

2022 Fiction:

Books, Lists and Articles

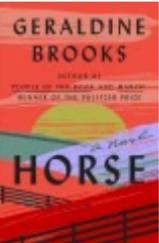
1.  **Em** (Sep 2021)**By:** Thuy, Kim

Through the linked destinies of a number of characters, the novel takes its inspiration from historical events, including Operation Babylift, which evacuated thousands of biracial orphans from Saigon in April 1975, and the impressive growth of the nail salon industry, dominated by Vietnamese expatriates all over the world. The author focuses on a wide range of topics from the rubber plantations of Indochina to the massacre at My Lai.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

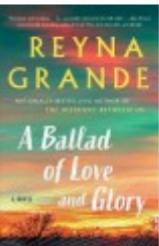
2.  **Horse** (Jun 2022), Forthcoming**By:** Brooks, Geraldine

A scientist from Australia and a Nigerian-American art historian become connected by their shared interest in a 19th century race horse, one studying its remains, the other uncovering the history of the Black horsemen who were critical to its success.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

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3.  **A ballad of love and glory** (Mar 2022)**By:** Grande, Reyna

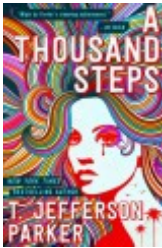
Widowed by the Texas Rangers in the fight over the disputed Rio Grande boundary, a Mexican woman, skilled at healing, joins the Mexican army and falls in love with a Yankee deserter.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

4.



A thousand steps (Jan 2022)

By: Parker, T. Jefferson

Laguna Beach, California, 1968. The Age of Aquarius is in full swing. Timothy Leary is a rock star. LSD is God. Folks from all over are flocking to Laguna, seeking peace, love, and enlightenment. Matt Antony is just trying get by. Matt is sixteen, broke, and never sure where his next meal is coming from. Mom's a stoner, his deadbeat dad is a no-show, his brother's fighting in Nam... and his big sister Jazz has just gone missing. The cops figure she's just another runaway hippie chick, enjoying a summer of love, but Matt doesn't believe it. Not after another missing girl turns up dead on the beach. All Matt really wants to do is get his driver's license and ask out the girl he's been crushing on since fourth grade, yet it's up to him to find his sister. But in a town where the cops don't trust the hippies and the hippies don't trust the cops, uncovering what's really happened to Jazz is going to force him to grow up fast. If it's not already too late.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

5.



Anthem (Jan 2022)

By: Hawley, Noah

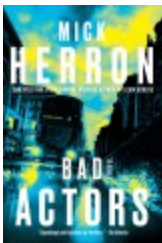
Noah Hawley's new novel is a freewheeling adventure that finds unquenchable lights in dark corners. Unforgettably vivid characters and a plot as fast and bright as pop cinema blend in a Vonnegutian story that is as timeless as a Grimm's fairy tale. It is a leap into the idiosyncratic pulse of the American heart, written with the bravado, literary power, and feverish foresight that have made Hawley one of our most essential writers.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

6.



Bad actors (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Herron, Mick

In London's MI5 headquarters a scandal is brewing that could disgrace the entire intelligence community. The Downing Street superforecaster has disappeared without a trace. Claude Whelan, who was once head of MI5, has been tasked with tracking her down. But the trail leads him straight back to Regent's Park itself, with First Desk Diana Taverner as chief suspect. Has Taverner overplayed her hand at last? Meanwhile, her Russian counterpart, Moscow intelligence's First Desk, has cheekily showed up in London and shaken off his escort. Are the two unfortunate events connected?

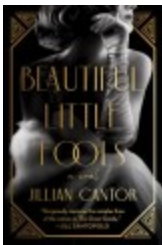
Series: Slough House, 8

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

7.



Beautiful little fools (Jan 2022)

By: Cantor, Jillian

After the events of *The Great Gatsby*, West Egg police officers discover a diamond hair pin near the millionaire's pool putting three women under suspicion for the murder of Jay Gatsby and mechanic George Wilson.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

8.



Black cake (Feb 2022)

By: Wilkerson, Charmaine

Eleanor Bennett's death leaves behind a puzzling inheritance for her two children, Byron and Benny: a traditional Caribbean black cake, made from a family recipe with a long history, and a voice recording. In her message, Eleanor shares a tumultuous story about a headstrong young swimmer who escapes her island home under suspicion of murder. Can Byron and Benny reclaim their once-close relationship, piece together Eleanor's true history, and fulfill her final request to 'share the black cake when the time is right'?

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Adult** **Fiction**

9.



Black girls must be magic (Feb 2022)

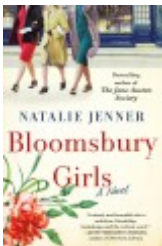
By: Allen, Jayne, 1978-

Tabitha Walker copes with more of life's challenges and a happy surprise - a baby - with a little help and lots of love from friends old and new.

Series: Black girls must die exhausted, 2

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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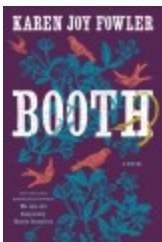
Bloomsbury girls (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Jenner, Natalie

Presents a story of post-war London, a century-old bookstore and three women determined to find their way in a fast-changing world.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

11.



Booth (Mar 2022)

By: Fowler, Karen Joy

From the Man Booker finalist and bestselling author of *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves* comes an epic novel about the family behind one of the most infamous figures in American history: John Wilkes Booth.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

12.



Carolina built (Feb 2022)

By: Alexander, Kianna

Describes the life of real estate magnate Josephine N. Leary, a freed plantation slave who taught herself how to be a business woman, manage her finances, make smart investments and to ultimately become a successful entrepreneur.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

13.



Circus of wonders (Feb 2022)

By: Macneal, Elizabeth, 1988-

Sold as a human wonder to the ringmaster of a traveling Victorian circus in 1860s London, a young woman becomes a international superstar, in the new novel from the author of The Doll Factory.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

14.



Devil house (Jan 2022)

By: Darnielle, John

"An epic, gripping novel about murder, truth, artistic obsession, and the dangers of storytelling"--.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

15.



Elektra (May 2022)

By: Saint, Jennifer

A reimaging of the story of Elektra, one of Greek mythology's most infamous heroines, from the author of the beloved international best-seller, Ariadne.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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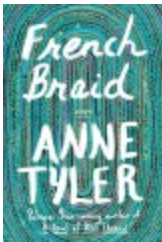
Four treasures of the sky (Apr 2022)

By: Zhang, Jenny

A Chinese girl struggles to find her place in the 1880s American West after being kidnapped and smuggled, working at a calligraphy school and a San Francisco brothel as anti-Chinese sentiment sweeps across the country.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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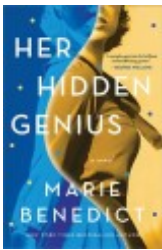
French braid (Mar 2022)

By: Tyler, Anne

Follows the Garrett family from 1959 onward as they discover that their actions advance across decades and ripple through generations in the new novel by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of Breathing Lessons.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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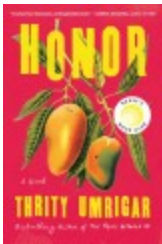
Her hidden genius (Jan 2022)

By: Benedict, Marie

Tells the story of Rosalind Franklin, who, despite an environment of harassment and bullying in the late 1940s and 1950s, worked in a stringent, scientific manner and became one of the first scientists to map the structure of DNA.

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Adult** **Fiction**

19.



Honor (Jan 2022)

By: Umrigar, Thrity N.

Indian American journalist Smita has returned to India to cover a story, but reluctantly: long ago she and her family left the country with no intention of ever coming back. As she follows the case of Meena - a Hindu woman attacked by members of her own village and her own family for marrying a Muslim man - Smita comes face to face with a society where tradition carries more weight than one's own heart, and a story that threatens to unearth the painful secrets of Smita's own past.

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Adult** **Fiction**

20.



All the white spaces (Mar 2022)

By: Wilkes, Ally

In the wake of the First World War, Jonathan Morgan stows away on an Antarctic expedition, determined to find his rightful place in the world of men. Aboard the expeditionary ship, Jonathan may live as his true self - and true gender - and have the adventures he has always been denied. When disaster strikes in Antarctica's frozen Weddell Sea, the men must take to the land and overwinter somewhere which immediately seems both eerie and wrong; a place no marked on any of their part-drawn maps of the vast white continent. In the freezing darkness of the Polar night, where the aurora creeps across the sky, something terrible has been waiting to lure them out into its deadly landscape... As the harsh Antarctic winter descends, this supernatural force will prey on their deepest desires and deepest fears to pick them off one by one. It is up to Jonathan to overcome his own ghosts before he and the expedition are utterly destroyed.

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Adult** **Fiction**

21.



Stoker's Wilde (May 2019)

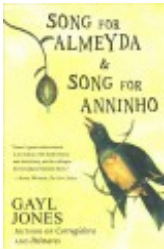
By: Hopstaken, Steven

Years before either becomes a literary legend, Bram Stoker and Oscar Wilde must overcome their disdain for one another to battle the Black Bishop, a madman wielding supernatural forces to bend the British Empire to his will.

Series: Stoker's Wilde, 1

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Adult** **Fiction**

22.



Song for Almeyda and Song for Anninho (Apr 2022)

By: Jones, Gayl

Gayl Jones offers two books in one with this volume of poetry. Jones renders the saga of Palmares, a foundational tale in the annals of colonial terrorism and Black resistance, in verse, told in the voices of the characters from her epic novel. In the late 17th century, the fugitive slave enclave of Palmares was destroyed by Portuguese colonists. Amid the flight and re-enslavement of Palmares's inhabitants emerges the love story of Almeyda and Anninho. In Song for Anninho, Almeyda moves between a dark present, in which she is once again enslaved and abused by a terrible captor, and memories of her lover, Anninho, whom she believes to have been killed. Song for Almeyda, released now for the first time, is told in the voices of Anninho and his fellow warriors.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Nonfiction

23.



The wolf hunt (Apr 2022)

By: Hodkinson, Tim

Einar Unnsson is destined to be great. When he fights, a frenzy comes upon him. It makes him lethal in battle—and he just defeated the man his own father sent to kill him. Now, with Einar exiled from his kingdom, his father turns his vengeance on Einar's mother. Yet Einar is in no position to protect her. He's made an enemy of the powerful King Eirik and must fight for his own life before he can save her...

Series: Whale Road Chronicles

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

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Reading Shakespeare reading me (Apr 2022)

By: Barkan, Leonard

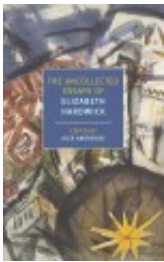
A gripping, funny, joyful account of how the books you read shape your own life in surprising and profound ways.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Nonfiction

25.



The uncollected essays of Elizabeth

Hardwick (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Hardwick, Elizabeth

The Uncollected Essays of Elizabeth Hardwick is a companion collection to The Collected Essays, a book that proved a revelation of what, for many, had been an open secret: that Elizabeth Hardwick was one of the great American literary critics, and an extraordinary stylist in her own right. The thirty-five pieces that Alex Andriess has gathered here—none previously featured in volumes of Hardwick’s work—make it clear that her powers extended far beyond literary criticism, encompassing a vast range of subjects, from New York City to Faye Dunaway, from Wagner’s Parsifal to Leonardo da Vinci’s inventions, and from the pleasures of summertime to grits soufflé. In these often surprising, always well-wrought essays, we see Hardwick’s passion for people and places, her politics, her thoughts on feminism, and her ability, especially from the 1970s on, to write well about seemingly anything.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Nonfiction**

26.



The red palace (Jan 2022)

By: Hur, June

In 1758 Joseon (Korea), 18-year-old palace nurse Hyeon works closely with a young police inspector to uncover the truth surrounding the murder of eight palace nurses when all the evidence points to the Crown Prince himself.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Teen** **Fiction**

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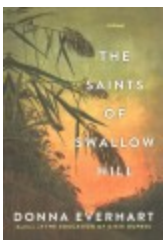
Daughters of a dead empire (Feb 2022)

By: O'Neil, Carolyn Tara

Set during the height of the Russian Revolution and told in alternating voices, sixteen-year-old Evgenia--a peasant and proud member of the Bolshevik party--agrees to help a seventeen-year-old bourgeois girl traverse the war-torn countryside in search of safety, but Anna is harboring a secret that could cost them their lives. Includes historical note and author's note.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Teen** **Fiction**

28.



The saints of Swallow Hill (Jan 2022)

By: Everhart, Donna

Where the Crawdads Sing meets The Four Winds as award-winning author Donna Everhart immerses readers in a unique setting—a turpentine camp buried deep in the vast pine forests of Georgia during the Great Depression—for a captivating story of friendship, survival, and three vagabonds' intersecting lives....

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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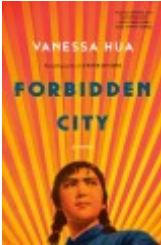
The most dazzling girl in Berlin (Mar 2022)

By: Wilson, Kip

A fascinating historical novel about Hilde, an orphan who experiences Berlin on the cusp of World War II and discovers her own voice and sexuality and finds a family when she gets a job at a cabaret.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Teen** **Fiction**

30.



Forbidden city (Apr 2022)

By: Hua, Vanessa

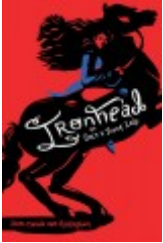
Seizing an opportunity to escape her impoverished village, a young Chinese teen is recruited to dance with Communist Party elites at a soiree at the Chairman's estate, where she becomes his protegee, lover and a heroine of the Cultural Revolution.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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**Ironhead: Or, Once a Young Lady** (Feb 2022)**By:** Rijckeghem, Jean-Claude van, 1963-

In 1808 Ghent, eighteen-year-old Constance runs away from an arranged marriage to a much older man and by stealing his clothes, sneaking out of the house disguised as a man, and joining Napoleon's army.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Teen** **Fiction**

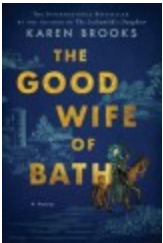
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**M: Son of the Century** (Apr 2022)**By:** Scurati, Antonio

A massive international best-seller--an epic historical novel that chronicles the birth and rise of fascism in Italy, witnessed through the eyes of its founder, the terrifyingly charismatic figure who would become one of the most notorious dictators of the 20th century, Benito Mussolini.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

33.

**The good wife of Bath** (Jan 2022)**By:** Brooks, Karen (Karen Ruth)

In the middle ages, a famous poet told a story that mocked a strong woman. It became a literary classic. But what if the woman in question had a chance to tell her own version?

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

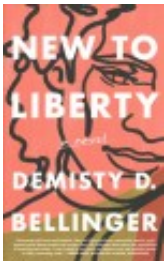
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**Jackie & me** (Jun 2022), Forthcoming**By:** Bayard, Louis

In 1951, debutante Jacqueline Bouvier, after catching the eye of young politician Jack Kennedy, is groomed to be the perfect political wife by Jack's best friend and fixer, Lem Billings, leading up to a complicated marriage. By the author of *Courting Mr. Lincoln* and *The Pale Blue Eye*.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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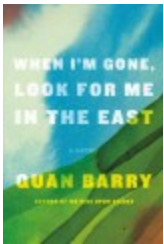
New to Liberty (Apr 2022)

By: Bellinger-Delfeld, DeMisty D.

Depicting the strength and resolve of three unforgettable women growing up in a society that refuses to evolve, this novel, told in three parts--in 1933, 1947, and 1966--offers a snapshot of mid-century America during which these women's actions have consequences for generations to come.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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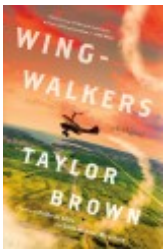
When I'm gone, look for me in the East (Feb 2022)

By: Barry, Quan

Tasked with finding the reincarnation of a great lama across windswept Mongolia, young monk Chulun and his estranged identical twin, Mun, who can hear each other's thoughts, traverse through this land, making a journey where faith, love and brotherhood haunts them.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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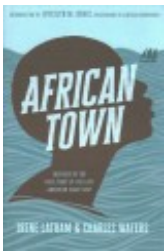
Wingwalkers (Apr 2022)

By: Brown, Taylor, 1982-

Part epic adventure, part love story, this novel intricately weaves together the adventures of a vagabond couple who survive the Great Depression by performing death-defying aerial stunts from town to town, with the life of the author (and thwarted fighter pilot) William Faulkner.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

38.



African Town (Jan 2022)

By: Latham, Irene

Chronicles the story of the last Africans brought illegally to the United States on the Clotilda in 1860.

In this powerful novel-in-verse that chronicles the story of the last Africans brought illegally to America in 1860, 14 distinct voices recreate a pivotal moment in U.S. and world history, the impacts of which we still feel today.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Ages 9-12** **Fiction**

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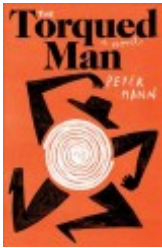
My fine fellow (Jan 2022)

By: Cohen, Jennieke

In 1830s England, where the Culinarians, who create gorgeous food and confections, are the creme de la creme of high society, three individuals combine forces to pull off a delectable caper that will bring them fame, fortune--and a little romance.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Teen** **Fiction**

40.



The torqued man (Jan 2022)

By: Mann, Peter

Berlin—September, 1945. Two manuscripts are found in rubble, each one narrating conflicting versions of the life of an Irish spy during the war. One of them is the journal of a German military intelligence officer and an anti-Nazi cowed into silence named Adrian de Groot, charting his relationship with his agent, friend, and sometimes lover, an Irishman named Frank Pike. Meanwhile, the other manuscript gives a very different account of the Irishman's doings in the Reich. Assuming the alter ego of the Celtic hero Finn McCool, Pike appears here as the ultimate Allied saboteur. His mission: an assassination campaign of high-ranking Nazi doctors, culminating in the killing of Hitler's personal physician.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

41.



Antoinette's sister (Jan 2022)

By: Giovinazzo, Diana

Engaged to King Ferdinand IV of Naples after his intended contracts smallpox and dies, Charlotte, the sister of Marie Antoinette, tries to navigate her new country, home and court in the time of political uprisings and royal executions.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

42.



Mustique Island (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: McCoy, Sarah, 1980-

A rich divorcee and her two wayward daughters visit 1970s Mustique, the world's most exclusive private island, where Princess Margaret and Mick Jagger were regulars and scandals stayed hidden from the press.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆

Adult

Fiction

43.



The islands (Feb 2022)

By: Brugman, Emily

There are few places wilder than Little Rat, a small island in an archipelago off the coast of Western Australia. Beautiful, harsh and lonely, the landscape is still haunted by the many ships that have wrecked on its reefs across the centuries.

Yet it is here that the Saari family try to build their future, thousands of miles from the cold lowlands of Finland. A crayfishing family, Onni and his wife Alva work hard.

Against this spectacular and brutal backdrop, small tragedies and immense joys are shared by the fishing families of Little Rat: Alva makes a perilous journey across rough seas with a tiny newborn baby, where, against all odds, she feels safe; their young daughter Hilda watches as a small boy tumbles from a jetty and very nearly drowns; an old story of shipwreck and mutiny intrigues two adolescent boys; a mysterious and tortured fisherman rows into the eye of a storm; and Hilda, on the brink of womanhood, comes to know the cruelty and the ecstasy of desire, while distances expand between her and her migrant parents. A stunning, insightful story of a search for home.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

44.



Chai time at Cinnamon Gardens (Jan 2022)

By: Chandran, Shankari

Cinnamon Gardens Nursing Home is nestled in the quiet suburb of Westgrove, Sydney - populated with residents with colourful histories, each with their own secrets, triumphs and failings. This is their safe place, an oasis of familiar delights - a beautiful garden, a busy kitchen and a bountiful recreation schedule. But this ordinary neighbourhood is not without its prejudices. The serenity of Cinnamon Gardens is threatened by malignant forces more interested in what makes this refuge different rather than embracing the calm companionship that makes this place home to so many. As those who challenge the residents' existence make their stand against the nursing home with devastating consequences, our characters are forced to reckon with a country divided.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

45.



Something good (Mar 2022)

By: Miller, Vanessa

When three women find their lives inextricably linked after one terrible mistake, they must work together to make the most of their futures and the challenges before them.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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The stardust thief (May 2022), Forthcoming

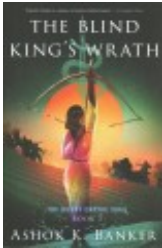
By: Abdullah, Chelsea

A hunter and seller of illegal magic, Loulie al-Nazari, after saving the life of a cowardly prince, is blackmailed into finding an ancient lamp, drawing her into a world where nothing is what it seems and where she must decide who she will become in this new reality.

Series: Sandsea trilogy, 1

Popularity: ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

47.



The blind king's wrath (May 2022)

By: Banker, Ashok

"The Demonlord Jarsun is poised to claim the Burning Throne and cement his rule over the Burnt Empire. Standing in his way is his daughter, now reincarnated into a new avatar named Krushni, who is determined to avenge her mother's death by his hand...Aligned with him is the vast army of the Empire...Krushni has allies too...the children of his nephew Shvate--the supernaturally-gifted quintet known as the Five. But Krushni and The Five are vastly outnumbered"--.

Series: Burnt empire saga, 3

Popularity: ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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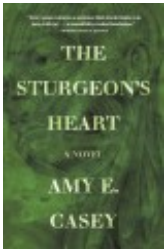
Dance among the flames (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Eldridge, Tori

Across forty years, three continents, and a past incident in 1560 France, Serafina Olegario tests the boundaries of love, power, and corruption as she fights to escape her life of poverty and abuse. Serafina's quest begins in Brazil when she's possessed by the warrior goddess Yansã, who emboldens her to fight yet threatens to consume her spirit. Fueled by power and enticed by Exú, an immortal trickster and intermediary to the gods, Serafina turns to the seductive magic of Quimbanda. It's dangerous to dance in the fire. But when you come from nothing, you have nothing to lose.

Popularity: ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

49.



The sturgeon's heart (Apr 2022)

By: Casey, Amy E.

Three people in the same northern city of Duluth, Minnesota, are vanishing in different ways. Howard Wright finds his skin turning transparent, revealing the bloody workings of musculature beneath. Sarah Turnsfield is living under an assumed identity, on the run from her past as a meteoric scientific prodigy. Jo Breckmier seeks a new start in Duluth after a bitter divorce. When instinct, the swiftly warming spring, and Howard's monstrous body conspire to bring the three together, each will discover how long they can hide.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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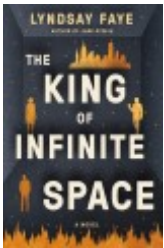
Comfort me with apples (Oct 2021)

By: Valente, Catherynne M., 1979-

A woman who believes she is living a perfect life begins to wonder why her husband is away at work so much and also what is in the locked basement she is not permitted to enter.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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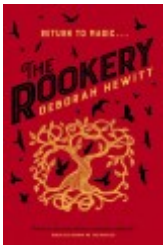
The king of infinite space (Aug 2021)

By: Faye, Lyndsay

After his Broadway theater baron father dies mysteriously, Ben Dane, his best friend Horatio and his artist ex-fiance Lia, on one explosive night, are drawn into otherworldly events where the only outcome is death.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

52.



The Rookery (Aug 2021)

By: Hewitt, Deborah

After discovering her magical ability to see people's souls, Alice Wyndham only wants three things: to return to the Rookery, join the House Mielikki and master her magic, and find out who she really is. But when the secrets of Alice's past threaten her plans, and the Rookery begins to crumble around her, she must decide how far she's willing to go to save the city and people she loves.

Series: Nightjar novels, 2

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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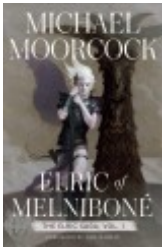
The quiet is loud (May 2021)

By: Garner, Samantha (Samantha Kaisa)

"An intergenerational novel about familial love and betrayal, interwoven with themes of Filipino-Canadian and mixed-race identity, fantastical elements from Norse and Filipino mythology, and tarot card symbolism."

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

54.



Elric of Melniboné (Feb 2022)

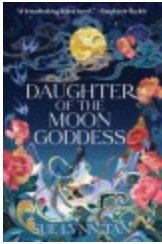
By: Moorcock, Michael

An illustrated edition of the famous and award-winning fantasy series follows the brooding, albino emperor of a dying kingdom who must face off with his cousin who has set his sights on taking the throne for himself.

Series: Elric Saga, 1

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

55.



Daughter of the Moon Goddess (Jan 2022)

By: Tan, Sue Lynn

A debut fantasy inspired by the legend of the Chinese moon goddess, Chang'e, in which a young woman's quest to free her mother pits her against the most powerful immortal in the realm and sets her on a dangerous path--where choices come with deadly consequences, and she risks losing more than her heart.

Series: Celestial kingdom, 1

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

56.



A deadly affair: unexpected love stories from the queen of mystery (Jan 2022)

By: Christie, Agatha, 1890-1976

Love can propel us to our greatest heights . . . and darkest depths. In this new collection of Agatha Christie short stories, witness the dark side of love—crimes of passion, games of the heart, and deadly affairs. This pulse-pounding compendium features beloved detectives Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple, master of charades Parker Pyne, the enigmatic Harley Quin, and the adventurous Tommy and Tuppence, all on the ready to solve a tantalizing mystery.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

57.



All the horses of Iceland (Mar 2022)

By: Tolmie, Sarah

Filled with the magic and darkened whispers of a people on the cusp of major cultural change, All the Horses of Iceland tells the tale of a Norse trader, his travels through Central Asia, and the ghostly magic that followed him home to the land of fire, stone, and ice. His search for riches will take him from Helmgard, through Khazaria, to the steppes of Mongolia, where he will barter for horses and return with much, much more.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

58.



More than you'll ever know (Jun 2022),
Forthcoming

By: Gutierrez, Katie

An evocative drama follows a woman caught leading a double life after one husband murders the other, and the true-crime writer who becomes obsessed with telling her story.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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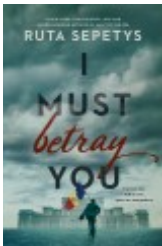
Pack up the moon (Jun 2021)

By: Higgins, Kristan

When his wife leaves him letters, one for every month in the year after her death, Joshua is led on a journey of pain, anger and denial that eventually makes room for laughter and new relationships.

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Adult** **Fiction**

60.



I must betray you (Feb 2022)

By: Sepetys, Ruta

In a country governed by isolation, fear, and a tyrannical dictator, seventeen-year-old Cristian Florescu is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer, but he decides to use his position to try to outwit his handler, undermine the regime, give voice to fellow Romanians, and expose to the world what is happening in his country.

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Teen** **Fiction**

2022 Fiction:

Books, Lists and Articles

61.



Take my hand (Apr 2022)

By: Perkins-Valdez, Dolan

In 1973 Montgomery, Alabama, Civil Townsend, a young Black nurse working for the Montgomery Family Planning Clinic, grapples with her role when she takes two young girls into her heart and the unthinkable happens, and nothing will ever be the same for any of them.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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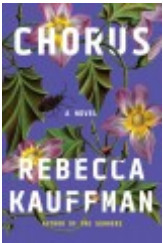
Black cloud rising (Feb 2022)

By: Falade, David Wright

Sergeant Richard Etheridge, the son of a slave and her master, must prove that his troops in the African Brigade are skilled and trustworthy as they raid the areas occupied by the Confederate Partisan Rangers in the fall of 1863.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

63.



Chorus (Mar 2022)

By: Kauffman, Rebecca

The seven Shaw siblings have long been haunted by two early and profoundly consequential events. Told in turns from the early twentieth century through the 1950s, each sibling relays their own version of the memories that surround both their mother's mysterious death and the circumstances of one sister's scandalous teenage pregnancy. As they move into adulthood, the siblings assume new roles: caretaker to their aging father, addict, enabler, academic, decorated veteran, widow, and mothers and fathers to the next generation.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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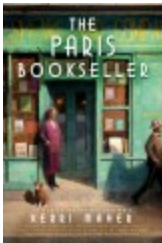
The matchmaker: a spy in Berlin (Feb 2022)

By: Vidich, Paul

Set in West Berlin, an American woman targeted by the Stasi must confront the truth behind her German husband's mysterious disappearance.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

65.



The Paris bookseller (Jan 2022)

By: Maher, Kerri

Opening her Shakespeare and Company bookstore on a quiet street in 1919 Paris, American Sylvia Beach finds her business becoming a second home for some of the most important writers of the Lost Generation until the Depression causes her to question her promise to honor the life-changing impact of books.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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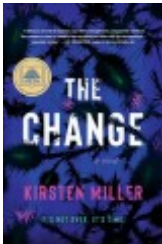
Average Jones (Jun 2022), Forthcoming

By: Adams, Samuel Hopkins, 1871-1958

Average Jones is a brilliant young man of independent means, thanks to the bequest of a wealthy yet jaded uncle. Five years after graduating college, he finds himself bored and restless for some meaningful hobby to occupy his mind. On the advice of a friend, he decides to set up a business as an "Ad-Visor," warning potential buyers of goods and services of potential scams. Each "ad-vising" case turns into a crime-detecting story showcasing the amateur sleuth's deductive reasoning, a la Sherlock Holmes.

Popularity: ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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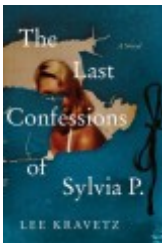
The change (May 2022)

By: Miller, Kirsten, 1973-

Three women whose midlife crisis brings unexpected new powers are put on a collision course with the evil that lurks in their wealthy beach town.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

68.



The last confessions of Sylvia P. (Mar 2022)

By: Kravetz, Lee Daniel

Blending past and present, and told through three unique interwoven narratives that build on one another, a novel reimagines a chapter in the life of Sylvia Plath, telling the story behind the creation of her classic semi-autobiographical novel, The Bell Jar.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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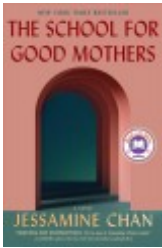
The lioness (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Bohjalian, Chris, 1960-

In 1964, Hollywood royalty Katie Barstow and her new husband, along with her glittering entourage, arrive for their luxury African safari, but are instead taken hostage by Russian mercenaries, in this blistering story of fame, race, love death set in a world on the cusp of great change.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

70.



The school for good mothers (Jan 2022)

By: Chan, Jessamine

After one moment of poor judgment involving her daughter Harriet, Frida Liu falls victim to a host of government officials who will determine if she is a candidate for a Big Brother-like institution that measures the success or failure of a mother's devotion.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

71.



The school of mirrors (Feb 2022)

By: Stachniak, Eva, 1952-

A scintillating, gorgeously written historical novel about a mother and a daughter in eighteenth-century France, beginning with decadence and palace intrigue at Versailles and ending in an explosive new era of revolution.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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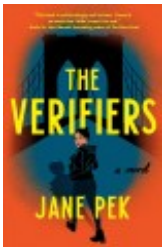
The summer place (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Weiner, Jennifer

At her stepdaughter's marriage to her pandemic boyfriend--the last gathering at the family's beach house in Cape Cod, Sarah is faced with lovers being revealed as their true selves, misunderstandings, and secrets, ensuring that nothing will ever be the same.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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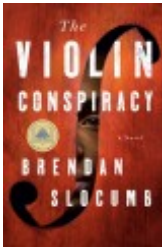
The verifiers (Feb 2022)

By: Pek, Jane

Stealth-recruited by Veracity, a referral-only online-dating detective agency, Claudia, when a client disappears, breaks protocol to investigate and uncovers a maelstrom of personal and corporate deceit.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

74.



The violin conspiracy (Feb 2022)

By: Slocumb, Brendan

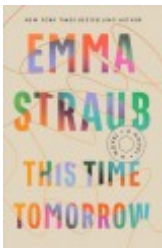
Ray McMillian loves playing the violin more than anything, and nothing will stop him from pursuing his dream of becoming a professional musician. Not his mother, who thinks he should get a real job, not the fact that he can't afford a high-caliber violin, not the racism inherent in the classical music world. And when he makes the startling discovery that his great-grandfather's fiddle is actually a priceless Stradivarius, his star begins to rise. Then with the international Tchaikovsky Competition-the Olympics of classical music-fast approaching, his prized family heirloom is stolen. Ray is determined to get it back. But now his family and the descendants of the man who once enslaved Ray's great-grandfather are each claiming that the violin belongs to them. With the odds stacked against him and the pressure mounting, will Ray ever see his beloved violin again?

Popularity: ★★★★★

Adult

Fiction

75.



This time tomorrow (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Straub, Emma

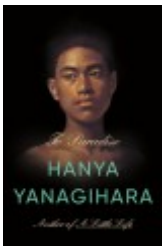
When Alice wakes up on her 40th birthday somehow back in 1996 as her 16-year-old self, she finds the biggest surprise is the 49-year-old version of her father with whom she is reunited, and, armed with a new perspective on life, wonders what she would change given the chance.

Popularity: ★★★★★

Adult

Fiction

76.



To Paradise (Jan 2022)

By: Yanagihara, Hanya

Spanning three centuries and three different versions of the American experiment, an unforgettable cast of characters are united by their reckonings with the qualities that make us human--fear, love, shame, need, and loneliness.

Popularity: ★★★★★

Adult

Fiction

77.



Violeta (Jan 2022)

By: Allende, Isabel

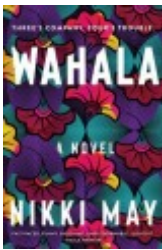
Living out her days in a remote part of her South American homeland, Violeta finds her life shaped by some of the most important events of history as she tells her story in the form of a letter to someone she loves above all others.

Popularity: ★★★★★

Adult

Fiction

78. **Wahala** (Jan 2022)

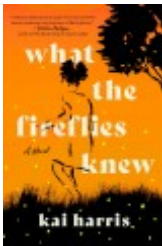


By: May, Nikki

An incisive and exhilarating debut novel following three Anglo-Nigerian best friends and the lethally glamorous fourth woman who infiltrates their group-the most unforgettable girls since Carrie, Miranda, Charlotte, and Samantha.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

79. **What the fireflies knew** (Feb 2022)



By: Harris, Kai

Told from the perspective of almost 11-year-old Kenyatta Bernice (KB), this coming-of-age novel follows KB as she is sent to live with her estranged grandfather where she, as everything and everyone changes around her, is forced to carve out a different identity for herself and find her own voice.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

80. **When we were birds** (Mar 2022)



By: Banwo, Ayanna Lloyd

In Trinidad, Yejide, who has the power to guide the city's souls into the afterlife, and Darwin, a grave digger going against his mother's wishes never to interact with the dead, meet at an ancient cemetery where fate beckons them both.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

81. **Bruno's challenge: and other stories of the French countryside** (Mar 2022)



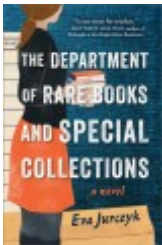
By: Walker, Martin, 1947 January 23-

In a collection of short stories, Bruno settles town disputes, mediates family quarrels, and tracks down lawbreakers in his beloved St. Denis including mollifying cafe owners who become incensed at new competition and the investigation of some stolen oysters.

Series: Bruno Courreges mysteries

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

82. **The department of rare books and special collections** (Jan 2022)



By: Jurczyk, Eva

Working in the rare books department of a large university, Liesl Weiss discovers that a priceless book has gone missing as well as the librarian, and, investigating both disappearances, learns a shocking truth that shakes the very foundation on which she has built her life.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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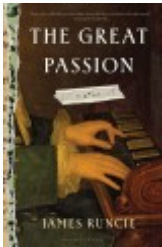
The good left undone (Apr 2022)

By: Trigiani, Adriana

This richly woven tapestry of three generations of women faced with impossible choices follows Matelda, the family's matriarch, as she, facing the end of her life, must decide what is worth fighting for and when to let go.

Popularity: ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

84.



The great passion (Mar 2022)

By: Runcie, James, 1959-

Told through the story of Bach's writing of the St. Matthew's Passion, this meditation on grief and music follows 13-year-old Stefan Silbermann who is taken under the tutelage of Bach and drawn into Bach's family life, escaping the cruelty of his classmates.

Popularity: ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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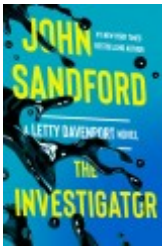
The hacienda (May 2022)

By: Canas, Isabel

In the aftermath of the Mexican War of Independence and the execution of her father, Beatriz accepts Don Rodolfo Solorzano's proposal of marriage and is whisked away to his remote country estate where she is faced with a malevolent presence linked to his first wife's death.

Popularity: ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

86.



The investigator (Apr 2022)

By: Sandford, John, 1944 February 23-

By age twenty-four, Letty Davenport has seen more action and uncovered more secrets than many law enforcement professionals. Now a recent Stanford grad with a master's in economics, she's restless and bored in a desk job for U.S. Senator Colles. Letty's ready to quit, but her skills have impressed Colles, and he offers her a carrot: feet-on-the-ground investigative work, in conjunction with the Department of Homeland Security. Several oil companies in Texas have reported thefts of crude, Colles tells her. He isn't so much concerned with the oil as he is with the money: who is selling the oil, and what are they doing with the profits? Rumor has it that a fairly ugly militia group—led by a woman known only as Lorelai—might be involved. Letty is partnered with a DHS investigator, John Kaiser, and they head to Texas. When the case quickly turns deadly, they know they're on the track of something bigger.

Series: Letty Davenport novels, 1

Popularity: ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

87.



Olga dies dreaming (Jan 2022)

By: Gonzalez, Xochitl, 1977-

In the wake of Hurricane Maria, Olga, the tony wedding planner for Manhattan's power brokers, must confront the effects of long-held family secrets when she falls in love with Matteo, while other family members must weather their own storms.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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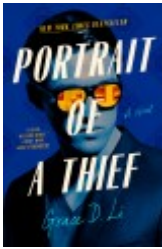
One Italian summer (Mar 2022)

By: Serle, Rebecca

When Katy's mother dies, she is left reeling. Carol wasn't just Katy's mom, but her best friend and first phone call. To make matters worse, their planned mother-daughter trip of a lifetime looms: two weeks in Positano, the magical town Carol spent the summer right before she met Katy's father. But as soon as she steps foot on the Amalfi Coast, Katy begins to feel her mother's spirit. And then Carol appears—in the flesh, healthy, sun-tanned, and thirty years old.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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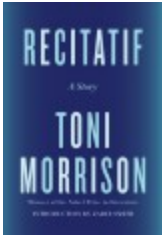
Portrait of a thief (Apr 2022)

By: Li, Grace D.

A Chinese American art history major at Harvard, Will Chen is offered a (very illegal) chance to reclaim five priceless treasures China lost centuries ago and assembles a team of fellow students, chosen for their skills and loyalty, to help him on his mission--and make history.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

90.



Recitatif (Feb 2022)

By: Morrison, Toni, 1931-2019

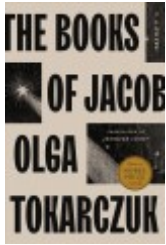
In this 1983 short story about race and the relationships that shape us through life, Twyla and Roberta, friends since childhood who are seemingly at opposite ends of every problem as they grow older, cannot deny the deep bond their shared experience has forged between them.

Popularity: ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

2022 Fiction:

Books, Lists and Articles

91.



The books of Jacob (Feb 2022)

By: Tokarczuk, Olga, 1962-

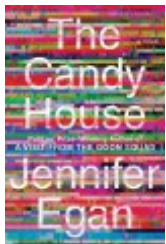
In the mid-eighteenth century, as new ideas - and a new unrest - begin to sweep the Continent, a young Jew of mysterious origins arrives in a village in Poland. Before long, he has changed not only his name but his persona; visited by what seem to be ecstatic experiences, Jacob Frank casts a charismatic spell that attracts an increasingly fervent following. In the decade to come, Frank will traverse the Hapsburg and Ottoman empires with throngs of disciples in his thrall as he reinvents himself again and again, converts to Islam and then Catholicism, is pilloried as a heretic and revered as the Messiah, and wreaks havoc on the conventional order, Jewish and Christian alike, with scandalous rumors of his sect's secret rituals and the spread of his increasingly iconoclastic beliefs. The Books of Jacob captures a world on the cusp of precipitous change, searching for certainty and longing for transcendence.

Popularity: ★★★★★

Adult

Fiction

92.



The candy house (Apr 2022)

By: Egan, Jennifer

Told through lives of multiple characters, this electrifying, deeply moving novel, spanning 10 years, follows "Own Your Unconscious," a new technology that allows access to every memory you've ever had, and to share every memory in exchange for access to the memories of others.

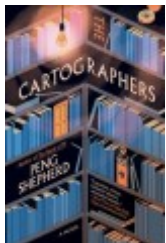
Series: Visit from the Goon Squad, 2

Popularity: ★★★★★

Adult

Fiction

93.



The cartographers (Mar 2022)

By: Shepherd, Peng

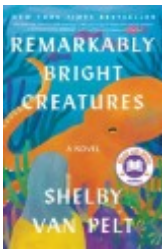
When her estranged father is found dead with a seemingly worthless map hidden in his desk, cartographer Nell Young soon discovers the map is extremely valuable -- and that a mysterious collector will stop at nothing to destroy it and anyone who gets in the way.

Popularity: ★★★★★

Adult

Fiction

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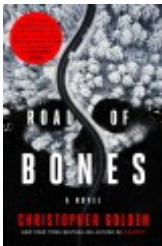
Remarkably bright creatures (May 2022)

By: Van Pelt, Shelby

For fans of *A Man Called Ove*, a luminous debut novel about a widow's unlikely friendship with a giant Pacific octopus reluctantly residing at the local aquarium-and the truths she finally uncovers about her son's disappearance 30 years ago.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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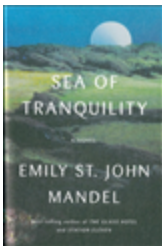
Road of bones (Jan 2022)

By: Golden, Christopher

In Siberia, a film crew is covering an elusive ghost story about a highway built on top of the bones of prisoners of Stalin's gulag. Kolyma Highway, otherwise known as the Road of Bones, is a 1200 mile stretch of Siberian road where winter temperatures can drop as low as sixty degrees below zero. Under Stalin, at least eighty Soviet gulags were built along the route to supply the USSR with a readily available workforce, and over time hundreds of thousands of prisoners died in the midst of their labors. Their bodies were buried where they fell, plowed under the permafrost, underneath the road. Felix Teigland, or "Teig," is a documentary producer, and when he learns about the Road of Bones, he realizes he's stumbled upon untapped potential.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

96.



Sea of tranquility (Apr 2022)

By: Mandel, Emily St. John, 1979-

In order to investigate an anomaly in the North American wilderness, a detective travels hundreds of years in the past and meets a young Englishman exiled to Canada in 1912 and a famous writer who lives on a moon colony but is on a book tour on Earth in 2203.

Popularity: ★★★★★ **Adult** **Fiction**

97.



Siren queen (May 2022), Forthcoming

By: Vo, Nghi

A new novel offers an exploration of an outsider achieving stardom on her own terms, in a fantastical Hollywood where the monsters are real and the magic of the silver screen illuminates every page.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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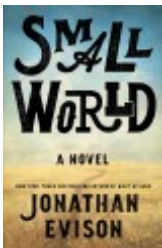
Sisters of night and fog (Mar 2022)

By: Robuck, Erika

"In a world newly burning with war, and in spite of her American family's wishes, Virginia decides to stay in occupied France with her French husband. But as the call to resist the enemy grows around her, Virginia must decide if she's willing to risk everything to help those in need. Nineteen-year-old Violette is a crack shot with an unquenchable spirit of adventure, and she's desperate to fight the Nazis however she can. Britain's clandestine war organization-the Special Operations Executive-learns of Violette's dual citizenship and adept firearm handling and starts to recruit her. But Violette is no stranger to loss and must decide whether the cost of defiance is too great a price to pay. Sisters of Night and Fog tells the story of two women whose clandestine deeds come to a staggering halt when they are brought together at Ravensbrück concentration camp."--.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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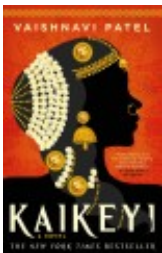
Small world (Jan 2022)

By: Evison, Jonathan

In this epic historical novel set in multiple time periods, present-day travelers on a train and their ancestors more than a century before are brought together by the history they share against such iconic backdrops as the California gold rush and the development of the Continental Railroad.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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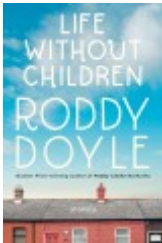
Kaikeyi (Apr 2022)

By: Patel, Vaishnavi

"I was born on the full moon under an auspicious constellation, the holiest of positions—much good it did me." So begins Kaikeyi's story.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

101.



Life without children: stories (Feb 2022)

By: Doyle, Roddy, 1958-

Love and marriage. Children and family. Death and grief. Life touches everyone the same. But living under lockdown, it changes us alone. In these ten short stories written mostly over the last year, Booker Prize winner Roddy Doyle paints a collective portrait of our strange times. A man abroad wanders the stag-and-hen-strewn streets of Newcastle, as news of the virus at home asks him to question his next move. An exhausted nurse struggles to let go, having lost a much-loved patient in isolation. A middle-aged son, barred from his mother's funeral, wakes to an oncoming hangover of regret.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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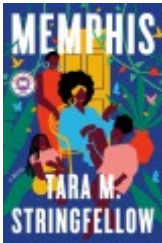
Love & saffron: a novel of friendship, food, and love (Feb 2022)

By: Fay, Kim

When 27-year-old Joan Bergstrom sends a fan letter - as well as a gift of saffron - to 59-year-old food writer Imogen Fortier, so begins an enduring friendship that sustains them through the Cuban Missile Crisis, the assassination of President Kennedy and the unexpected in their own lives.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

103.



Memphis (Apr 2022)

By: Stringfellow, Tara M.

Told over the course of 70 years, this spellbinding debut novel traces three generations of a Southern Black family and one daughter, who, channeling her rage into art, discovers with the power of her paint brush, she can change her family's legacy.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

104.



Mercy street (Feb 2022)

By: Haigh, Jennifer, 1968-

For almost a decade, Claudia has counseled patients at Mercy Street, a clinic in the heart of the city. The work is consuming, the unending dramas of women in crisis. But outside the clinic, the reality is different. A small, determined group of anti-abortion demonstrators appears each morning at its door. As the protests intensify, fear creeps into Claudia's days, a humming anxiety she manages with frequent visits to Timmy, an affable pot dealer in the midst of his own existential crisis. At Timmy's, she encounters a random assortment of customers, including Anthony, a lost soul who spends most of his life online, chatting with the mysterious Excelsior11—the screenname of Victor Prine, an anti-abortion crusader who has set his sights on Mercy Street and is ready to risk it all for his beliefs.

Popularity: ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**