All the Little Hopes
A Novel
by Leah Weiss
(Sourcebooks Landmark)

"In WW II-era North Carolina, two best friends use their love of Nancy Drew mysteries to help find a missing man, while tending honeybees for the war effort and working on the family’s tobacco farm alongside Nazi POWs. This coming of age story is heartfelt, mystical, and full of love and family. Reminiscent of Summer of My German Soldier and The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek.”

—Jennifer Winberry, Hunterdon County Library, Flemington, NJ
NoveList read-alike: The Cherry Harvest by Lucy Sanna

The Bone Code
A Temperance Brennan Novel by Kathy Reichs
(Scribner)

"Set in 2021, with some references to Covid, this thrilling read has a very contemporary feel, combining current scientific and forensic terminology with a sinister plot. A waste container turns up with two bodies, similar to an old unsolved case of Brennan’s. For fans of fast-paced, suspenseful mysteries like Prime Suspect and Carved in Bone.”

—Marilyn Sieb, L.D. Fargo Library, Lake Mills, WI
NoveList read-alike: Nikki Heat mysteries by Richard Castle

Devil in Disguise
by Lisa Kleypas
(Avon)

"In this addition to the Ravenels series, Merritt, a young London widow, shares an instant attraction with a Scottish whiskey distiller named Keir, and they begin a steamy and passionate romance. But someone wants him dead. And Sebastian, aka Lord St. Vincent, is also in the picture. For fans of the Brides of Redemption and the Hellions of Havisham series.”

—Leah Cummings, Urbandale Public Library, Urbandale, IA
NoveList read-alike: Seduction Diaries series by Jennifer McQuiston

Everyone in This Room Will Someday Be Dead
A Novel
by Emily Austin
(Atria Books)

"In need of a short novel with a unique and lovely character, genuine LOL moments, and an ending that is richly deserved, hopeful, and joyful? Then this is for you. It’s brilliantly written and also a brutally honest depiction of what it’s like to have severe anxiety. For fans of Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine and Mostly Dead Things.”

—Jennifer Schultz, Fauquier Public Library, Warrenton, VA
NoveList read-alike: Goodbye, Vitamin by Rachel Khong

Falling
A Novel
by T. J. Newman
(Avid Reader Press/Simon & Schuster)

"A pilot is given an impossible choice: crash the airplane that he is flying, killing everyone on board, or his family will be murdered. A tense, white-knuckle thriller with all the makings of a summer blockbuster. Perfect for fans of The Chain.”

—Nanette Donohue, Champaign Public Library, Champaign, IL
NoveList read-alike: Flight or Fright ed by Stephen King and Ekv Vincent

The Forest of Vanishing Stars
A Novel
by Kristin Harmel
(Gallery Books)

"Stolen from her parents at two years old, Yona learns to survive in the forest. Years later, Yona teaches Jews fleeing the Holocaust to survive in the forest: A tale of personal responsibility, betrayals, loss, and love that stays with you long after you’ve read it. For readers who enjoyed The Nightingale, Salt to the Sea, and The Baker’s Secret.”

—Cynthia Hunt, Anamitlo Public Library, Anamitlo, TX
NoveList read-alike: The Last Train to London by Meg Waite Clayton

A Psalm for the Wild-Built
by Becky Chambers
(Tordotcom)

"The quiet life of a tea monk is interrupted when a robot arrives after centuries to honor a promise to check in. The robot cannot return to the wilderness until the question of “what do people need?” is answered. This is a book I will be recommending to everyone! For readers who enjoyed The Bear and The House in the Cerulean Sea.”

—Liz Aleshunas, St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, MO
NoveList read-alike: The Sol Majestic by Ferrett Steinmetz

She Who Became the Sun
by Shelley Parker-Chan
(Tor Books)

"In her intense, wonderfully written, and completely absorbing debut, Parker-Chan gives 14th century China a stunner of a rewrite. When her father and brother die as a consequence of a brutal attack, Zhu leaves her impoverished village and takes on her brother’s identity and his fate. For readers who enjoyed Priory of the Orange Tree, Gideon the Ninth, and The Poppy War.”

—Sharon Layburn, South Huntington Public Library, Huntington, NY
NoveList read-alike: Empire of Sand by Tahsin Suri

The Sinful Lives of Trophy Wives
A Novel
by Kristin Miller
(Ballantine Books)

"When Brooke moves to the exclusive California neighborhood of Presidio Terrace, she befriends both Erin and Georgia. She finds out much more than she ever expected. Readers will be so wrapped up in the drama, privilege, and mystery, they might finish in one sitting. For readers who enjoyed Big Little Lies and Never Have I Ever.”

—Danielle Aronowitz, South Plainfield Public Library, South Plainfield, NJ
NoveList read-alike: The Wife Upstairs by Rachel Hawkins

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Fallen
A Novel of Suspense
by Linda Castillo
(Minotaur Books)

"Get ready to drop everything to read the newest Kate Burkholder thriller, as Kate returns to Amish country after the brutal murder of a woman she knew as a child. All of Castillo's trademarks are here—smarts, suspense, twists and turns—making this 13th series entry feel as fresh as the first."
—Heather Van Fleet, Genesee District Library, Mt. Morris, MI
NovelList read-alike: Kate Shugak series by Dana Stabenow

False Witness
A Novel
by Karin Slaughter
(William Morrow)

"Leigh is a successful Atlanta attorney while her estranged sister, Callie, is a drug addict. When Leigh defends a serial rapist, she and Callie are forced to confront their traumatic past and complicated future. This is a thrill ride with satisfying depth and two main characters worth rooting for."
—Donna Ballard, East Meadow Public Library, East Meadow, NY
NovelList read-alike: The Eleventh Victim by Nancy Grace

For Your Own Good
by Samantha Downing
(Berkeley)

"Belmont Academy is one of the most prestigious prep schools in the country. However, teacher Teddy Crutcher despises many of the elitist parents and entitled pupils, and he plans to do something about it. This nonstop roller coaster ride will have readers turning pages deep into the night."
—KC Davis, Fairfield Woods Library, Fairfield, CT
NovelList read-alike: Gentlemen & Players by Joanne Harris

A Good Day for Chardonnay
A Novel
by Darynda Jones
(St. Martin’s Press)

"Sheriff Sunshine Vicram returns with a new case involving old flame Levi, while also having her hands full with her independent daughter who can’t seem to avoid dicey situations of her own. Another delightful entry in this series of zany mysteries set in New Mexico."
—Emily Chandler, Indianapolis Public Library, Indianapolis, IN
NovelList read-alike: Detective Betty series by Kathleen Kent

Incense and Sensibility
A Novel
by Sonali Dev
(William Morrow Paperbacks)

"Yash, a rigid political up-and-comer, must work with India, a stress coach and family friend, after being shot at at a rally. The two must overcome their shared past, secrets, and mental roadblocks to succeed in life and love. For fans of Jasmine Guillory and Helen Hoang."
—Kari Bingham-Gutierrez, Olathe Public Library, Olathe, KS
NovelList read-alike: Take a Hint, Dani Brown by Talia Hibbert
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Isn't It Bromantic?
by Lyssa Kay Adams
(Berkley Jove)

“It’s refreshing to read a romance featuring men with healthy friendships who discuss mental health and how to combat toxic masculinity. This installment of the Bromance series focuses on hockey player Vlad and his wife Elena and also celebrates their Russian heritage.”

—Jennifer Sullivan, Sno-Isle Libraries, Marysville, WA
NoveList read-alike: Playbook series by Alexa Martin

It Happened One Summer
A Novel
by Tessa Bailey
(Avon)

“Piper lands in a remote Pacific Northwest town lacking the glamour of her superficial ‘It-girl’ lifestyle. But her determination to accomplish something real leads to a budding romance with a gruff fisherman. Don’t be fooled by the spoiled heroine—Bailey’s fans will fall in love with this book.”

—Jessica C. Williams, Tiffin-Seneca Public Library, Tiffin, OH
NoveList read-alike: Sweet Tea and Sympathy by Molly Harper

Last Guard
by Nalini Singh
(Berkley)

“As the Psy-Changeling series gets longer, Singh still focuses on great world-building and fresh characters. The latest installment introduces new protagonists and expands the setting to India. While the book may not be the best entrypoint for new readers, longtime fans will find lots to enjoy.”

—Jessica Werner, The Seattle Public Library, Seattle, WA
NoveList read-alike: Her Every Fear by Peter Swanson

The Stranger in the Mirror
A Novel
by Liv Constantine
(Harper)

“Addison is an amnesiac ready to move on with a new life when her past catches up to her. Readers of Constantine’s other books as well as those who crave a fast paced thriller will be very satisfied with this twisted ride into buried memories and uncertain futures.”

—Kimberly McGee, Lake Travis Community Library, Austin, TX
NoveList read-alike: Have You Seen Me? by Kate White

The Therapist
A Novel
by B. A. Paris
(St. Martin’s Press)

“Alice and Leo move to a posh London neighborhood and soon learn a woman was murdered in their home. Unmerved, Alice grows obsessed with the homicide. It drives a wedge between her and Leo, but will it lead to finding the killer? This is a well-constructed thriller with solid character development.”

—Kelly Verheyden, San Diego Public Library, San Diego, CA
NoveList read-alike: Her Every Fear by Peter Swanson

While We Were Dating
by Jasmine Guillory
(Berkley)

“Ben and Anna begin as colleagues and end as lovers in this sweet and steamy romance. Anna is an up and coming actress trying to make a name for herself. When Ben swoops in to help her in a family emergency, they become close quickly. But will their Hollywood romance last?”

—Michelle Magnotta, Mamaroneck Library, Mamaroneck, NY
NoveList read-alike: You Had Me at Hola by Alexis Daria

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