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# ABOUT PILYARA PRESS

A trail-blazing group of Australian writers has embraced the latest digital publishing technology to publish both print and eBooks all around the world.

Pilyara Press has been set up by best-selling author Jennifer Scoullar, who leads a professional publishing team of fellow authors, editors and publishing veterans.

As an independent small press operating on a global scale, Pilyara Press can deliver a single book or a bulk order anywhere in the world.

Its authors, known for their previous titles published by major Australian and international publishing houses, offer a diverse and distinctive range of page-turners.

Heading the stable of writers are Jennifer Scoullar, Jenn J McLeod and Monique Mulligan, along with Desney King, Lily Malone, Kate Belle, Shelley Kenigsberg, Olwyn Conrau and Marcia Batton.

Since establishing Pilyara Press in 2018, Jennifer Scoullar has assembled a multi-skilled team to galvanise a new vision of how publishing can be done.

Pilyara takes its name from an indigenous word for eagle and its “books that soar” have included best-sellers by Jennifer Scoullar, Kathryn Ledson and Jenn J McLeod.



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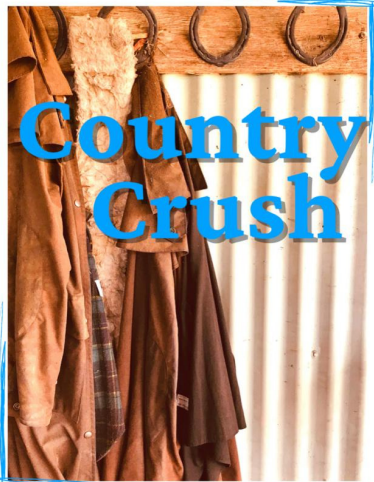
# COUNTRY CRUSH

JENN J. MCLEOD

PILYARA PRESS | APRIL 2021 | RRP \$15 AUD | ISBN 9780648570806

Pages: 154 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary/rural romance

Ten compact stories for country lovers



Jenn J. McLeod

Small-town storyteller and bestselling author of *House for all Seasons*

## REVIEWS FOR OTHER BOOKS

"Through the experiences of her characters, McLeod thoughtfully explores the strengths and failings of the family we are born into, and the family we choose or who chooses us." - BOOK'D OUT

"Jenn's words come alive and grab you and give you the biggest squeeze of love." - HAPPY VALLEY BOOKS READ

Australia's nomadic novelist is finding inspiration for more heart-warming small town tales of friendship, family, and contemporary country life.

If you know Jenn's work, you'll know she loves BIG stories. It's also true that good things come in small packages, and her Country Crush Collection holds ten tales, each one the perfect size for that coffee break or commute.

So, pour a cuppa and come home to the country with these ten short stories. Like all Jenn's full-length novels, these compact reads with a backdrop of country life have characters to surprise and delight country lovers. Are you ready to fall in love?

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**RIGHTS AVAILABLE: World**

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Five-times published with Simon & Schuster and Head of Zeus UK, Australia's nomadic novelist writes heart-warming stories of friendship and family, with a backdrop of Australian country life.

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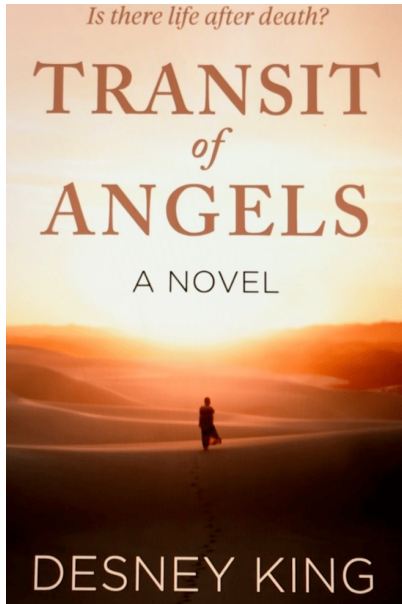
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# TRANSIT OF ANGELS

DESNEY KING

PILYARA PRESS | OCTOBER 2020 | RRP \$27.99 AUD | ISBN 9781925827279

Pages: 286 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Australian/spiritual quest



***A novel about love, death, grief and how to keep on living despite the devastation, Transit of Angels will make you cry, smile, gasp, ask unanswerable questions, travel to mysterious realms and, ultimately, explore ways in which hope can emerge even from the depths of darkness.***

Is there life after death?

Angelica is thirty-four when her beloved husband, Bill, is killed in a motorbike accident. She knows Bill is dead. Yet she yearns to be reunited with him.

In desperation, she begs him for a sign. What happens next makes her leave the city and move to a quaint mudbrick cottage in a remote river valley where even the impossible feels sane.

As Angelica delves further into mysterious realms she finds that not all is as it seems, and that grief – and life – have a way of carrying you forward, whether you like it or not.

"Expertly executed and so engaging. I'd been hoping to find a book I could fall into and be carried along effortlessly. Transit of Angels was perfect in every way." – JENN J. MCLEOD

"A beautiful exploration into the depths of grief, and the power of love to heal and restore. It will draw you under its spell and stay with you." – PAMELA COOK

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Desney King is a retired book editor and survivor of multiple strokes. She writes about love, death, grief, rivers, interconnectedness and living life to the full. A passionate activist, she also relishes outings in her wheelchair, time spent in nature, the exhilaration and deep satisfaction of writing – and time spent with her young adult children.

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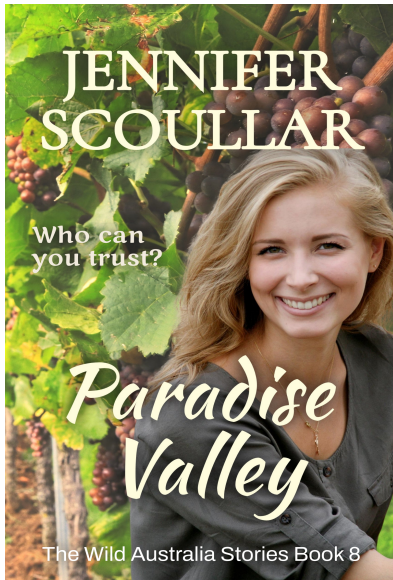
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# PARADISE VALLEY

## JENNIFER SCOULLAR

PILYARA PRESS | AUGUST 2023 | RRP \$17.99 USD | ISBN 9780648308966

Pages: 300 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary rural romance/women's fiction



"Paradise Valley is another brilliant read by Aussie author Jennifer Scoullar which I loved. Mystery, intrigue, corruption, lies, all with a dash of romance on the side" - Brenda, Goodreads Top Reviewer

"What an awesome example of a good read! It had all the small town feels, romance and farming enterprises that make this genre fantastic." - Happy Valley BooksRead

### ***Who can you trust?***

Ambitious country reporter Del Fisher seems to have it all. She's just landed her dream job, along with an engagement to Nick, Winga's most eligible bachelor and son of local mayor and mining tycoon, Carson Shaw. But Del is blindsided when a feature article and its shocking allegations about the Shaw family is published under her name.

Del and Nick's relationship is torn apart. Devastated by the unintentional havoc she has caused, Del flees to the family farm at Berrimilla in the heart of beautiful Kingfisher Valley. Swearing that she will never write again, Del plans for a quiet life, restoring her late father's vineyard and making peace with her estranged mother.

But when the little town is threatened by a proposed coal mine, Del steps up and leads the battle to save it. To win this fight she must enlist the support of a man who believes she betrayed him.

Can Del convince Nick that she was loyal all along? And will trusting the wrong person destroy both the town and Del's second chance at love?

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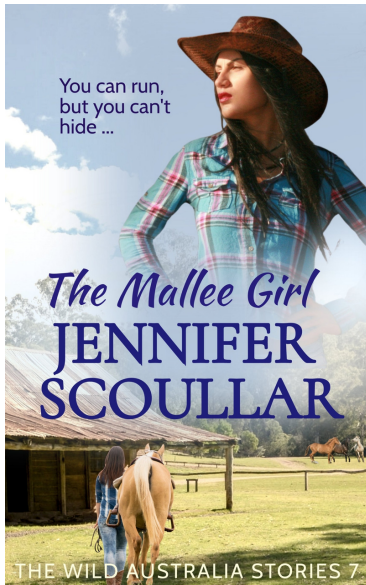
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# THE MALLEE GIRL

## JENNIFER SCOULLAR

PILYARA PRESS | AUGUST 2022 | RRP \$17.99 USD | ISBN 781925827460

Pages: 266 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary rural romance/women's fiction



"The Mallee Girl has all the ingredients of a great rural read – a feisty heroine, a hero to die for, an evocative setting that will make you yearn for the country and themes of love, faith and overcoming adversity." – Bestselling author Rachael Johns

### ***You can run, but you can't hide...***

*Armed with nothing but some loose change and her beloved dog Duke, Mallee girl Pippa Black has finally found the courage she needs to escape a dangerous relationship.*

*Two cryptic words written on a paper napkin send her in search of the one person who might help her – a long-lost brother she has always dreamed of finding.*

*Pippa's quest leads her to the remote town of Currajong, high in the beautiful Victorian alps. As a runaway seeking refuge among strangers, Pippa learns that she's been mistakenly implicated in a shocking crime.*

*She finds her way to Brumby's Run, a wild-horse sanctuary, where she begins work assisting the enigmatic farm manager Levi, and becomes entranced by Thowra, a magnificent golden stallion who leads a herd of brumbies in the region. Both man and horse will teach Pippa more about herself than she ever thought possible – including when to run, when to hide, and when to stand up and fight.*

*Set among the majesty of the High Country snowgums, The Mallee Girl is a moving and heartfelt story about the power of love and the land to heal old wounds, and the freedom that comes in confronting your greatest fears.*

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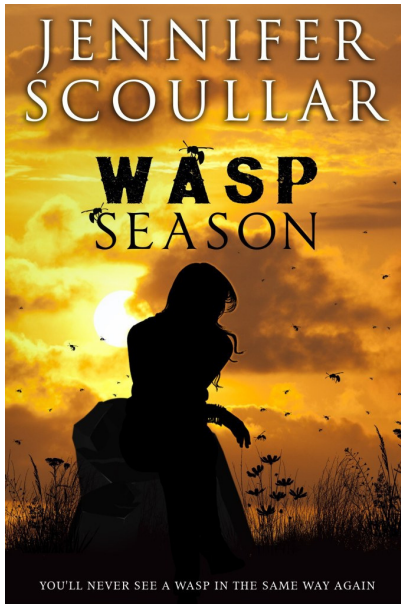
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# WASP SEASON

JENNIFER SCOLLAR

PILYARA PRESS | JULY 2020 | RRP \$27.99 AUD | ISBN 9781925827255

Pages: 278 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary rural romance/women's fiction



**Best-selling Aussie author Jennifer Scoullar has combined the rural romance her readers love with an edge-of-the-seat environmental thriller in her latest book, *Wasp Season*.**

You'll never see a wasp in the same way again.

When Beth's marriage ends, she's determined to build a new life in the country for herself and her children. A quiet life lived closer to nature. She thinks she's achieved the impossible – a civilised separation, a happy home and a cordial relationship with her estranged husband, Mark. There's even the promise of a new love. But when Mark tries to change the rules, Beth's peaceful world is turned upside down.

"A thrilling story that describes both human and insect life in detail as they become intertwined ... an unforgettable, unputdownable trip into a garden that, on the surface, seems like a quiet refuge." - JOHN MORROW, WORLD OF BOOKS & MUSIC

"Scoullar, it turns out, is a writer of documentary calibre." - AUSTRALIAN LITERARY REVIEW

Disturbingly, she also discovers that European wasps have invaded her garden. Beth's obsession with them and their queen holds up a distorted mirror to the human drama. As the chaos in Beth's life gathers momentum, connections between the two worlds come sharply into focus. The lives of Beth and the others are neither separate to, nor safe from, the natural world.

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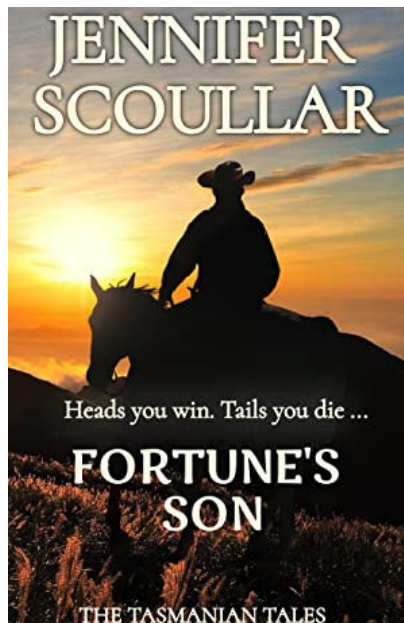
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# FORTUNE'S SON

JENNIFER SCOLLAR

PILYARA PRESS | JUNE 2018 | RRP \$19.99 USD | ISBN 9780648308904

Pages: 445 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Historical/romance/saga



"What a magnificent story!" -  
LIBRARIANS' CHOICE

"The people, the animals and the places ... such vivid and vibrant storytelling which wholly swept me away." - BEAUTY & LACE

"Wonderful new fiction from beloved author Jennifer Scoullar. Book 1 of a sweeping family saga set in the wilds of Tasmania." -  
WEEKLY TIMES, MELBOURNE

***Heds you win. Tails you die ... Can one man's revenge become his redemption?***

Young Luke Tyler has everything going for him: brains, looks and a larrikin charm that turns heads. The future looks bright, until he defends his sister from the powerful Sir Henry Abbott. His reward is fifteen years hard labour on a prison farm in Tasmania's remote highlands.

Luke escapes, finding sanctuary with a local philanthropist, Daniel Campbell, and starting a forbidden love affair with Daniel's daughter, Belle. But when Luke is betrayed, he must flee or be hanged.

With all seeming lost, Luke sails to South Africa to start afresh. Yet he remains haunted by the past, and by Belle, the woman he can't forget. When he returns to seek revenge and reclaim his life, his actions will have shattering consequences - for the innocent as well as the guilty.

Set against a backdrop of wild Tasmania, Australian Gold and African diamonds, Fortune's Son is an epic story of betrayal, undying love and one man's struggle to triumph over adversity and find his way home.

***SERIES: The Tasmanian Tales, Book 1***

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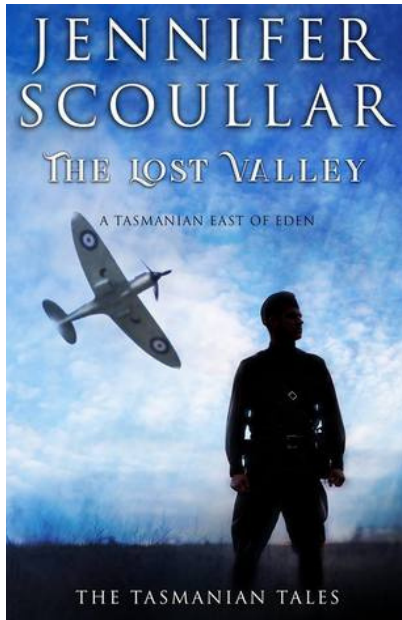
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# THE LOST VALLEY

JENNIFER SCOULLAR

PILYARA PRESS | JUNE 2018 | RRP \$29.99 AUD | ISBN 9781925827002

Pages: 330 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Historical/romance/saga



"Wonderful historical fiction ... Jennifer is a great storyteller, not unlike Bryce Courtenay, so this will appeal to anyone who likes that genre." - LIBRARIANS' CHOICE

"Outstanding writing. The beautiful portrayal of Tasmania's remote highlands, the bush settings, the wild animals ... all done in a way to make the reader feel deeply involved in the story." - AUSTRALIAN HISTORICAL FICTION ROUND UP

***A sweeping saga of ambition, betrayal and dangerous love.***

Tasmania, 1929: Ten-year-old-twins, Tom and Harry Abbott, are orphaned by a tragedy that shocks Hobart society. They find sanctuary with their reclusive grandmother, growing up in the remote and rugged Binburra ranges - a place where kind-hearted Tom discovers a love of the wild, Harry nurses a growing resentment towards his brother and where the mountains hold secrets that will transform both their lives.

The chaos of World War II divides the brothers, and their passion for two very different women fuels a deadly rivalry. Can Tom and Harry survive to heal their rift? And what will happen when Binburra finally reveals its astonishing secrets?

From Tasmania's highlands to the Battle of Britain, and all the way to the golden age of Hollywood, *The Lost Valley* is a lush family saga about two brothers whose fates are entwined with the land and the women they love.

***SERIES: The Tasmanian Tales, Book 2***

***RIGHTS: World***

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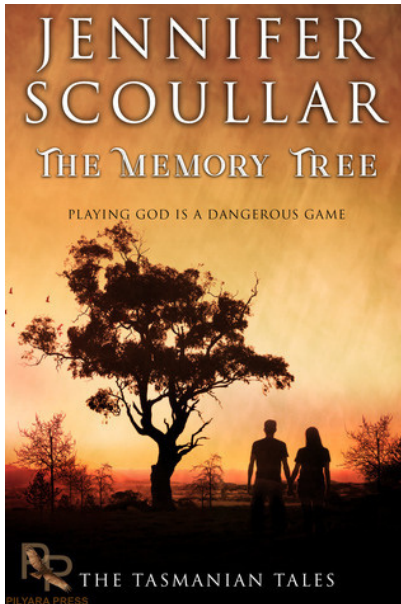
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# THE MEMORY TREE

JENNIFER SCOLLAR

PILYARA PRESS | SEPTEMBER 2019 | RRP \$27.99 AUD | ISBN 9781925827231

Pages: 284 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Rural romance/environmental



"An excellent read." - NEWCASTLE HERALD

"The final chapter from beloved author Jennifer Scoullar. Book 3 of her family saga set in the magnificent wilds of Tasmania." - THE WEEKLY TIMES

"Scoullar's passion for the land shines through. Highly recommended." - SUNSHINE COAST DAILY

## *Playing God is a dangerous game ...*

When forest protests engulf a tiny Tasmanian timber town, one family's century of secrets threatens to destroy a marriage – and bring down a government.

Matt Abbott, head ranger at beautiful Binburra National Park, is a man with something to hide. He confides his secret to nobody, not even his wife Penny. The deception gnaws away at their marriage.

Matt's father, timber and mining magnate Fraser Abbott, stands for everything Matt hates. Son disappoints father, father disappoints son – this is their well-worn template. But Fraser seems suddenly determined to repair the rift between them at any cost, and Matt will discover that secrets run in the family. When Sarah, a visiting Californian geneticist, tries to steal Matt's heart, the scene is set for a deadly betrayal.

The Memory Tree is a haunting story of family relationships, the unbreakable ties we all have to the past and the redemptive power of love.

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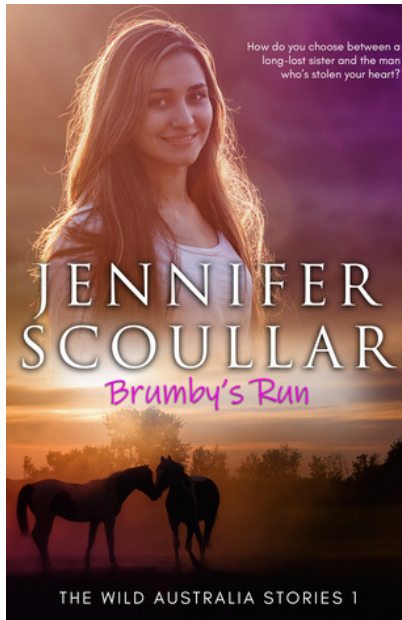
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# BRUMBY'S RUN

JENNIFER SCOULLAR

PILYARA PRESS | JULY 2018 | RRP \$17.99 USD | ISBN 9781925827026

Pages: 298 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary rural romance/women's fiction



"This book celebrates the country and more importantly, the bush, as a life-changing environment. But we also have a heart-thumping romance ..." - WEEKLY TIMES, MELBOURNE

"A lovely story of family, self-discovery, love of the land and the wildlife that live on it." - 1 GIRL 2 MANY BOOKS

## ***How do you choose between a long-lost sister and the man who's stolen your heart?***

Samantha Carmichael's world is turned on its head when she learns that she's adopted - and that she has a twin sister, Charlie, who is critically ill.

While Charlie recovers in hospital, Sam offers to look after Brumby's Run, her sister's home high in the Victorian Alps. Within days, city girl Sam finds herself breaking brumbies and running cattle with the help of handsome neighbour Drew Chandler, her sister's erstwhile boyfriend.

A daunting challenge soon becomes a wholehearted tree change as Sam begins to fall in love with Brumby's Run - and with Drew. But what will happen when Charlie returns to claim what is rightfully hers?

Set among the hauntingly beautiful ghost gums and wild horses of the high country, Brumby's Run is a heartfelt, romantic novel about families and secrets, love and envy, and most especially the bonds of sisterhood.

***SERIES: The Wild Australia Stories, Book 1***

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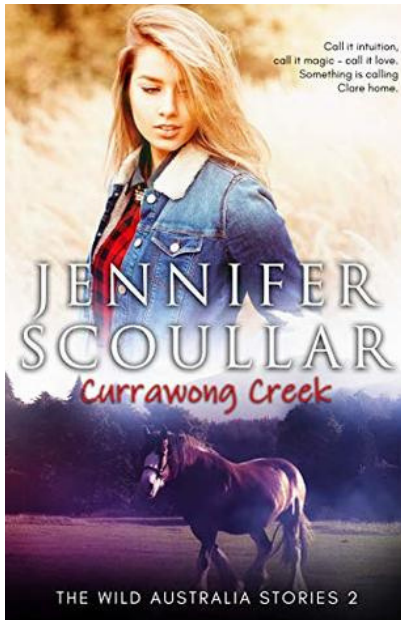
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# CURRAWONG CREEK

JENNIFER SCOULLAR

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Pages: 296 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary rural romance/women's fiction



Finalist in the RWA Romantic Book of the Year award.

"A crisp, well-written tale ... sings like a Bunya mountain breeze." - COURIER MAIL

"Heartfelt and passionate." - SN WEEKLY

"A thought-provoking, emotive read with delightful warmth." - THE ECLECTIC READER

**From the best-selling author of *Brumby's Run*, comes a heart-warming story of hope, sacrifice and the ultimate triumph of love.**

Call it intuition, call it magic - call it love. Something is calling Clare home.

Brisbane lawyer Clare Mitchell leads a structured, orderly life. That is, until she finds herself the unlikely guardian of a small, troubled boy. In desperation, Clare takes Jack to stay at Currawong Creek, her grandfather's horse stud in the foothills of the beautiful Bunya Mountains.

Here life moves at a different pace, and for Clare it feels like coming home. Her granddad adores having them there, Jack loves the animals, and Clare finds herself falling hard for the handsome local vet.

But trouble is coming. The Pyramid Mining Company threatens to destroy the land Clare loves - and with it, her newfound happiness.

**SERIES: *The Wild Australia Stories, Book 2***

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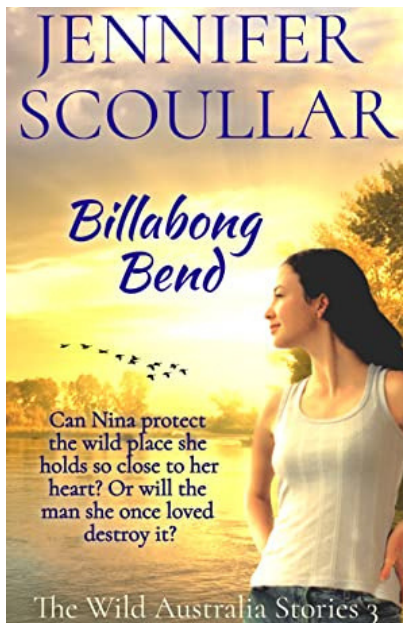
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# BILLABONG BEND

JENNIFER SCOULLAR

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Pages: 280 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary rural romance/women's fiction



*From the best-selling author of **Brumby's Run** and **Currawong Creek** comes an evocative tale of love and loyalty, set in the heart of Australia's riverlands.*

Can Nina protect the wild place she holds so close to her heart? Or will the man she once loved destroy it?

For Nina Moore, the rare marshland flanking the beautiful Bunyip River is the most precious place on Earth. Her dream is to buy Billabong Bend and protect it forever, but she's not the only one with designs on the land.

When her childhood sweetheart, Ric Bonelli, returns home, old feelings are rekindled and Nina dares to dream of a future for them both on the river. But a tragic death divides loyalties and threatens to tear apart their fledgling relationship.

"An absorbing story ... beautifully written." - READING, WRITING AND RIESLING

"Like *Currawong Creek* before it, *Billabong Bend* is yet another great read by Jennifer Scoullar." - WEEKLY TIMES, MELBOURNE

"Billabong Bend is a captivating read." - BOOK'D OUT

This star-crossed rural romance sets Nina, a floodplains grazer, and Ric, a traditional cotton farmer, on a heart-rending collision course amid the beauty of northern New South Wales.

**SERIES: *The Wild Australia Stories, Book 3***

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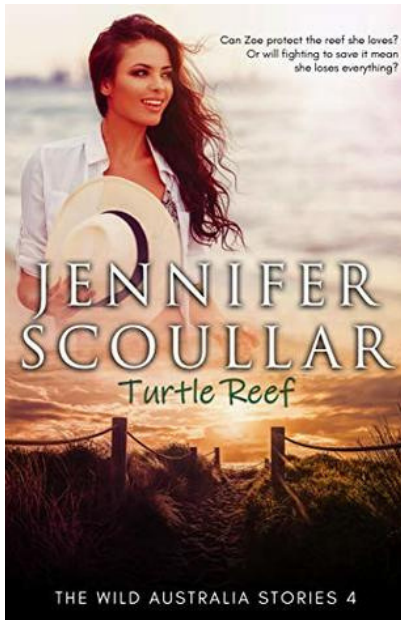
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**From the bestselling author of *Billabong Bend*, *Brumby's Run* and *Currawong Creek* comes a wonderful new novel set against the spectacular beauty of Queensland's northern coast.**

Can Zoe protect the reef she loves? Or will fighting to save it means she loses everything? Unlucky-in-love zoologist Zoe King has had enough of Sydney. Seeking a fresh start, she moves to the small sugar town of Kiawa to take up an exciting new role in marine science. She is charmed by the region's beauty - by its rivers and rainforests. By its vast cane fields, sweeping from the foothills down to the rocky coral coast. And by its people - its farmers and fishermen, unhurried and down to earth, proud of their traditions.

Her work at the Reef Centre provides all the passion she needs, and Zoe finds a friend in Bridget, the centre's director. The last thing she expects is to fall for her boss's boyfriend, cane king Quinn Cooper.

Zoe focuses on her research and tries to ignore the growing attraction between them. But things aren't quite adding up at the Reef Centre, and when animals on the reef begin to sicken and die, Zoe's personal and professional worlds collide. She faces a terrible choice. Will protecting the reef mean betraying the man she loves?

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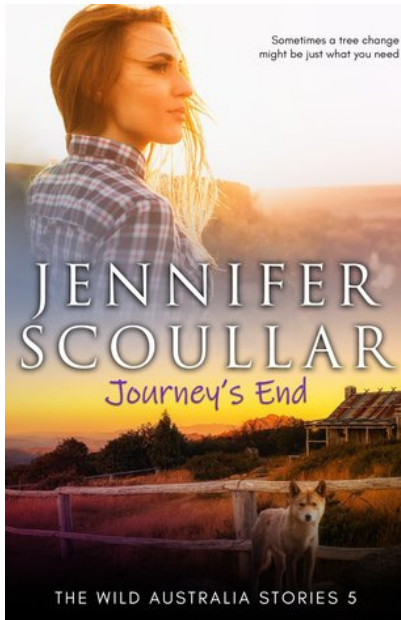


# JOURNEY'S END

JENNIFER SCOULLAR

PILYARA PRESS | FEBRUARY 2019 | RRP \$17.99 USD | ISBN 9781925827132

Pages: 316 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary rural romance/women's fiction



"Characters beautifully drawn, realistic and believable; their pain is palpable and their reawakening a joy." - BEAUTY & LACE

"Jennifer Scoullar has a gift; she is able to weave the most extraordinarily beautiful, inspiring stories about Australia's natural environment and wildlife ... into a modern romance. How unique!" - READING, WRITING AND RIESLING

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Sometimes a tree change might be just what you need . . . When Sydney botanist Kim Sullivan and her husband inherit Journey's End, a rundown farm high on the Great Eastern Escarpment, they dream of one day restoring it to its natural state. Ten years later, however, Kim is tragically widowed. Selling up is the only practical option, so she and her children head to the mountains to organise the sale. The last thing Kim expects is for Journey's End to cast its wild spell on them all.

The family decides to stay, and Kim forges on with plans to rewild the property, propagating plants and acquiring a menagerie of native animals. But wayward wildlife, hostile farmers and her own lingering grief make the task seem hopeless. That is until she meets the mysterious Taj, a man who has a way with animals. Kim begins to feel that she might find love again. But Taj has his own tragic past - one that could drive a wedge between them that cannot be overcome ...

A richly layered story filled with heartbreak, loss, hope and friendship. A journey through tragedy that will tear at your heart, have you barrack for love and make you want to live high in the mountains of Australia's Great Escarpment.

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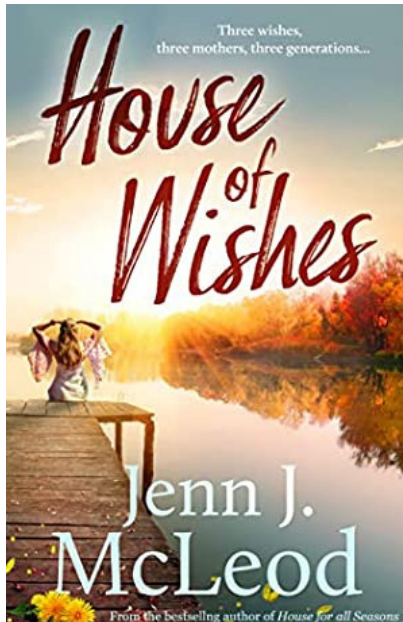
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# HOUSE OF WISHES

JENN J. MCLEOD

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Pages: 326 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary/family/romance



Romance Writers of Australia RuBY Awards 2020 - 2nd place

"Through the experiences of her characters, McLeod thoughtfully explores the strengths and failings of the family we are born into, and the family we choose or who chooses us." - BOOK'D OUT

"Jenn's words come alive and grab you and give you the biggest squeeze of love." - HAPPY VALLEY BOOKS READ



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***A story about the choices we make, the connections that matter, the secrets we keep, and the power of a wish.***

*Dandelion House, 1974*

Two teenage girls—strangers—make a pact to keep a secret.

*Calingarry Crossing, 2014*

For forty years, Beth and her mum have been everything to each other, but Beth is blind-sided when her mother dies, and her last wish is to have her ashes spread in a small-town cemetery.

On the outskirts of Calingarry Crossing, when Beth comes across a place called Dandelion House Retreat, her first thought is how appealing the name sounds. With her stage career waning, and struggling to see a future without her mum, her marriage, and her child, she hopes it's a place where she can begin to heal.

After meeting Tom, a local cattleman, Beth is intrigued by his stories of the cursed, century-old river house and its reclusive owner, Gypsy. The more Beth learns, however, the more she questions her mother's wishes.

When meeting Beth leads Tom to uncover a disturbing connection to the old house, he must decide if the truth will help a grieving daughter or hurt her more.

Should Dandelion House keep its last, long-held secret?

***SERIES: A Calingarry Crossing Novel***

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# SIMMERING SEASON

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Pages: 340 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Contemporary/family/romance



"The author has created a living, breathing small town, peopled with wonderful characters, an amazing achievement." - GREG BARRON

"In no way glossing over those moments that 'suck, Jenn instead throws them at her characters to deal with, peppering the pages with her fabulous wit and adding the right amount of seasoning to give a lovely, lighthearted feel." - BOOK MUSTER DOWN UNDER



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***A country hotel, an unexpected houseguest, and a school reunion.***

Maggie's perfect storm is about to lift the lid off a lifetime of secrets.

Dan Ireland, a work-weary police crash investigator still hell-bent on punishing himself for his misspent youth, has ample reason for not going home to Calingarry Crossing for the school reunion, but one very good reason why he should . . . Maggie Lindeman.

Maggie is back in Calingarry Crossing trying to sell the family pub, while also dealing with a restless seventeen-year-old son, a father with dementia, a fame-obsessed musician husband back in the city, and a dwindling bank account. The last thing she needs is a surprise houseguest for the summer.

Fiona Bailey-Blair, daughter of an old friend and spoilt with everything but the truth, whips up a maelstrom of gossip when she blows into town in search of answers.

This storm season, as Maggie's past and present converge with the unexpected, she'll discover...

... there's no keeping a lid on some secrets.

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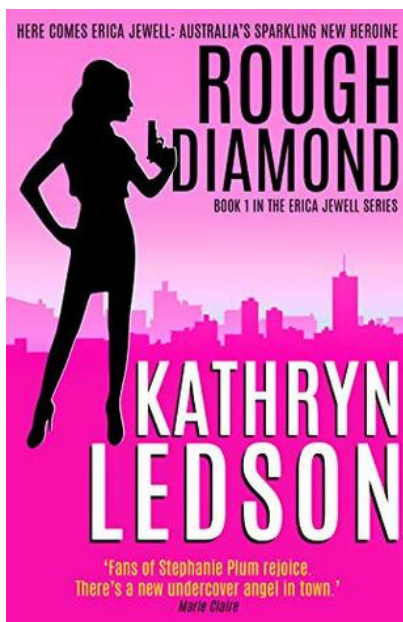
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# ROUGH DIAMOND

KATHRYN LEDSON

PILYARA PRESS | DECEMBER 2018 | RRP \$29.99 AUD | ISBN 9781925827118

Pages: 350 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Romance/Suspense/Comedy



"Fans of Stephanie Plum rejoice. There's a new undercover angel in town." - MARIE CLAIRE MAGAZINE

"Funny and thrilling." - CLEO MAGAZINE

"A witty, action-packed novel... a really fun Australian mystery with a loveable heroine and a mysterious hero." AUSTRALIAN BOOKSHELF

***Funny, romantic and action-packed, Rough Diamond introduces Australia's unforgettable Erica Jewell.***

The shock ending to Erica Jewell's marriage has left a huge hole in her bank balance and a bigger one in her heart. So now this office worker's goals make a very short list: no surprises, no debt and, definitely, no men. That is, until she finds one bleeding to death in her Melbourne garden one stormy night.

Jack Jones is a man whose emotional wounds are more life-threatening than the bullet in his shoulder. When he recruits Erica to his secret team of vigilantes, Erica suspects her safe, predictable world is about to be inverted.

***SERIES: The Erica Jewell Series, Book 1***

***RIGHTS: World***

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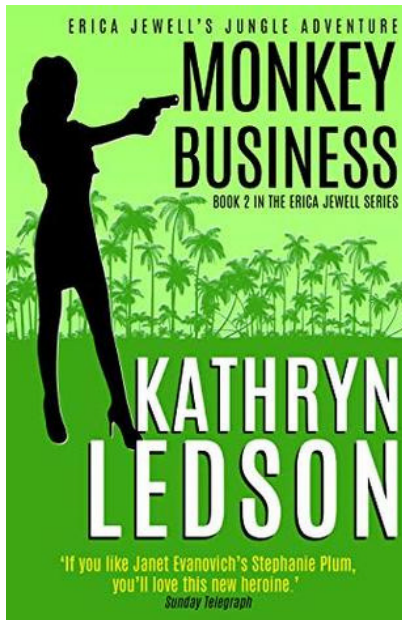


# MONKEY BUSINESS

KATHRYN LEDSON

PILYARA PRESS | JANUARY 2019 | RRP \$29.99 AUD | ISBN 9781925827163

Pages: 290 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Romance/Suspense/Comedy



"If you like Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum, you'll love this new heroine Erica Jewell from Melbourne author Ledson. In this debut . . . the heroine becomes involved with a team of vigilantes, with hilarious results." - SUNDAY TELEGRAPH

"Delightfully funny, light-hearted and fast-paced . . . Move over Stephanie Plum - Erica Jewell is in the house!" - BOOK MUSTER DOWN UNDER

***Fast-paced, funny and totally engaging, Monkey Business blends adventure and romance in an irresistible, laugh-out-loud read.***

Erica Jewell thinks being a part-time vigilante is stressful enough without the added pressures of a demanding day job, annoying family and bossy cat. Now her mysterious lover has gone off on some clandestine mission, without leaving a forwarding address. Erica reckons that's typical of handsome hired gun Jack Jones - he'd rather risk his life than his heart.

Then Erica discovers with a shock that Jack is missing-in-action on the jungle-infested island of Saint Sebastian. When no-one will help or even acknowledge Jack's existence, Erica knows she's his only chance. But negotiating her way around lawless and sweltering Sebastian, where monkey business abounds, proves far more dangerous than expected.

***SERIES: The Erica Jewell Series, Book 2***

***RIGHTS: World***

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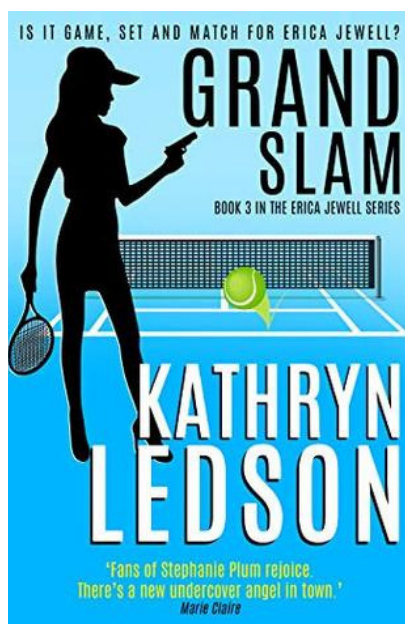


# GRAND SLAM

KATHRYN LEDSON

PILYARA PRESS | FEBRUARY 2019 | RRP \$29.99 AUD | ISBN 9781925827200

Pages: 388 | Format: Paperback & eBook | Category: Romance/Suspense/Comedy



***Erica Jewell can't worry about hunky hired gun, Jack Jones, and his commitment-phobic ways.***

She's flat out managing Dega Oil's sponsorship of the Australian Open tennis, and doing a pretty good job. That is until a devastating explosion sends Dega's reputation and share price plummeting.

Public outrage over the incident upsets Emilio Méndez - the tournament's biggest drawcard - and he wants to cut ties with Dega. When Erica is sent to calm him, Emilio becomes convinced he can't win without her. He demands she stay close and the media misinterprets their relationship, much to Jack's irritation. Meanwhile, danger lurks, threatening Emilio and Erica, and she must race against time to discover: who's trying to kill them and why?

"Loved every funny, over the top crazy piece of action in this book."  
- READING, WRITING & RIESLING

"Erica Jewell is great fun ... solving crimes, getting into trouble, being sassy and generally causing havoc." - SYDNEY MORNING HERALD

"For a very Australian, very funny read, Grand Slam is the latest Erica Jewell novel..."  
- OTAGO DAILY TIMES

From the elite inner sanctum of the Australian Open to the packed halls of Chadstone Shopping Centre, can Australia's favourite accidental heroine save Emilio, her job, and so-called relationship with Jack Jones?

***SERIES: The Erica Jewell Series, Book 3***

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