

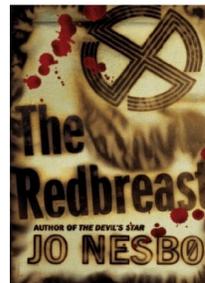
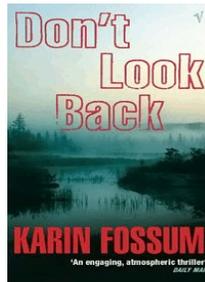


If you Liked Henning Mankell's Inspector Wallander series...

Swedish author Henning Mankell has become a publishing phenomena around the world. His series featuring world weary Inspector Kurt Wallander has been translated into many languages and has made him a household name. With shocking crimes, a flawed but sympathetic main character, and a focus on the underside of modern Sweden, Mankell's police procedural's have suspense and thrills, rounded out with atmosphere and character.

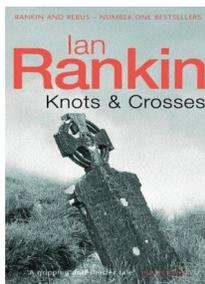
Don't Look Back, by Karin Fossum

The murder of a young girl in a small Norwegian town in the first of the Inspector Sejer series. An unsettling mystery with a compelling protagonist.



The Redbreast, by Jo Nesbø.

A Norwegian cop investigates neo-Nazis in a thriller that moves between the close of World War II and modern day. Voted the best Norwegian thriller ever.

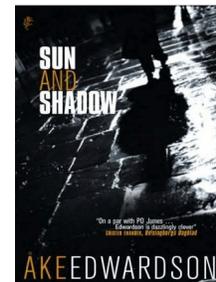


Knots and Crosses, by Ian Rankin.

Comparisons between Wallander and Rankin's John Rebus abound; each a dedicated cop with a complicated personal life never far in the background.

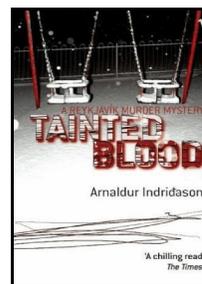
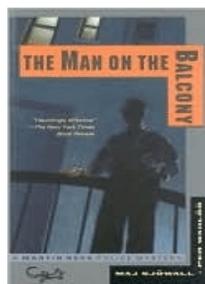
Sun and Shadow, by Åke Edwardson

Erik Winter is, at 40, the youngest Chief Inspector in Sweden. In this first in a series, Winter investigates a bloody murder that seems to have cultist underpinnings.



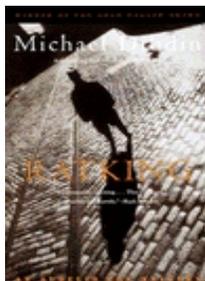
The Man on the Balcony, by Maj Sjöwall and Per Wahlöö.

Before there was Wallander there was Martin Beck, a Stockholm detective in a series of novels from the 1970s.



Tainted Blood, by Arnaldur Indridason.

A rare, seemingly random murder in Reykjavik, leads Inspector Erlendur to uncover the victim's unseemly past.



Ratking, by Michael Dibdin

Different geography, similar spirit. A kidnaping involving an important family turns to murder in this first mystery with Italian investigator Aurelio Zen.

Additional Suggestions:

Also consider these authors: Kjell Eriksson, Kerstin Ekman, Mari Jungstedt, Asa Lursson, Hakan Nesser or Helene Tursten.

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