

THIS MONTH'S #1



On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous: A Novel

By Ocean Vuong

(Penguin Press, 9780525562023, \$26)

"Alright 2019, this is the novel to beat. *On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous* is the rare novel that makes you experience reading in a slightly different way and shows you that, no matter how many books you've read, something new and uniquely beautiful can still be found. The novel takes the form of a letter written by the main character, Little Dog, to

his mother—an immigrant from Vietnam who cannot read. The power of Vuong's poetic writing shimmers with every paragraph, and each phrase is a carefully considered, emotional journey. Grappling with themes of identity, sexuality, addiction, violence, and finding your place in a world where you feel you don't belong, this book already feels like a modern classic, destined to be read and talked about for years to come."

—Caleb Masters, Bookmarks, Winston-Salem, NC



City of Girls: A Novel

By Elizabeth Gilbert

(Riverhead Books, 9781594634734, \$28)

Recommended by Caroline McGregor, Books & Books, Coral Gables, FL

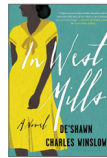


How Not to Die Alone: A Novel

By Richard Roper

(G.P. Putnam's Sons, 9780525539889, \$26)

Recommended by Rachel Watkins, Avid Bookshop, Athens, GA



In West Mills: A Novel

By De'Shawn Charles Winslow

(Bloomsbury Publishing, 9781635573404, \$26)

Recommended by Margaret Leonard, Dotters Books, Eau Claire, WI



Mrs. Everything: A Novel

By Jennifer Weiner

(Atria Books, 9781501133480, \$28)

Recommended by Caitlin Doggart, Where the Sidewalk Ends, Chatham, MA



The Unhoneymooners: A Novel

By Christina Lauren

(Gallery Books, 9781501128035, trade paper, \$16)

Recommended by Sandy Scott, The Galaxy Bookshop, Hardwick, VT



Mostly Dead Things: A Novel

By Kristen Arnett

(Tin House Books, 9781947793309, \$24.95)

Recommended by Sage Cristal, UC San Diego Bookstore, La Jolla, CA



The Night Before: A Novel

By Wendy Walker

(St. Martin's Press, 9781250198679, \$26.99)

Recommended by Nancy McFarlane, Fiction Addiction, Greenville, SC



The Scent Keeper: A Novel

By Erica Bauermeister

(St. Martin's Press, 9781250200136, \$26.99)

Recommended by Anika Miller, Phinney Books, Seattle, WA

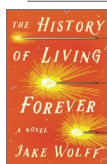


The Sentence Is Death: A Novel

By Anthony Horowitz

(Harper, 9780062676832, \$27.99)

Recommended by Nichole Cousins, White Birch Books, North Conway, NH



The History of Living Forever: A Novel

By Jake Wolff

(Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 9780374170660, \$27)

Recommended by Kenny Brechner, Devaney, Doak & Garrett Booksellers, Farmington, ME



Resistance Women: A Novel

By Jennifer Chiaverini

(William Morrow, 9780062841100, \$26.99)

Recommended by Mary Ruthless, Foggy Pine Books, Boone, NC



Ask Again, Yes: A Novel

By Mary Beth Keane

(Scribner, 9781982106980, \$27)

Recommended by Anderson McKean, Page and Palette, Fairhope, AL

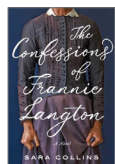


Red, White & Royal Blue: A Novel

By Casey McQuiston

(St. Martin's Griffin, 9781250316776, trade paper, \$16.99)

Recommended by Todd Ketcham, The Book Cellar, Lake Worth, FL

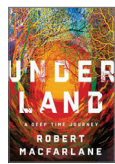


The Confessions of Frannie Langton: A Novel

By Sara Collins

(Harper, 9780062851895, \$26.99)

Recommended by Mary Mollman, Booked, Evanston, IL

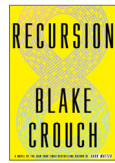


Underland: A Deep Time Journey

By Robert Macfarlane

(W.W. Norton & Company, 9780393242140, \$27.95)

Recommended by Chris La Tray, Fact & Fiction Downtown, Missoula, MT

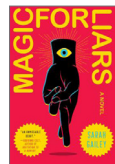


Recursion: A Novel

By Blake Crouch

(Crown, 9781524759780, \$27)

Recommended by Mary Salazar, The Country Bookshop, Southern Pines, NC



Magic for Liars: A Novel

By Sarah Gailey

(Tor Books, 9781250174611, \$25.99)

Recommended by Shelby Daniel-Wayman, Fair Isle Books, Washington Island, WI

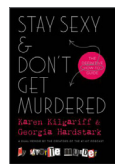


Bunny: A Novel

By Mona Awad

(Viking, 9780525559733, \$26)

Recommended by Katrina Feraco, The Toadstool Bookshop, Keene, NH



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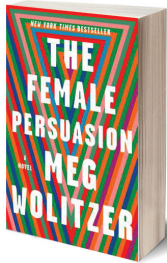
By Karen Kilgariff & Georgia Hardstark

(Forge Books, 9781250178954, \$24.99)

Recommended by Grace Harper, Mac's Backs, Cleveland Heights, OH

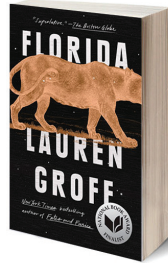


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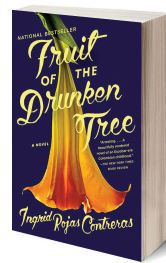
The Female Persuasion: A Novel

By Meg Wolitzer
Riverhead Books
9780399573231, \$17
Recommended in hardcover
by Megan Bell,
Underground Books,
Carrollton, GA



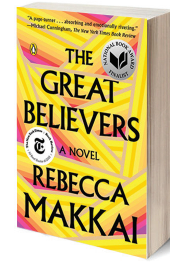
Florida: Stories

By Lauren Groff
Riverhead Books
9781594634529, \$16
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by Uriel Perez,
BookPeople,
Austin, TX



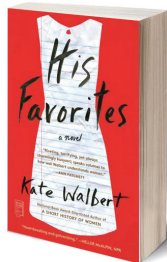
Fruit of the Drunken Tree: A Novel

By Ingrid Rojas Contreras
Anchor
9780525434313, \$16
Recommended in hardcover
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Literati Bookstore,
Ann Arbor, MI



The Great Believers: A Novel

By Rebecca Makkai
Penguin Books
9780735223530, \$16
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Middlebury, VT



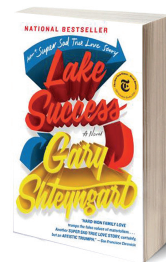
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By Kate Walbert
Scribner
9781476799407, \$15
Recommended in hardcover
by Sheryl Cotleur,
Copperfield's Books,
Sebastopol, CA



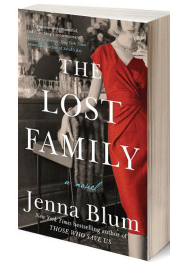
Invitation to a Bonfire: A Novel

By Adrienne Celt
Bloomsbury Publishing
9781635571530, \$17
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Interabang Books,
Dallas, TX



Lake Success: A Novel

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Random House Trade Paperbacks
9780812987201, \$18
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Common Good Books,
St. Paul, MN



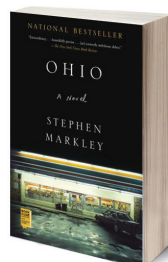
The Lost Family: A Novel

By Jenna Blum
Harper Paperbacks
9780062742179, \$16.99
Recommended in hardcover
by Nina Barrett,
Bookends & Beginnings,
Evanston, IL



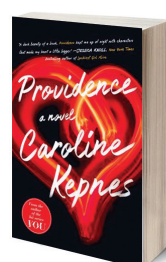
Number One Chinese Restaurant: A Novel

By Lillian Li
Picador
9781250229328, \$17
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Providence: A Novel

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Pasadena, CA



The Summer Wives: A Novel

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