

Selections: January 2019

 Cliequot Book Club			
January 2019 Selections			
BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Almost Everything: Notes on Hope	Anne Lamott	Linda	Nonfiction
An Elderly Lady is Up To No Good*	Helene Tursten	Sandra	Mystery
Forever is the Worst Long Time*	Camille Pagan	Sandra	Fiction
Lethal White	Robert Galbraith	Linda	Mystery
Pandemic*	Robin Cook	Linda	Mystery
Paris Echo*	Sebastian Faulks	Linda	Fiction
Sold on a Monday*	Kristina McMorris	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Dakota Winters	Tom Barbash	Linda	Fiction
The Fallen Architect*	Charles Belfoure	Linda	Historical Fiction
The Kiss Quotient*	Helen Hoang	Sandra	Romance
The Rain Watcher*	Tatiana de Rosnay	Linda	Historical Fiction
The Songbird	Marcia Willett	Sandra	Fiction
Educated*	Tara Westover	Sandra	Nonfiction

Educated by Tara Westover

Unbelievable, jaw dropping true story of how an education can truly make a difference.


The Elderly Lady is Up to No Good by Helene Tursten
Hilarious! Fun vignettes of an 80 year old woman without remorse.

Sold on a Monday by Kristina McMorris
Based on a true story, this historical fiction is a powerful story of love and what a mother will do for her child.

Forever is the Worst Long Time by Camille Pagan
Guy falls in love with his best friend's girl and what he does with it over their years of friendship.
Part sad, part funny, great story.

The Kiss Quotient by Helen Hoang
This charming romance had me laughing out loud. The story, told with the unique voice of a woman with Asperger's trying to figure out the dating scene.

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
An Anonymous Girl	Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen	Sandra	Mystery
Annelies*	David R. Gillham	Linda	Historical Fiction
Becoming*	Michelle Obama	Sandra	Nonfiction
Freefall	Jessica Barry	Linda	Mystery
House of Gold*	Natasha Solomon	Linda	Historical Fiction
Night of Miracles*	Elizabeth Berg	Sandra	Fiction
Of Blood and Bone*	Nora Roberts	Linda	Fantasy
Same Sun Here*	Silas House & Neela Vaswani	Sandra	Millis Reads
Somewhere Out There*	Amy Hatvany	Sandra	Fiction
The Best of Us	Robyn Carr	Sandra	Romance
The Only Woman in the Room*	Marie Benedict	Linda/Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Winter of the Witch	Katherine Arden	Linda	Fantasy
Woman Last Seen in Her Thirties*	Camille Pagán	Sandra	Fiction


Night of Miracles by Elizabeth Berg
Sequel to Arthur Truluv

An Anonymous Girl by Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkar
Thrilling who-dunnit

Becoming by Michelle Obama
Loved it.

Somewhere Out There by Amy Hatvany
Great story about sister and family.

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
A Delicate Touch	Stuart Woods	Linda	Mystery
An Orchestra of Minorities	Chigozie Obioma	Linda	Fiction
California Girls*	Susan Mallery	Sandra	Fiction
Crucible	James Rollins	Linda	Mystery
Daughter of War	Brad Taylor	Linda	Mystery
Good Riddance	Elinor Lipman	Sandra	Fiction
Heart Like Mine*	Amy Hatvany	Sandra	Fiction
Out of the Dark*	Gregg Hurwitz	Sandra	Mystery
The Gown*	Jennifer Robson	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Saturday Evening Girls Club*	Jane Healey	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Wartime Sisters	Lynda Cohen Loigman	Linda	Historical Fiction
Unsheltered	Barbara Kingsolver	Linda/Sandra	Fiction
The Red Address Book*	Sofia Lundberg	Sandra	Fiction

The Red Address Book by Sofia Lundberg

Loved it. Vibrant tale as an elderly woman looks back on her life.

Saturday Evening Girls Club by Jane Healey

Loved it: great story about friendships and early Boston history.

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Daughter of Molokai*	Alan Brennert	Linda	Historical Fiction
Maid	Stephanie Land	Sandra	Nonfiction
More Than Words	Jill Santopolo	Sandra	Fiction
That Churchill Woman*	Stephanie Barron	Linda	Historical Fiction
The Age of Light*	Whitney Scharer	Linda	Historical Fiction
The Beantown Girls*	Jane Healey	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Boy	Tami Hoag	Linda	Mystery
The Island of Sea Women*	Lisa See	Linda	Historical Fiction
The Malta Exchange*	Steve Berry	Linda	Mystery
The Matchmaker's List*	Sonya Lalli	Sandra	Romance
The Silent Patient*	Alex Michaelides	Sandra	Mystery
The Lost Man*	Jane Harper	Sandra	Mystery

The Lost Man by Jane Harper

Loved it; great mystery. Harper really makes the weather a character.


The Matchmaker's List by Sonya Lalli

Fun romance with a multicultural twist told from an Indian point of view.

The Beantown Girls by Jane Healy

Great historical fiction, learned something I never knew about WWII and the Red Cross' Clubmobile Girls.

Selections: May 2019

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Daisy Jones & The Six*	Taylor Jenkins Reid	Sandra	Fiction
Don't Look Back*	Gregg Hurwitz	Sandra	Mystery
In Another Time	Jillian Cantor	Sandra	Historical Fiction
My Lovely Wife*	Samantha Downing	Sandra	Mystery
One Day in December	Josie Silver	Sandra	Romance
The Art of Simple Living	Shunmyo Masuno	Sandra	Nonfiction
The Bookshop of the Brokenhearted	Robert Hillman	Sandra	Fiction
The Editor	Steven Rowley	Sandra	Fiction
The Library of Lost and Found*	Phaedra Patrick	Sandra	Fiction
We Must Be Brave	Frances Liardet	Sandra	Historical Fiction
When All is Said	Anne Griffin	Sandra	Fiction
The Secret of Clouds*	Alyson Richman	Sandra	Fiction

Daisy Jones and the Six by Taylor Jenkins Reid

Loved it. Couldn't believe this was fiction; great story about a rock-and-roll band!

My Lovely Wife by Samantha Downing

Delicious murder mystery.

One Day in December by Josie Silver

Romance with a twist, enjoyed immensely.

When All is Said by Anne Griffin

Five toasts of people who made an impact in your world. Great book for discussion.

The Secret of Clouds by Alyson Richman

Wonderful story on how teachers make a difference.

Selections: June 2019

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
City of Flickering Light*	Juliette Fay	Sandra	Historical Fiction
How to Walk Away*	Katherine Center	Sandra	Fiction
Miracle Creek*	Angie Kim	Sandra	Mystery
Our Shoes Our Selves*	Bridget Mpylahan & Amanda Ben	Sandra	Nonfiction
The Better Sister*	Alafair Burke	Sandra	Mystery
The Bride Test*	Helen Hoang	Sandra	Romance
The Kennedy Debutante*	Kerri Maher	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Lost Girls of Paris*	Pam Jenoff	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Peacock Emporium	Jojo Moyes	Sandra	Fiction
The View from Alameda Island	Robyn Carr	Sandra	Fiction
Under the Table	Stephanie Evanovich	Sandra	Romance
Where the Crawdads Sing*	Delia Owens	Sandra	Fiction

Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens

The fictionalized version of Educated. An excellent read; loved the ending!

The Lost Girls of Paris by Pam Jenoff

A side of WW2 I never knew. Exceptional story.

The Bride Test by Helen Hoang

Hilarious followup to the Kiss Quotient. Loved it just as much.

The Kennedy Debutante by Kerri Maher

Cool historical fiction about Kick Kennedy.

Miracle Creek by Angie Kim

Wonderful. Great courtroom drama.


City of Flickering Light by Juliette Fay

Great historical fiction about the early days of Hollywood.

Our Shoes, Our Selves by Bridget Mpylahan & Amanda Benchley

How shoes shape our lives. Unexpected fun.

Selections: July 2019

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Black is My Body: Stories from my Grandmother's Time, My Mother's Time, and Mine	Emily Bernard	Sandra	Nonfiction
City of Girls	Elizabeth Gilbert	Sandra	Historical Fiction
Drawing Home*	Jamie Brenner	Sandra	Fiction
Hurricane Season	Lauren K. Denton	Sandra	Fiction
Inheritance*	Dani Shapiro	Sandra	Nonfiction
Last Time I Saw You*	Liv Constantine	Sandra	Mystery
When We Left Cuba*	Chanel Cleeton	Sandra	Historical Fiction
On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous	Ocean Vuong	Sandra	Fiction
Sisters of Summer's End	Lori Foster	Sandra	Romance
The Friends We Keep*	Jane Green	Sandra	Fiction
The Summer of Sunshine & Margot*	Susan Mallery	Sandra	Fiction
The Summer Cottage*	Viola Shipman	Sandra	Fiction

The Summer Cottage by Viola Shipman

Loved the rules of the Summer cottage: something everyone should adopt during the summer.

Drawing Home by Jamie Brenner

Fun escape about inheritance, the Hamptons, and art.

The Friends we Keep by Jane Green

Great story about friendship.


When we Left Cuba by Chanel Cleeton

Nice sequel to 'Next Year in Havana and what happens after the Cuban revolution.

Inheritance by Dani Shapiro

Great memoir brings up excellent conversation on the ethics of ancestry and DNA tests.

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Dreamng in Chocolate	Susan Bishop Crispell	Sandra	Romance
Girls Like Us*	Cristina Alger	Sandra	Mystery
Heels of Steel*	Barbara Kavovit	Sandra	Fiction
More Than Enough*	Elaine Welteroth	Sandra	Nonfiction
Mrs. Everything	Jennifer Weiner	Sandra	Fiction
Save Me the Plums*	Ruth Reichl	Sandra	Nonfiction
Searching for Sylvie Lee*	Jean Kwok	Sandra	Fiction
Southern Lady Code	Hellen Ellis	Sandra	Nonfiction
The Farm	Joanne Ramos	Sandra	Fiction
The First Mistake*	Sandie Jones	Sandra	Mystery
The Summer Guests	Mary Alice Monroe	Sandra	Fiction
Mistress of the Ritz*	Melanie Benjamin	Sandra	Historical Fiction

Mistress of the Ritz by Melanie Benjamin

Excellent historical fiction about the little known history of the Ritz during WWII.

Save me the Plums by Ruth Reichl

Great non-fiction about the editor of *Gourmet* magazine.

Heels of Steel by Barbara Kavovit

Great story of women in construction. Female empowerment!

Girls like Us by Cristina Alger

The gritty side of the Hamptons. A wonderful mystery--hope the author makes it a series!

More than Enough by Elaine Welteroth

Inspiring memoir of Elaine Welteroth, former editor of *Teen Vogue*. Also has many tips for today's working woman.


Searching for Sylvie Lee by Jean Kwok

Great mystery with authentic Asian characters--loved it!

The First Mistake by Sandie Jones

Juicy mystery. The twist had a twist--loved it!

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Evvie Drake Starts Over	Linda Holmes	Sandra	Fiction
I'm Fine and Neither Are You	Camille Pagán	Sandra	Fiction
Lady in the Lake	Laura Lippman	Sandra	Mystery
Madame Fourcade's Secret War	Lynne Olson	Linda	Nonfiction
The Bookshop on the Shore	Jenny Colgan	Sandra	Fiction
The Chelsea Girls	Fiona Davis	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Huntress	Kate Quinn	Linda	Historical Fiction
The Last Year of the War	Susan Meissner	Linda	Historical Fiction
The Summer Country	Lauren Willig	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Wedding Party	Jasmine Guillory	Sandra	Romance
The Woman Inside	E.G. Scott	Sandra	Mystery
Unsolved	James Patterson & David Ellis	Linda	Mystery
You've Been Volunteered	Laurie Gelman	Sandra	Fiction
The World According to Fannie Davis	Bridgett M. Davis	Sandra	Nonfiction

The World According to Fannie Davis by Bridgett M. Davis

Fascinating story of a mother's ability to provide for her family. So interesting to learn about how the American lottery came to be. Wonderful insights of a Black middle class family in America.

I'm Fine and Neither are You by Camille Pagan

Interesting take on 'the grass is always greener on the other side'. Perceptions of what our friends' lives are really like compared to how we perceive them. Loved it!


The Chelsea Girls by Fiona Davis

Fiona Davis at her best! Historical fiction about the Chelsea hotel in New York and the fictionalized version of the residents who live there. Interesting take on McCarthyism on how it relates to today's political climate. Must read for all!

The Wedding Party by Jasmine Guillory

Jasmine Guillory has the best meet-cutes in romantic fiction. Delightful story of a secret one-night romance that takes on a life of it's own. Fun read!

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
All the Flowers in Paris	Sarah Jio	Linda	Historical Fiction
Dragonfly	Leila Meacham	Linda	Historical Fiction
Life and Other Inconveniences	Kristan Higgins	Sandra	Fiction
Th1RT3EN (Thirteen)	Steve Cavanagh	Sandra	Mystery
The Golden Hour	Beatriz Williams	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Institute	Stephen King	Linda	Mystery
The Lemon Sisters	Jill Shalvis	Sandra	Fiction
The New Girl	Daniel Silva	Linda	Mystery
The Oysterville Sewing Circle	Susan Wiggs	Sandra	Fiction
The Secrets We Kept	Lara Prescott	Linda	Historical Fiction
Things You Save in a Fire	Katherine Center	Sandra	Fiction
The Murder List	Hank Phillipi Ryan	Sandra	Mystery

The Murder List by Hank Phillipi Ryan

So many twists and turns, when I finished I said "Wow. Just... wow." A spectacular mystery.

Things you Save in a Fire by Katherine Center

Great insight to female firefighters with fun romance and a window into the current social environment that women deal with in the workplace.

The Oysterville Sewing Circle by Susan Wiggs

Touching story about reinventing yourself. A story of friendship and the power of redemption.


Th1rt3en by Steve Cavanagh

The 4th in the Eddie Flynn series; a lawyer who is a cross between 'My Cousin Vinnie' and whoever the current New York genre lawyer of the day is. Great mystery story.

Life and Other Inconveniences by Kristin Higgins

Wonderful story on the meaning of family, even in the heart of turmoil. The ending made me cry--loved it!

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Diamond Doris: The True Story of the World's Most Notorious Jewel Thief	Doris Payne	Sandra	Nonfiction		
Dominicana	Angie Cruz	Sandra	Fiction		
Keeping Lucy	T. Greenwood	Sandra	Fiction		
Meant To Be Yours	Susan Mallery	Sandra	Romance		
Texas Forever	Janet Dailey	Linda	Romance		
The Fifth Column	Andrew Gross	Linda	Mystery		
The Giver of Stars	Jojo Moyes	Sandra	Historical Fiction		
The Spies of Shilling Lane	Jennifer Ryan	Linda	Historical Fiction		
The Vexations	Caitlin Horrocks	Linda	Historical Fiction		
Tidelands	Phillippa Gregory	Linda	Historical Fiction		
What Happens in Paradise	Elin Hilderbrand	Sandra	Fiction		
Ellie and the Harp Maker	Hazel Prior	Sandra	Fiction		

Ellie and the Harp Maker by Hazel Prior

A charming story of friendship and how the power of music can change lives.

Diamond Doris: the True Story of the World's Most Notorious Jewel Thief by Doris Payne

Incredible true story of a notorious jewel thief whose remarkable career spanned decades.


Keeping Lucy by T. Greenwood

The amazing story and the power of a mother's love to do what's right for her child.

The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes

Brilliant historical fiction about the Pack-horse Librarians of Kentucky.

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
A Cruel Deception	Charles Todd	Linda	Mystery
A Single Thread	Tracy Chevalier	Linda	Historical Fiction
Finding Chika: A Little Girl, an Earthquake, and the Making of a Family	Mitch Albom	Sandra	Nonfiction
Haben	Haben Girma	Linda	Nonfiction
Hart's Hollow Farm	Janet Dailey	Linda	Romance
Royal Holiday	Jasmine Guillory	Sandra	Romance
The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek	Kim Michele Richardson	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Family Upstairs	Lisa Jewell	Sandra	Mystery
The Girl in the Letter	Emily Gunnis	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Unqualified Hostess	Whoopi Goldberg	Sandra	Nonfiction
Where the Light Enters	Sara Donati	Linda	Historical Fiction
Meet Me in Monaco	Hazel Gaynor & Heather Webb	Sandra	Historical Fiction

Meet me in Monaco by Hazel Gaynor and Heather Webb

Charming historical fiction of the wedding of Grace Kelly and the Prince of Monaco and the perfume industry.

The Unqualified Hostess by Whoopi Goldberg

Beautiful tabletop book by Goldberg on hosting parties and developing your personal entertainment style.

The Family Upstairs by Lisa Jewell

Great mystery about the unknown circumstances surrounding a young woman's birth, culminating on her 21st birthday.

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson

Another take on the Pack-horse librarians and the Kentucky blue people. Wonderful historical fiction.

Royal Holiday By Jasmine Guillory

Another winner from Guillory, this romance reaches England and the Sussex royals.

Finding Chicka by Mitch Albom

Albom's bittersweet look on his guardianship of Chika, the Haitian earthquake, and what makes a family.