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**Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea** Berkley

A treasure trove of information about the most famous dinosaur of all with a supplementary CD-ROM

**A Visual Journey** Tuttle Publishing

Here is Jim Morrison in all his complexity—singer, philosopher, poet, delinquent—the brilliant, charismatic, and obsessed seeker who rejected authority in any form, the explorer who probed “the bounds of reality to see what would happen...” Seven years in the writing, this definitive biography is the work of two men whose empathy and experience with Jim Morrison uniquely prepared them to recount this modern tragedy: Jerry Hopkins, whose famous Presley biography, *Elvis*, was inspired by Morrison's suggestion, and Danny Sugerman, confidant of and aide to the Doors. With an afterword by Michael McClure.

*Elvis: A Biography* Dundurn

Intense, erotic, and enigmatic, Jim Morrison's persona is as riveting now as the lead singer/composer “Lizard King” was during The Doors' peak in the late sixties. His fast life and mysterious death remain controversial more than twenty years later. The Lords and the New Creatures, Morrison's first published volume of poetry, is an uninhibited exploration of society's dark side -- drugs, sex, fame, and death -- captured in sensual, seething images. Here, Morrison gives a revealing glimpse at an era and at the man whose songs and savage performances have left their indelible impression on our culture.

*Handbook of Algebraic Topology* Macmillan

“Jim Morrison's Adventures in the Afterlife” is just that: the story of Morrison, the dark yet nave Lizard King, as he hurtles through a purgatory-like afterlife in search of some way to bring his soul to peace.

*Riders on the Storm* Delta

The wife of Jim Morrison offers a thorough portrait of the enigmatic leader of the Doors, discussing the shy, private, and complex man he was, plus Woodstock, the Miami obscenity trial, and other rock celebrities

*Island of the Lizard King* LSU Press

In 1967, as the new sound of rock and roll was taking over popular music, John Byrne Cooke was at the center of it all. As a member of D.A. Pennebaker's film crew, he witnessed the astonishing breakout performances of Janis Joplin and Jimi Hendrix at the Monterey Pop Festival that June. Less than six months later, he was on a plane to San Francisco, taking a job as road manager for Janis and her band, Big Brother and the Holding Company. From then on, Cooke was Joplin's road manager amid a rotating cast of musicians and personnel, a constant presence behind the scenes as the woman called Pearl took the world by storm. Cooke was there when Janis made the difficult decision to leave Big Brother and form a new band. He was with her when the Kozmic Blues Band toured Europe in the spring of 1969, when they performed at Woodstock in August, and when Janis and Full Tilt Boogie took their famous Festival Express train trip across Canada. He accompanied Janis to her friend and mentor Ken Threadgill's 70th birthday party, and was at her side when she attended her tenth high school reunion in Port Arthur, Texas. This intimate memoir spans the years he spent with Janis, from her legendary rise to her tragic last days. Cooke tells the whole incredible story as only someone who lived it could.

**An Hour for Magic: A Photojournal** Spectra

The definitive anthology of Jim Morrison's writings with rare photographs and numerous handwritten excerpts of unpublished and published poetry and lyrics from his 28 privately held notebooks.

Created in collaboration with Jim Morrison's estate and inspired by a posthumously discovered list

entitled “Plan for Book,” The Collected Works of Jim Morrison is an almost 600-page anthology of the writings of the late poet and iconic Doors' front man. This landmark publication is the definitive opus of Morrison's creative output—and the book he intended to publish. Throughout, a compelling mix of 160 visual components accompanies the text: excerpts from his 28 privately held notebooks—all written in his own hand and published here for the first time—as well as an array of personal images and commentary on the work by Morrison himself. This oversized, beautifully produced collectible volume contains a wealth of new material—poetry, writings, lyrics, and audio transcripts of Morrison reading his work. Not only the most comprehensive book of Morrison's work ever published, it is immersive, giving readers insight to the creative process of and offering access to the musings and observations of an artist whom the poet Michael McClure called “one of the finest, clearest spirits of our times.” This remarkable collector's item includes: Foreword by Tom Robbins; introduction and notes by editor Frank Lisciandro that provide insight to the work; prologue by Anne Morrison; Cheyenne Publishing and unpublished work and a vast selection of notebook writings; the transcript, the only photographs in existence, and production notes of Morrison's last poetry recording on his twenty-seventh birthday; The Paris notebook, possibly Morrison's final journal, reproduced at full reading size; Excerpts from notebooks kept during his 1970 Miami trial; The shooting script and gorgeous color stills from the never-released film *HWY Complete* published and unpublished song lyrics accompanied by numerous drafts in Morrison's hand; Epilogue: “As I Look Back”: a compelling autobiography in poem form; Family photographs as well as images of Morrison during his years as a performer; Hear Jim Morrison's final poetry recording, now available for the first time, on CD or digital audio book, at the Village Recorder in West Los Angeles on his twenty-seventh birthday, December 8, 1970. The digital audio book also includes performances by Patti Smith, Oliver Ray, Liz Phair, Tom Robbins, and others reading Morrison's work.

*Journeys into Fame and Madness* Indiana University Press

Imagine The Sopranos, with snakes! The Lizard King is a fascinating account of a father and son family business suspected of smuggling reptiles, and the federal agent who tried to take them down. When Bryan Christy began to investigate the world of reptile smuggling, he had no idea what he would be in for. In the course of his research, he was bitten between the eyes by a blood python, chased by a mother alligator, and sprayed by a bird-eating tarantula. But perhaps more dangerous was coming face to face with Michael J. Van Nostrand, owner of Strictly Reptiles, a thriving family business in Hollywood, Florida. Van Nostrand imports as many as 300,000 iguanas each year (over half the total of America's most popular imported reptile), as well as hundreds of thousands of snakes, lizards, frogs, spiders, and scorpions. Van Nostrand was suspected of being a reptile smuggler by Special Agent Chip Bepler of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, who devoted years of his life in an obsessive quest to expose The Lizard King's cold-blooded crimes. How this cat-and-mouse game ended is engrossing and surprising.

*A Biography of Jim Morrison* Yearling

A collection of poems, diary entries, and drawings by the Doors' driving force is accompanied by a Morrison “self-interview” and an afterword by his best friend

*Tyrannosaurus Rex, the Tyrant King* Tarcher

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**History of Topology** Plexus Publishing (UK)

“I could not have written *A Cook's Tour* without this book. There is so much I would have missed. So dig in. Enjoy... Eat. Eat adventurously. Miss nothing. It's all here in these pages.” —From the Foreword by Anthony Bourdain Sit down for a meal with the locals on six continents—what they are eating may surprise you. *Extreme Cuisine* examines eating habits across the globe, showing once and for all that one man's road kill is another man's delicacy! “I've tried to make this book a guide to how the other half dines and why. Over a period of twenty-five years I've augmented my meat-and-

potatoes upbringing in the United States to try a wide variety of regional specialties, from steamed water beetles, fried grasshoppers and ants, to sparrow, bison and crocodile. I've eaten deep-fried bull's testicles in Mexico, live shrimp sushi in Hawaii, mice cooked over an open wood fire in Thailand, pig stomach soup in Singapore, minced water buffalo and yak butter tea in Nepal, stir-fried dog tongue, and "five penis wine" in China." —From the introduction by Jerry Hopkins Dive headfirst into food culture from around the world. Join author Jerry Hopkins on a culinary and cultural tour as he explores foods that may seem bizarre, and often off-putting, to us. As he says, "What is considered repulsive to someone in one part of the world, in another part of the world is simply considered lunch." Part travelogue, part cultural commentary and history, and part cookbook (yes, really), with Extreme Cuisine anyone can become an adventurous eater—or at least learn what it's like to be one. Chapters include: Mammals Reptiles & Water Creatures Birds Insects, Spiders & Scorpions Plants Leftovers

**My Life with and Without Jim Morrison** St. Martin's Press

Neil Strauss can uncover the naked truth like nobody else. With his groundbreaking book *The Game*, Strauss penetrated the secret society of pickup artists. Now, in *Everyone Loves You When You're Dead*, the Rolling Stone journalist collects the greatest moments from the most insane music interviews of all time. Join Neil Strauss, "The Mike Tyson of interviewers," (Dave Pirner, Soul Asylum), as he Makes Lady Gaga cry, tries to keep Mötley Crüe out of jail & is asked to smoke Kurt Cobain's ashes by Courtney Love Shoots guns with Ludacris, takes a ride with Neil Young & goes to church with Tom Cruise and his mother Spends the night with Trent Reznor, reads the mind of Britney Spears & finds religion with Stephen Colbert Gets picked on by Led Zeppelin, threatened by the mafia & serenaded by Leonard Cohen Picks up psychic clues with the CIA, diapers with Snoop Dog & prison survival tips from Rick James Goes drinking with Bruce Springsteen, dining with Gwen Stefani & hot tubbing with Marilyn Manson Talks glam with David Bowie, drugs with Madonna, death with Johnny Cash & sex with Chuck Berry Gets molested by the Strokes, in trouble with Prince & in bed with . . . you'll find out who inside. Enjoy many, many more awkward moments and accidental adventures with the world's number one stars in *Everyone Love You When You're Dead*.

*The Doors* Harper Collins

Algebraic topology (also known as homotopy theory) is a flourishing branch of modern mathematics. It is very much an international subject and this is reflected in the background of the 36 leading experts who have contributed to the Handbook. Written for the reader who already has a grounding in the subject, the volume consists of 27 expository surveys covering the most active areas of research. They provide the researcher with an up-to-date overview of this exciting branch of mathematics.

**Strange Days** John Wiley & Sons

"Wanna stand in the face of a charging elephant, get hit by a motorcycle, eat giant water bugs, blowtorch your mouth on some of the hottest chili peppers on earth, then go watch a sex change operation? Of course you don't, but, happily, Jerry Hopkins has done all that and more—lots more—in this darkly humorous, deeply affectionate, clear-eyed but never patronizing portrait of Thailand, his adopted home. Highly recommended." —Tim Cahill, author of *Lost in My Own Backyard*, *Hold the Enlightenment* and *Jaguars Ripped My Flesh* "After over a decade in the country, Hopkins knows and loves his subject dearly—that much is obvious—and his vivid portrait projects that love from every page." —Jann Wenner, editor and founder of *Rolling Stone Magazine* "A loving expose of everything that's wonderful about Thailand, and much that isn't. Should be required reading for all newcomers." —Joe Cummings, author of the *Lonely Planet Thailand Guide* Writer Jerry Hopkins came to Thailand for a visit in the 1980s, and ended up a permanent resident with a temporary visa—a big, white farang haunting the bars and back alleys of Bangkok. His essays explore the mystery and mayhem of "The Land of Smiles" to hilarious—and sometimes disturbing—effect. Travel with him to a place where whisky is rum, water buffaloes are gay, insects are dinner, dildos are lucky charms, and your wildest adolescent fantasies can come true (for a nominal fee).

*The Lizard King* MIT Press

Thirty-five years after his death in Paris at age twenty-seven, Jim Morrison's iconic legend remains as powerful as ever, swathed in the mists of mystery. There have been numerous biographies about the self-proclaimed "Lizard King's" life and career. But none have examined his roots and childhood, the intellectual foundations of his music, his wild days with the Doors, and his enigmatic early death as completely and insightfully as *Break On Through*. More than simply a fascinating look at a rock legend whose cult following never stops growing, here is the definitive Morrison biography: his angry relationship with his father; the early tragedies and terrible events responsible for the darkness of his artistic vision; his private life and legal trials, including his infamous Miami obscenity bust; and

the truth about his final hours. Based on extensive research and featuring dozens of rarely published photographs, this is the authoritative portrait of the poet, the grim visionary, the haunted man, and his haunting music.

*The Life and Death of Jim Morrison* The Lizard KingThe Essential Jim Morrison

In Paris's Père-Lachaise cemetery, Jim Morrison's graffiti-scrawled tombstone is a place of pilgrimage for local devotees, adolescent hedonists and wayward backpackers alike. Found dead in his bathtub aged only 27 having achieved worldwide stardom as lead singer of The Doors, Morrison was quickly immortalised amongst the rock and roll deity such as Hendrix and Joplin. In death, however, this debauched 'rock poet' remained more stubbornly enigmatic than ever. Who was the real Jim Morrison? Nihilist, egoist, shaman: he was a master of self-creation. A mosaic mythology of new-age hippy rhetoric, French poetry and Nietzschean symbolism obscured a man trapped by the mythology that he had so carefully constructed around himself. In this colourful and intimate biography, Dylan Jones strips bare the skin-tight leather suit of Jim Morrison's Lizard King persona, and offers a frank and honest appraisal of a much beloved and often-romanticised counter-cultural icon. Mr Mojo is littered with little-known anecdotes from fellow stars, spurned lovers and industry moguls. It is a refreshingly honest portrait of a self-indulgent artist with a penchant for pageantry and public self-destruction.

*Jim Morrison* Wizard Books

A galactic revolution has toppled the Starfire dynasty, and swept into power the harsh Democratic Republic. To support the murdered king is now punishable by death. But on distant worlds, the few surviving Guardians carry a dangerous secret: Somewhere in the galaxy, they shield the rightful heir to the throne. Stalking the hidden king is the Warlord, a ruthless Republican general who wields the bloodsword. Only a few brave rebels dare to oppose him: young Dion, who fights to find his destiny; the mercenary Tusk; the outlaw commander Dixter; and the beautiful Lady Maigrey, the only person alive who can match the Warlord's cunning. Theirs is the ultimate battle against a star-spanning corruption—the ultimate sacrifice for the glory of the lost king's throne.

**The Collected Works of Jim Morrison** Meisha Merlin Pub

Features 16 of The Doors' greatest hits, in easy-to-read notes with tablature. Includes: Break On Through (To the Other Side) \* Crystal Ship \* Five to One \* Hello, I Love You \* L.A. Woman \* Light My Fire \* Love Her Madly \* Love Me Two Times \* People Are Strange \* Riders on the Storm \* Touch Me \* Twentieth Century Fox \* more.

**Paradise Valley** Elsevier

She almost caught him once. Now, he's back. For three years, Investigator Cassie Dewell has been on a hunt for a serial killer known as the Lizard King whose hunting grounds are the highways and truck stops where runaways and prostitutes are most likely to vanish. Cassie almost caught him...once. Working for the Bakken County, North Dakota sheriff's department, Cassie has set what she believes is the perfect trap and she has lured him and his truck to a depot. But the plan goes horribly wrong, and the blame falls on Cassie. Disgraced, she loses her job and investigation into her role is put into motion. At the same time, Kyle Westergaard, a troubled kid whom Cassie has taken under her wing, has disappeared after telling people that he's going off on a long-planned adventure. Kyle's grandmother begs Cassie to find him and, with nothing else to do, Cassie agrees—all the while hunting the truck driver. Now Cassie is a lone wolf. And in the same way that two streams converge into a river, Kyle's disappearance may have a more sinister meaning than anyone realizes. With no allies, no support, and only her own wits to rely on, Cassie must take down a killer who is as ruthless as he is cunning. But can she do it alone, without losing her own humanity or her own life? *Paradise Valley* continues the Highway Quartet series from bestselling author C. J. Box.

*Jim Morrison* Vintage

DESCRIPTION: Elmore Leonard meets Franz Kafka in the wild, improbably true story of the legendary outlaw of Budapest. Attila Ambrus was a gentleman thief, a sort of Cary Grant—if only Grant came from Transylvania, was a terrible professional hockey goalkeeper, and preferred women in leopard-skin hot pants. During the 1990s, while playing for the biggest hockey team in Budapest, Ambrus took up bank robbery to make ends meet. Arrayed against him was perhaps the most incompetent team of crime investigators the Eastern Bloc had ever seen: a robbery chief who had learned how to be a detective by watching dubbed Columbo episodes; a forensics man who wore top hat and tails on the job; and a driver so inept he was known only by a Hungarian word that translates to Mound of Ass-Head. BALLAD OF THE WHISKEY ROBBER is the completely bizarre and hysterical story of the crime spree that made a nobody into a somebody, and told a forlorn nation that sometimes the brightest stars come from the blackest holes. Like *The Professor* and *The Madman* and *The Orchid Thief*, Julian Rubinsteins bizarre crime story is so odd and so wicked that it is completely irresistible.

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