

Print Paperback Best Sellers

THIS WEEK	MASS-MARKET FICTION	WEEKS ON LIST	THIS WEEK	MASS-MARKET CONT'D.	
1	SAFE HAVEN , by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central, \$7.99.) The arrival of a mysterious young woman in a small North Carolina town raises questions about her past.	16	18	V IS FOR VENGEANCE , by Sue Grafton. (Berkley, \$7.99.) Pursuing a shoplifter leads Kinsey Millhone into a web connecting a shadowy "private banker," an angry trophy wife and a brutal killer.	9
2	BIG SKY RIVER , by Linda Lael Miller. (Harlequin, \$7.99.) With his job, friends and a run-down but decent ranch in Montana, Sheriff Boone Taylor doesn't want romance. But when a city woman buys the spread next door, his days of peace and quiet are over.	2	19	ENDER'S GAME , by Orson Scott Card. (Tor, \$6.99.) To develop a secure defense against a hostile alien race's next attack, government agencies breed child geniuses and train them as soldiers.	22
3	10TH ANNIVERSARY , by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro. (Vision, \$9.99.) Detective Lindsay Boxer's long-awaited wedding celebration becomes a distant memory when the Women's Murder Club is called in to find a missing baby.	2	20	HOTEL VENDOME , by Danielle Steel. (Dell, \$7.99.) A devoted father raises his daughter in the fascinating upstairs-downstairs world of a luxury Manhattan hotel.	9
4	A GAME OF THRONES , by George R. R. Martin. (Bantam, \$8.99.) In the frozen wastes to the north of Winterfell, sinister and supernatural forces are mustering; Book 1 of "A Song of Ice and Fire."	87	MASS-MARKET EXTENDED		
5*	ONE SHOT , by Lee Child. (Dell, \$9.99.) The former military investigator Jack Reacher teams with a young defense lawyer to search for a gunman who has killed five people and thrown a heartland city into a state of terror.	9	21	THE SHACK , by William P. Young. (Windblown Media.)	
6	KILL ALEX CROSS , by James Patterson. (Vision, \$9.99.) The president's children are abducted, and Detective Alex Cross is one of the first on the scene. But someone is using the F.B.I., Secret Service and C.I.A. to keep him off the case and in the dark.	6	22	THE LITIGATORS , by John Grisham. (Dell.)	
7	MONTANA , by Debbie Macomber. (Harlequin Mira, \$7.99.) Molly has returned home to her ailing grandfather's Montana ranch, and despite her misgivings she can't deny her attraction to the enigmatic ranch hand Sam Dakota.	1	23	UNSPOKEN , by Lisa Jackson. (Zebra/Kensington.)	
8	KILLING FLOOR , by Lee Child. (Jove, \$9.99.) In the first book in the Jack Reacher series, Child's ex-military investigator is just passing through Margrave, Ga., when he's arrested for murder.	7	24	AFTER TEX , by Sherry! Woods. (Harlequin Mira.)	
9	LOCKED ON , by Tom Clancy with Mark Greaney. (Berkley, \$8.99.) Jack Ryan Jr. faces an emerging threat in the Middle East, where a Pakistani general has entered into a deadly pact with a terrorist.	5	25	RETURN TO SENDER , by Fern Michaels. (Zebra.)	
10	A CLASH OF KINGS , by George R. R. Martin. (Bantam, \$8.99.) From the citadel of Dragonstone to the shores of Winterfell, factions vie for control of a divided land; Book 2 of "A Song of Ice and Fire."	70	26	VIRGIN RIVER , by Robyn Carr. (Harlequin Mira.)	
11	FALL OF GIANTS , by Ken Follett. (Signet, \$9.99.) Five interrelated families are caught in the upheavals of World War I and the Russian Revolution; Book 1 of the Century Trilogy.	17	27	MICRO , by Michael Crichton and Richard Preston. (Harper/HarperCollins.)	
12	CATCH ME , by Lisa Gardner. (Signet, \$9.99.) A woman believes she is going to be killed in four days and wants Boston's top homicide detective, D.D. Warren, to handle the investigation.	1	28	LAST KISS GOODNIGHT , by Gena Showalter. (Pocket Books.)	
13*	A STORM OF SWORDS , by George R. R. Martin. (Bantam, \$8.99.) Wars continue to rage over the Iron Throne as alliances are made and broken; Book 3 of "A Song of Ice and Fire."	72	29	QUINN'S WOMAN , by Susan Mallery. (Harlequin.)	
14	WICKED BUSINESS , by Janet Evanovich. (Bantam, \$8.99.) When a Harvard professor is murdered, the pastry chef Lizzy Tucker and her partner, Diesel, take up his 20-year quest for an ancient relic.	6	30	GLAD TIDINGS , by Debbie Macomber. (Harlequin.)	
15	PERSUADER , by Lee Child. (Dell, \$9.99.) Many years ago, an investigation went sour and someone got away with murder. Now a chance encounter has brought it all back for the former military cop Jack Reacher, who sees a shot at redemption.	1	31	GOLDEN SHORES , by Nora Roberts. (Silhouette.)	
16*	THE LADY MOST WILLING... , by Julia Quinn, Eloisa James and Connie Brockway. (Avon/HarperCollins, \$7.99.) In this "novel in three parts," a Scottish laird's nephews have refused to wed, so he takes matters into his own hands — kidnapping four likely brides.	1	32	COLD EQUATIONS: THE BODY ELECTRIC , by David Mack. (Pocket Books/Star Trek.)	
17	A FEAST FOR CROWS , by George R. R. Martin. (Bantam, \$8.99.) The seven powers dividing the land have reached an uneasy truce; Book 4 of "A Song of Ice and Fire."	57	33	COVERT WARRIORS , by W. E. B. Griffin. (Jove.)	
			34	DEVIL'S GATE , by Clive Cussler and Graham Brown. (Berkley.)	
			35	AGAINST THE ODDS , by Kat Martin. (Harlequin Mira.)	

Rankings reflect sales, for the week ending December 29, at many thousands of venues where a wide range of general interest books are sold nationwide. These include hundreds of independent book retailers (statistically weighted to represent all such outlets); national, regional and local chains; online and multimedia entertainment retailers; university, gift, supermarket, discount department stores and newsstands. An asterisk (*) indicates that a book's sales are barely distinguishable from those of the book above. A dagger (†) indicates that some bookstores report receiving bulk orders. Among those categories not actively tracked are: perennial sellers; required classroom reading; text, reference and test preparation guides; journals and workbooks; calorie counters; shopping guides; comics and crossword puzzles. Expanded rankings are available on the Web: nytimes.com/books.