

# The Edinburgh Reporter Advent Calendar – Gifts for everyone – Books from Waterstone's

**MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM WATERSTONE'S EDINBURGH GEORGE STREET!**

The Reporter asked the lovely staff up in George Street for a few suggestions of interesting books to fill some stockings this Christmas. Waterstone's have lots of ideas! They answered very enthusiastically: -“There are amazing books galore in our store this festive season and we've put together a list of the best for those in need of inspiration...”

✘ **1. The Impossible Dead by Ian Rankin RRP £18.99 Half Price in-store**

Malcolm Fox and his team from Internal Affairs are back. They've been sent to Fife to investigate whether fellow cops covered up for a corrupt colleague, Detective Paul Carter. But what should be a simple job is soon complicated by intimations of conspiracy and cover-up – and a brutal murder, a murder committed with a weapon that should not even exist.

***Get your copy signed by Ian Rankin himself on Saturday 17th December, he'll be in store 1pm-2pm. Can't make it...call us and reserve!*** ✘

- ❌ **2. Death Comes To Pemberley by P.D. James** RRP £18.99 save £5 in-store

Hooray for the return of the Darcy's! Not since Colin Firth dived into a lake have we been so excited about Austen's delicious Mr Darcy. Inspired by a lifelong passion for the work of Jane Austen, PD James masterfully recreates the world of Pride and Prejudice, and combines it with the excitement and suspense of a brilliantly-crafted crime story. Death Comes to Pemberley is a distinguished work of fiction, from one of the best-loved, most-read writers of our time.

- ❌ **3. Dickens: A Life by Claire Tomalin** RRP £30 save £10 in-store

The perfect present for fans of the classics, Tomalin's beautifully bound biography of one of the most popular writers in history is astounding in scope but remains delightfully readable. Buy your copy at Waterstone's Edinburgh George Street and receive exclusive wrapping paper with illustrations of all his best-loved characters free!

- ❌ **4. All Hell Let Loose by Max Hastings** RRP £30 save £10 in-store

For history buffs we recommend this magisterial history of the greatest and most terrible event in history, from one of the finest historians of the Second World War. A book which shows

the impact of war upon hundreds of millions of people around the world – soldiers, sailors and airmen; housewives, farm workers and children. Guaranteed to please Grandad.

✘ **5. Private Eye: The First 50 Years** RRP £25 save £5 in-store

Written by Private Eye journalist Adam Macqueen, Private Eye: The First 50 years is a lavishly illustrated, definitive history of Britain's first, most successful and indeed only fortnightly satirical magazine. This Anniversary A-Z contains a wealth of never-before-seen photos, unpublished cartoons, archive material and exclusive interviews with contributors past and present, including current editor Ian Hislop, Peter Cook, Richard Ingrams, Nick Newman, Barry Humphries and many more.

✘ **6. Information is Beautiful** by David McCandless RRP £20

Looking for the coffee table to beat all coffee table books then look no further than Information is Beautiful. This is information like you have never seen it before – keeping text to a minimum and using unique visuals that offer a blueprint of modern life – a map of beautiful colour illustrations that are tactile to hold and easy to flick through but intriguing and engaging enough to study for hours. We adore this book!

✘ **7. The Vintage Tea Party Book by Angel Adoree RRP £20**

The Vintage Tea Party Book embraces the style and class of the trendy London Vintage scene and illustrates how to beautifully recreate the tasty treats and classic styles at home. With a unique mixture of recipes and feature spreads with accessible tips on hairstyling, makeup methods and where to collect vintage china – “The Vintage Tea Party Book” has it all.

✘ **8. Gangsta Granny by David Walliams RRP £12.99 Save £4 in-store**

Another hilarious and moving novel from bestselling, critically acclaimed author David Walliams, the natural successor to Roald Dahl. A story of prejudice and acceptance, funny lists and silly words, this new book has all the hallmarks of David’s previous bestsellers. Our hero Ben is bored beyond belief after he is made to stay at his grandma’s house. But there are two things Ben doesn’t know about his grandma. 1) She was once an international jewel thief. 2) All her life, she has been plotting to steal the crown jewels, and now she needs Ben’s help!

✘ **9. Peter Pan Sound Book RRP £14.99**

This gorgeous edition of J.M Barrie’s classic children’s tale has delightful pop-ups, sounds and illustrations. The perfect gift for the little ones! It has been a surprise best-seller at George Street, so make sure you get yours before they all go...

✘ 10. **Scotland the Best by Peter Irvine** RRP £15.99 save £3 in-store

The true Scot's insider's guide to the very best Scotland has to offer. Peter Irvine's personal guide points you towards the best places to stay (whatever your budget), the best beaches, the best ice-cream, the best hill walks, the best bakers, the best spooky places, the best seafood, the best places for kids, the best ceildhs, and so the list goes on. However well you know Scotland, Peter Irvine will guide you to something excitingly new. That's why it remains the only guide to Scotland that the Scots themselves buy.

Sarah at Waterstone's George Street said:-"All of our booksellers are happy to help you find the books you want, and if you're not sure we have lots more recommendations for you! We have something for everyone at Waterstone's Edinburgh George Street and look forward to seeing you soon.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from everyone here. Happy reading!

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