

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	April 20, 1997 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE PARTNER, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$26.95.) The pursuit of \$90 million stolen by a Mississippi lawyer who has apparently died and been cremated -- but is actually hiding in Brazil.	1	6
2	THE RANCH, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$25.95.) Three women who were college roommates come to terms with themselves at a Wyoming resort.	--	1
3	CHROMOSOME 6, by Robin Cook. (Putnam, \$24.95.) The missing liver of a corpse found floating in a river may provide clues to the murder of a crime figure.	2	3
4	3001: THE FINAL ODYSSEY, by Arthur C. Clarke. (Del Rey/Ballantine, \$25.) One of the heroes of "2001: A Space Odyssey" returns to life and tries to save the human race from a dangerous monolith.	4	6
5	THE NOTEBOOK, by Nicholas Sparks. (Warner, \$16.95.) A World War II veteran meets an old flame who is about to be married.	7	26
6	SANCTUARY, by Nora Roberts. (Putnam, \$23.95.) A photographer, seeking to come to grips with her past, returns to the Georgia inn that her family operates.	3	3
7	SMALL VICES, by Robert B. Parker. (Putnam, \$21.95.) The private eye Spenser has a brush with death while pursuing a young woman's murderer.	--	1
8	MCNALLY'S GAMBLE, by Lawrence Sanders. (Putnam, \$24.95.) Archy McNally, hired by a rich widow's children, finds himself in a sea of greed and murder.	--	1
9	ACTS OF LOVE, by Judith Michael. (Crown, \$24.) The discovery of a box of old letters causes a man and a woman to seek a life together in the theater.	8	4
10	A THIN DARK LINE, by Tami Hoag. (Bantam, \$22.95.) A Louisiana deputy's determination to correct a botched murder case carries her into a morass of treachery.	6	5
11	THE CELESTINE PROPHECY, by James Redfield. (Warner, \$17.95.) An ancient manuscript, found in Peru, provides insights into achieving a fulfilling life.	10	158
12	EVENING CLASS, by Maeve Binchy. (Delacorte, \$24.95.) Family secrets, aspirations and passions surface during a course in Italian at a Dublin school.	5	8
13	SOLE SURVIVOR, by Dean Koontz. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A reporter searches for a woman who claims to know a secret about the plane crash that killed his family.	11	9
14	TOTAL CONTROL, by David Baldacci. (Warner, \$25.) A woman's effort to find her husband, who has disappeared, reveals the ways of big business.	9	12
15	PLANET OF TWILIGHT, by Barbara Hambly. (Spectra/Bantam, \$22.95.) The "Star Wars" battle between the New Republic and the Empire takes a new turn.	--	1

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1	ANGELA'S ASHES, by Frank McCourt. (Scribner, \$24.) An Irish-American writer recalls his childhood amid the miseries of Limerick.	1	31
2	PERSONAL HISTORY, by Katharine Graham. (Knopf, \$29.95.) The autobiography of the former publisher of The Washington Post and capital grande dame.	5	10
3	MURDER IN BRENTWOOD, by Mark Fuhrman. (Regnery, \$24.95.) The O. J. Simpson murder trial as observed by the man who was a key prosecution witness.	2	7
4	THE GIFT OF PEACE, by Joseph Cardinal Bernardin. (Loyola Press, \$17.95.) Reflections on the last three years of his life by the late Archbishop of Chicago.	3	11
5	CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD, by Neale Donald Walsch. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The author addresses questions of life and love, good and evil, guilt and sin.	4	18
6	NAKED, by David Sedaris. (Little, Brown, \$21.95.) Autobiographical comic essays.	7	3
7	THE MILLIONAIRE NEXT DOOR, by Thomas J. Stanley and William D. Danko. (Longstreet, \$22.) An analysis of the lives of wealthy Americans.	6	13
8	THE KISS, by Kathryn Harrison. (Random House, \$20.) A novelist recalls her love affair with her father.	9	4
9	NICKEL DREAMS, by Tanya Tucker with Patsi Bale Cox. (Hyperion, \$23.95.) From Willcox, Ariz., to Nashville: the autobiography of the country singer.	--	1
10	MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL, by John Berendt. (Random House, \$23.) The mysterious death of a young man in Savannah, Ga.	8	144
11	A REPORTER'S LIFE, by Walter Cronkite. (Knopf, \$26.95.) The television anchorman's memoirs.	13	18
12	DR. SUSAN LOVE'S HORMONE BOOK, by Susan M. Love with Karen Lindsey. (Random House, \$25.) A physician discusses the problems attending menopause.	10	4
13	FLYING BLIND, FLYING SAFE, by Mary Schiavo with Sabra Chartrand. (Avon, \$25.) The former Inspector General of the Department of Transportation describes the perils that await airline passengers.	11	2
14	MY SERGEI, by Ekaterina Gordeeva with E. M. Swift. (Warner, \$18.95.) A memoir of the Russian ice skater Sergei Grinkov by his longtime partner and wife.	12	23
15	JOURNEY INTO DARKNESS, by John Douglas and Mark Olshaker. (Drew/Scribner, \$25.) A former F.B.I. profiler describes the nature of vicious serial criminals.	14	10
16	THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED AND BEYOND, by M. Scott Peck. (Simon & Schuster, \$23.) Coping with foibles and fears; the third in a trilogy.	--	2