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*Cat O' Nine Tales* St. Martin's Press

The New York Times bestselling novel – an unputdownable story of murder, revenge and betrayal from international number one bestseller Jeffrey Archer.

**One-hit Wonder** Macmillan

The expected never happens . . . A man calls unexpectedly on his mistress and sees another man leaving her flat. Accusing her of being unfaithful, he quarrels with her, strikes her. She dies. Leaving unseen, he tips off the police so that the other man is arrested and charged . . . Has he achieved 'The Perfect Murder'? A tantalizing opening to *A Twist in the Tale*, a fantastic collection of short stories from bestselling author Jeffrey Archer. Consider also: a wine-tasting with a bizarre difference, a game of sex with a sexy stranger, a violent row in a golf clubhouse bar, a rivalry founded on eating cornflakes . . . just some of the openings in this cunningly constructed, fast-moving, entertaining set of stories from the bestselling author.

**A Prisoner of Birth** Pan

New York Times bestselling author Jeffrey Archer returns with a powerful tale of twins separated by fate and reunited by destiny in *Sons of Fortune*. In Hartford, Connecticut, in the late 1940s, a set of twins is parted at birth—not by accident. Nat Cartwright goes home with his parents, a schoolteacher and an insurance salesman, while his twin brother begins his days as Fletcher Davenport, son of a millionaire and his society wife. During the 1950s and 1960s, the two brothers grow up apart, following similar paths that take them in different directions. Nat leaves college at the University of Connecticut to serve in Vietnam, then finishes school, earns his MBA, and becomes a successful currency dealer. Fletcher, meanwhile, graduates from Yale University with a bachelor's and a law degree, going on to distinguish himself as a criminal defense lawyer. At various times in their lives, both men are confronted with challenges and obstacles, tragedy and betrayal, loss and hardship, before they both decide to run for governor, unaware they are brothers.... In the tradition of Jeffrey Archer's most popular books, *Sons of Fortune* is as much a chronicle of a nation in transition as it is the story of the making of these two men –and how they eventually discover the truth-and its tragic consequences.

*This Was a Man* St. Martin's Press

Nearly a decade after his last volume of short stories was published, Jeffrey Archer returns with his eagerly-awaited, brand-new collection *TELL TALE*, giving us a fascinating, exciting and sometimes poignant insight into the people he has met, the

stories he has come across and the countries he has visited during the past ten years. Find out what happens to the hapless young detective from Naples who travels to an Italian hillside town to find out Who Killed the Mayor? and the pretentious schoolboy in *A Road to Damascus*, whose discovery of the origins of his father's wealth changes his life in the most profound way. Revel in the stories of the 1930's woman who dares to challenge the men at her Ivy League University in *A Gentleman and A Scholar* while another young woman who thumbs a lift gets more than she bargained for in *A Wasted Hour*. These wonderfully engaging and always refreshingly original tales prove not only why Archer has been compared by the critics to Dahl and Maugham, but why he was described by *The Times* as probably the greatest storyteller of our age.

**Over My Dead Body (William Warwick Novels)** Penguin UK  
 From #1 New York Times bestselling author Jeffrey Archer, the Clifton Chronicles continues with *Best Kept Secret*. 1945, London. The vote in the House of Lords as to who should inherit the Barrington family fortune has ended in a tie. The Lord Chancellor's deciding vote will cast a long shadow on the lives of Harry Clifton and Giles Barrington. Harry returns to America to promote his latest novel, while his beloved Emma goes in search of the little girl who was found abandoned in her father's office on the night he was killed. When the general election is called, Giles Barrington has to defend his seat in the House of Commons and is horrified to discover who the Conservatives select to stand against him. But it is Sebastian Clifton, Harry and Emma's son, who ultimately influences his uncle's fate. In 1957, Sebastian wins a scholarship to Cambridge, and a new generation of the Clifton family marches onto the page. But after Sebastian is expelled from school, he unwittingly becomes caught up in an international art fraud involving a Rodin statue that is worth far more than the sum it raises at auction. Does he become a millionaire? Does he go to Cambridge? Is his life in danger? *Best Kept Secret*, the third volume in Jeffrey Archer's bestselling series, will answer all these questions but, once again, pose so many more.

**Cometh the Hour** St. Martin's Press

International bestselling author Jeffrey Archer has enthralled readers with his riveting suspense, surprise denouements, and unforgettable storylines. Now Archer's three acclaimed collections of short fiction are brought together in one irresistible volume. *THE COLLECTED SHORT STORIES* *A Quiver Full of Arrows* takes readers on a journey of encounters that befall an assortment of kindly strangers, wary old friends, and long-lost loves. Sly reflections on human nature are at the center of *A Twist in the Tale* in which blindly adventurous game-players compete for stakes higher than they dreamed. Expect the unexpected and you'll still be surprised in *Twelve Red Herrings*, a dozen tales of

betrayal, love, murder and revenge capped with a startling twist. Thirty-six stories in all, each poised to astonish and inspire, revealing "master entertainer" (*Time*) Jeffrey Archer at his artfully entertaining best.

**The Mistakes I Never Forget** St. Martin's Griffin

Bestselling author Jeffrey Archer's *Be Careful What You Wish For* opens with Harry Clifton and his wife Emma rushing to hospital to learn the fate of their son Sebastian, who has been involved in a fatal car accident. But who died, Sebastian or his best friend Bruno? When Ross Buchanan is forced to resign as chairman of the Barrington Shipping Company, Emma Clifton wants to replace him. But Don Pedro Martinez intends to install his puppet, the egregious Major Alex Fisher, in order to destroy the Barrington family firm just as the company plans to build its new luxury liner, the *MV Buckingham*. Back in London, Harry and Emma's adopted daughter wins a scholarship to the Slade Academy of Art where she falls in love with a fellow student, Clive Bingham, who asks her to marry him. Both families are delighted until Priscilla Bingham, Jessica's future mother-in-law, has a visit from an old friend, Lady Virginia Fenwick, who drops her particular brand of poison into the wedding chalice. Then, without warning, Cedric Hardcastle, a bluff Yorkshireman who no one has come across before, takes his place on the board of Barringtons. This causes an upheaval that none of them could have anticipated, and will change the lives of every member of the Clifton and Barrington families. Hardcastle's first decision is who to support to become the next chairman of the board: Emma Clifton or Major Alex Fisher? And with that decision, the story takes yet another twist that will keep you on the edge of your seat. *Be Careful What You Wish For* showcases the master storyteller's talent as never before – when the Clifton and Barrington families march forward into the sixties, in this epic tale of love, revenge, ambition and betrayal.

**Be Careful What You Wish For** Pan Macmillan

*Cat O'Nine Tales* is the fifth collection of irresistible short stories from the master storyteller and bestselling author Jeffrey Archer. Ingeniously plotted, with richly drawn characters and Archer's trademark of deliciously unexpected conclusions, some of these thirteen stories were inspired by the two years Jeffrey Archer spent in prison, including the story of a company chairman who tries to poison his wife while on a trip to St Petersburg—with unexpected consequences. *The Red King* is a tale about a con man who discovers that an English Lord requires one more chess piece to complete a set that would be worth a fortune. In another tale of deception, *The Commissioner*, a Bombay con artist ends up in the morgue, after he uses the police chief as bait in his latest scam. *The Perfect Murder* reveals how a convict manages to remove an old enemy while he's locked up in jail, and then set

up two prison officers as his alibi. In *Charity Begins at Home*, an accountant realizes he has achieved nothing in his life, and sets out to make a fortune before he retires. And then there is Archer's favorite, *In the Eye of the Beholder*, where a handsome star athlete falls in love with a three-hundred-pound woman...who happens to be the ninth richest woman in Italy. Jeffrey Archer is the only author to have topped international bestseller lists with his fiction, non-fiction, and his short stories. *Cat O'Nine Tales* is Archer at his best: witty, sad, surprising, and unforgettable.

***Not a Penny More, Not a Penny Less*** St. Martin's Press

*Cometh the Hour* is the penultimate book in the Clifton Chronicles and, like the previous novels - all of which hit the New York Times bestseller list - showcases Jeffrey Archer's extraordinary storytelling with his trademark twists. It opens with the reading of a suicide note, which has devastating consequences for Harry and Emma Clifton, Giles Barrington and Lady Virginia. Giles must decide if he should withdraw from politics and try to rescue Karin, the woman he loves, from behind the Iron Curtain. But is Karin truly in love with him, or is she a spy? Lady Virginia is facing bankruptcy, and can see no way out of her financial problems, until she is introduced to the hapless Cyrus T. Grant III from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who's in England to see his horse run at Royal Ascot. Sebastian Clifton is now the Chief Executive of Farthings Bank and a workaholic, whose personal life is thrown into disarray when he falls for Priya, a beautiful Indian girl. But her parents have already chosen the man she is going to marry. Meanwhile, Sebastian's rivals Adrian Sloane and Desmond Mellor are still plotting to bring him and his chairman Hakim Bishara down, so they can take over Farthings. Harry Clifton remains determined to get Anatoly Babakov released from a gulag in Siberia, following the international success of his acclaimed book, *Uncle Joe*. But then something unexpected happens that none of them could have anticipated.

***This Was a Man*** St. Martin's Paperbacks

Bee Bearhorn had a number-one hit single in 1985 - and was never heard of again. Fifteen years later she is found dead in her flat and nobody seems to care ... But Ana Wills always day-dreamed about the exotic half-sister she hasn't seen in years. And when she comes to London to clear Bee's flat, she uncovers a life more exotic than she imagined: a secret country cottage, mysterious weekends away, and even a missing cat. With Bee's closest friends - mad Lol and strong, silent Flint - Ana sets out to discover exactly what did happen to Bee Bearhorn, the one-hit wonder ...

***Nothing Ventured*** St. Martin's Press

*The Mistakes I Never Forget* is the story of the struggle of a young man, Gautam—who moves to Bangalore, the silicon city of India—in hunt of a lucrative job in a software company. He has completed his engineering degree, but struggles to speak English fluently. This makes his employers' think he is not qualified enough and refuse to give him a job. He shares space in a dingy one room apartment with three other young men, Lawrence, a nerd, Kamesh a hulk, and Madhan, who doubles up as their chef—all struggling for months to find software jobs and make ends meet. Even his roommates and friends ridicule him because of his language shortcoming. However, when a beautiful, talented young woman, Reshmi, falls in love with Gautam, his friends are amazed and question the why and how of this relationship. Reshmi's works in the software industry, but dreams of being a choreographer. Will she fulfill her dream? Will Gautam get a job in a software company despite his stuttering English?

***The Sins of the Father*** St. Martin's Press

International bestseller and master storyteller Jeffrey Archer returns with a tale of fate and fortune, redemption and revenge with *A Prisoner of Birth*. Danny Cartwright and Spencer Craig never should have met. One evening, Danny, an East End cockney who works as a garage mechanic, takes his fiancée up to the West End to celebrate their engagement. He crosses the path

of Spencer Craig, a West End barrister posed to be the youngest Queen's Counsel of his generation. A few hours later Danny is arrested for murder and later is sentenced to twenty-two years in prison, thanks to irrefutable testimony from Spencer, the prosecution's main witness. Danny spends the next few years in a high-security prison while Spencer Craig's career as a lawyer goes straight up. All the while Danny plans to escape and wreak his revenge. Thus begins Jeffrey Archer's poignant novel of deception, hatred and vengeance, in which only one of them can finally triumph while the other will spend the rest of his days in jail. But which one will triumph? This suspenseful novel takes the listener through so many twists and turns that no one will guess the ending, even the most ardent of Archer's many, many fans.

***Only Time Will Tell*** St. Martin's Press

*Turn a Blind Eye* is the third installment in the gripping story of Detective Inspector William Warwick, by the master storyteller and #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Clifton Chronicles. Newly promoted to Detective Inspector, William Warwick is tasked with a dangerous new line of work, to go undercover and expose crime of another kind: corruption at the heart of the Metropolitan Police Force. Along with detectives Rebecca Pankhurst and Nicky Bailey, his team is focused on following Detective Jerry Summers, a young officer whose lifestyle exceeds his income. But the investigation risks being compromised when Nicky falls for Summers. Meanwhile, notorious drug baron Assem Rashidi goes on trial, defended by Booth Watson QC, while William's father Sir Julian and sister Grace lead the prosecution case. And William's wife Beth, now a new mother to twins, makes a surprising new friend in Christina Faulkner—the ex-wife of William's former rival, criminal financier Miles - who has not only turned over a new leaf, but also has a new-found source of income when Faulkner dies suddenly of a heart attack and she stands to be sole inheritor of his estate. As the undercover officers start to draw the threads together, William realizes that the corruption may go deeper still, and more of his colleagues than he first thought might be willing to turn a blind eye.

***The Complete Clifton Chronicles, Books 1-7*** St. Martin's Press

With more than 2 million copies in print, the Clifton Chronicles has taken #1 worldwide bestselling author Jeffrey Archer to a whole new level. And the saga continues with *Mightier Than the Sword*. Bestselling novelist Harry Clifton's on a mission to free a fellow author who's imprisoned in Siberia—even if doing so puts Harry's own life, and life's work, in danger. Meanwhile, his wife Emma, chairman of Barrington Shipping, is facing the repercussions of an IRA bombing on the Buckingham. Some board members feel she should resign. Others will stop at nothing to ensure the Clifton family's fall from grace. In London, Harry and Emma's son, Sebastian, is quickly making a name for himself at Farthing's Bank. He's also just proposed to a beautiful young American, Samantha. But the despicable Adrian Sloane is only interested in one thing: Sebastian's ruin. Sir Giles Barrington, now a minister of the Crown, looks set for even higher office—until a diplomatic failure in Berlin threatens his prospects. Once again it appears that Giles's political career is thrown off balance by none other than his old adversary, Major Alex Fisher. But who will win the election this time? And at what cost?

***Cometh the Hour*** St. Martin's Press

In the aftermath of an IRA bombing, Harry uses his new literary station to raise awareness for his POW friend while Giles works to secure a political career and Sebastian's past threatens his engagement. By the New York Times best-selling author of *Sins of the Father*.

***And Thereby Hangs a Tale*** St. Martin's Press

Fiction. The circus at the heart of this tragically beautiful collection of stories by Michael Chin, led by a tortured ringmaster, filled with performers bound together by the tenuous common thread of having nowhere else to run, is not the glitz and glamour big top you might expect, but rather a dark, mystical place where you go to forget and be forgotten—a circus traveling out of

necessity more than anything else. At times reminiscent of Bradbury and Matheson, *CIRCUS FOLK* draws you into a vivid world that will haunt you in the best way.

***A Twist in the Tale*** Forge Books

The tale of Harry Clifton's life begins in 1919, in Bristol. His father was a war hero, but it will be 21 tumultuous years before Harry discovers the truth about how his father really died and if, in fact, he even was his father. When he goes to school, he meets Giles Barrington, soon to become his best friend, and Giles's sister, Emma. From that moment, the two families will be forever entwined. Taking a cast of memorable characters from the ravages of the Great War through to the end of the Second World War, family loyalties are stretched to their limits as secrets unravel, and the story moves from the backstreets of Bristol to the boardrooms of Manhattan. In Jeffrey Archer's masterful hands, you will be taken on a journey that you won't want to end, filled with gasp-making twists and turns. Discover the spellbinding family saga that has enthralled readers across the world and sold over five million copies.

***The Sins of the Father*** St. Martin's Press

The thrilling novel that launched #1 New York Times bestseller Jeffrey Archer's career, *Not a Penny More, Not a Penny Less*. THE SWINDLE IS GENIUS The conned: an Oxford don, a revered society physician, a chic French art dealer, and a charming English lord. They have one thing in common. Overnight, each novice investor lost his life's fortune to one man. The con: Harvey Metcalfe. A brilliant, self-made guru of deceit. A very dangerous individual. And now, a hunted man. SO IS THE REVENGE With nothing left to lose, four strangers are about to come together—each expert in their own field. Their plan: find Harvey, shadow him, trap him, and penny-for-penny, destroy him. From the luxurious casinos of Monte Carlo to the high-stakes windows at Ascot to the bustling streets of Wall Street to fashionable London galleries, their own ingenious game has begun. It's called revenge—and they were taught by a master.

***Best Kept Secret*** Macmillan

The bestselling author Jeffrey Archer once again astonishes, delights, and electrifies with this collection, *Twelve Red Herrings*. Archer, the internationally bestselling author of *Honor Among Thieves* and *Kane & Abel*, serves up this inventive collection of a dozen short stories -- with a twist. Cleverly styled, with richly drawn characters and ingeniously plotted story lines, each of the twelve pieces ends with a delightfully unexpected turn of events. An imprisoned man is certain that his supposed murder victim is very much alive....A female driver is pursued relentlessly by a menacing figure in another vehicle....A young artist gets the biggest break of her career....A restless beauty manages the perfect birthday celebration....An escaped Iraqi on Saddam Hussein's death list pays an involuntary visit to his homeland. In each tale, human beings are given an opportunity to seize, a crucial problem to solve, or a danger to avoid. How will they react? How would you? Capping off the collection are two additional rewards. In the final story, Archer offers a choice of four endings. And buried in each story is another diversion -- a red herring which Archer challenges his readers to uncover.

***Honor Among Thieves*** St. Martin's Press

Filled with Jeffrey Archer's trademark twists and turns, *Hidden in Plain Sight* is the gripping next instalment in the life of William Warwick. Newly promoted, Detective Sergeant William Warwick has been reassigned to the drugs squad. His first case: to investigate a notorious south London drug lord known as the Viper. But as William and his team close the net around a criminal network unlike any they have ever encountered, he is also faced with an old enemy, Miles Faulkner. It will take all of William's cunning to devise a means to bring both men to justice, a trap neither will expect, one that is hidden in plain sight . . . *Hidden in Plain Sight* follows on from *Nothing Ventured* and continues with *Turn a Blind Eye*, but can be read as a standalone story.