

BETWEEN THE COVERS

Coming Soon

Sally Beauman

The Visitors

Lucy is sent from England to recover from typhus in sun-glazed Egypt, where she meets the daughter of an American archaeologist and discovers the story of the hunt for the tomb of the boy pharaoh Tutankhamun — making Lucy a visitor not just to Egypt but to the past as well.

Chris Bohjalian

Close Your Eyes, Hold Hands

A nuclear plant in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom experiences a cataclysmic meltdown, and both of Emily's parents are killed. Her father, who was in charge of the plant, may have been responsible. Thousands are forced to flee their homes in the Kingdom; rivers and forests are destroyed, and Emily feels certain that as the daughter of the most hated man in America, she is in danger. Try as she might, she can't outrun her past and grief, and she can't hide forever.

James Lee Burke

Wayfaring Stranger

This sprawling thriller begins in 1934 and is drenched with atmosphere and intrigue that follows a young boy from a chance encounter with Bonnie and Clyde to the trenches of World War II and the oil fields along the Texas-Louisiana coast.

Catherine Coulter

Power Play

Natalie Black, the U.S. ambassador to the Court of St. James, has returned to Washington with her job in jeopardy. Her fiancé has died in a car accident, and rumors begin that she is to blame, and that he meant to kill himself after she broke off their engagement. After someone tries to force her off the M-2 outside London, Natalie is suspicious. But when she returns to the U.S. and is nearly killed when a car tries to run her down while she is out for a jog, she is sure her life is also in danger. But why?

Jude Deveraux

For All Time

In a charming tale of improbable romance, Toby meets Graydon Montgomery, heir to the Lanconian throne. Toby realizes that she can distinguish Graydon from his twin, Rory—something no one else can do. According to legend, that means she is meant to be his true love, but unfortunately, Graydon is unhappily set to marry another. Will love or duty win out?

Stephanie Evanovich

The Sweet Spot

Pro baseball player Chase Walker falls instantly for Amanda when he spots her in a restaurant, but Amanda is an independent-minded entrepreneur and she is just not interested in competing with the skinny groupies surrounding Chase. Chase will have his work cut out for him.

Tami Hoag

Cold Cold Heart

Dana Nolan was a promising TV reporter until she was kidnapped by a serial killer. A year after she escaped, Dana still suffers from memory loss. She returns to her hometown to put her life back together, but struggles to recognize family and friends there and experiences dark flashbacks. Using her investigative skills, she tries piece together her past, obsessing about the long-ago disappearance of her best friend from high school. Looking at the unsolved mystery through new eyes, old friends suddenly become suspects and Dana begins to question everything she knows.

Erika Johansen

The Queen of the Tearing

Just 19 and raised in exile, Princess Kelsea Raleigh Glynn is on her way back to the land of her birth to reclaim her throne. Though the Queen's Guard accompanies her, Kelsea isn't sure whom to trust. Lucky for Kelsea, she wears the powerfully magical Tearing sapphire around her neck, but will it be enough to protect her? This novel is bound to be a hit, and Warner Brothers has bought the rights to make it into a movie.

Meg Gardiner

Phantom Instinct

Shot during a violent night at the L.A. nightclub she worked in, Harper Flynn is still trying to rebuild her life a year later. Certain that the survivors from the shooting are still being targeted, Harper enlists the help of L.A. Sheriff Deputy Aiden Garrison, a witness from the scene who she thinks is the only person willing to listen. Garrison's own injury from that day left him with a rare type of face blindness. Harper quickly realizes that her presence during the attack was no coincidence and that her only ally is unstable, seeing enemies everywhere he looks.

Daisy Goodwin

The Fortune Hunter

Restless in her marriage and her royal duties, the Empress Elizabeth of Austria lives to ride, a passion shared by Captain Bay Middleton, a charming man who is too poor to buy a horse of the quality to win the Grand National. Bay meets independent-minded heiress Charlotte Baird, but their budding relationship is disrupted when Bay is asked to guide the Empress on a hunt.

W. E. B. Griffin

Deadly Assets

In Philadelphia, a city with the country's highest murder rates, the tension between the Philadelphia Police Department and its Citizens Oversight Committee has reached a boiling point. When the committee's combative leader is found shot dead point-blank on the front porch of his run-down Philly row house, chanting protesters fill the streets, and the city threatens to erupt. Homicide Sergeant Matt Payne is among those who are being accused of being complicit in the leader's death, but Payne suspects there's something deeper behind it all and continues to do his job, even knowing that he might be the next to die.

Deborah Harkness

The Book of Life

After traveling through time, historian and witch Diana Bishop and vampire scientist Matthew Clairmont return to the present to face new crises and old enemies and reunite with the characters from ***A Discovery of Witches***. The real threat to their future and what the witches discovered so many centuries ago will finally be revealed in this third book in the bestselling trilogy.

Linda Francis Lee

The Glass Kitchen

Portia Cuthcart's dream was to run the Glass Kitchen restaurant her grandmother built in Texas. After a string of betrayals, Portia is determined to start a new life with her sisters in Manhattan and to never cook again. When she moves into a run-down brownstone on the Upper West Side, Portia meets widowed Gabriel, a man trying to raise two daughters alone, and slowly Portia is forced back into a world that includes magical food and swirling emotions.

Jojo Moyes

One Plus One

Jessie's life stinks. Her husband has done a vanishing act, her teenage stepson is being bullied, and her math whiz daughter has been offered an opportunity that she can't afford to pay for. Geeky Ed, an obnoxious tech millionaire whose vacation home she happens to clean, becomes an unexpected knight in shining armor when he offers to rescue them. But Ed has big problems of his own, and driving Jessie's dysfunctional family to the Math Olympiad feels like it is his first unselfish act in ages—maybe ever.

Karin Slaughter

Cop Town

This standalone thriller, an atmospheric nail-biter, traces the rise of a rookie cop making her own way in the boys' club that is the Atlanta Police Department in the 1970s.

Susan Vreeland

Lisette's List

At the time of the Vichy regime, a young Parisian ends up in Provence, caring for her husband's grandfather. Through the works of Cézanne, Pissarro, Chagall, and Picasso, she uncovers the glories of Provence despite wartime hardships.

Stuart Woods

Cut and Thrust

Stone Barrington travels to Los Angeles for the biggest political convention of the year and finds that crucial alliances have been made and broken behind closed doors and that more than one seat may be up for grabs. Amid the ambitious schemers and hangers-on are a few people who may use the chaotic events as cover for more sinister plans. It will take all of Stone's discretion and powers of persuasion to arrange a peaceful outcome.

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HISTORICAL FICTION

Letters from Skye

Jessica Brockmole

On the cusp of World War I, a young American college student named David Graham begins a correspondence with Scottish poet Elspeth Dunn. A fast friendship grows between the two that eventually turns into a deep love that is most likely doomed. Not only is Elspeth married to a soldier on the front, but she is afraid of leaving her secluded home on the Isle of Skye and refuses even to ferry to mainland Scotland. Years later, it's World War II, and Elspeth's daughter Margaret writes to her fiancé Paul, a pilot in the Royal Air Force, sharing her frustration at her mother's life-long secrecy. Margaret begins to hunt down her lost relatives, hoping to discover the part of Elspeth's life she never knew.

This debut novel is an unforgettable and sweeping love story, told in two sets of letters. An atmospheric and compelling read about love, letters and literature.

Freud's Mistress

Jennifer Kaufman
Karen Mack

In 1896, Minna Bernays moves into her sister's home to help with chores and the raising of her six nieces and nephews, children of Sigmund and Martha Freud. She stays 40 years. Martha and Sigmund seem indifferent to each other, but Minna is attentive to Sigmund and his research. Quickly the two become lovers.

An interesting story based on circumstantial evidence of an affair between Freud and his sister-in-law.



The Sisters Weiss

Naomi Ragen

Rose and Pearl Weiss are growing up in an ultra-Orthodox Jewish family in Brooklyn. Rose has a passion for photography and is removed from school when a photography book is found in her possession. Also Rose has been taking classes without her parents' permission. To escape the shame, she agrees to an arranged marriage but runs away the night before the wedding. Many years later Hannah, Rose's daughter, is contacted by Pearl's teenage daughter, Rivka. Rivka wants to escape from her family and the ultra-Orthodox Jewish community like her aunt Rose. Rose is pulled into the struggle and confronts Pearl after nearly forty years.

A detailed look at an ultra-Orthodox Jewish family in the 50's. A complex story, but well worth the effort.

SCIENCE FICTION

The Martian

Andy Weir

Mark Watney is one of six U.S. astronauts on the third manned mission to Mars. After a dust storm leads the crew to think that Mark is dead, they evacuate the planet, leaving Mark completely alone with no way to signal Earth that he's alive. An engineer and botanist, Mark is smart enough to realize that even if he could contact NASA, his supplies would be gone long before help could arrive. Fortunately for him, Mark is also very stubborn and decides to try to figure out a way to survive.

This original science fiction debut will appeal to your inner geek, and although it's packed with science and math references, this adventurous space romp doesn't require its readers to be rocket scientists in order to enjoy it. Despite Mark's grim reality, he is a likeable protagonist who entertains himself and will keep readers laughing even though his life is on the line.

READING ROOM

FICTION

Where the Moon Isn't

Nathan Filer

When Matthew Homes is 9, his 11-year-old brother Simon, who has Down syndrome, dies while on a coastal vacation with their family. Ten years later, Matthew, now diagnosed with schizophrenia, attempts to manage his disease and come to terms with the loss of his brother and the part he may have played in his death.

This is a tough, emotional and important novel that is equal parts family drama, mystery, coming-of-age and meditation on mental illness that will have readers devouring the book in a single setting. An unforgettable, heartbreaking and rewarding read.

The Kept

James Scott

After a horrible incident on his family farm in upstate New York claims the lives of his father and siblings, 12-year-old Caleb must separate the truth from the lies and decide his fate.

A gripping story of heartache and family dysfunction with a twist of suspense as you follow Caleb and the decision he is forced to make following the tragedy.

MYSTERY

The Runaway Man

David Handler

Benji Golden is a twenty-something who can pass for much younger and spends most of his days with a couple of former strippers—his mom Abby and their secretary Rita, while working at the family's PI firm, Golden Legal Services. When high-powered lawyer Peter Seymour approaches the firm to locate missing college student Bruce Weiner, the case sounds shady. Business has been bad for the Golden's lately, and they take the case. Benji indeed discovers Bruce, freshly killed. Was Bruce murdered by his lover, basketball phenom Charles "In Charge" Willingham, to keep his sexuality a secret? Or are things bigger and scarier than Benji can even imagine?

This humorous, charming and fast-past crime story is the first in a new mystery series. This is smart, satisfying reading with a likeable sleuth.

TEEN FICTION

Better Off Friends

Elizabeth Eulberg

Everyone says guys and girls can't just be friends, but Macallan and Levi are out to prove them wrong. Macallan was still reeling from tragedy and Levi was the new kid at school when they were thrust together as seventh graders. Their friendship was solidified upon discovering a common love of an obscure British TV show. Their bond was solid. And platonic. Until things changed. What follows is a series of missed connections and misunderstandings that could ruin everything.

This sweet contemporary romance has the perfect blend of witty banter, loveable characters, and just enough serious issues to keep it real. Readers will be rooting for Levi and Macallan long after they close the book!

A Breath of Frost

Alyxandra Harvey

The year is 1814 and cousins Emma, Penelope and Gretchen are being groomed to enter London society. The girls have no idea that they come from a long line of powerful witches. When young debutante witches start turning up drained of the magic, evidence indicates that Emma is somehow connected. The cousins need to solve the mystery before Emma is accused of murder and stripped of her new-found magic.

*Magic and witches meet the finery and show of Regency England. Emma and her cousins are three young ladies who push the boundaries of society. An exciting beginning to a new series from the author of **The Drake Chronicles**.*

GRAPHIC NOVELS

The Property

Rutu Modan

This graphic novel centers on an Israeli woman who visits Warsaw, Poland with her grandmother, a victim of WWII, 60 years later. The grandmother's purported reason for her return is to investigate some family property; however, things are not as they seem and family secrets reveal themselves.

A fascinating, beautifully illustrated book about families and their often guarded secrets.