

## Princeps Fury Codex Alera Butcher

An all-star urban fantasy collection featuring short stories from #1 New York Times bestselling authors Jim Butcher, Patricia Briggs, Charlaine Harris, Kelley Armstrong, and more . . . In this short story collection of courage, adventure, and magic, heroes—ordinary people who do the right thing—bravely step forward. But running toward danger might cost them everything. . . . In #1 New York Times bestselling author Jim Butcher's "Little Things," the pixie Toot-Toot discovers an invader unbeknownst to the wizard Harry Dresden . . . and in order to defeat it, he'll have to team up with the dread cat Mister. In #1 New York Times bestselling author Patricia Briggs's "Dating Terrors," the werewolf Asil finds an online date might just turn into something more—if she can escape the dark magic binding her. In #1 New York Times bestselling author Charlaine Harris's "The Return of the Mage," the Britlingen mercenaries will discover more than they've bargained for when they answer the call of a distress beacon on a strange and remote world. And in #1 New York Times bestselling author Kelley Armstrong's "Comfort Zone," the necromancer Chloe Saunders and the werewolf Derek Souza are just trying to get through college. But they can't refuse a ghost pleading for help. ALSO INCLUDES STORIES BY Annie Bellet \* Anne Bishop \* Jennifer Brozek \* Kevin Hearne \* Nancy Holder \* Kerrie L. Hughes \* Chloe Neill \* R.R. Virdi

In his acclaimed Codex Alera novels, #1 New York Times bestselling author Jim Butcher has created a fascinating world in which the powerful forces of nature take physical form. But even magic cannot sway the corruption that threatens to destroy the realm of Alera once and for all... When the power-hungry High Lord of Kalare launches a merciless rebellion against the First Lord, young Tavi of Calderon joins a newly formed legion under an assumed name. And when the ruthless Kalare allies himself with a savage enemy of the realm, Tavi finds himself leading an inexperienced, poorly equipped legion—the only force standing between Alera and certain doom...

Seven of the author's most famous, best-selling books.

From Donna VanLiere, the New York Times bestselling author of The Christmas Hope series comes another heartwarming, inspirational story for the holidays, The Christmas Table. In June 1972, John Creighton determines to build his wife Joan a kitchen table. His largest project to date had been picture frames but he promises to have the table ready for Thanksgiving dinner. Inspired to put something delicious on the table, Joan turns to her mother's recipes she had given to Joan when she and John married. In June 2012, Lauren Mabrey discovers she's pregnant. Gloria, Miriam, and the rest of her friends at Glory's Place begin to pitch in, helping Lauren prepare their home for the baby. On a visit to the local furniture builder, Lauren finds a table that he bought at a garage sale but has recently refinished. Once home, a drawer is discovered under the table which contains a stack of recipe cards. Growing up in one foster home after another, Lauren never learned to cook and is fascinated as she reads through the cards. Personal notes have been written on each one from the mother to her daughter and time and again Lauren wonders where they lived, when they lived, and in a strange way, she feels connected to this mother and her daughter and wants to make the mother proud. The story continues to from 1972 to 2012 as Joan battles breast cancer and Lauren learns to cook, preparing for the baby's arrival. As Christmas nears, can Lauren unlock the mystery of the table, and find the peace she's always longed for?

In his acclaimed Codex Alera novels, #1 New York Times bestselling author Jim Butcher has created a fascinating world of elemental magic. Now, as enemies become allies, and friends become bitter foes, a danger beyond reckoning looms for all... After two years of bitter conflict with the hordes of invading Canim warriors, Tavi of Calderon, now Captain of the First Aleran Legion, realizes that a peril far greater than the Canim exists—the mysterious threat that drove the savage Canim to flee their homeland. Tavi proposes attempting an alliance with the Canim

against their common foe, but his warnings go unheeded. For the Senate's newly-appointed military commander has long desired to wipe out the Canim "scourge," and their slave allies. Now, Tavi must find a way to overcome centuries-old animosities if an alliance is to be forged, and he must lead his legion in defiance of the law, against friend and foe—or none will have a chance of survival...

Wish upon a Christmas star in this sparkling Fool's Gold romance! To bridal boutique owner Madeline Krug, organizing a Christmas wedding sounds like a joy—until she finds out she'll be working closely with the gorgeous brother of the bride, movie star Jonny Blaze. How will a small-town girl like her keep from falling for the world's sexiest guy? Especially with mistletoe lurking around every corner! Jonny came to Fool's Gold looking for normal, not for love. Happily-ever-after only happens in the movies. Still, nothing about this quirky town is quite what he expected, and "ordinary" Madeline is the most extraordinary woman he's ever met.

Refreshingly honest, disarmingly sweet. Aching beautiful.

If I could keep you little, I'd keep you close to me. But then I'd miss you growing into who you're meant to be! If I Could Keep You Little speaks straight to every parent's heart, exploring the powerful feeling of wanting your child to grow up while savoring every moment. Sure to become a new favorite, this book showcases author/illustrator Marianne Richmond's ability to beautifully illustrate the complex emotions we all have.

Supernatural investigator Harry Dresden has his hands full when Chicago's underworld and the police think he's a mobster's enforcer and he must track down a pack of werewolves stalking the city.

The precarious alliance between the people of Alera and the furies is thrown into disarray by the death of the First Lord of Alera, and the fate of the Alerians lies in the hands of Tavi, an untried young man who must draw on his courage to save his world. Reprint.

#1 IN A NEW EPIC FANTASY SERIES from Monster Hunter series creator and New York Times best-selling author, Larry Correia! After the War of the Gods, the demons were cast out and fell to the world. Mankind was nearly eradicated by the seemingly unstoppable beasts, until the gods sent the great hero, Ramrowan, to save them. He united the tribes, gave them magic, and drove the demons into the sea. Ever since the land has belonged to man and the oceans have remained an uncrossable hell, leaving the continent of Lok isolated. It was prophesized that someday the demons would return, and only the descendants of Ramrowan would be able to defeat them. They became the first kings, and all men served those who were their only hope for survival. As centuries passed the descendants of the great hero grew in number and power. They became tyrannical and cruel, and their religion nothing but an excuse for greed. Gods and demons became myth and legend, and the people no longer believed. The castes created to serve the Sons of Ramrowan rose up and destroyed their rulers. All religion was banned and replaced by a code of unflinching law. The surviving royalty and their priests were made casteless, condemned to live as untouchables, and the Age of Law began. Ashok Vadal has been chosen by a powerful ancient weapon to be its bearer. He is a Protector, the elite militant order of roving law enforcers. No one is more merciless in rooting out those who secretly practice the old ways. Everything is black or white, good or evil, until he discovers his entire life is a fraud. Ashok isn't who he thinks he is, and when he finds himself on the wrong side of the law, the consequences lead to rebellion, war, and destruction. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

The peaceful rule of half-elven Dain and the warrior-woman Alexeika is threatened by a faceless group of enemies who have unleashed a deadly scheme--forged by magic and violence--that could destroy the kingdom of Nether, as well as the fierce love between Dain and Alexeika. Original.

Wizard detective Harry Dresden, murdered by an unknown assassin, must save his friends and his soul without any magic to help him in this novel from the New York Times best-selling

author of Side Jobs. Reprint.

An all-new Dresden Files story headlines this urban fantasy short story collection starring the Windy City's favorite wizard. The world of Harry Dresden, Chicago's only professional wizard, is rife with intrigue--and creatures of all supernatural stripes. And you'll make their intimate acquaintance as Harry delves into the dark side of truth, justice, and the American way in this must-have short story collection. From the Wild West to the bleachers at Wrigley Field, humans, zombies, incubi, and even fey royalty appear, ready to blur the line between friend and foe. In the never-before-published "Zoo Day," Harry treads new ground as a dad, while fan-favorite characters Molly Carpenter, his onetime apprentice, White Council Warden Anastasia Luccio, and even Bigfoot stalk through the pages of more classic tales. With twelve stories in all, Brief Cases offers both longtime fans and first-time readers tantalizing glimpses into Harry's funny, gritty, and unforgettable realm, whetting their appetites for more to come from the wizard with a heart of gold. The collection includes: \* "Curses," from Naked City, edited by Ellen Datlow \* "AAAA Wizardry," from the Dresden Files RPG \* "Even Hand," from Dark and Stormy Knights, edited by P. N. Elrod \* "B is for Bigfoot," from Under My Hat: Tales from the Cauldron, edited by Jonathan Strahan. Republished in Working for Bigfoot. \* "I was a Teenage Bigfoot," from Blood Lite III: Aftertaste, edited by Kevin J. Anderson. Republished in Working for Bigfoot. \* "Bigfoot on Campus," from Hex Appeal, edited by P. N. Elrod. Republished in Working for Bigfoot. \* "Bombshells," from Dangerous Women, edited by George R. R. Martin and Gardner Dozois \* "Jury Duty," from Unbound, edited by Shawn Speakman \* "Cold Case," from Shadowed Souls, edited by Jim Butcher and Kerrie Hughes \* "Day One," from Unfettered II, edited by Shawn Speakman \* "A Fistful of Warlocks," from Straight Outta Tombstone, edited by David Boop \* "Zoo Day," a brand-new novella, original to this collection

A modern-day mage and consultant to the police finds his stale life suddenly enlivened by the presence of a rival in the black arts.

Four bestselling fantasy authors present a collection of novellas about dark nights, cruel cities, and paranormal P.I.s—featuring Harry Dresden, John Taylor, Harper Blaine, and Remy Chandler. #1 New York Times bestselling author Jim Butcher delivers a story in which Harry Dresden—Chicago's only professional wizard—tries to protect a friend from danger and ends up becoming a target himself... John Taylor is the best PI in the secret heart of London known as The Nightside. He can find anything. But locating the lost memory of a desperate woman may be his undoing in a thrilling noir tale from New York Times bestselling author Simon R. Green... National bestselling author Kat Richardson's Greywalker finds herself in too deep when a job in Mexico goes awry, and Harper Blaine is enmeshed in a tangle of dark family secrets and revenge from beyond the grave... An ancient being that lived among humanity for centuries is dead, and fallen angel-turned-Boston detective Remy Chandler has been hired to find out who—or what—murdered him in a whodunit by national bestselling author Thomas E. Sniegoski...

Three novellas allow the reader to encounter Dresden at different points in his career as a wizard-for-hire.

Each member of the rabbit family has a different idea about what the baby should be when he grows up, but he has already decided.

Collecting three classic fan-favorite Spider-Man novels together for the first time in a brand-new omnibus edition. THE DARKEST HOUR IS JUST BEFORE THE DAWN... Collecting three fan-favorite Spider-Man novels in a brand-new omnibus featuring The Darkest Hours, Down These Mean Streets, and Drowned in Thunder. In The Darkest Hours, Rhino's rampage through the city is just a distraction. The real threat comes from a group of Ancients seeking revenge on

Spider-Man. Spidey must rely on Black Cat if there's any hope of stopping them from stealing his life force. Down These Mean Streets sees Spider-Man team up with a police force that hates him to find the source behind a lethal new drug that gives users super-powers. Drowned in Thunder takes J. Jonah Jameson's vendetta against Spider-Man to a whole new level when JJJ exploits several mysterious attacks on Manhattan island in his propaganda war against the web-slinger.

Pirates. Griffins. A lost treasure worth killing for. While protecting the newborn griffins on the Isle of Landin, Volke Savan and his adopted sister, Illia, run afoul of the Dread Pirate Calisto, the same cutthroat who carved out Illia's right eye. As a master manticore arcanist, Calisto's strength and brutality are unrivaled, so when Illia suggests they bring him to justice, Volke wonders if they'll have what it takes to fight the corsairs on the high seas. A fast-paced fantasy with magical creatures for those who enjoy the Furies of Calderon (Codex Alera series) by Jim Butcher, Unsouled (Cradle Series) by Will Wight, and Percy Jackson and the Olympians by Rick Riordan. Praise for the Frith Chronicles! "Perfect for those who enjoy the Codex Alera series, the Homas Wildus series, and the Harry Potter series. Stovall is quickly becoming a name I look for." - Seattle Book Review for Nightmare Arcanist (Frith Chronicles, Book 1) "An addictive series. Shami Stovall has produced a mesmerizing story of magic, intrigue, and true adventure." - ManyBooks for Nightmare Arcanist (Frith Chronicles, Book 1) "Absolutely brilliant." - Archaeolibrarian for Nightmare Arcanist (Frith Chronicles, Book 1)

Accused of treason against the Wizards of the White Council, Warden Morgan goes in search of Harry Dresden in a desperate attempt to clear his name and stop the deadly punishment from taking place in this latest thrilling addition to the Dresden Files series.

If you're excited about the upcoming Disney film Beauty and the Beast, starring Emma Watson, don't miss Cruel Beauty. The romance of Beauty and the Beast meets the adventure of Graceling in this dazzling fantasy novel about our deepest desires and their power to change our destiny. Perfect for fans of bestselling An Ember in the Ashes and A Court of Thorns and Roses, this gorgeously written debut infuses the classic fairy tale with glittering magic, a feisty heroine, and a romance sure to take your breath away. Betrothed to the evil ruler of her kingdom, Nyx has always known that her fate was to marry him, kill him, and free her people from his tyranny. But on her seventeenth birthday when she moves into his castle high on the kingdom's mountaintop, nothing is what she expected—particularly her charming and beguiling new husband. Nyx knows she must save her homeland at all costs, yet she can't resist the pull of her sworn enemy—who's gotten in her way by stealing her heart.

Includes an original Sookie Stackhouse story "Clever...entertaining... excellent"(Library Journal) original vampire stories by Charlaine Harris, Jim Butcher, Kelley Armstrong, and more. From cakes to stakes, a celebration of



everyone's favorite bloodsucking subculture by a baker's dozen of favorite authors. Each of these thirteen original stories offers a fresh and unique take on what birthdays mean to the undead. From Charlaine Harris's Sookie Stackhouse attending a birthday party for Dracula to Jim Butcher's Harry Dresden battling bloodsucking party crashers, these suspenseful, surprising, sometimes dark, sometimes humorous stories will ensure paranormal fans will never think of vampires or birthdays quite the same again.

Legendary man of war and the rightful First Lord of Alera, Gaius Octavian must save his world from eternal darkness, and stand against the savage Vord in the Calderon Valley. By a best-selling author. Reprint.

Violet Abrams may have been a bridesmaid no less than seven times, but her wedding day was near—she could feel it. Until her longtime boyfriend left her for someone else. That's just fine—she has her photography and a new project redesigning her sister's bakery to keep her happy and fulfilled. Fast-forward to the day of his wedding, though, when Violet might have accidentally, totally not on purpose, started a fire. And... Officially the worst day ever. Firefighter Ford Maguire thought he'd seen it all. Until he's called out because someone tried to set the local bakery on fire...with a wedding magazine? The little arsonist might be the cutest woman he's ever seen, but he's too career-focused to consider something serious. Still, Violet seems like a great person to help him navigate his upcoming "man of honor" duties in his best friend's wedding. Pretty soon, not only is Violet giving him lessons on all things weddings, she's helping him train his latest rescue-dog recruit puppies and weaving her way seamlessly into his lone-wolf lifestyle. But forever is the last thing on Ford's mind, and if there's one thing a perpetual bridesmaid knows, it's the importance of a happily ever after. Each book in the Getting Hitched series is STANDALONE: \* Just One of the Groomsman \* Always a Bridesmaid

Chicago wizard-for-hire Harry Dresden and his new apprentice, Molly Carpenter, intend to end the havoc caused by a mad sorcerer — one whose ambitions would have the Windy City streets carved out as his own private kingdom. But when the magical upstart enters into an alliance with the notorious mob boss "Gentleman Johnnie" Marcone, will the fast-and-loose Dresden and his young charge survive unscathed? This graphic novel collects the critically acclaimed, six-issue series in one volume, and features a bonus section with Jim Butcher's original story outline, sketchbook artwork from Carlos Gomez, cover gallery with roughs from Stjepan Sejic, and more!

For fans of Maria Semple and Rainbow Rowell, a comedy-drama for the digital age: an epistolary debut novel about the ties that bind and break our hearts. Iris Massey is gone. But she's left something behind. For four years, Iris Massey worked side by side with PR maven Smith Simonyi, helping clients perfect their brands. But Iris has died, taken by terminal illness at only thirty-three. Adrift without his friend and colleague, Smith is surprised to discover that in her last six months, Iris created a blog filled with sharp and often funny musings on the end of a life not quite fulfilled. She also made one final request: for Smith to get her posts published as a book. With the help of his charmingly eager, if overbearingly forthright, new intern Carl, Smith tackles the task of fulfilling Iris's last wish. Before he can do so, though, he must get the approval of Iris' big sister Jade, an haute cuisine chef who's been knocked sideways by her

loss. Each carrying their own baggage, Smith and Jade end up on a collision course with their own unresolved pasts and with each other. Told in a series of e-mails, blog posts, online therapy submissions, text messages, legal correspondence, home-rental bookings, and other snippets of our virtual lives, *When You Read This* is a deft, captivating romantic comedy—funny, tragic, surprising, and bittersweet—that candidly reveals how we find new beginnings after loss.

Two sisters, Celeste and Melisande, visit Bruges with their father, and have fun exploring the ancient city with the innkeeper's son, Jan.

Harry Dresden, the only professional wizard listed in the Chicago phone book, takes on supernatural villains out to turn the world upside down, in an original graphic novel adventure. In the land of Alera, where people bond with the furies--elementals of earth, air, fire, water, and metal--young Tavi struggles to cope with his lack of magical talent, until his homeland erupts into conflict between rebels and loyalists and Tavi discovers that he holds the key to his realm's survival. Reprint.

After Chicago's ghost population starts going seriously postal, resident wizard Harry Dresden must figure out who is stirring them up and why they all seem to be somehow connected to him.

Hailed by David Sedaris as "perfectly, relentlessly funny" and by Colson Whitehead as "sardonic without being cruel, tender without being sentimental," from the author of the new collection *Look Alive Out There*. Wry, hilarious, and profoundly genuine, this debut collection of literary essays is a celebration of fallibility and haplessness in all their glory. From despoiling an exhibit at the Natural History Museum to provoking the ire of her first boss to siccing the cops on her mysterious neighbor, Crosley can do no right despite the best of intentions -- or perhaps because of them. Together, these essays create a startlingly funny and revealing portrait of a complex and utterly recognizable character who aims for the stars but hits the ceiling, and the inimitable city that has helped shape who she is. *I Was Told There'd Be Cake* introduces a strikingly original voice, chronicling the struggles and unexpected beauty of modern urban life.

After achieving a fragile alliance with the savage Canim, Alera's oldest foes, Tavi of Calderon is confronted by an invasion by the Vord, which forces the Aleran legions and Canim warriors into a desperate battle for survival against a dreaded mutual enemy.

Villains have all the fun—everyone knows that—and this anthology takes you on a wild ride through the dark side! The top villains from seventeen urban fantasy series get their own stories—including the baddies of New York Times bestselling authors Jim Butcher, Kevin Hearne, Kelley Armstrong, Seanan McGuire, and Jonathan Maberry. For every hero trying to save the world, there's a villain trying to tear it all down. In this can't-miss anthology edited by Joseph Nassise (*The Templar Chronicles*), you get to plot world domination with the best of the evildoers we love to hate! This outstanding collection brings you stories told from the villains' point of view, imparting a fresh and unique take on the evil masterminds, wicked witches, and infernal personalities that skulk in the pages of today's most popular series. The full anthology features stories by Jim Butcher (the Dresden Files), Kelley Armstrong (*Cainsville*), Seanan McGuire (*October Daye*), Kevin Hearne (*The Iron Druid Chronicles*), Jonathan Maberry (*Joe Ledger*), Lilith Saintcrow (*Jill Kismet*), Carrie Vaughn (*Kitty Norville*), Joseph Nassise (*Templar Chronicles*), Domino Finn (*Black Magic Outlaw*), Steven Savile (*Glasstown*), Caitlin Kittredge (*Hellhound Chronicles*), Jeffrey Somers (*The Ustari Cycle*), Sam Witt (*Pitchfork County*), Craig Schaefer (*Daniel Faust*), Jon F. Merz (*Lawson Vampire*), Faith Hunter (*Jane Yellowrock*), and Diana Pharaoh Francis (*Horngate Witches*).

The Legends of Christmas Treasury; Inspirational Stories of Faith and Giving contains three bestselling Christmas stories that include The Legend of the Candy Cane, The Legend of St. Nicholas, and The Legend of the Christmas Cookie. The Legend of the Christmas Cookie, written by Dandi Daley Mackall and illustrated by Richard Cowdrey, tells the story of a young boy named Jack who learns from his generous mother the story behind the Christmas cookie. This sweet holiday book offers inspiration for readers to become cheerful givers themselves and encourages them to share the true tale of Jesus' birth. The Legend of St. Nicholas, written by Dandi Daley Mackall and illustrated by Richard Cowdrey, tells the story of a young man named Nicholas, who was moved by the plight of the poor and needy. This gentle Christmas book introduces the original St. Nicholas and offers inspiration for readers to become cheerful givers themselves. The Legend of the Candy Cane, written by Lori Walburg and illustrated by Richard Cowdrey, focuses on the importance of Jesus as it explains the Christian symbolism behind the familiar Christmastime candy canes. This beloved book will help families celebrate the mystery and miracle of Christmas for many Christmases to come. Since time immemorial, the Spires have sheltered humanity, towering for miles over the mist-shrouded surface of the world. Within their halls, aristocratic houses have ruled for generations, developing scientific marvels, fostering trade alliances, and building fleets of airships to keep the peace. Captain Grimm commands the merchant ship, Predator. Fiercely loyal to Spire Albion, he has taken their side in the cold war with Spire Aurora, disrupting the enemy's shipping lines by attacking their cargo vessels. But when the Predator is severely damaged in combat, leaving captain and crew grounded, Grimm is offered a proposition from the Spirearch of Albion -- to join a team of agents on a vital mission in exchange for fully restoring Predator to its fighting glory. And even as Grimm undertakes this dangerous task, he will learn that the conflict between the Spires is merely a premonition of things to come. Humanity's ancient enemy, silent for more than ten thousand years, has begun to stir once more. And death will follow in its wake. Read along with Disney! With this sweet collection of Disney Christmas stories, little ones are sure to be carried off to sleep full of holiday cheer.

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New York Times-bestselling author Jim Butcher expands his beloved "Dresden Files" novel series with the all-new "Dog Men" story set within official continuity, created exclusively as a graphic novel! Harry Dresden is a man on the edge—and that is something that can be dangerous to friend and foe alike. He's been drafted by a senior member of the White Council of Wizards to investigate a series of murders in rural Mississippi. As always, there's more afoot than is immediately apparent. The question is, will Harry's state of mind keep him from seeing it, and will his actions lead him into direct conflict with the wizard who's depending on his help?

"Kids will love this tiny little protagonist who dares to dream big." —Booklist "The little narwhal from Strictly No Elephants gets her own story...Equally good as a stand-alone or for fans of the first book." —School Library Journal In this charming companion to the award-winning picture book Strictly No Elephants, a tiny narwhal discovers that sometimes the difference between staying home and a big adventure is a group of loving friends. Red front door. Potted plant. Umbrella stand. Piano. Red front door. Potted plant. Umbrella stand. Piano. That's what the world looks like from inside Tiny Narwhal's fishbowl. It's not very exciting. She dreams of the world beyond: endless

blue sky, tall buildings, a bridge. But Tiny Narwhal hasn't any feet and doesn't know the street names. And what if it's cold outside? What this little narwhal does have, though, are good friends. With the help of her boy and his friends, plus a penguin, bat, and giraffe, Tiny Narwhal finally feels brave enough to go on an adventure. Someday, Narwhal features the same adorable cast of pets and sweet, lyrical language as Lisa Mantchev's beloved *Strictly No Elephants*.

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