

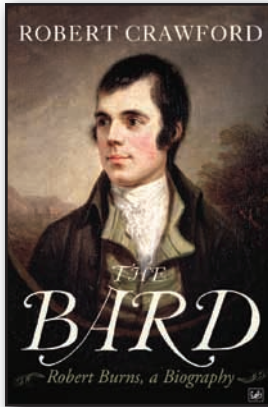
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ROBERT CRAWFORD**The Bard**

Robert Burns, A Biography



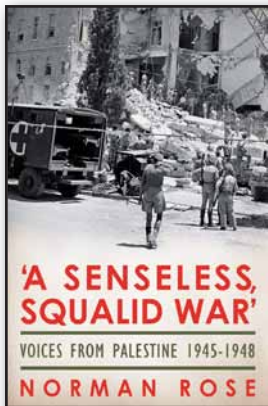
publication: **January**
 price: **£12.99**
 size: **234x153mm**
 pages: **480**
 ISBN: **9781844139309**
 market: **WXUSA**

'Magnificent... This is a fine biography, and it is difficult to imagine it being surpassed for a very long time.' *Daily Telegraph*

No writer is more charismatic than Robert Burns. Wonderfully readable, *The Bard* catches Burns' energy, brilliance and radicalism as never before. Drawing on a surprising variety of untapped sources – from rediscovered poetry by Burns to manuscript journals, correspondence, interviews and oratory by his contemporaries – this new biography presents the remarkable life, loves and struggles of the great poet. Written with accessible elan and nuanced attention to Burns' poems and letters, *The Bard* is the story of an extraordinary man fighting to maintain a sly sense of integrity in the face of overwhelming pressures. This incisive biography startlingly demonstrates why the life and work of Scotland's greatest poet still compel the attention of the world a quarter of a millennium after his birth.

NORMAN ROSE**'A Senseless, Squalid War'**

Voices from Palestine 1945–1948



publication: **June**
 price: **£12.99**
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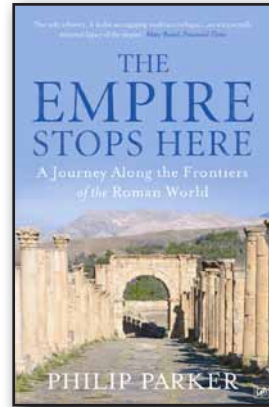
The troubles in Palestine between the end of the Second World War and the declaration of the state of Israel on 14 May 1948 ruptured Middle Eastern history and left an indelible mark on the modern world.

Chronicling in gripping detail this critical period that led, for the Jews, to the establishment of their national homeland, and, for the Palestinians, to their Nakba ('Catastrophe'), Norman Rose's *'A Senseless, Squalid War'* gives powerful expression to all those who took part in these stirring events: Britons, Jews and Arabs alike.

'A fascinating book.' *Daily Telegraph*

PHILIP PARKER**The Empire Stops Here**

A Journey Along the Frontiers of the Roman World



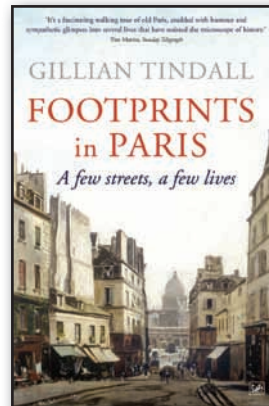
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 pages: **320**
 ISBN: **9781845950033**
 market: **WAL**

'*The Empire Stops Here* is not only a history. It is also an engaging modern travelogue...an unexpectedly universal legacy of the empire.' Mary Beard, *Financial Times*

The Roman Empire was the largest and most enduring of the ancient world. From its zenith under Augustus and Trajan in the first century AD to its decline and fall amidst the barbarian invasions of the fifth century, the Empire guarded and maintained a frontier that stretched for 5,000 kilometres, from Carlisle to Cologne, from Augsburg to Antioch, and from Aswan to the Atlantic. In his enthralling new book, Philip Parker reveals how and why the Empire endured for so long, as well as describing the rich and complex architectural and cultural legacy which it has bequeathed to us.

GILLIAN TINDALL**Footprints in Paris**

A Few Streets, A Few Lives



publication: **May**
 price: **£12.99**
 size: **234x153mm**
 pages: **256**
 ISBN: **9781845950897**
 market: **UKCWCEU**

'Tindall writes of a lost Paris with a quiet eloquence that is all her own, combining scrupulous honesty with a compassionate imagination and an eye for memorable detail.' Miranda Seymour, *Guardian*

Gillian Tindall is well known for her ability to breathe a passionate life into the generations of those who have walked the earth before us. Here, using a handful of lives, she evokes the texture and atmosphere of a hidden Paris which has survived against all the odds of time and chance. Her study shows how Paris has drawn into its magnetic field people who have variously found there education or enlightenment, a refuge or a secret garden, even a different identity.