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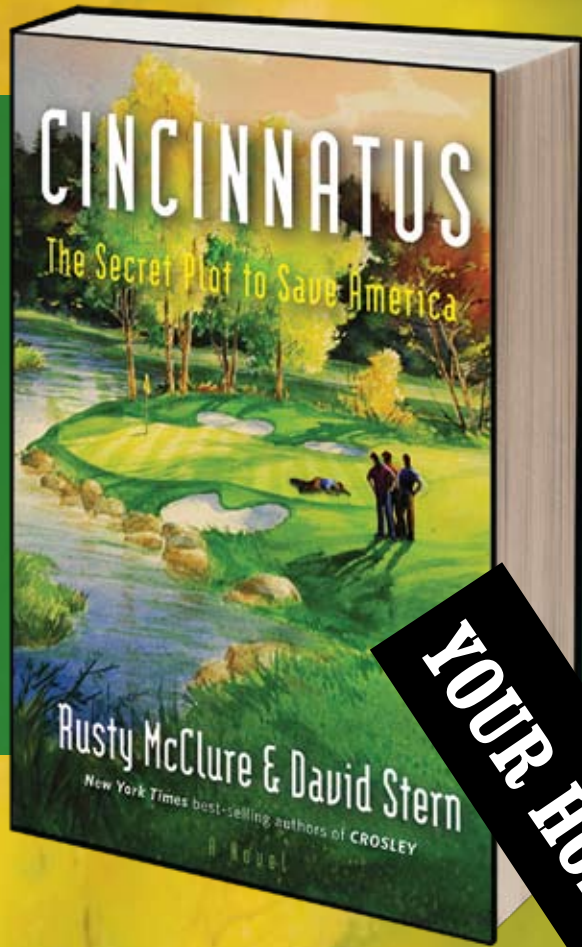
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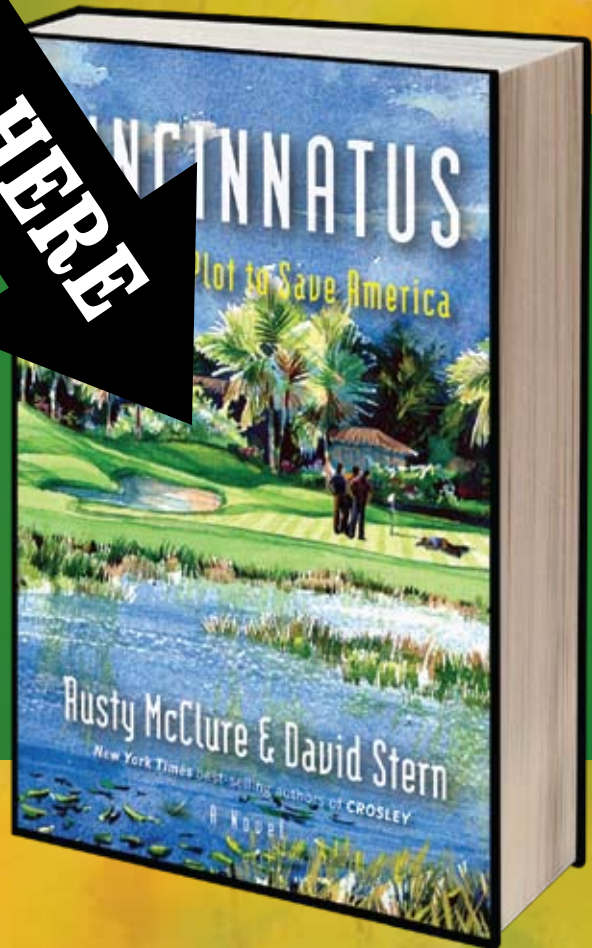
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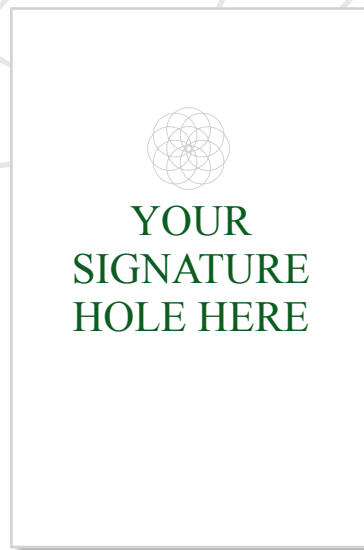
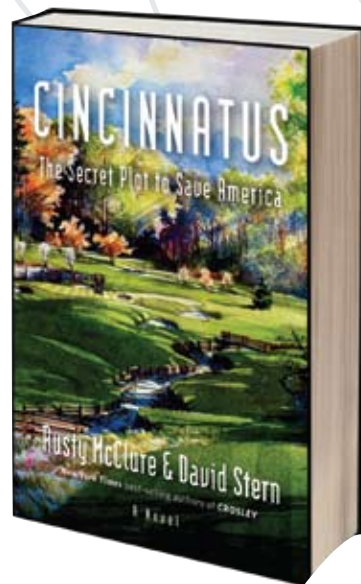
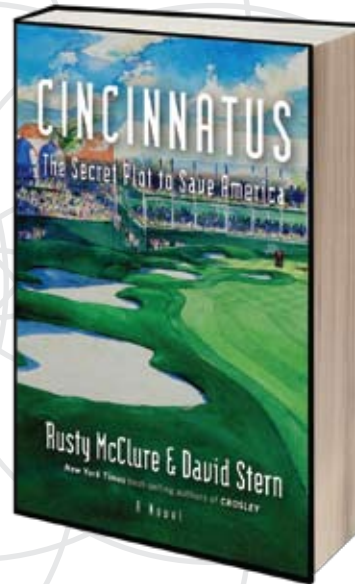
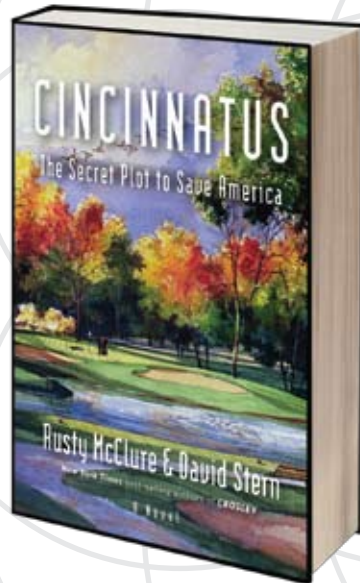
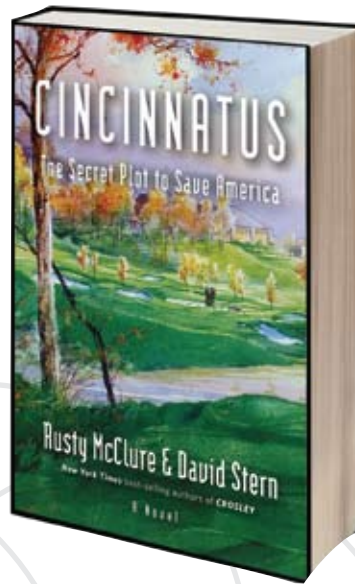
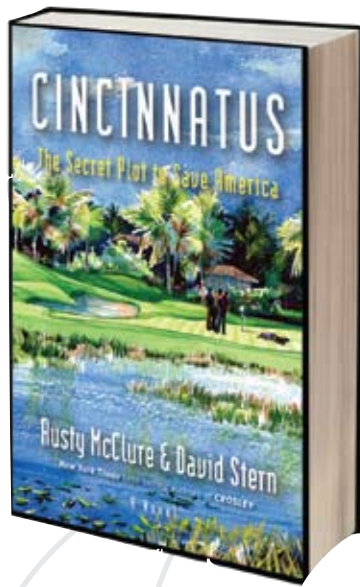
Espy Harper, a Department of Justice attorney, wants to solve a mystery involving fixed golf tournaments. Instead, she uncovers a Draconian plot with world-changing consequences.

Their quest leads them deep into America's past, to a brotherhood of direct descendants of the Continental Army.

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In *Cincinnati*, authors **Rusty McClure** and **David Stern** have woven a dramatic tale full of intrigue, golf tournament fixing, murder, and lost love that will leave reader's breathless—and craving for more.





EXCERPT I

The older man held out his hand. "Can I borrow your club for a moment?"

"My driver?"

"Yes. Your driver. May I?"

Matt held out the driver.

The older man took it.

Which was when Matt noticed that he was wearing gloves—a golf glove on each hand. Nobody wears two golf gloves.

"Thank you." The man gripped the club handle, squeezing it. Took a step back from Matt, positioned himself, and took a practice swing. "You see," he said, "I haven't had time to get on a course these last few weeks, and my swing has suffered. Wouldn't you agree?"

Matt shrugged. It wasn't so much the guy's swing as his stance. His hips were too far apart, his arms not extended enough, his wrists...

The older man smiled. Though dusk had settled onto the course, Matt could see a hard glint in the man's eyes that contradicted the smile.

The older man turned around and stared at Kazmir.

"Fore," he said, and swung.

Not like Jack Nicklaus.

Like Barry Bonds.

He swung right at Kazmir. Hit him square in the side of the head.

Kazmir dropped to the ground without a sound.

Matt stood frozen in shock.

Then the ground reached up and smacked him in the face. He lay on the green, gasping for air.

He looked up and saw the older guy handing him the driver.

The clubface glistened with something wet. Something red.

"You can have this back."

The club fell on the ground next to him.

"What..." Matt's voice caught in his throat; he couldn't manage more than a whisper. "What are you doing?"

"I thought it was fairly obvious." The older man crouched down next to him.

"I'm framing you for murder."

EXCERPT II

“What I can tell you,” Harper said, “is that a number of us are involved in a very important investigation. Something we’ve been working on a long time.”

“Something to do with Bob Kazmir. Obviously.”

“That’s right.”

And what’s your role in this investigation, Matt was about to ask, when he saw a little plastic ID card clipped to the front of her jacket.

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“DOJ. Department of Justice.”

Harper shot him a glance.

“Are you a lawyer or something?” Matt asked.

She didn’t respond, but Matt could read the answer in her eyes. She was a lawyer, all right. A government lawyer. That fit.

“We arranged for your escape,” she continued, “because we thought you might be able to help us with our investigation.”

“I’ll help if I can,” Matt said. “Only—and don’t take this the wrong way—how can I help without knowing what this is about?”

“You can give us the benefit of your expertise.”

“My expertise?”

“Let me start with a hypothetical question—one we’ve been kicking around for some time now.”

Matt turned in his seat to face her. She shot him a sidelong glance, and then turned her attention back to the road.

“How—hypothetically speaking—would somebody go about fixing a golf tournament?”

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