INDIE NEXT LIST Branding Style Guide



The Brand

The refresh of the Indie Next List (INL) brand is based on a natural, rustic design style meant to evoke the overall warmth and charisma found at indie bookstores. The logo was designed with a handmade stamp aesthetic similar to the previous logo, but now including a subtle compass graphic that points in all directions, suggesting how bookstores are pillars of their communities throughout the country. The main message is "Booksellers Recommend," a clear directive to consumers that these book titles are suggestions straight from the booksellers themselves. "Your Next Great Read" is a tagline that may be used as the context allows.

Logo to be used in its entirety and can be downloaded here.

Logo for white or light backgrounds

Optional tagline

Copyright line to appear with all logos:

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No smaller than 6-point font.

Logo Variations



White circle at 50-100% opacity behind logo for darker and textured backgrounds



Black version to use for one color print options



Knockout version can be used for darker backgrounds

Primary Logo Colors

C81 M58 Y36 K15 R63 G94 B120 #3F5E78





Secondary Color Palette



Typography





The Last Flight

By Julie Clark

Sourcebooks Landmark, 9781728234229, \$16.99, 5/4/21, Fiction/Thrillers/ Suspense

"Two women, each with a good reason for wanting to escape her current life, switch plane tickets and identities. When one flight crashes, the action begins. This is a unique thriller that draws you in and has you turning the pages until the unexpected but perfect ending."

-Terry Gilman, Creating Conversations, Redondo Beach, CA

Roboto Bold · Roboto Medium · Roboto Condensed



Kids' Indie Next List Logo



Kids' INL logo for white or light back-



Transparent, knockout Kids' INL logo for dark and textured backgrounds

Reading Group Logo



Reading Group logo for white or light backgrounds



Transparent, knockout Reading Group logo for dark and textured backgrounds

Category logos to be used in lieu of main logo only when presenting or referring to the Kids' Indie Next List or the Indie Next List for Reading Groups, as applicable.

Logo Don'ts



Don't make logo colors too bright that don't fit within the brand color palette



Don't use knockout versions on white or light backgrounds



Don't place logos on similary-colored backgrounds



Don't change INL logo orientation beyond 12°



Don't add effects such as drop shadow, bevel, emboss, or glow



Don't put logos on busy photographs or patterns

INL Imagery

These logos are intended to be used on photographic, abstract backgrounds. But it's important when choosing an image to give careful thought that it appropriately reflects the INL brand.

Tips:

- Choose an image that works with the logo colors so that they stand out and are legible.
- Make sure the image has natural, rustic or weathered characteristics. Textured backgrounds work great!
- Use transparent overlays if necessary.







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