

Selections: October 2023



Cliequot Book Club

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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Amazing Grace Adams ^{RWJ}	Fran Littlewood	Sandra	Fiction
Happiness Falls ^{GMA}	Angie Kim	Sandra	Mystery
I Wish We Weren't Related	Radhika Sanghi	Sandra	Fiction
Ink Blood Sister Scribe ^{GMA}	Emma Törzs	Sandra	Magical Realism
Just Another Missing Person	Gillian McAllister	Sandra	Mystery
My Murder ^{FBC}	Katie Williams	Sandra	Mystery
None of This is True	Lisa Jewell	Sandra	Mystery
On Fire Island ^{FBC}	Jane L. Rosen	Sandra	Fiction
The Bookbinder	Pip Williams	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store	James McBride	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Housekeepers	Alex Hay	Sandra	Mystery
The Librarianist	Patrick Dewitt	Sandra	Fiction
The Seven Year Slip ^{FBC}	Ashley Poston	Sandra	Romance
The Trade Off	Sandie Jones	Sandra	Mystery
Tom Lake ^{RBC}	Ann Patchett	Sandra	Fiction
The Little Village of Book Lovers	Nina George	Sandra	Fiction

NOTES:

GMA: Good Morning America Book Club or Book Buzz Pick

RBC: Reese's Book Club

RWJ: Read with Jenna

FBC: First for Women Book Club

Happiness Falls by Angie Kim

A different take on a family whodunit where the only witness to what happened to the father is his non-verbal son. A book to make you think.

I Wish We Weren't Related by Radhika Sanghi

The title alone is fun! This is a compelling family drama when a young woman learns that the father she had thought died years ago has only recently passed and it turns her world upside down.

Ink Blood Sister Scribe by Emma Torzs

Magical realism at its best. The keepers of a library of magical books discover more about themselves and their family than they ever thought there was to know. Generations of secrets

come out in a stunningly interconnected web where there are more keys than anyone realizes.
Loved it!

Just Another Missing Person by Gillian McAllister

Compelling whodunit that keeps you on your toes when the detective, in order to save her family, is not allowed to solve the crime.

My Murder by Katie Williams

A murder victim brought back to life tries to cope with the other survivors that have also been brought back, and their new reality as they attempt to confront the person who killed them.

None of this is True by Lisa Jewell

When you finish this book, it will leave you wondering what exactly *was* true. Lisa Jewell does it again; this is a book that left me on the edge of my seat. A true crime podcaster ends up being the subject of a true crime podcast.

On Fire Island by Jane L. Rosen

Beautiful and heartwarming story of a young woman who dies of cancer. Her spirit goes to Fire Island to make sure her family will be alright after her death.

The Bookbinder by Pip Williams

A heartfelt novel of World War I and a young woman desperate to join the bookbinding industry, a profession given exclusively to men.

The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

In 1972 Pottstown, Pennsylvania, in a neighborhood that is Black and Jewish, stories come to life when they find a skeleton when breaking ground for a new construction project. This book is filled with a wild cast of characters, and at times you're not sure of who's who or what's what, but it all comes together in the end. This book highlights that what we consider differences are also what makes us the same.

The Housekeepers by Alex Hay

'Downton Abbey' meets 'Ocean's 8'. Fun and campy heist where the housekeepers decide they're going to steal everything the night of a masquerade ball. I loved it.

The Librarianist by Patrick Dewill

A quiet novel of an introverted librarian and his life as he volunteers to read at a senior home. This book had a lot of promise, but was really slow in parts. The bits where the author goes back in time to highlight bits of the protagonist's life were there, but without resolution.

The Trade Off by Sandie Jones

The cut-throat world of tabloid newspapers and the ramifications when they publish the barely-there truth.

Tom Lake by Ann Patchett

Listen to the audio because it's read by Meryl Streep and it reads like a soliloquy. The book itself is simply 'okay', but Streep turns it into something beautiful.

The Little Village of Book Lovers by Nina George

A beautiful story of a young woman who can see the power of love and can make love matches through books. She's able to do this for everyone except herself. A lyrical and thoughtful novel.