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GANGLAND MELBOURNE

by James Morton and Susanna Lobez

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James Morton, a former defence lawyer, is one of Britain's leading experts on crime, and the author of more than twenty books including his bestselling *Gangland* series.

Susanna Lobez is an actor-turned-barrister-turned-broadcaster. She has been an ABC specialist legal broadcaster on *The Law Report* (radio) and *Law Matters* (TV). She has written feature articles for the *Age* and columns for the *Sunday Herald Sun*.

They are the co-authors of the bestselling *Gangland Australia*, *Dangerous to Know* and *Kings of Stings*. James Morton is also the co-author of *Shotgun and Standover*, an account of the Painters and Dockers' Union.

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