Praise for *An Island Apart*

“Too often discussions of the Brexit referendum dismiss it as an odd political aberration. Fortunately, Spangler provides readers with a witty journey through the years leading up to the surprise Leave victory and the mounting disillusionment with Brussels and the EU. *An Island Apart* is essential reading for anyone who wants to understand the causes and consequences of Brexit.”

—Mark Field, Member of Parliament for the Cities of London and Westminster and Minister of State, Foreign & Commonwealth Office

“This is an important new perspective on Britain, Brexit, and the European Union from one of the most insightful and sage commentators of his generation. With wit and rigor, Timothy Spangler’s captivating and stirring book reveals how the lofty ideals of the EU at its formation have descended with a thump into a self-satisfied, complacent bureaucracy intent on self-preservation. It is a highly engaging book whose stinging message rings true.”

—Tom Berger, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of the US Treasury

“Spangler writes with style and seriousness. Unlike so many other books on the same subject, this one is unburdened by agenda. Instead, we get an analytical but humorous take on the idiosyncrasies of European politics and society and Britain’s relationship with both. This is a very fine work.”

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—Stirling Larkin, global investor columnist, Australian Financial Review (AFR)