Solomon's Secrets

(The Second Sheridan and Blake Adventure)

Dunhaung, China 1908 – An archaeologist discovers an ancient temple, but the legendary library rumoured to be at its heart is what he really wants to find

The present - Archaeologist, Dr Sasha Blake has been studying a replica of an ancient manuscript. Offered sponsorship by a wealthy silk trader, Jon Solomon, she is desperate to locate the original and four powerful rings that accompany it.

But her investor is hiding terrible secrets. As Sasha begins to realise the truth about Solomon she becomes the bait in a web of conspiracy set up by The Agency, and Agent Tom Sheridan is her only ally.

Can Sheridan and Blake find the manuscript in time to stop Solomon, or are they about to fall into his trap?



SECRET LOCATION SOMEWHERE IN PARIS – PRESENT DAY

Tom Sheridan gazed down the corridor, an unlit cigarette dangling between his fingers.

He watched while his men dragged the hooded and bound detainee towards the holding cell. She fought them as they bundled her towards him.

He didn't know why he'd taken up smoking again, all he knew was that he enjoyed the head rush and warmth in his throat. It made him feel alive, when most of the time all he felt was numb.

His hands started to shake, he needed the reassurance and the kick right now, but would have to wait until after the interrogation.

He slid the cigarette into his shirt pocket and folded his arms, steadying himself, building up courage.

He'd done this a thousand times. Usually the people he questioned were real scumbags, they deserved what was coming to them. But not this time. This one would be the worst of his career. This one meant something.