

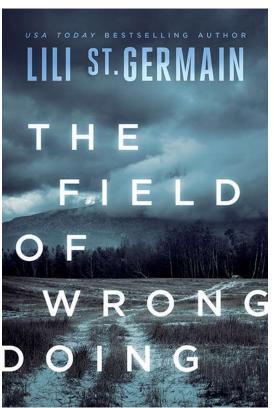
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No More Romance in 2021

Level 4 Press presents: USA Today bestselling author Lili St. Germain's new heartpounding thriller.



JAMUL, CA (MAY 2021) — Top Romance authors are jumping ship and turning to other genres. USA Today bestselling author Lili St. Germain is one of them, delivering a nail-biting thriller called *The Field* of Wrongdoing, which examines dark secrets and trauma in a small town of Nevada. St. Germain hasn't always been in the business of thrillers. Like other hugely successfully romance authors, St. Germain has applied elements of her female-driven dark romance stories and unique brand of grit into this psychological thriller. The novel is sure to shock and energize readers, as it echoes the intensity of novels such as Gone Girl and The Girl on the Train.

St. Germain is not the only romance author to turn to thrillers. Author Paula Hawkins (The Girl on the *Train*) wrote four romance novels under a pseudonym before she discovered she felt "much more at home with murder" than love. #1 New York Times bestselling author Lisa Jewell (*Invisible Girl* and *The* Family Upstairs) spent a decade writing romance before turning to dark psychological thrillers.

This same craving enticed St. Germain. She says, "I wrote *The Field of Wrongdoing* because I couldn't not write it. The story was dark, and it was violent, and it demanded to be told. As I got deeper into the story, I was driven to explore good versus bad, right versus wrong, and the million shades of grey that exist between. Cassie and Leo were like real people to me, living the hand fate had dealt them and just trying to survive. Ultimately, it is a story about survival.



Physically, spiritually, psychologically—how do these characters survive the life they've been given?"

In *The Field of Wrongdoing*, when Cassie's friend disappears, Cassie knows all too well the tragic end Jennifer has probably met. After all, Cassie is the one who found the last murdered girl—in the field on her boyfriend Leo's property—nine years ago.

She never believed the love of her life was capable of such a brutal crime. Not even after Leo went to prison for an unrelated crime. But now he's back, released on parole, and another girl has gone missing . . .

Lili St. Germain's dark psychological thriller, *The Field of Wrongdoing*, is a gripping read that will stay with you long after you've finished the book. What begins as an accidental tragedy slowly unravels into a trail of secrets in the small town of Gun Creek, Nevada. The smallest towns hold the darkest secrets.

If you liked Gone Girl, you'll love this book.

"This plot is virtually ironclad, with twists and the gutting emotional impact of a Greek tragedy." – ScreenCraft

Lili St. Germain is a *USA Today* bestselling author who writes books featuring vengeful antiheroes and compelling villains. Her books have sold over a million copies worldwide. Aside from writing, her other loves in life include drinking good coffee, traveling, binge-watching Tarantino movies, and reading spy thriller novels. She loves to read almost as much as she loves to write.

Originally founded in 2006 with a focus on poetry, Level 4 Press has won nine literary gold medals and 24 finalist awards, including Forward Magazine Audiobook of the Year; Poetry Foundation Best Verse Drama; Bill Fisher Award for Best New Fiction; USA Book News Best Audiobook; Indie Excellence Awards for Best Poetry and Best Current Events Book; and Forward Magazine Book of the Year finalist.

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