

The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue Author: V.E. Schwab Subgenres: Historical Fantasy, Magical Realism, Romance

France, 1714: in a moment of desperation, a young woman makes a Faustian bargain to live forever and is cursed to be forgotten by everyone she meets. Thus begins the extraordinary life of Addie LaRue, and a dazzling adventure that will play out across centuries and continents, across history and art, as a young woman learns how far she will go to leave her mark on the world. But everything changes when, after nearly 300 years, Addie stumbles across a young man in a hidden bookstore and he remembers her name.



The Vanishing Half

Author: Brit Bennett Subgenres: Historical Mystery, Race, Family Drama

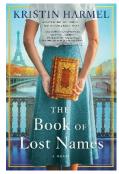
The Vignes twin sisters will always be identical. But after growing up together in a small, southern black community and running away at age sixteen, it's not just the shape of their daily lives that is different as adults, it's everything: their families, their communities, their racial identities. Many years later, one sister lives with her black daughter in the same southern town she once tried to escape. The other passes for white and her white husband knows nothing of her past. Still, even separated by so many miles and just as many lies, the fates of the twins remain intertwined. What will happen to the next generation, when their own daughters' storylines intersect?



Conjure Women

Author: Afia Atakora Subgenres: Historical Fiction, Magical Realism, Plantation Life

Conjure Women is a sweeping story that brings the world of the South before and after the Civil War vividly to life. Spanning eras and generations, it tells of the lives of three unforgettable women: Miss May Belle, a wise healing woman; her precocious and observant daughter Rue, who is reluctant to follow in her mother's footsteps as a midwife; and their master's daughter Varina. The secrets and bonds among these women and their community come to a head at the beginning of a war and at the birth of an accursed child, who sets the townspeople alight with fear and a spreading superstition that threatens their newly won, tenuous freedom.



The Book of Lost Names

Author: Carole Stivers Subgenres: Historical Fiction, War Novel, WWII

Eva Traube Abrams, a semi-retired librarian in Florida, is shelving books when her eyes lock on a photograph in a magazine. It's an image of a book she hasn't seen in 65 years—a book with a code only Eva holds the answer to. In 1942, Eva was forced to flee Paris. In the Free Zone, she begins forging identity documents for Jewish children fleeing to neutral Switzerland. But erasing people comes with a price, and along with a mysterious, handsome forger named Rémy, Eva decides she must find a way to preserve the real names of the children who are too young to remember who they really are. The records they keep in *The Book of Lost Names* will become even more vital when the resistance cell they work for is betrayed and Rémy disappears.



The Pull of the Stars

Author: Emma Donoghue Subgenres: Historical Fiction, Pandemic, Friendship

In an Ireland ravaged by war and disease, Nurse Julia Power works at an understaffed hospital, where expectant mothers who have come down with the terrible new Flu are quarantined together. Into Julia's regimented world step two outsiders—Doctor Kathleen Lynn, a rumored Rebel on the run from the police, and a young volunteer helper, Bridie Sweeney. In the darkness and intensity of this tiny ward, over three days, these women change each other's lives in unexpected ways. They lose patients to this baffling pandemic, but they also shepherd new life into a fearful world. With tireless tenderness and humanity, carers and mothers alike somehow do their impossible work.



Code Name Hélène Author: Ariel Lawhon Subgenres: Historical Fiction, War Novel, Espionage

Based on the real life story of socialite spy Nancy Wake who went on to become one of the most decorated women in WWII. As **LUCIENNE CARLIER** Nancy smuggles people and documents across the border. Her ability to evade capture earns her the nickname **THE WHITE MOUSE**. When she begins training with the Special Operations Executives in Britain, her new comrades call her **HÉLÈNE**. And finally, on a mission, deadly **MADAM ANDRÉ** claims her place as one of the most powerful leaders in the French Resistance. No one can protect her if the enemy finds out these four women are one, and the closer to liberation France gets, the more exposed she becomes.



The Four Winds

Author: Kristin Hannah Subgenres: Historical Fiction, Great Depression, Dust Bowl

Texas, 1934. Millions are out of work and a drought has broken the Great Plains. Farmers are fighting to keep their land and their livelihoods as the crops are failing, the water is drying up, and dust threatens to bury them all. One of the darkest periods of the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl era, has arrived with a vengeance. In this uncertain and dangerous time, Elsa Martinelli—like so many of her neighbors—must make an agonizing choice: fight for the land she loves or go west, to California, in search of a better life.