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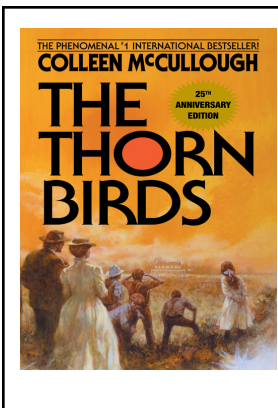
**Fiction**



**“The dressmaker: a novel” by Rosalie Ham**

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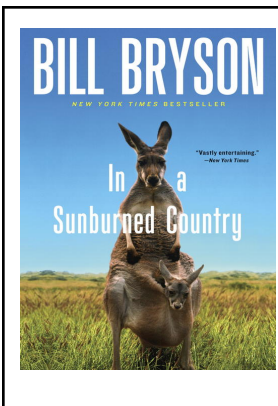
**Historical Fiction**



**“The Thorn Birds” by Colleen McCullough**

One of the most beloved novels of all time, The Thorn Birds, Colleen McCullough's sweeping family saga of dreams, titanic struggles, dark passions, and forbidden love in the Australian Outback, returns to enthrall a new generation.

**Non Fiction**



**“In a Sunburned Country” by Bill Bryson**

Despite the fact that Australia harbors more things that can kill you in extremely nasty ways than anywhere else, including sharks, crocodiles, snakes, even riptides and deserts, Bill Bryson adores the place, and he takes his readers on a rollicking ride far beyond that beaten tourist path. Wherever he goes he finds Australians who are cheerful, extroverted, and unfailingly obliging, and these beaming products of land with clean, safe cities, cold beer, and constant sunshine fill the pages of this wonderful book. Australia is an immense and fortunate land, and it has found in Bill Bryson its perfect guide.



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## **Fiction - Short Stories**

	<p><b>“Up and Down Australia”</b> by Arthur W. Upfield</p> <p>There are humorous yarns, crime stories, comedies and dire tales about the dangers of living and working in the bush. You will not simply be entertained and informed by reading these stories, but you will sample life in the Australian outback during the early decades of the twentieth century.</p>
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## **Audiobook**

	<p><b>“Growing Up Queer in Australia”</b> by Benjamin Law, read by Benjamin Law, Nayuka Gorrie, Quinn Eades, Wendy Bos</p> <p>Spanning diverse places, eras, genders, ethnicities and experiences, these are the stories of growing up queer in Australia. For better or worse, sooner or later, life conspires to reveal you to yourself, and this is growing up. With contributions from David Marr, Fiona Wright, Nayuka Gorrie, Steve Dow, and many more.</p>
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**Documentary**

	<p><b>“Australia - Into the 21st Century”</b> 2011, 31 min.</p> <p>This program aims to show the diversity of natural and cultural landscapes that are characteristic of Australia, with contrasts between the vast uninhabited desert areas and the urban areas. Australia is a nation of city dwellers with a multicultural population that lives in relative harmony. The lifestyles and features of the people and their aspirations into the new century are highlighted. The program looks at places of interest in different states and territories but does not cover every so-called 'tourist attraction'. The content should foster discussion and an appreciation of this wonderfully diverse nation.</p>
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**Movie**

	<p><b>“The Nightingale”</b> 2019, 2h16 min.</p> <p>Director Jennifer Kent (The Babadook) tells the sweeping tale of a young woman's quest for revenge set in 1825 against the perilous and unforgiving terrain of Tasmania.</p>
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