

### Dog days

Jeffrey Lee

In a small West African country, civil war is brewing. Thousands have already died but it's the savage killing of young British aid worker Miranda Williams that captures the media's attention. For disenchanted correspondent-turned-film-maker Peter Lucas, Miranda's death conjures up uneasy ghosts and now the Corporation want him to go back into the war zone to make a documentary about her.

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### Green city in the sun

Barbara Wood

Set in Kenya, in 1919, this book is of a British family, the Trevertons, who settle on an estate on the homeland of Kikuyu and the antagonism that develops between them and the tribe's own medicine woman, whose powers they disregard.

General WOO

### The roar of the lion

Frank Coates

Love or empire; ambition or greed? What drives a man to walk from the Cape to Cairo? Ewart Grogan, known to the Africans as Bwana Simba - the man with the cold stare of the lion - is a man of unwavering self-confidence. From his early days fighting for Cecil Rhodes in the Matabele wars, Grogan's passion uniquely equipped him to conquer a continent. He risked all to trek across darkest Africa for the woman he loves and has gone on to dominate the business world of the burgeoning new colony of British East Africa. Domination has come at a price, however, and Grogan's ambition divides him from those who gave him his start - and those who love him most. Now, the Great War points its bloody finger towards Africa. And Grogan faces his greatest ordeal - and his most wrenching choice.

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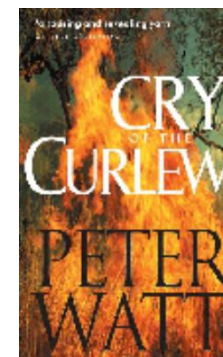
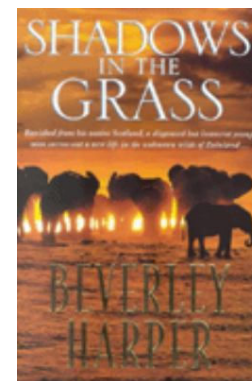
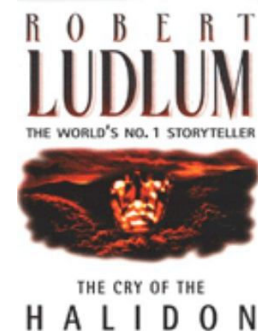
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# Wilbur Smith Readalikes



**The dogs of war**

Frederick Forsyth

In a remote corner of Zangaro, a small republic in Africa, lies Crystal Mountain. At certain times of the day the mountain emits a strange glow. Only Sir James Manson knows why. The mountain contains ten billion dollar's worth of the world's most valuable mineral, platinum. Now the only question is, how to get hold of it. Sir James knows how. Invade the country with a band of savage, cold-blooded mercenaries. Topple the government and set up a puppet dictatorship.

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**The potato factory**

Bryce Courtenay

First book in the fictional trilogy that spans the history of Australia. This is the story of Ikey Solomon, the true character on whom Charles Dickens patterned his villain Fagin. Ikey, his brothel mistress-wife Hannah, and Ikey's sometime mistress Mary Abacus are all transported as criminals to Van Dieman's Land. Raising two separate families, each with the surname Solomon, the two women set out to destroy each other.

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**Lie down with lions**

Ken Follett

Jane, a brave and sensual Englishwoman, is caught in a deadly romantic triangle between rival spies Ellis and Jean-Pierre. Love, hatred and deception sweep them from terrorist conspiracies in Paris to guerrilla warfare in Afghanistan.

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**The cry of the Halidon**

Robert Ludlum

A tale of human endurance, fear and murder as Alex McAuliff is ordered into the savage depths of the Jamaican jungle to discover the secrets of a native tribe called The Halidon.

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**Cry of the curlew**

Peter Watt

The story of two feuding families - the Mackintoshes, wealthy Scottish landowners, and the Duffys, poor Irish labourers, and their attempts to tame the wilds of Northern Australia

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**Maralinga**

Judy Nunn

During the darkest days of the Cold War, in the remote wilderness of a South Australian desert, the future of an infant nation is being decided without its people's knowledge. A British airbase in the middle of nowhere; an atomic weapons testing ground; an army of raw youth, led by powerful and ambitious men, make a cocktail for disaster. Maralinga is also a story of a love so strong that it draws the adventurous young English journalist Elizabeth Hoffman half way around the world in search of the truth.

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**Mango Hill**

Patricia Shaw

A ruthless aristocrat and an Irish squatter, Lord Jasin Heselwood and Pace MacNamara arrived in Australia with a hunger for land and a hatred of each other. Eager for land and rejected by the woman he loves, Pace's son Duke joins a team heading west with a thousand head of cattle and encounters Edward, son of scheming Lord Heselwood. But bloodshed is on the horizon, as the group moves relentlessly towards a gathering storm of war with the warrior tribes of the great Kalkadoon nation.

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**Great elephant**

Alan Scholefield

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**Golden Buddha**

Clive Cussler

In his first feature-length adventure, it's up to Cabrillo and his crew of expert intelligence and Naval men to put Tibet back in the hands of the Dalai Lama by striking a deal with the Russians and the Chinese. His gambling chip is a golden Buddha containing records of vast oil reserves in the disputed land.

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**The big footprints**

Hammond Innes

In a bullet-scarred game lodge, Colin Tait waits to interview hunter turned conservationist, Cornelius van Delden. The occasion is the first wildlife conference after an African war. Van Delden's entrance triggers off a confrontation that takes Tait on a journey through Africa.

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**Shadows in the grass**

Beverley Harper

Novel set in the 19th century about the fate of a young aristocrat who must flee his native Scotland - and the only woman he has ever loved - to seek his fortune trading and hunting in Natal and the wilds of Zululand. When the Zulu war breaks out, Lord Dallas Acheson finds himself torn between old and new loyalties.

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**The covenant**

James A Michener

Adventurers, scoundrels and missionaries. The best and worst of two continents carve an empire out of the vast wilderness that is to become South Africa. For hundreds of years, their rivalries and passions spill across the land. From the first Afrikaners to the powerful Zulu nation, and the missionaries who lived with both--all of them will influence and take part in the wars and politics that will change a nation forever.

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