

# URBAN FICTION

## Criminal Minded by Tracy Brown

Lamin and Zion get together to build a narcotics empire, an enterprise that begins to come apart when Lamin falls in love and decides to go into a legitimate entertainment business and Zion becomes the target of a corruption scandal involving extortion, money laundering, and murder.

## Twisted by Tracy Brown

After losing her hair salon in a suspicious fire, Celeste Styles is determined to leave behind her continual quest for a strong male presence in her life and leave her married lover, drug kingpin Rah-lo, for a new life in Atlanta, Georgia.

## White Lines by Tracy Brown

Fleeing her home to escape the abuse of her mother's boyfriend, Jada seeks refuge with Born, the neighborhood kingpin, but her new life is threatened by crack addiction, prostitution, a struggle to rebuild her life, and a stormy romance with a street hustler.

## A Gangster's Girl by Chunichi

Defying her parents, Ceazia, obsessed with the finer things in life, starts her own escort service where she meets Virginia druglord Vegas and enters into an addicting world of fast money and danger--with disastrous results.

## Payback is a Mutha by Wahida Clark

Using sex to get cars, expensive clothes, and anything else she desires, Brianna, *a* spoiled and selfish hustler, must make *a* tough decision when one of her schemes goes too far and her best friend Shan *is* caught in the crossfire.

## Payback with Ya Life by Wahida Clark

A sequel to "*Payback is a Mutha*" finds a pregnant Shan relocating to Detroit in the aftermath of her best friend's suicide, struggling against a revenge-minded adversary targeting her brother, and witnessing turf wars affecting her brother's efforts to reclaim his position at the top of the drug game.

## Thieves' Paradise by Eric Jerome Dickey

At 25, Dante Brown has experienced more ups and downs than most people do in a lifetime. Now he's facing unpaid bills, a limp-along car, eviction, and no chance at all with Pam, the pretty waitress/actress who caught his eye but is looking for a man with means. As determined as Dante is to stay straight, he agrees to hit one real estate game with his old friend Scamz to keep his head above

water until he lands a job. But one turns into two, and Pam is intoxicated by the easy money. Suddenly dating Dante, the boss's right-hand man, seems a lot more attractive to her. Even when a deal goes bad and erupts into violence--even when it's clear that Scamz will turn on a friend even faster than an enemy.

### Never Go Home Again by Shannon Homes

Leaving *home* in his mid-teens after his father orders him to stay away from the inner-city drug trade, Corey Dixon finds himself in prison, where he meets well-meaning teacher Mr. Fisher, whose advice Corey has trouble understanding.

### Dirty Game by Shannon Holmes

When one-time hustler-turned-cabbie Kenny "Ken-Ken" Greene is shot and paralyzed during a robbery on the job, his sheltered daughter Destiny, determined to care for her ailing father, joins forces with Rome, one of the city's fiercest street hustlers, becoming his lover to learn the street skills she needs.

### The Coldest Winter Ever by Sister Souljah

*Winter* Santiago, the daughter of one of Brooklyn's most powerful drug czars, uses her own weapons--including sex and an aggressive attitude--to stay on top, after her father's empire is threatened by a drug war.

### Riding Dirty on I-95 by Nikki Turner

Her life forever transformed by the murder of her father over a gambling debt, Mercy takes a job as a concierge at a less-than-reputable hotel, until she gets the chance to make a lot of money working as a drug runner plying her trade up and down route *I-95* and falls in love with C-Note, a hustler whose life could be tied to her own past.

### Flipside of the Game by Tu-Shonda L. Whitaker

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### Driven by Kashamba Williams

Nasir, a young man tormented by his past and caught between street life and fatherhood, must choose between doing the right thing or falling under the influence of his vengeful mother and insecure girlfriend.