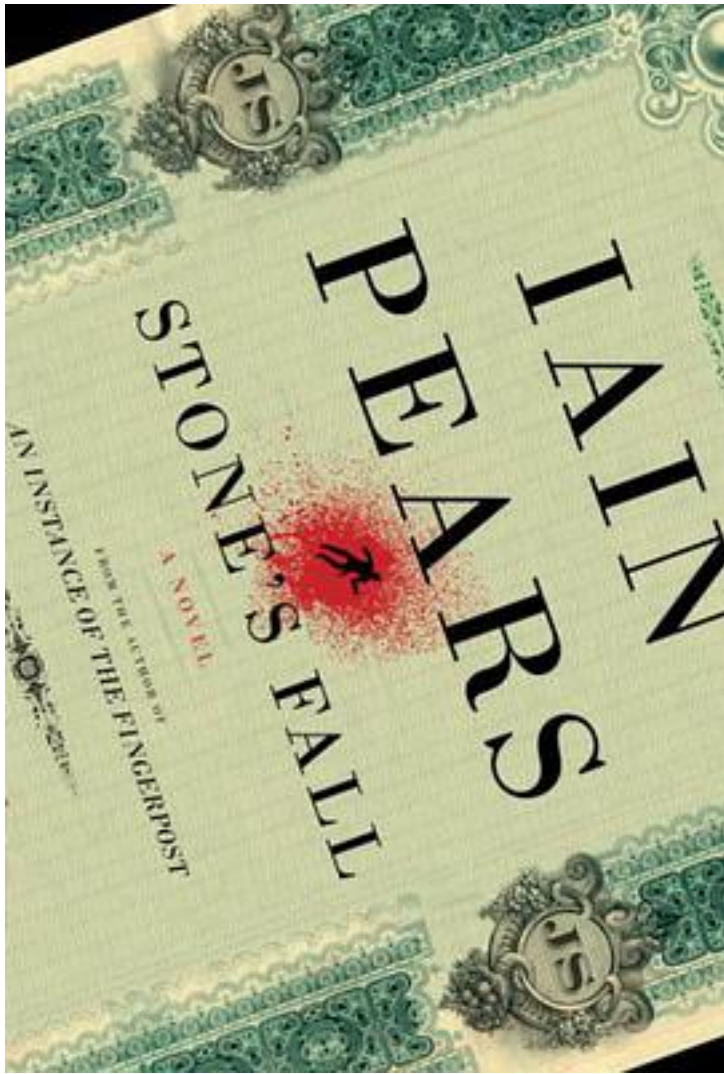


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A return to the form that launched Iain Pears onto bestseller lists around the world: a vast historical mystery, marvelous in its ambition and ingenious in its complexity.

In his most dazzling novel since the groundbreaking New York Times bestseller *An Instance of the Fingerpost*, Iain Pears tells the story of John Stone, financier and arms dealer, a man so wealthy that in the years before World War One he was able to manipulate markets, industries, and indeed entire countries and continents.

A panoramic novel with a riveting mystery at its heart, *Stone's Fall* is a quest to discover how and why John Stone dies, falling out of a window at his London home.

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Like *Fingerpost*, *Stone's Fall* is an intricately plotted and richly satisfying puzzle—an erudite work of history and fiction that feels utterly true and oddly timely—and marks the triumphant return of one of the world's great storytellers.--From the Hardcover edition.

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