through the pages as I became more and more immersed and felt unable to put the book down' 'Mr Pemberton is a great writer who is able to make the reader feel like they are truly in North London during the war' 'Takes you back in time and makes you feel part of the story'

I'll Be Seeing You Mar 16 2021 *A World War 2* saga to warm the heart. Three women become friends when working in their local picture house. When life is so tough for everyone, a trip to the pictures is the perfect way to escape, to dream of romance and hope for the good things peace will bring. It is 1943 on England's war-weary south coast where the conflict seems never-ending. After the heartache of the previous year, Connie Baxter now appears to have everything a girl could want. There is Ace, a man who loves her. She enjoys an enviable lifestyle despite the deprivations of war. She has friends and a job she adores as an usherette at the Criterion cinema. But appearances can be deceptive and Connie is struggling in more ways than one. Then, to compound Connie's problem, her nemesis, Cousin Marlene, returns home. Secrets come to light, revealing jealousies that could shatter Connie's world once more, and Connie realizes that Ace isn't the man she thought he was. In the darkest days of war, the glamour of movies and their stars can lift the bleakest of moods, while friends make the good times better and the bad times bearable.

THE WHEELWRIGHT GIRL a Compelling Wartime Saga of Love, Loss and Self-discovery Sep 21 2021 A poignant, sensitive and intensely moving account of one village's war and the endurance of those who wait at home for news of their loved ones. Dartmoor, 1914. Grace Dannings is a farmer's daughter but she dreams of making her mark as a London Suffragette. Too bad she's stuck in Walkhampton, the sleepy village where she was born. As a child, she could escape to the wheelwright's mill. Spellbound, she'd watch labourers hammer iron and timber into wheels. Now she's a woman and nothing about the village feels like home. The men are brutish, the women afraid of change. Perhaps she could have married Martin, the mill owner's son. But society says she's not good enough. When World War One breaks out and the wheelwright's men leave for the front, Grace volunteers to fill in. The move raises eyebrows. But Grace has her sights set on a fulfilling new vocation. And she's not about to stop for anything -- or anyone. Tania Crosse weaves blissfully human stories with impeccable research, giving her characters all the complexity and colour of real life. Tania has been shortlisted for Best Romantic Saga in the 60th annual RoNA Awards.

Tenement Girl Jan 26 2022 Her world will be turned upside down... It's 1935 and beautiful Lindy Gillan dreams of getting away from her boring life in Edinburgh's impoverished Old Town. Her one consolation is her dear friend Neil, a young writer from the same tenement block, whom she has known for years. But then handsome Rod Connor walks into the shop where Lindy works one day and her life no longer seems quite so boring. Rod's arrival brings with it new, unexpected opportunities, but with war looming on the horizon, things are about to change. She must make a choice about the man she wants to be with – steady, reliable Neil or dashing and exciting Rod. Lindy's decision will have unforeseen repercussions, but will she find the lasting happiness she so desperately desires? A moving Scottish saga perfect for fans of Maggie Mason and Maisie Thomas.

Her Heart's Choice Feb 12 2021 Torn between love, duty, family and honour - what will she choose? Lou Channer wants a life outside of North Devon, where she's never left. She yearns to contribute to the war effort and takes a job as a clerk in the Canadian Navy depot in Plymouth, lodging with other girls from the depot who take her under their wing. When Lou catches the eye of local wheeler-dealer Harry, who dazzles her with nights about town, she finally feels like one of the girls. And when Lieutenant Douglas Ross asks her out, Lou can't believe her luck – or decide who to give her heart to. But during war, tragedy is always just around the corner, and when Lou's depot is burgled she's suddenly the primary suspect – and her whole future is on the line. A stunning novel of love, self-discovery and heartbreak, *Her Heart's Choice* is perfect for fans of Liz Trenow, Shirley Dickson and Rosie Archer.

The Annual Obituary Apr 04 2020

Wartime Brides Sep 29 2019 Bristol - 1945 The war has ended; the men are returning home to their loved ones, but for some things have changed. Charlotte Hennessey-White's husband, David is no longer the gentle loving man he once was and Charlotte, so independent during the war, is devastated. Edna Burbage's strong fiancée, Colin has suffered appalling physical injuries. He won't hold her to her promise of marriage, but she insists her feelings are unchanged. But is that true? Is she marrying him out of love or pity? And Polly Chandler's sweetheart, Gavin who'd she'd planned her whole future around, hasn't come home at all. War and suffering have changed their men leaving the women to cope on their own. But they too are changed. They harbour secrets best kept that could do untold damage to these already fragile lives.

The Wronged Daughter Jun 18 2021 *The Wronged Daughter* by Mary Wood is an emotional and moving novel that reunites old friends and heals old wounds. Mags has never forgotten the friendship she forged with Flora and Ella, two fellow nurses she served with at the beginning of World War I. Haunted by what she experienced during that time, she fears a reunion with her friends would bring back the horror she's tried so desperately to suppress. Now, with her wedding on the horizon, this should be a joyful time for Mags. But the sudden loss of her mother and the constant doubt she harbours surrounding her fiancé, Harold, are marring her happiness. Mags throws herself into running the family mill, but she's dealt another aching blow by a betrayal that leaves her reeling. Finding the strength the war had taken from her, she

fighters back, not realizing the consequences and devastating outcome awaiting her. Can she pick up the pieces of her life and begin anew?

Christmas at the Foyles Bookshop Oct 03 2022 With the world at war, true friendship blossoms! Fans of Elaine Everest and Daisy Styles will enjoy this heartwarming story of love, loss and friendship set amongst the bookshelves of iconic bookshop Foyles in WW1 London.

The Picture House Girls Nov 11 2020 A warm and heartfelt WW2 saga of hope, love, and female friendship and how women pull together through good times and bad. Perfect for fans of Dilly Court and Nadine Dorries. In 1940s Hampshire the war is settling into its stride bringing dark days for many. Connie Baxter has just moved in with her Aunt Gertie after the death of her mother. Gertie works as a cleaner at the Criterion Picture House in Gosport and she helps Connie to get a job there as an usherette. For Connie, it's the perfect place to work because she adores the movies with their glamorous, romantic stars. The only fly in the ointment is the Criterion's creepy manager with his wandering hands. But soon Connie is firm friends with Queenie, who sells ice creams and soon tells her how to warn him off. Charming Tommo Smith is a 'taxi-dancer'. For a fee he steers ladies of a certain age around the dance floor - and sometimes more besides which pays for his smart clothes. Connie's friend Queenie says he's a chancer, but his gorgeous blue eyes tell Connie something different. When suddenly he disappears, Connie accepts that Queenie may be right - he was too good to be true. As the war rages on and Connie struggles with the harsh realities of life and the turbulence of romance, she comes to realize that life isn't always like it is in the pictures.

A Wrens' Wartime Christmas Jul 20 2021 German U-boats are getting through the defences. It's up to the Wrens to stop them. After her fiancé died in the sinking of the Royal Oak, Mary finds herself stationed in Orkney, still battling her grief. With Iris and Sally by her side, she is gradually overcoming her loss and is surprised to be helped by the irascible Joe. Joe is a signalman aboard the Kelpie and his cheeky Morse code signals to Mary while she's on shift bring her cheer and exasperation in equal measure. With Christmas round the corner, Mary is opening herself back up to the festive spirit – and to love. But the Germans keep slipping through Scapa Flow's defences, somehow without triggering any of the Navy's alarms. Could someone on land be guiding them? If so, can Mary, Iris and Sally figure out who and stop them before more lives are lost? A wonderfully heartwarming and gripping saga, perfect for readers of Johanna Bell, Kate Thompson and Daisy Styles. Praise for A Wrens' Wartime Christmas 'This had me enthralled from the very start... Vicki knows how to tell a great story and I can't wait until the next book. I thoroughly recommend this!' ????? Reader review 'Enjoyed this book - was a lovely, easy to read story with really good characters!' ????? Reader review 'Another brilliant story from Vicki Beeby. I do so love reading this genre – you learn so much.' ????? Reader review 'This book kept me awake at night because I couldn't put it down. It was exciting and heartwarming in equal measures... loved it.' ????? Reader review 'Another fantastic book in the series. The girls are all so likeable... The story was easy to read and had plenty of twists and turns to keep the reader interested.' ????? Reader review 'I loved the festive wartime vibes. Honestly had me smiling from ear to ear and this is another book I can add to the 'adored it' list.' ????? Reader review 'Wow what another brilliant book in The Wren Series. If you love family saga set during the world wars, this is right up your street.' ????? Reader review

The Post Office Girls Jun 26 2019 With the Great War raging, can they keep Britain going? 1915. On Beth Healey's eighteenth birthday, she hopes that she will be able to forget the ghastly war and celebrate. But that evening, her twin brother Ned announces that he has signed up to fight. No longer able to stand working in her parents' village shop while others are doing their bit, Beth applies to join the Army Post Office's new Home Depot on the Regent's Park, and is astounded to be accepted. She will be responsible for making sure that letters and parcels get through to the troops on the front line. Beth is thrilled to be a crucial part of the war effort and soon makes friends with fellow post girls Milly and Nora, and meets the handsome James. But just as she begins to feel that her life has finally begun, everything starts falling apart, with devastating consequences for Beth and perhaps even the outcome of the war itself. Can Beth and her new friends keep it all together and find happiness at last?

Lizzie of Langley Street Dec 01 2019 'One of the best saga writers of her time' ROSIE CLARKE IN THE AFTERMATH OF WAR, CAN SHE SAVE HER FAMILY FROM RUIN? Following her mother's untimely death, Lizzie Allen is facing desperate times. Her father Tom, crippled during WWI, has been left a broken and bitter man; her elder brother Vinnie is in serious trouble with the local hard man; her two younger sisters are in danger of being taken into care, and her sweetheart Danny is heading for Australia to seek his fortune. Determined to keep her family together, yet unable to escape the poverty and degradation of the slums, heartbroken Lizzie is tricked into marriage by Danny's unscrupulous brother, Frank. Can she escape her increasingly unhappy and violent marriage and save her family? And will she ever be reunited with her one true love, former barrow-boy, Danny Flowers? A heart-warming and nostalgic family saga set at the heart of wartime London, from the bestselling author of MOLLY'S CHRISTMAS ORPHANS. Perfect for fans of Sheila Newberry and Rosie Goodwin. Praise for CAROL RIVERS: 'A gripping page turner' LEAH FLEMING 'Brings the East End to life - family loyalties, warring characters and broken dreams. Superb' ELIZABETH GILL

A Wartime Friend Feb 01 2020 Will an unlikely friendship be enough to save them? After escaping a train bound for a death camp with a trusty German Shepherd dog, a girl wakes to find that she has no memory of her former life. Lily is fostered by the kind RAF pilot who found her and his wife, Meg. It is not long before their lives are disrupted once again by the war and, with their home in ruins, they are forced to flee to the country. In the Somerset countryside, Lily is reunited with Rudy, the heroic German Shepherd. However it soon becomes clear that Rudy is not just her companion, he is protecting her too, and someone wants him out of the way... A gripping historical saga of friendship and family from bestselling author Lizzie Lane. Praise for Lizzie Lane: 'A gripping saga and a storyline that will keep you hooked' Rosie Goodwin 'The Tobacco Girls is another heartwarming tale of love and friendship and a must-read for all saga fans.' Jean Fullerton 'Lizzie Lane opens the door to a past of factory girls, redolent with life-affirming friendship, drama, and choices that are as relevant today as they were then.' Catrin Collier 'If you want an exciting, authentic historical saga then look no further than Lizzie Lane.' Fenella J Miller

Frontline Nurses On Duty Mar 28 2022 Can they do their bit for the war effort? A gripping historical saga based on a true story, following wartime nurses during the First World War. Perfect for fans of Lizzie Page's The War Nurses, Donna Douglas's The Nightingale Nurses and Margaret Dickinson's The Poppy Girls. When war is declared in 1914, Leonora Malham Brown and her best friend Victoria, head to Calais to volunteer with the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry. But Leonora is torn between doing her duty and love. Determined to see her sweetheart, Colonel Malkovic, again she soon decides to return to the Front. Leonora quickly loses hope of ever finding Sasha as she gets caught up in the chaos of the battlefields. Finding herself alone and in danger, she must use all her nursing training if she is to return home safely... A moving emotional wartime saga about brave nurses on the battlefield, based on an amazing true story. _____ Make sure you've read all the books in the Frontline Nurses series: 1. Frontline Nurses 2. Frontline Nurses On Duty 3. Secrets of the Frontline Nurses And don't miss Holly Green's new series set in a Liverpool Workhouse: 1. Workhouse Orphans 2. Workhouse Angel 3. Workhouse Nightingale 4. Workhouse Girl

Secrets of the Frontline Nurses Sep 02 2022 When war comes, friendship will see them through the tough times As the First World War rages on, Leonora has been separated from best friend Victoria as they both do their bit for the war effort by volunteering for the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry. Despite the hardships of war, Leonora is delighted to be reunited with her sweetheart Colonel Malkovic. But her happiness is short-lived when she falls pregnant. When she finally plucks up the courage to tell him the news, tragedy strikes and he is reported missing in action. Leonora is forced to give birth on the battlefield and leave her baby behind, returning to England heartbroken and alone. In the toughest of times, she will need the support of her closest friends to get through. Can Leonora find happiness when the country is still at war? A moving emotional wartime saga about brave nurses on the battlefield, based on an amazing true story. _____ Make sure you've read all the books in the Frontline Nurses series: 1. Frontline Nurses 2. Frontline Nurses On Duty 3. Secrets of the Frontline Nurses And don't miss Holly Green's new series set in a Liverpool Workhouse: 1. Workhouse Orphans 2. Workhouse Angel 3. Workhouse Nightingale 4. Workhouse Girl

See You After the Duration Aug 21 2021 Why would British parents risk sending their children to safety over submarine-infested waters? How would American and Canadian families and public respond to them? What adventures would the children experience and what would be the long-term effect on their lives and on attitudes on both sides of the Atlantic? This book sheds light on an aspect of World War II that is little known on either side of the Atlantic. It is a tale that is at times moving, often humorous, evoking an authentic picture of life and attitudes sixty years ago. It is a saga of separation, a story of unashamed patriotism, and an important and very readable contribution to the literature of World War II. Innumerable volumes have been written about the transatlantic relationship, but here is a book that goes to its heart, the unbreakable emotional bonds that stretch across a vast ocean. Neither sentimental nor mawkish, Michael Henderson has captured the essence of this enduring, moving, wartime saga. Raymond Seitz, US Ambassador to Britain 1991-1994. Those of my generation, born towards the end of the war, are often haunted by the thought of what might have happened had we been just a little older. Michael Henderson tells us in a fascinating narrative, filled with adventure, drama and sadness of children taken from their parents to a foreign land for their own safety. One of the things I liked most about this book is the light it casts on some of the nooks and crannies of war-time North American life. Sir Christopher Meyer, UK Ambassador to the US 1997-2003

Frontline Nurses May 30 2022 Can she follow her heart while doing her duty? A heartwarming saga following nurses during the First World War. Perfect for fans of Donna Douglas's A Nightingale Christmas Promise, Lizzie Page's The War Nurses and Margaret Dickinson's The Poppy Girls. After training with the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry, Leonora Malham Brown sets off to Europe with her new friend, Victoria, determined to do her bit for the war effort. The battlefield is a difficult place for a woman so Leonora cuts her hair short and swaps her skirts for trousers in order to better cope with the demanding duties of a frontline nurse. But concealing her true identity becomes more complicated when she meets the dashing Colonel Malkovic. Torn between keeping her secret and their blossoming friendship, Leonora must choose between her duty and her heart... A moving emotional wartime saga about brave nurses on the battlefield, based on an amazing true story. _____ Make sure you've read all the books in the Frontline Nurses series: 1. Frontline Nurses 2. Frontline Nurses On Duty 3. Secrets of the Frontline Nurses And don't miss Holly Green's new series set in a Liverpool Workhouse: 1. Workhouse Orphans 2. Workhouse Angel 3. Workhouse Nightingale 4. Workhouse Girl

A Nurse's Courage May 18 2021 If you love watching Call the Midwife or reading Dilly Court and Donna Douglas, you will love much-loved author Maggie Holt's warm-hearted, captivating and intensely moving wartime saga in which a young nurse's life is forever changed by war. Perfect to settle down with! WHAT READERS ARE SAYING ABOUT A NURSE'S COURAGE! 'I found this book extremely difficult to put down' - 5 STARS 'Truly breathtaking' - 5 STARS 'Fantastic book, from start to finish...recommend' - 5 STARS 'Worth every penny' - 5 STARS 'Great story- I couldn't put the book down, totally addicted to it' - 5 STARS ***** HER COUNTRY NEEDED HER, BUT SO DID HE... Orphan Mabel Court's dreams come true when she enters the Booth Street Poor Law Infirmary as a probationer nurse. But it is August 1914, and her world is about to be turned upside down. She soon meets Norah McLoughlin, another probationer, and the two girls - together with Mabel's childhood friend Maudie, now a music-hall dancer - become firm friends. As war rages across Europe, they try to keep their spirits up but when Mabel's fiancé Harry Drover is wounded at the battle of the Somme, Mabel realises that the life she and Harry had always hoped for is now an impossibility. Then when Maudie falls pregnant by an officer, and Norah's young man is lost at sea, all three girls are forced to face the fact that life will never be the same again. The adventures continue in A Nurse at War. Previously published as A Child at the Door by Maggie Bennett.

The Forgotten Girls Nov 23 2021 It's a photograph of two little girls, the camera catching the cold whiteness of their legs, the pretty lines of their dresses, the smooth surface of the lake. I know at once it's my mother and Aunt Barbara, I've always known it somehow. But I also know that the camera doesn't tell the whole story. It can't. London, 1943. German bombs rain down on London, but Elaine Parker knows her job transcribing letters from far-away prisoners of war is more important than her own safety. But at home, Elaine's life isn't so simple – as the main breadwinner for her struggling family, she doesn't have much time to consider her own future hopes and dreams. And then Elaine meets dark-haired and passionate Bobby – a wartime photographer on the dangerous front line – and her world shifts. Will Elaine be forced to choose between her family and her growing passion for Bobby? And how do you let yourself love someone with your whole heart when each moment could be their last? Present day. Even the kiss of warm sunshine and the musical call of birds at her family's countryside villa can't make Jen forget the heartbreak she's left behind. That is, until she begins to investigate the origins of a tattered family photograph: two sweet little girls gazing out across a sparkling bay, their eyes clear and hopeful – looking for all the world as if England hadn't just suffered the most terrible war imaginable. What is the story behind the picture, and could it finally be the key to mending the cracks in Jen's own past? A heartbreaking World War Two novel – emotional and unforgettable. Perfect for fans of Orphan Train, Sold on a Monday and Before We Were Yours. What readers are saying about The Forgotten Girls... 'Twists and turns that keep you turning the page... I must read one more chapter before I turn out the light for the night... fans who enjoyed The Nightingale or Sold on a Monday will love this book as much as me. Authentic, heart-tugging and soul-stirring. Be sure to have tissues nearby.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'A heartbreaking tale of life in 1943 living through the war... One of the best historical fiction books I have read in a long while.' Sean's Book Reviews, 5 stars 'It not only brought tears to my eyes when the connection between the two women was revealed, but it pulled on my heartstrings all the way through the book. A story of love and loss, family and friendships, this book will keep you gripped until the very last page. Would definitely recommend.'

Stardust Book Reviews 'I came to really love the blossoming romance between Robert and Elaine... A beautiful novel, and one I highly recommend.' Emily Claire Writes 'A captivating story.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'I absolutely loved The Forgotten Girls. It is a beautiful, compelling read... Lizzie Page writes like a dream... I will be recommending this book to everyone I know.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'I really fell in love with this book... Beautifully done, the imagery is well written and I found myself picturing the scenes and living them out in my mind's eye. Well done!' Goodreads reviewer 'Oh, how I loved this book! I smiled, cried, my heart raced and I marvelled at the storytelling... Wonderful!' Angela Petch, author of The Tuscan Girl, 5 stars 'I just love the deft and thrilling blend of fact and fiction, and the way Lizzie Page brings characters from the past back to life. I am such a huge fan of her work.' Bestselling author Jill Mansell

Hopeful Hearts for the Wrens Nov 04 2022 During war, nothing is ever at it seems... Sally Hartley is a hopeless romantic. Her father died when she was a baby but she has lived off stories from her mother of what a wonderful man he was. Now, all she wants is a love like theirs. And she thinks she's found it in Adam, the brother of a friend from home. When Adam is posted to Orkney, it's like Sally's dreams have all come true. After Italy changes sides in the war, the Italian POWs are granted more freedom on the islands, meaning Sally can spend more time with her friend, Aldo, and the two grow ever closer. But when a family secret is revealed, Sally's trust might be forever broken. Sally, Iris and Mary must continue their duties even as life changes drastically around them, including an attack on one of their fellow Wrens from an unknown assailant. Now the friends face danger not just from the enemy, but also someone much closer to home. An uplifting and dramatic WWII saga for fans of Kate Thompson, Margaret Dickinson and Daisy Styles.

Annie of Ainsworth's Mill Jan 02 2020 A gripping and emotional cross-cultural love story for readers of Dilly Court and Glenda Young. 1897 Young Annie Maguire is leaving the only home she has ever known, the family farm in County Down, Ireland. Driven away by poverty and the death of Annie's mother, she and her beloved father are looking for a place to start again and settle in Cleator Moor, Cumberland. Robert McClure also grew up in County Down. The illegitimate son of a land agent and the cook from the big house, he spent his childhood being moved from pillar to post, never sure who he was or where he belonged. That is until he found himself in Cleator Moor and invited to join the Orange Order, a Protestant Society. On the 12th of July, day of the Orange March, Annie and Robert meet. Sparks instantly fly, but Annie has been brought up Catholic and is devoted to her community and religion. Brought together by chance, but with backgrounds worlds apart, Annie and Robert will have to fight to be together. But can their love really survive when the weight of the community is against them? Don't miss Katie Hutton's other heart-wrenching sagas, The Gypsy Bride and The Gypsy's Daughter. Available now. - - - - - Praise for Katie Hutton 'Love, loss and everything in between. Another fabulous read by Katie Hutton.' Lynn Johnson, author of Wartime with the Tram Girls 'Cleverly balanced between two worlds and weaves a story that's well-written, exciting and full of Romani charm.' Shirley Mann, author of Lily's War and Bobby's War on The Gypsy's Daughter 'Cracking characters, tender love story, impeccably researched historical detail. I loved it . . . I couldn't put it down.' Elizabeth Woodcraft, author of The Saturday Girls and The Girls from Greenway 'At times, heartbreaking. At others, heartwarming. This is the enchanting story of a young woman's struggle to recover from the traumatic events of her past.' Jennifer Page, author of Freedom from Loneliness 'A poignant and compelling story of trauma and the healing power of love: its many voices ring true and a past era in England is evoked with cinematic precision.' Maybelle Wallis, author of Heart of Cruelty 'An original gem . . . Captivating.' Patricia O'Reilly, author of The First Rose of Tralee

When I Was Yours Oct 23 2021 We stand in the back of the hall as the children troop in. Big ones, little ones. Straggly hair, cropped hair, curls... the adults surge forward to choose and soon there is just one child

left, a little girl sitting on the floor. She is thin as a string bean and her sleeve is ragged and damp – like she's been chewing it. 1939. War has broken out – hundreds of children are evacuated to the countryside to keep them safe from the bombs raining down on the cities. Wrenched from her family in the East End and sent more than a hundred miles away, seven-year-old Pearl Posner must adapt to a new life away from everything familiar. Vivienne didn't ask for an evacuee child. In fact, she's not sure her heart can take it. So many years, so many disappointments... Vivi's ability to feel love left her the day she learned the truth about her husband Edmund, and when she made the worst decision of her life and left her cherished sister to her fate. But like it or not, Pearl is here to stay, and what with the rumours about what's happening to children in mainland Europe, it might be the last safe place for her. As Pearl and Vivi learn how to live together, they discover that they have a connection that runs more deeply than they could ever have guessed – from before Pearl was born, and deep into Vivienne's past. And will it be Pearl – the little girl who says so little and sees so much – who forces Vivi to finally confront what happened in her marriage... and to the long-lost sister she loved so dearly and let fall so far, just when she needed Vivi most? A beautiful and emotional wartime historical novel – heart-breaking, moving and unforgettable. Perfect for fans of Orphan Train and Before We Were Yours. Readers absolutely love When I Was Yours: 'Brought me to tears. I love how having Pearl as an evacuee gave Vivienne a purpose in life. The story has plenty of twists and turns... If you like romantic historical fiction, particularly which is set in wartime, then this is the book for you! This, at times, brought tears to my eyes and equally a warm glow to my heart.' Stardust Book Reviews 'Lizzie Page has gone and done it again with this beautiful, poignant and immensely emotional story... She is by far one of my favourite authors... I absolutely love how this is written, Lizzie you have blown me away with your beautiful words, wonderful imagination and emotional story... It is a lovingly written story that has real heart, and one that I cannot recommend enough.' Chicks Rogues and Scandals, 5 stars 'I loved it!... I adore Lizzie Page's writing and the way she so brilliantly blends fact and fiction.' Jill Mansell, bestselling author 'This book was hard to put down... One of the best historical fiction books I've read in a very long time.' Shelly's Book Nook, 5 stars 'Page is a wonderful writer, one that draws me in to the story completely and utterly (by the end of the first chapter I thought to myself that I was going to love this book... wonderful characters... brilliantly plotted with a delightfully intertwined story, it has the heartbreak of war and a gorgeous love story... fantastic.' Short Book and Scribes, 5 stars 'A compelling and intriguing read... I was fascinated by Vivienne's story... Vivienne and Pearl are characters I will certainly never forget.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'A lovely, heart-tugging novel.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'You'll find the yourself engrossed till the last page.' My Pert Opinions, 5 stars 'The story is heartbreaking... This is an all-round excellent read, without a doubt 5 stars from me.' Booking Good Read, 5 stars

A Woman's Courage Jul 08 2020 The new heartwarming wartime saga in the Home Fires series, perfect for fans of Rosie Clarke and Annie Groves. In the midst of World War II, the members of one village will fight harder than ever to help the war effort . . . But behind closed doors, each is fighting a more personal battle. Pat Simms is reeling from her own role in her abusive husband's death, and the new freedom before her is daunting. Sarah Collingborne is struggling with the absence of her husband, who is stranded in a POW camp abroad, and trying her best to fill his treasured place in the village. Meanwhile, Teresa Lucas is anxious about her future as a parent, and her friend Alison Scotlock is on the verge of starting a new relationship. And Miriam Brindsley's good luck might be about to change . . . Grieving for men already lost and anxious for those still away fighting, the women of Great Paxford must rely on each other. Amidst the complexities of broken relationships, loss and friendship, this group of very different women must work together to find a way through.

Wartime Sweethearts Mar 04 2020 An English Girl. An American Soldier. A twin secret... When Rose meets American GI William there is no denying the attraction between them...And even though she knows her family would not approve of her relationship with a black soldier, they can't help but fall in love. However Rose has a secret of her own and when war separates the sweethearts before she can confide in William, it is Rose who will have to deal with the consequences... From the author of Orphan Sisters comes a moving and unique saga which gives a voice to the untold tales of our past.

When The Boys Come Home Jun 06 2020 While the war brings out the best in most, it brings out the worst in others, as a young mother soon discovers... A gripping saga of life for those left behind during the war, Pam Evans' When the Boys Come Home is a heart-breaking story of love, family and tragedy that won't fail to enthrall. Perfect for fans of Rosie Goodwin and Cathy Sharp. As German bombs wreak havoc on West London, for Morgan's Dairy it's business as usual. But when owner Dai Morgan is killed in an air raid, his daughter Megan is determined to continue in her father's footsteps and she braves the ravaged streets alone to do his milk round by horse and cart. Megan finds comfort in the knowledge that her twin girls are tucked away in a Welsh village, but she worries about her husband, Will, abroad with his platoon. And when Will's best friend, Doug Reynolds, returns, wounded and disfigured, she doesn't hesitate to take the poor man in. However, Doug is not the man she thinks he is. And when the boys come home, Megan has battle scars she can't allow Will to see... What readers are saying about When the Boys Come Home: 'Please, buy or read this "feel good" novel. I am a fan of Pamela Evans anyway, but this one manages to grip the imagination, is hard to put down and keeps the reader up to and including the last page. Heartily recommended!' 'Five stars'

Secret Hopes for the West End Girls Jul 28 2019 1915, London. When a German bomb is dropped on The Strand and the city falls to chaos, Rose's life is turned upside down – is hope for a better future lost for good? And if one dream ends, can she find the strength to fight for a different one?

Wartime in the Valleys Aug 28 2019 Let yourself be transported back in time with the captivating Wartime in the Valleys series. Includes all four sagas; the RNA Historical Romantic Novel Award 2021 shortlisted Heartbreak in the Valleys, War in the Valleys, Hope in the Valleys and Trouble in the Valleys. Heartbreak in the Valleys: November 1915. For young housemaid, Anwen Rhys, life is hard in the Welsh mining village of Dorcalon. She cares for her ill mother and beloved younger sister Sara, all while shielding them from her father's drunken, violent temper. Anwen comforts herself with her love for childhood sweetheart, Idris Hughes, away fighting in the Great War. Yet when Idris returns, he is a changed man – harder, more distant – and quickly breaks off their engagement. But when an explosion at the pit brings unimaginable heartache to Dorcalon, Anwen and Idris put their feelings aside to unite their mining community. In the midst of despair, can Anwen find hope again? War in the Valleys: July 1916. Young mother, Violet Jones, lives a tough life in the Rhymney Valley, caring for 4-year-old Clarice and baby Benjy on her own while soldier husband Charlie fights on the Front Line. The Great War takes its toll on the nation – with very little money coming in, and two babies to care for, Violet takes in a relative to help make ends meet. But far from easing her burden, it might turn out to be the worst decision she's made. All alone in the world, can she protect her children, and herself? And will she ever find joy out of the depths of despair? Hope in the Valleys: August 1917. WW1 continues to take a toll. The villagers of Dorcalon, a mining village in the Rhymney Valley, try to keep hope alive; but every day brings fresh tragedy as more of their sons and fathers are killed on foreign battlefields. Elizabeth Meredith, daughter of mine manager Herbert, enjoys a privileged position in the village, but she longs to break free of society's expectations. Falling in love with miner, Gwilym Owen, brings more joy to her life than she's ever known... until she's forced to choose between her love and her disapproving family. Seeking an escape, Elizabeth signs up as a VAD nurse and is swiftly sent to help the troops in France, even as her heart breaks at leaving Gwilym behind. Separated by society and the Great War, can Elizabeth and Gwilym find their way back together again? Or will their love become another casualty of war? Trouble in the Valleys: Spring 1919: WW1 might be over, but the inhabitants of Dorcalon in the Welsh Valleys still feel the pain of the war that took so many of their men. Polly Smith is trying to survive her own battle at home. After her abusive husband, Gus, was finally jailed, Polly has been raising her two-year-old son, Herby alone. Lonely and struggling for money, Polly retreats as she becomes the subject of cruel gossip. A job offer throws her a lifeline, and as she grows closer to soldier, Henry Austin, it seems that Polly might finally be changing her life – until dark secrets from her past emerge, threatening her new happiness. Will the mistakes of the past ruin her future? An emotional wartime saga series set in the Welsh valleys. Perfect for fans of Rosie Goodwin, Katie Flynn and Sheila Newberry. Praise for Francesca Capaldi 'Rich with well-drawn characters, twists and turns, sense of history and place... hard to put down!' Rosie Hendry, author of the East End Angels series 'Heart-wrenching, highly emotional and hard to put down...saga writing at its mesmerizing best.' Reader Review 'Worthy of a 5 star rating... a good book that commands your attention and emotions.' Reader Review 'An all-engrossing story that swept me along. It is a wonderful historical saga... With a hint of romance... It had me go through an array of emotions.' Reader Review

Victory for the Bluebird Girls May 06 2020 The heartwarming final chapter in the Bluebird Girls series. As war finally draws to a close and the lights come back on across Europe, what will victory and peacetime bring for the south coast's favourite singing trio? In their rise to fame over the course of the war, Bea Herron, Ivy Sparrow and Rainey Bird have faced down bombs and looked tragedy in the eye. They have also found love, created their own families and had careers that they never thought possible. With peace finally on the horizon, what will the new world hold for them?

Moonlight and Ashes Feb 24 2022 Two evacuees. One caring mother. One World War. Moonlight and Ashes is a heart-breaking wartime saga from Rosie Goodwin, the bestselling author of A Mother's Grace, Mothering Sunday and The Little Angel. This warm and compelling read is sure to stay with you long after you have finished the last page. Perfect for fans of Cathy Sharp and Pam Evans. 'Not only is Goodwin's characterisation and dialogue compelling, but her descriptive writing is a joy' - Nottingham Evening Post Despite being trapped in an abusive marriage, Maggie still feels blessed with her eight-year-old twins, Danny and Lizzie, and baby girl, Lucy. But when the Second World War begins it seems that her blessings may have run out. Although the war lets her escape her husband when he's sent to the front, she must also lose the twins, as they're evacuated to North Wales. Lizzie seems to be in the perfect family, while Danny is left with a man who seems to resent his presence. But appearances can be deceptive, and while Maggie struggles to survive the bombings at home, her children face danger of a different kind. What Amazon readers are saying about Moonlight and Ashes: 'Once again Rosie has written another gripping tale with fantastic plots, events and realism. You won't be able to put the book down as you will want to find out what happens to Maggie, her children and the people that surround her life as they deal with the Coventry Blitz in World War 2. Rosie Goodwin is an author you can trust to deliver and every single novel she has produced has given millions of readers' great pleasure' 'I have just finished this wonderful book and I have to say it's the best book I have read in a very long time. The characters are so believable and life like, I just didn't want to put it down! Well done Rosie!'

Evie's War Apr 16 2021 The first in a new series of wartime sagas for fans of Maureen Lee, Katie Flynn and Dilly Court After finding out that her fiancé, Timmy, has been less than faithful, Evie is faced with a dilemma of the heart - she must try to mend their relationship or cut all ties and move on. But moving on from a first love is never easy and it's complicated by the fact that Timmy's mother is the headmistress at the school where Evie teaches and she won't hear a bad word said against him. Luckily, Evie has two sisters and a close circle of friends to help her through the tough times and as the war brings British RAF officers and American GIs to the once quiet and calm village - as well as evacuees, Land Girls and wounded servicemen - it seems that life is going to be anything but dull. Fans of Ellie Dean's Cliffhaven series will enjoy Evie's Dartmoor Chronicles series: 1. Evie's War 2. Evie's Allies 3. Evie's Victory What readers are saying about Evie's War: 'Evie is just the type of woman any one would love as a friend' Amazon Vine reviewer 'I cannot wait for book two in the saga: Evie's Allies. A compelling read. I really enjoyed it.' Amazon reviewer 'This novel both charms and surprises the readers' Amazon reviewer