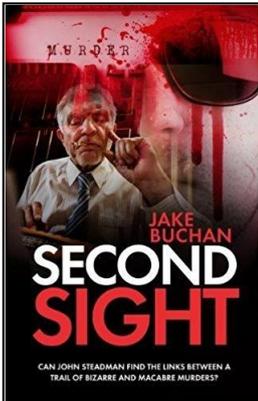


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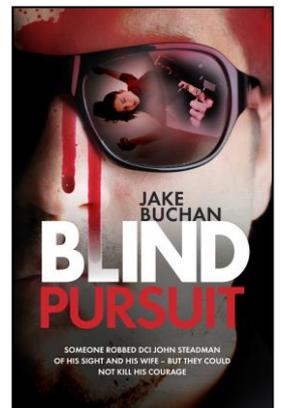
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Jake Buchan was born and educated in **Aberdeen, Scotland**. In 1981 he moved to **Mid Wales**, where he worked as a GP and then as a hospital doctor (specialising in dermatology). Married, with three grown-up children, he lives in **Rhayader, Powys** with his wife. Sadly, Robbie, the retired guide dog died recently. (Buchan has dedicated his new novel to Robbie.) *Second Sight* is his second novel. His first novel, *Blind Pursuit* was published in 2014. Both novels feature John Steadman 'The Blind Detective' and are set in the fictitious town of Helmsmouth on the South Coast of England. As well as numerous medical papers and textbooks, Buchan is also the author of a published medical short story, *Lydia's Parrot* (1999).

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