

### **TALES ABOUT TAILS**

**Beloved Beasts** by Michelle Nijhuis- A vibrant history of the modern conservation movement—told through the lives and ideas of the people who built it.

The Elephant of Belfast by S. Kirk Walsh- A young woman zookeeper is compelled to protect an elephant during the German blitz of Belfast during World War II.

**Nala's World** by Dean Nicholson -A friendship between a man and his rescue cat, Nala, as they adventure together on a bike journey around the world.

Tender is the Bite by Spencer Quinn- A potential client flees without leaving her name, but Chet sniffs out an important secret that sets them on the trail.

#### **BUTTERFLIES IN THE STOMACH**

**Dial A for Aunties** by Jesse Q. Sutanto – All aboard for a dead body, meddlesome Chinese-Indonesian relatives, a billionaire's wedding and a reunion with a former flame.

**Float Plan** by Trish Doller - Hiring a sailor to navigate the boat trip she planned before her fiancé's death, Anna begins healing from a broken heart.

Malice by Heather Walter- A princess isn't supposed to fall for an evil sorceress, but in this dark retelling of "Sleeping Beauty," true love is more than a fairy tale.

The Road Trip by Beth O'Leary - When an accident forces exes on a 300-mile trip, they can't avoid confronting the messy history of their relationship.

## BIRDS OF A FEATHER

The Ladies of the Secret Circus by Constance Sayers- A magical story of family secrets, sacrifice and lost love set against the backdrop of a mysterious circus.

The Lost Apothecary by Sarah Penner- In the late 1700s, a female apothecary secretly dispenses poisons to liberate women from the men who have wronged them.

The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot by Marianne Cronin -Both dying, a 17-year-old and 83-year-old plan to create 100 paintings celebrating their lives.

A Special Place for Women by Laura Hankin-A reporter tries to infiltrate a female-run secret society whose members are caught up in a dark business.

### WHOLE LOT OF RED HERRINGS

The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman - Four savvy septuagenarians propose an unorthodox plan to help a rookie cop solve her first murder case.

The Windsor Knot by S.J. Bennett- When a murder occurs at Windsor Castle, Queen Elizabeth with the help of her private secretary, Rozie Oshodi, get involved.

**How Lucky** by Will Leitch – Confined to a wheelchair, Daniel believes he has seen a crime- a college woman being kidnapped and sets out to solve it.

The Arctic Fury by Greer Macallister- Leading a team of women into the Arctic to recover a lost expedition, a woman survives only to be put on trial for murder.

### **DOG DAYS OF SUMMER**

The Bookstore on the Beach by Brenda Novak- Husband missing, a mother brings her children to her hometown and family bookstore for the summer.

**Malibu Rising** by Taylor Jenkins Reid- Four famous siblings throw an epic end-of-summer party that goes dangerously out of control and secrets come to light.

**Reunion Beach** by Various- In this warm and moving anthology, a group of bestselling authors pay tribute to legendary, bestselling author Dorothea Benton Frank.

**The Summer Job** by Lizzy Dent - When her wine expert best friend ditches a summer job at a Scottish hotel, Birdy decides to try and take her place.

# FROM THE HORSES MOUTH

The Lost Boys of Montauk by Amanda Fairbanks - An account of the 1984 tragedy of the fishing boat Wind Blown whose repercussions still haunt its survivors.

**Crying in H Mart** by Michelle Zauner - Powerful memoir about growing up Korean American, losing her mother, and forging her own identity.

**Nowhere Girl** by Cheryl Diamond- Living a life of adventure, a girl doesn't realize she was born into a family of outlaws who are fleeing from the law.

Woman They Could Not Silence by Kate Moore – A woman unjustly committed to an asylum by her husband in 1860 fights for her freedom.



# Whale of a Tale

**China** by Edward Rutherfurd- Chronicles the rise and fall of a family's fortunes in China from 1839, at the beginning of the First Opium War, to today.

**Four Winds** by Kristin Hannah- A Depression-era woman makes choice between fighting for her ravaged land in Texas or an unknown future in California.

**Great Circle** by Maggie Shipstead - Spanning Prohibition-era Montana, to modern-day Los Angeles, tells the story of a daredevil female aviator.

The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue by V.E. Schwab – A woman makes a Faustian bargain to live forever but never be remembered,

#### A GAME OF CAT AND MOUSE

**Local Woman Missing** by Mary Kubica—After I I years, a missing girl returns and everybody wants to know what happened, but are they ready for the truth?

**Mother May I** by Joshilyn Jackson – Blackmailed by a mysterious kidnapper to commit a seemingly harmless act, a devastating chain of consequences is triggered.

The Plot by Jean Hanff Korelitz- A successful author who has stolen the plot of his book fights to hide the truth while figuring out who wants to destroy him.

The Rose Code by Kate Quinn- Three very different women, members of the Bletchley Park codebreaking team during WWII, uncover a spy's dangerous agenda.

## A FLY ON THE WALL

The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams - As a team of male scholars compiles the 1st OED, a daughter decides to collect the "objectionable" words they omit.

Mary Jane by Jessica Anya Blau- Taking a summer job as a nanny, straight-laced Mary Jane is introduced to the 1970s world of sex, drugs, and rock-and-roll.

**Paris Library** by Janet Skeslien Charles- A teenager learns of her elderly neighbor's past as a librarian at the American Library in Paris and her role in the resistance.

**Wild Women and the Blues** by Denny S. Bryce - A sharecropper's daughter navigates celebrity encounters, bootlegging and gangsters, in Jazz Age Chicago.

# **Elephant in the Room**

The Nine Lives of Rose Napolitano by Donna Freitas -Explores nine possible lives when the husband of a woman who doesn't want children decides he does.

The Other Black Girl by Zakiya Dalila Harris - The only Black employee is thrilled when a new hire adds diversity but soon finds herself on the outside.

Other People's Children by R.J. Hoffmann - A pregnant college bound teen, a determined grandmother and desperate, potential adoptive parent are at odds.

One Two Three by Laurie Frankel - The Mitchell triplets uncover mysteries about their town buried deep and takes on a system stacked against them.

#### HERE THERE BE DRAGONS

The Drowning Kind by Jennifer McMahon- Her sister drowning at their family estate, a woman connects it to a past tragedy and a supposedly wish-granting spring.

**Echo Wife** by Sarah Gailey- A precarious arrangement between a wife and her clone forces the two women to figure out a creative way to stay out of prison.

**Klara and the Sun** by Kazuo Ishiguro- An Artificial Friend observes the activities of people while exploring the question of what it means to love.

**Mexican Gothic** by Silvia Moreno-Garcia - A courageous socialite in 1950s Mexico is drawn into the treacherous secrets of an isolated mansion.

# FISH OUT OF WATER

**Anxious People** by Fredrik Backman - Taken hostage by a failed bank robber at an open house, 8 strangers discover that they may have things in common.

**Early Morning Riser** by Katherine Heiny - Jane's in love with Duncan, the former town Lothario, then an accident happens leaving an unconventional family.

**Good Neighbors** by Sarah Langan- A friendship between a queen bee and the ostracized wife of a former rock star explodes into chaos involving a sinkhole.

The Guncle by Steven Rowley - When Gay Uncle Patrick becomes guardian for his niece and nephew, he sets "Rules," but soon learn that parenting isn't so easy.