

# The New York Times Best Seller List

| This Week | August 22, 2004<br>Fiction  | Last Week | Weeks On List |
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| 1         | THE DA VINCI CODE, by Dan Brown. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) The murder of a curator at the Louvre leads to a trail of clues found in the work of Leonardo and to the discovery of a centuries-old secret society.  | 1         | 73            |
| 2         | SKINNY DIP, by Carl Hiaasen. (Knopf, \$24.95.) A woman enlists an ex-cop in a plot to take revenge on her husband, a marine biologist who tried to kill her.  | 4         | 4             |
| 3         | "R" IS FOR RICOCHET, by Sue Grafton. (Marian Wood/Putnam, \$26.95.) A millionaire hires Kinsey Millhone to baby-sit his newly paroled daughter and keep her out of trouble.                                   | 3         | 4             |
| 4         | LOST CITY, by Clive Cussler with Paul Kemprecos. (Putnam, \$26.95.) The discovery of a life-prolonging enzyme -- 2,000 feet down in the Atlantic Ocean -- results in a series of disappearances and killings. | 2         | 2             |
| 5         | THE FIVE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN HEAVEN, by Mitch Albom. (Hyperion, \$19.95.) An old man who died while trying to rescue a little girl from danger discovers that all will be explained to him in the afterlife.   | 7         | 46            |
| 6         | SAM'S LETTERS TO JENNIFER, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$24.95.) In the house where she grew up, a woman finds a collection of letters addressed to her that will change her life forever.            | 6         | 6             |
| 7         | THE RULE OF FOUR, by Ian Caldwell and Dustin Thomason. (Dial, \$24.) Two Princeton students who are trying to unravel the mysteries of a Renaissance text become ensnared in murderous intrigue.              | 5         | 13            |
| 8         | ANGELS & DEMONS, by Dan Brown. (Atria, \$17.95.) A Harvard scholar tries to save the Vatican from the machinations of an underground society.   | 8         | 32            |
| 9         | VISIONS IN DEATH, by J. D. Robb. (Putnam, \$21.95.) In 2059, Lt. Eve Dallas searches Manhattan for a killer; by Nora Roberts, writing pseudonymously.   | --        | 1             |
| 10        | SHEM CREEK, by Dorothea Benton Frank. (Berkley, \$22.95.) Life in the Lowcountry of South Carolina, as experienced by a single mother.  | --        | 1             |
| 11        | BRIMSTONE, by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child. (Warner, \$25.95.) Special Agent Pendergast of the F.B.I. probes a seemingly supernatural crime — the grisly murder of a notorious art critic.               | --        | 1             |
| 12        | THE IMMORTAL HIGHLANDER, by Karen Marie Moning. (Delacorte, \$15.) A story of ancient Scotland, time travel and an invisible man.   | --        | 1             |
| 13        | TEN BIG ONES, by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$25.95.) A Trenton street gang puts out a hit on the bounty hunter Stephanie Plum.  | 9         | 7             |
| 14        | SONG OF SUSANNAH, by Stephen King. (Donald M. Grant/Scribner, \$30.) The sixth volume of "The Dark Tower," a series about time travel and a heroic quest.   | 10        | 9             |
| 15        | STAR, by Pamela Anderson. (Atria, \$24.) The transformation of a young Florida woman into a Hollywood sex goddess.  | --        | 1             |

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| 1         | AMERICAN SOLDIER, by Tommy Franks with Malcolm McConnell. (ReganBooks/HarperCollins, \$27.95.) A memoir by the former head of the United States Central Command.   | --        | 1             |
| 2         | MY LIFE, by Bill Clinton. (Knopf, \$35.) From Hope, Ark., to the White House: the autobiography of the 42nd president.   | 1         | 7             |
| 3         | EATS, SHOOTS & LEAVES, by Lynne Truss. (Gotham, \$17.50.) An Englishwoman expounds on the use and misuse of punctuation marks.   | 2         | 18            |
| 4         | IMPERIAL HUBRIS, by Anonymous. (Brassey's, \$27.50.) A current C.I.A. officer argues that the United States and its allies are losing the war on terror.   | 3         | 4             |
| 5         | DRESS YOUR FAMILY IN CORDUROY AND DENIM, by David Sedaris. (Little, Brown, \$24.95.) The humorist's latest collection of essays.   | 4         | 10            |
| 6         | SHADOW DIVERS, by Robert Kurson. (Random House, \$26.95.) The story of a group of divers who in 1991, 60 miles off the coast of New Jersey, discovered the wreckage of a World War II-era German U-boat.       | 5         | 6             |
| 7         | BUSHWORLD, by Maureen Dowd. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A journalist's assessment of President Bush, based on her columns and articles in The New York Times.   | --        | 1             |
| 8         | OBLIVIOUSLY ON HE SAILS, by Calvin Trillin. (Random House, \$12.95.) The humorist, essayist and novelist takes on the Bush administration in verse.  | 15        | 5             |
| 9         | WHO LET THE DOGS IN? by Molly Ivins. (Random House, \$22.95.) Essays about "incredible political animals," from Ronald Reagan to George W. Bush.   | 12        | 5             |
| 10        | INSIDE THE KINGDOM, by Carmen bin Ladin. (Warner, \$23.95.) A sister-in-law of Osama bin Laden describes her life in Saudi Arabia, her separation from her husband and her battle for custody of her children. | 6         | 3             |
| 11        | TO BE THE MAN, by Ric Flair with Keith Elliot Greenberg. Edited by Mark Madden. (World Wrestling Entertainment/ Pocket Books, \$26.) The autobiography of a professional wrestler known as the Nature Boy.     | 8         | 5             |
| 12        | WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH KANSAS? by Thomas Frank. (Metropolitan/Holt, \$24.) An examination of what the author calls the Great Backlash, in which conservatives "won the heart of America."                      | 10        | 5             |
| 13        | LOSING AMERICA, by Robert C. Byrd. (Norton, \$23.95.) The senior senator from West Virginia assails what he considers the "reckless and arrogant presidency" of George W. Bush.                                | 7         | 3             |
| 14        | FATHER JOE, by Tony Hendra. (Random House, \$24.95.) A noted satirist recalls his decades-long friendship with an English Benedictine monk.  | 9         | 12            |
| 15        | HOMEGROWN DEMOCRAT, by Garrison Keillor. (Viking, \$19.95.) The host of "A Prairie Home Companion" maintains that something has gone "seriously haywire" with the Republican Party.                            | 11        | 2             |