

New AI Thriller [Highly Compatible](#) Takes On Silicon Valley, Surveillance and the Future of Choice

Highly Compatible blends Silicon Valley satire, psychological suspense and dangerous romance in a world where even attraction can be optimized.

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There are plenty of stories about AI replacing human connection. What if technology doesn't replace the person you fall for? Instead, it gets very good at understanding which person you'll choose?”

Olivia Alder

technology that knows what coffee you want, where you're going and what you'll buy next could also predict who you'll fall for? [Highly Compatible](#), the debut novel from [Olivia Alder](#), is a psychological thriller about Silicon Valley, surveillance and a man who is either exceptionally attentive—or has very good data.

Set inside [Panopteia](#), one of the world's most powerful fictional technology companies, [Highly Compatible](#) follows Nina Jacobs, a rising product marketer whose job is turning invasive technology into features people can't imagine living without.

Nina is good at making surveillance sound like safety, prediction sound like convenience and enormous quantities of personal data sound like excellent customer service. Then she meets Vincent Stone: brilliant, powerful, gorgeous and attentive to a degree that would be romantic if it weren't also slightly impossible. He knows what Nina wants before she says it. Anticipates what she needs before she asks. Being around him feels effortless. Addictive, even.

Until Nina learns Panopteia is no longer interested only in predicting disasters. It wants to predict people: who they will trust, what they will do and what they will choose next. Suddenly, being understood starts to feel a lot like being watched. And one question becomes impossible to ignore: How much did Vincent know about her before any of this began?

THERE'S AN ALGORITHM FOR THAT

[Highly Compatible](#) arrives as artificial intelligence is becoming increasingly personal—capable of drawing conclusions from enormous amounts of behavioral data while companies race to make

technology more predictive, personalized and embedded in everyday life.

The novel pushes that trajectory one step further: If technology becomes good enough at anticipating human behavior, what happens when prediction becomes influence?

“Silicon Valley is very good at taking something mildly alarming and giving it a friendly name, a beautiful interface and a button that says ‘allow,’” said Alder. “The interesting part is what happens when the technology makes your life so much better, that refusing the trade-off seems irrational.”

That tension runs through both the corporate world and the central relationship in *Highly Compatible*.

HIGHLY COMPATIBLE BOOK COVER



SEX, SURVEILLANCE AND THE PURSUIT OF FRICTIONLESSNESS

In Panopteia's world, surveillance is safety, prediction is convenience and control has excellent UX. *Highly Compatible* takes Silicon Valley's fixation with frictionless living to its logical extreme, then drops a very attractive man into the middle of it.

A psychological thriller, seductive love story and corporate satire about an industry determined to optimize everything—including attraction. At its center is a deeply personal question: If a system knows you well enough to anticipate what you want, can you still be certain the choice is yours?

ABOUT THE BOOK

Sexy, unsettling, and impossible to put down, *Highly Compatible* is a fast-paced romance built around an increasingly uncomfortable question: When someone knows exactly what you want, is that chemistry—or data optimization?

BestThrillers.com calls *Highly Compatible* “a seductive, timely and captivating psychological thriller for anyone wondering how much autonomy we will trade for comfort.”

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Olivia Alder writes corporate fiction about power, ambition, desire, and the things people will agree to when the user experience is good enough.

Olivia Alder is a pen name. The author has spent more than a decade working inside some of the world's largest technology companies, where ambitious ideas are transformed into product launches, corporate narratives and, eventually, things everyone is expected to consider completely normal.

Her debut novel, *Highly Compatible*, turns that insider familiarity into fiction: a world where the most unsettling technology isn't necessarily the technology that fails, but the technology that works exactly as intended.

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