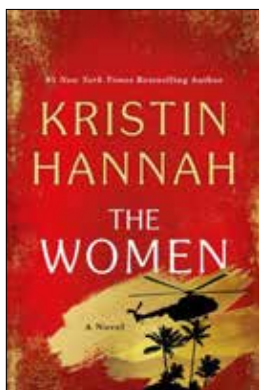


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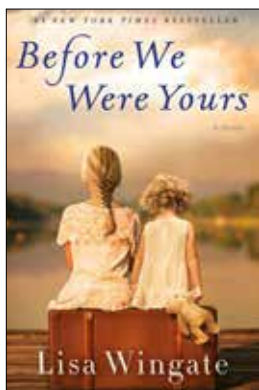
The Women

By Kristin Hannah

I learned so much from this page-turner about Frankie McGrath, a sheltered California nursing student who becomes an Army nurse in Vietnam. Her story highlights the courage and heartbreaking losses faced by her and fellow veterans, along with the painful mistreatment they encounter upon returning to a divided America.

Also available: large print, CD

Reviewed by Carol U., At Home patron



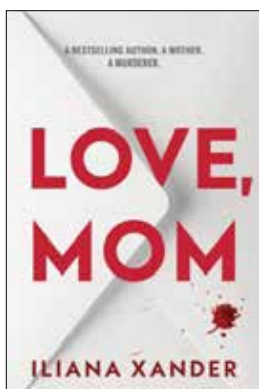
Before We Were Yours

By Lisa Wingate

This is an exquisitely woven fictional tale rooted in early 20th-century Tennessee adoption scandals. In 1939, the Foss children are forcibly taken from their shantyboat by Georgia Tann's agents. Decades later, Avery Stafford, a determined prosecutor, uncovers their link to her family, reshaping everything she believed about her past.

Also available: large print

Reviewed by Mary B., At Home patron



Love, Mom

By Iliana Xander

Mackenzie Casper, daughter of a world-famous thriller author, begins receiving her late mother's unsettling diary pages after a suspicious accident. As the letters escalate, she uncovers long-hidden family secrets and the sinister lies behind her mother's fame. It's an engaging and twisty book!

Reviewed by Anne B., At Home patron

New Fiction Books

Alphabetical order by author

Life: A Love Story

By Elizabeth Berg

As 92-year-old Flo Greene writes Ruthie about the objects in her will and the memories they hold, Flo begins taking small dares, forming new friendships, and revealing a secret that prompts Ruthie to reconsider her divorce.

Also available: large print

NYT Upward Bound

By Woody Brown

At a Los Angeles daycare center for adults with disabilities, clients navigate daily challenges amid inconsistent care. Observing them, a grieving newcomer captures their world with empathy and sly humor.

Also available: large print

NYT Yesteryear

By Caro Claire Burke

Natalie, a lifestyle influencer, supported by staff and privilege, wakes up in a primitive world where her family is rougher and strangely changed. Forced into harsh labor, she searches for answers and a way to escape.

Also available: large print

NYT The Ending

Writes Itself

By Evelyn Clarke

After bestselling novelist Arthur Fletch is found dead on his remote Scottish island, six struggling writers are summoned to finish his final book. Given 72 hours, they compete for a huge payout and a revived career.

Also available: CD

Last One Out

By Jane Harper

Ro returns to rural Australia on the anniversary of her son Sam's disappearance, marked by his abandoned rental car and belongings. Revisiting the fading mining town he studied, she realizes crucial clues were hidden.

Also available: large print

NYT Kin

By Tayari Jones

Vernice and Annie grow up as next-door neighbors in Louisiana, each shaped by losing her mother differently. Vernice leaves for a historically Black women's college, while Annie's search for her missing mother leads her into danger.

Also available: large print

This Book Made Me

Think of You

By Libby Page

Tilly reads 12 books and letters that Joe, her late husband, left to guide her through her first year without him. With support from the kind local bookseller, she gradually heals and embraces new adventures.

More Than Enough

By Anna Quindlen

Teacher Polly leans on her book club and husband while juggling work pressures, IVF struggles, and tension with her mother. A surprising DNA match leads her on a search for answers where she learns how friendships can change your life in the most profound ways.

Also available: large print

Once and Again

By Rebecca Serle

Lauren, struggling with infertility, returns home while her husband works away. Seeing her former love makes Lauren consider her family's inherited gift to reverse a past choice — the same power her mother used to save her father's life.

Also available: large print, CD

New Nonfiction Books

Alphabetical order by author

NYT **True Crime: A Memoir**
By Patricia Daniels Cornwell

The bestselling crime novelist recounts parental abandonment, foster abuse, and near-fatal crises that shaped her early life. She shows how reporting and morgue work forged her forensic-focused literary career.
Also available: large print

NYT **This Vast Enterprise: A New History of Lewis & Clark**

By Craig Fehrman
Drawing on 30 archives, hundreds of interviews, and centuries-old oral histories, this book reconstructs the Lewis & Clark Expedition through conflicting perspectives and political tensions. It shows how the captains relied on help from the Corps of Discovery, Native nations, and each other.

NYT **When We See You Again**

By Rachel Goldberg-Polin
This book follows a mother whose son was taken by Hamas on October 7 in Israel and chronicles 11 months of public appeals and behind-the-scenes efforts to free hostages. It documents the emotional toll of that fight and the grief that followed their eventual deaths.

NYT **The Best Dog in the World: Essays on Love**
Edited by Alice Hoffman

This anthology features essays by Isabel Allende, Jodi Picoult, Amy Tan, and other authors, reflecting on the dogs they lived with, cared for, and cherished.
Also available: large print

I Identify as Blind: A Brazen Celebration of Disability Culture, Identity, and Power

By Lachi with Tim Vandehey
Lachi uses her experiences and examples from public figures to question mainstream views of Disability identity. She shows how disability has influenced major cultural and technological developments that people often overlook.
Also available: large print

A Hymn to Life: Shame Has to Change Sides
By Gisèle Pelicot with Judith Perrignon

After a 2020 police call exposes a decade of drug-facilitated abuse, the victim reconstructs how it was carried out and hidden by her husband, writing and reclaiming her own story.
Also available: large print

The Blood Countess: Murder, Betrayal, and the Making of a Monster
By Shelley Puhak

In the early 17th century, investigators raid a noblewoman's estate and allege she killed dozens of girls. The book revisits the enduring Blood Countess myth by retracing the evidence and circumstances surrounding her arrest.
Also available: CD

Mastermind: A True Story of Obsession, Survival, and Justice
By Lou Raguse

A crime scene investigator is shot during a custody exchange, and suspicion falls on her ex despite his alibi. The case uncovers his escalating control, obsession, and a plot to murder her.

Adult Braces: Driving Myself Sane
By Lindy West

The book follows Lindy West, celebrated for a memoir-turned-series, as she faces severe depression and takes a restorative trip to redirect her life.
Also available: large print

More New Books

Alphabetical order by author

Fiction

Lost Lambs

By Madeline Cash

The Golden Boy

By Patricia Finn

Also available: large print

NYT The Keeper

By Tana French

Also available: large print

NYT The Night We Met

By Abby Jimenez

Also available: large print

The Bookstore Diaries

By Susan Mallery

Also available: large print

Little One

By Olivia Muentert

Also available: large print

Clutch

By Emily Nemens

NYT Cherry Baby

By Rainbow Rowell

Also available: CD

NYT Go Gentle

By Maria Semple

Also available: large print

Felicia's Favorites

By Danielle Steel

Also available: large print

NYT American Fantasy

By Emma Straub

Also available: large print

Lake Effect

By Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney

Also available: large print

Cozy Mystery

Picking Up the Pieces

By J.B. Abbott

Also available: large print

Death at a Firefly Tea

By Laura Childs

Also available: large print

The Diva Poaches a Bad Egg

By Krista Davis

Also available: large print

Murder at Cottonwood Creek

By Clara McKenna

Also available: large print

Booking for Trouble

By Jenn McKinlay

Also available: large print

A Terribly Nasty Business

By Julia Seales

Also available: large print

Historical

The Secret Lives of Murderers' Wives

By Elizabeth Arnott

Also available: large print

NYT Daughter of Egypt

By Marie Benedict

Also available: large print, CD

Wait for Me

By Amy Jo Burns

Now I Surrender

By Alvaro Enrigue

Lady Tremaine

By Rachel Hochhauser

Also available: large print

Keeper of Lost Children

By Sadeqa Johnson

Also available: large print, CD

Son of Nobody

By Yann Martel

The Moonlight Runner

By Karen Robards

Also available: large print

The Parisian Chapter

By Janet Skeslien Charles

Also available: large print, CD

A Far-Flung Life

By M.L. Stedman

Also available: large print

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Humorous

Sweet Heat

By Bolu Babalola

Also available: large print

And Now, Back to You

By B.K. Borison

Also available: large print

The Reservation

By Rebecca Kauffman

Also available: CD

Everyone in This Bank is a Thief

By Benjamin Stevenson

Also available: large print, CD

Mystery

Stormy Night

By Eva Bernhard

Available only in large print

The Crossroads

By C.J. Box

Also available: large print, CD

Not They Who Soar

By Amanda Flower

Also available: large print

Five Found Dead

By Sulari Gentill

Also available: large print

The Bone Thief

By Vanessa Lillie

Also available: large print

Other People's Houses

By Clare Mackintosh

Also available: large print

Come Through Your Door

By Carlene O'Connor

Also available: large print

Death Times Seven

By Anne Perry and

Victoria Zackheim

Also available: large print, CD

A Day of Judgment

By Charles Todd

Also available: large print

Religious

All Booked Up

By Melody Carlson

Also available: large print

Whiteout: Two Romantic Suspense Novellas

By Lynette Eason and

Dani Pettrey

Also available: large print, CD

Faithful of Heart

By Tracie Peterson

Also available: large print, CD

Romance

The Heir of Whitestone

By Catherine Coulter

Also available: large print

Agnes Aubert's Mystical Cat Shelter

By Heather Fawcett

Also available: large print

The Secret of Orange Blossom Cake

By Rachel Linden

Also available: large print

Fundamentals of Being a Good Girl

By Julie Murphy and

Sierra Simone

Also available: large print

And the Crowd Went Wild

By Susan Elizabeth Phillips

Also available: large print, CD

Mistakes Were Made

By Lucy Score

Also available: large print

Track of Courage

By Susan May Warren

Also available: large print

More New Books

Alphabetical order by author

Science Fiction/Fantasy

NYT **This Kingdom
Will Not Kill Me**

By Ilona Andrews

NYT **Starside**

By Alex Aster

Also available: large print

Operation Bounce House

By Matt Dinniman

Also available: large print

The Book Witch

By Meg Shaffer

Fallen City

By Adrienne Young

Also available: large print

Short Stories

Seasons of Glass and Iron

By Amal El-Mohtar

Python's Kiss

By Louise Erdrich

Also available: large print, CD

Brawler

By Lauren Groff

Also available: large print

My Dear You

By Rachel Khong

Also available: large print

The News From Dublin

By Colm Tóibín

Also available: large print, CD

Thriller

Her Last Breath

By Taylor Adams

NYT **Bloodlust**

By Sandra Brown

Also available: large print

**This Story Might
Save Your Life**

By Tiffany Crum

Also available: large print

The Exes

By Leodora Darlington

Also available: large print

NYT **Judge Stone**

By Viola Davis and

James Patterson

Also available: large print

NYT **Mad Mabel**

By Sally Hepworth

Also available: large print, CD

The Ice on the Lake

By Alex Messenger

Also available: CD

The Final Storm

By Fern Michaels

Also available: large print, CD

Murder Bimbo

By Rebecca Novack

**The Tree of Light and
Flowers**

By Thomas Perry

Also available: large print

Trust No One

By James Rollins

Also available: large print, CD

NYT **Revenge Prey**

By John Sandford

Also available: large print

Warning Signs

By Tracy Sierra

Also available: large print

Served Him Right

By Lisa Unger

Also available: large print

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Western

Braska

By Wayne D. Dundee

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The Guns of Fort Griffin

By James J. Griffin

Available only in large print

As Good as Dead: Smoke Jensen and the Taming of the West

By William W. Johnstone and
J.A. Johnstone

Also available: large print

Raw Deal

By Lauran Paine

Available only in large print

Nonfiction

NYT The Meaning of Your Life: Finding Purpose in an Age of Emptiness

By Arthur C. Brooks

Also available: large print

The Uncool: A Memoir

By Cameron Crowe

Also available: large print

Cave Mountain:

A Disappearance and a Reckoning in the Ozarks

By Benjamin Hale

NYT Dogs, Boys, and Other Things I've Cried About: A Memoir

By Isabel Klee

How to Be Okay When Nothing is Okay: Tips and Tricks That Kept Me Alive, Happy, and Creative in Spite of Myself

By Jenny Lawson

American Struggle: Democracy, Dissent, and the Pursuit of a More Perfect Union – An Anthology

By Jon Meacham

Also available: large print

NYT Kids, Wait Till You Hear This! My Memoir

By Liza Minnelli, as told to
Michael Feinstein with Josh
Getlin and Heidi Evans

Also available: large print

NYT We the Women: The Hidden Heroes Who Shaped America

By Norah O'Donnell with
Kate Andersen Brower

NYT A World Appears: A Journey Into Consciousness

By Michael Pollan

Also available: large print

NYT When the Forest Breathes: Renewal and Resilience in the Natural World

By Suzanne Simard

Also available: large print

True Color: The Strange and Spectacular Quest to Define Color – From Azure to Zinc Pink

By Kory Stamper

Outsider Animals: How the Creatures at the Margins of Our Lives Have the Most to Teach Us

By Marlene Zuk



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