

Our current favourite reads



Our recommended read

Little Women

Louisa May Alcott

This classic novel from 1868 is still so relevant today. Alcott tells the story of the four March sisters, focusing on their rite of passage from childhood to womanhood, and the desire to be independent and recognised as women in their own right. If you last read Little Women as a child, or have never read the classics before, this is a great one to start with, especially following the recent critically acclaimed film adaptation.

Action/Adventure

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night time

Mark Haddon

The Number 1 Ladies Detective Agency series

Alexander McCall Smith

Biographies /Autobiographies

Life Swings

Nick Faldo

Soul of a Butterfly

Hana Ali Yasmeeen, Muhammad Ali

Rala

Patrick O'Reilly

Steve Jobs

Walter Isaacson

Business / Economics

Outliers: The Story of success

Malcolm Gladwell

Freakonomics

Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner

Classics

Little Women

Louisa May Alcott

Comedy

Why mummy swears

Gill Sims

Contemporary Fiction

A Moment in Time

H E Bates

The Elegance of the Hedgehog

Muriel Barbery

The language of flowers

Vanessa Diffenbaugh

Cookery

Bosh

Henry Firth and Ian Theasby

Simple

Ottolenghi

Crime /Mystery/Thriller

The Girl on the Train

Paula Hawkins

Shantaram

Gregory David Roberts

The Cross and the Switchblade

David Wilkerson

I let you go

Claire Mackintosh

I see you

Claire Mackintosh

Then she was gone

Lisa Jewell

Fantasy

Lords of the ring trilogy

J R R Tolkien

Harry Potter

JK Rowling

A Discovery of Witches

Deborah Harkness

Fiction

The Testaments

Margaret Atwood

Aliomenti saga (7 books)

Alex Albrinck

The Time Traveller's Wife

Audrey Niffenegger, Fred Berman

Eleanor Oliphant is completely fine

Gail Honeyman

Purple Hibiscus

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

Half a Yellow Sun

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Historical

The Volunteer

Jack Fairweather

Lady in Waiting

Anne Glenconner

Historical Fiction

Birdsong

Sebastian Faulks

The Tattooist of Auschwitz

Heather Morris

The Help

Kathryn Stockett

The Brother Cadfael Mysteries

Ellis Peters

Pillars of the Earth

Ken Follett

Sarum

Edward Rutherfurd

The Colour Purple

Alice Walker

Mr Peacocks Possessions

Lydia Syson

Love in the Time of Cholera

Gabriel Garcia

Collette

Julien Gracq

Horror

The Women in Black

Susan Hil

Human Evolution

Sapiens

Yuval Noah Harari

New Age/Philosophy/Self Help

The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse

Charlie Mackesy

The Tao of Pooh

Benjamin Hoff

Tiny Beautiful Things

Cheryl Strayed

12 Rules for Life

Jordan Peterson

The Things You Can See Only When You Slow Down

Haemin Sunim

Romance

PS I love you

Cecelia Ahern

This was a Man (Clifton Chronicles)

Jeffrey Archer

11 Minutes

Paulo Coelho and Margaret Jull Costa

If Beale's Street Could Talk

James Baldwin

Sports Fiction

Fever Pitch

Nick Hornby

The Lido

Libby Page

Teen and Young Adult

The fault in our stars

John Green

Twilight

Stephenie Meyer

Eve of man

Tom Fletcher and Giovanna Fletcher

Children of blood and bone

Tomi Adeyemi

Travel

Consolations of the Forest

Sylvain tesson

The Silk Roads

Peter Frankopan

The wild places

Robert Macfarlane

Notes from a Small Island

Bill Bryson

The Santiago Pilgrimage

Jean-Christophe Ruffin

Travels with a Mexican Circus

Katie Hickman