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Home to Harmony

The new pastor in a small Indiana town experiences one humorous adventure after another as he acclimates to his new congregation and lifestyle.

Keillor, Garrison

Lake Wobegon Days

Coming-of-age in Minnesota's Lake Wobegon, a small town where the women are strong, the men are good-looking, and all the children are above average.

Macomber, Debbie

Silver Linings: a Rose Harbor novel

Since opening the Rose Harbor Inn, Jo Marie Rose has grown close to her handyman, Mark Taylor -- yet he still won't reveal anything about his past. When Mark tells her that he's moving out of town, Jo Marie is baffled. Just when she is starting to open herself up again to love, she feels once more that she is losing the man she cares about.

McCall Smith, Alexander

The Limpopo Academy of Private Detection

Precious Ramotswe is called in to tackle a disciplinary problem at her adopted daughter's local school. Meanwhile, her assistant, Grace Makutsi, is having trouble adjusting to wedded bliss and her friend Mma Potokwane is shockingly dismissed from her position as matron at the orphan farm. .

Oke, Janette

Where Trust Lies

After teaching in a 1920s mining town in western Canada, Beth Thatcher no longer feels at home among her wealthy family in the East, and her heart is torn between two very different worlds

Reid, Van

Mollie Peer, or, the Underground Adventure of the Moosepath League

Daniel Plainway, or, the Holiday Haunting of the Moosepath League

The rollicking adventures of Tobias Walton and the jovial Moosepath League, set in 19th-century Maine

Sefton, Maggie

Close Knit Killer

When an acquaintance turns up murdered outside the intended classroom space for her yarn shop, Kelly Flynn unravels a long list of suspects.

Ross, Ann

Miss Julia Speaks Her Mind

Recently widowed and newly wealthy, Miss Julia receives the shock of her long and proper life when her late husband's mistress turns up on her doorstep with young son in tow.

Thirkell, Angela

Peace Breaks Out

In the fictional county of Barssetshire, the English gentry try to find love and happiness amid the hardships of WWII.

Trigiani, Adriana

Home to Big Stone Gap

Life in the delightful small southern Blue Ridge Mountain town of Big Stone Gap, Virginia

Valentine, Katherine

A Miracle for St. Cecilia's

The charming New England town of Dorsetville and its cast of wry, tough inhabitants struggle to stay afloat after the wool mill closes.

Gentle Reads



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Gentle Reads: Stories of small town life and everyday people. Cozy, sometimes romantic, good for rainy days or lifting up a sad mood. Occasionally religious, little or no violence or profanity.

Allan, Barbara

Antiques Swap

It happened at Serenity's swap meet, right after Brandy Borne and her ever-more-eccentric mother Vivian finished shooting the pilot for their very own TV show, Antiques Sleuths. Brandy just, well, lost her balance and fell...into the helpful arms of an old flame, local tycoon Wesley Sinclair III. But did Brandy's innocent slip lead to the murder of Wesley's wife, Vanessa?

Austen, Jane

Pride and Prejudice

Emma

Matchmaking, manners and marriage in the close-knit communities of England in the early 1800's. Timeless, romantic and fun.

Beaton, M. C.

Something Borrowed, Someone Dead: an Agatha Raisin mystery

Hired by the Parish councilor of a small community in the Cotswold Hills to investigate the murder of a jolly widow, Agatha Raisin learns about the victim's penchant for keeping borrowed items in a case that is complicated by village secrets and a killer who would make Agatha a next target.

Berenson, Laurien

Gone with the Woof

Helping a legendary dog breeder pen his autobiography, Melanie is stunned when the man's son turns up dead and the breeder is the main suspect, and she

resolves to investigate the death amidst ex-lovers, hoarding, and dead ends.

Bevarly, Elizabeth

The House on Butterfly Way

While renovating an old house and her life after a divorce, Eugenie Dashner begins working at a dating service and draws the attention of two men who bring romance back into her life.

Bowen, Rhys

Malice at the Palace

Accepting a royal assignment that places her in the allegedly haunted Kensington Palace, Lady Georgiana serves a Greek princess who is betrothed to the king's youngest son, a comfortable situation that is disrupted by an untimely murder.

Daheim, Mary

Gone with the Win

When Ruby Tooms, the world-weary barmaid she met at Oktoberfest, arrives at her bed-and-breakfast with some unexpected baggage, Judith McMonigle Flynn agrees to help Ruby solve the 20-year-old mystery of her mother's murder.

Dallas, Sandra

Prayers for Sale

This charming novel offers up the unconventional friendship between Hennie Comfort, a natural storyteller entering the twilight of her life, and Nit Spindle, a naïve young newlywed, forged in the isolated mining town of Middle Swan, Colo., in 1936.

Delderfield, R.F.

To Serve Them All My Days

A teacher at a public school in the West Country of England experiences both joy and tragedy.

Dean, Anna

A Place of Confinement: the investigations of Miss Dido Kent

Thwarting her sister-in-law's efforts to marry her off to a decidedly unwanted suitor, the sharp-witted Miss Dido Kent is sent to live with a wealthy hypochondriac aunt and investigates the disappearance of a visiting heiress.

Evans, Richard Paul

A Perfect Day

Laid off from his sales rep job, Robert Paul decides to pursue his dream of becoming a writer and unexpectedly pens a best seller, but when his success compromises his marriage, he receives unexpected guidance from a stranger.

Fluke, Joanne

Wedding Cake Murder

About to marry her college crush, Hannah must solve the murder case of nasty celebrity chef Alain Duquesne found stabbed to death in the Lake Eden Inn's walk-in cooler.

Gillman, Dorothy

The Elusive Mrs. Pollifax

A widowed matron decides to pursue her lifelong desire to be a spy, finds herself useful to the CIA, and successfully completes an assignment which takes her from New Jersey to Mexico City to Albania.

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