

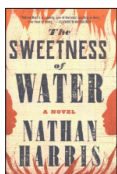
Adult Spring Reading Recommendations 2022

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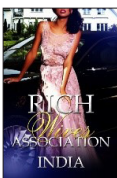
Fiction

***The Sweetness of Water* by Nathan Harris**



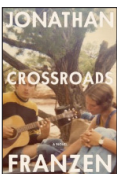
A contemporary classic about the Reconstruction period after the Civil War, and a profound debut about the unlikely bond between two freedmen and the Georgia farmer whose alliance will alter their lives, and his, forever.

***Rich Wives Association* by India**



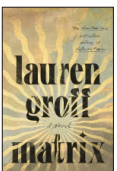
Graphic designer Michelle is assigned to head a new marketing campaign for a gym owned by her longtime crush, Gabe, who left her 13 years ago. Can they resolve their past mistakes?

***Crossroads* by Jonathan Franzen**



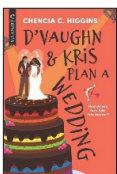
Each of the Hildebrandts seeks a freedom that each of the others threatens to complicate. A keen-eyed take on family life in 1970s America.

***The Matrix* by Lauren Groff**



Cast out of the royal court by Eleanor of Aquitaine, Marie de France is sent to be the new prioress of an impoverished abbey. There, Marie finds focus with her mercurial sisters.

***D'Vaughn & Kris Plan a Wedding* by Chencia C. Higgins**



To elevate her brand, a closeted social media influencer goes on a reality TV show where she must convince her family and friends she's getting married in six weeks.

***Manhunt* by Gretchen Felker-Martin**

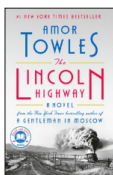


Beth and Fran spend their days hunting feral men and harvesting their organs in a gruesome effort to avoid the same fate. They must navigate murderers, sociopaths, and awkward relationships in this explosive novel.

***Summerwater* by Sarah Moss**

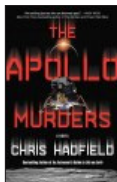


A series of vignettes offer the idle thoughts of a group of strangers vacationing in a Scottish holiday park during a very rainy day, lost in their own little worlds, until a shocking event unites them.



The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles

Four boys set out to travel the country: Emmett and Billy want to find their mother, and Duchess and Woolly are on the hunt for a stashed wad of cash. They are all chasing their dreams, but their pasts are never far behind.



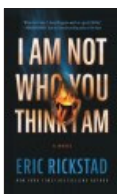
The Apollo Murders by Chris Hadfield

NASA is about to launch Apollo 18. A secret Soviet space station is spying on America, and Apollo 18 may be the only chance to stop it.



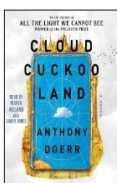
The Accomplice by Lisa Lutz

Owen's wife was murdered, and his best friend, Luna, found the body. This is a story of an intense relationship between two best friends. If secrets are what kept Owen and Luna together, they just might tear them apart, too.



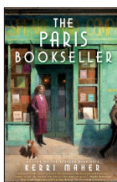
I Am Not Who You Think I Am by Eric Rickstad

Wayland is eight years old when he sees his father kill himself, and finds a note that reads "I am not who you think I am." Eight years later, he makes a shocking discovery and becomes certain the note is the key to unlocking the past.



Cloud Cuckoo Land by Anthony Doerr

Dedicated to "the librarians then, now, and in the years to come," a beautiful and redemptive novel about stewardship—of the book, of the Earth, of the human heart through several generations.



The Paris Bookseller by Kerri Maher

When a bookish young American opens a bookshop in Paris in 1919, she has no idea that it will change the course of literature itself.

Non-Fiction



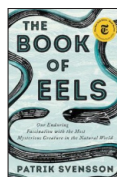
Baby Steps Millionaires by Dave Ramsey

You don't need a large inheritance or the winning lottery number to become a millionaire. Following the Ramsey Baby Steps, you too will become a millionaire.



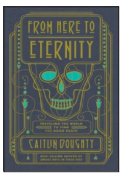
Gastro Obscura by Cecily Wong and Dylan Thuras

A gastronomic exploration of the world featuring bite-sized entries about historic and modern foods, drinks, and festive delicacies from all seven continents.



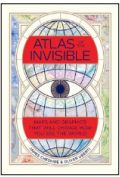
The Book of Eels by Patrik Svensson

Part *H Is for Hawk*, part *The Soul of an Octopus*, this book is both a meditation on the world's most elusive fish - the eel - and a reflection on the human condition.



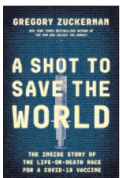
***From Here to Eternity: Traveling the World to Find the Good Death* by Caitlin Doughty**

Mortician Caitlin Doughty lets her fascination with burial rites take her all over the world to learn about the death rituals of different cultures.



***Atlas of the Invisible: Maps and Graphics That Will Change How You See the World* by James Cheshire and Oliver Uberti**

The authors transform enormous datasets into rich maps and cutting-edge visualizations and invite readers to marvel at the secrets and contours of a newly visible world.



***A Shot to Save the World: The Inside Story of the Life-or-Death Race for a Covid-19 Vaccine* by Gregory Zuckerman**

Zuckerman takes us inside the top-secret laboratories, corporate clashes, and high-stakes government negotiations that led to effective shots. A blow-by-blow chronicle of the most consequential scientific breakthrough of our time.



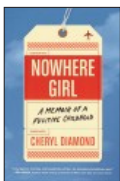
***Between Two Worlds: A Memoir of a Life Interrupted* by Suleika Jaouad**

An Emmy Award-winning writer and activist describes the years she spent in early adulthood fighting leukemia and how she learned to live again.



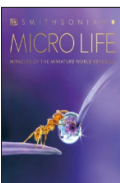
***Black Food: Stories, Art & Recipes from Across the African Diaspora* by Bryant Terry**

James Beard Award-winning chef Bryant Terry reveals the depth of Black culinary creativity and the breadth of the African diaspora by compiling recipes, essays, artwork, and poetry from more than 100 Black cultural figures.



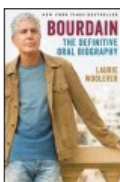
***Nowhere Girl: A Memoir of a Fugitive Childhood* by Cheryl Diamond**

By age nine, Cheryl had six assumed identities and had lived on five continents. Her father, a master criminal, constantly uprooted the family. This memoir of her childhood tells of her path to self-discovery.



***Smithsonian Micro Life: Miracles of the Miniature World Revealed* by Derek Harvey, et al.**

This beautiful book magnifies and explores the miracles of the microscopic world around us. Perfect for people who enjoy photography, nature and biology.



***Bourdain: The Definitive Oral Biography* by Laurie Woolever**

The passing of Anthony Bourdain was quite shocking and sad. The author interviewed those that knew him best, and their words capture his vivid personality, intellect, talents and accomplishments.

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Judith Ferrara
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