

JEFF LINDSAY

DEARLY DEVOTED DEXTER

New York Times bestselling author Jeff Lindsay delivers the second installment in an exciting new series featuring Dexter Morgan, who the *New Yorker* calls "one of the most likable vigilante serial killers in recent thriller literature."

Dexter Morgan has been under considerable pressure. In trying to avoid the deep suspicions of the dangerous Sergeant Doakes—who believes Dexter is a homicidal maniac (which, of course, he is)—Dexter has had to slip further into his foolproof domestic disguise. While not working as a blood spatter analyst for the Miami Police Department, he now spends nearly all his time with his girlfriend, Rita, and her two children. But how long can Dexter play Kick the Can instead of Slice the Slasher? How long before his Dark Passenger forces him to drop the charade of family life and let his inner monster run free?

In trying times, opportunity knocks. A particularly nasty psychopath is cutting a trail through Miami—a man who "slices and dices and leaves vegetables behind." Dexter's dark appetite is revived, but it's not until his nemesis, Sergeant Doakes, is abducted that Dex can finally throw himself headlong into the search for a new plaything. Unless, of course, his plaything finds him first

With the incredible wit and freshness that made his first Dexter novel a bestseller, Jeff Lindsay brings back one of the most original, colorful narrators in years, and signals the arrival of a superb new series.

- Six-figure first printing in hardcover.
- National print advertising.
- Author tour.
- Book-of-the-Month Club Selection
- Doubleday Book Club
- Rhapsody Book Club

Praise for DARKLY DREAMING DEXTER:

"A dark and devious novel about Dexter Morgan, the serial killer with a heart . . . Lindsay's tale is daring and unexpectedly comedic."

—USA TODAY

"A macabre tour-de-force . . . so snappy and smart."

—The New York Times

"It's [the] human touches, including self-pity, that make Dexter come to life and Lindsay's book so enjoyable."

—Chicago Tribune

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New York Times Bestseller!

Nominated for the 2005 Barry Award for Best Novel

The word is out: this devious debut is a hit!!

"Demonology has a dastardly new darling."

--Janet Maslin, *New York Times*

"Must Read of Summer 2004"

--*Time Magazine*

**"Dexter Morgan is one of the most likable vigilante serial killers
in recent thriller literature."**

--*New Yorker*

**"...a gripping, deliciously offbeat novel that announces the arrival
of a notable new talent."**

--*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"...a guilty pleasure few monster-addicts will be able to resist."

--*Kirkus Reviews*

"After finishing, readers will have only one thing to say: wow!"

--*Booklist*, starred review

"Lindsay's novel is daring and unexpectedly comedic."

--*USA TODAY*

"Darkly Dreaming Dexter is an original and darkly compelling novel."

--*Denver Post*

- Debuted on the *New York Times* bestseller list.
- #1 on Book Sense Hardcover list.
- Audio rights sold to Recorded Books.
- 8th printing.
- Selected as Best Suspense Novel by Book-of-the-Month-Club
- Nominated for 2005 Book Sense Book of the Year
- TV/ Film rights sold to Showtime

About the Author

Lindsay is the author of HUNTING WITH HEMINGWAY, which he co-wrote with his wife, Hilary Hemingway, and TROPICAL DEPRESSION.

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