



The publishing house of Adam and Charles Black was founded in 1807 when Adam Black opened his own bookshop shortly after his twenty-third birthday. Originally the company was based in Edinburgh where many booksellers were also publishers and all publishers were booksellers.

A&C Black is perhaps most famous for its publication of Who's Who since 1897, although the backlist and continuing publication schedule proves the extensive and varied nature of the list. Encompassing books on sport, fitness and training; books on Visual Arts, glass, ceramics and printmaking; titles on all aspects of sailing and boating (Adlard Coles Nautical); books for birdwatchers and wildlife enthusiasts (Christopher Helm) and of course a substantial reference list, A&C Black also publishes a wide range of children's fiction and non-fiction books aimed to aid teachers and parents in the education of their children. A&C Black also incorporates Peter Collin Publishing, including subject dictionaries and language titles that are used by students, translators and professionals around the world.

Operating once more from Soho Square and now owned by Bloomsbury, A&C Black is as successful and forward-thinking as ever. Here is the publication list:

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2. Children and Education
3. Drama
4. Music
5. Natural History
6. Nautical
7. Reference
8. Sports and Fitness
9. Visual Arts
10. Writing



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