

Women's Fiction

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Women's fiction is a story with a central theme of a woman's emotional journey. They focus on relationships, including romantic ones, but also explore connections between female family members, co-workers, and friends. They can take place in any time period or setting.

CONTEMPORARY

Barbara Delinsky
Barbara O'Neal
Catherine Ryan Hyde
Diane Chamberlain
Elin Hilderbrand
Jennifer Weiner
Jenny Colgan
Jojo Moyes
Julianne MacLean
Karen White
Kristin Hannah
Liane Moriarty
Lisa Jewell
Nancy Thayer
Robyn Carr
Sherryl Woods
Susan Wiggs

HISTORICAL

Alison Weir
Beatriz Williams
Catherine Ryan Hyde
Fiona Davis
Heather Morris
Jennifer Donnelly
Jojo Moyes
Kate Quinn
Kristen Hannah
Leila Meacham
Lisa See
Marie Benedict
Martha Hall Kelly
Melanie Benjamin
Pam Jenoff

Paula McLain
Philippa Gregory
Tracy Chevalier

HUMOROUS

Cecelia Ahern
Emily Giffin
Fannie Flagg
Helen Fielding
Jennifer Crusie
Lauren Weisberger
Madeleine Wickham
Marian Keyes
Sophie Kinsella

LITERARY

Alice Hoffman
Anita Shreve
Anna Quindlen
Anne Rivers Siddons
Anne Tyler
Deborah Smith
Jodi Picoult
Luanne Rice
Paula McLain
Sarah Addison Allen

MEN WRITING BOOKS PRIMARILY READ BY WOMEN

James Michael Pratt
Nicholas Evans
Nicholas Sparks
Richard Paul Evans
Robert James Waller
Thomas Kinkade

Women's Fiction

SOUTHERN, SMALL TOWN

Deborah Smith
Dorothea Benton Frank
Fannie Flagg
Jennifer Chiaverini
Joan Medlicott
Mary Kay Andrews
RaeAnne Thyne
Rebecca Wells
Robyn Carr
Sandra Dallas
Sherryl Woods

Marcia Willett
Penny Vincenzi
Rosamunde Pilcher

STRONG ROMANTIC ELEMENTS

Barbara Delinsky
Barbara Freethy
Debbie Macomber
Janet Dailey
Jennifer Weiner
Jude Deveraux
Julianne MacLean
Kristin Hannah
Nora Roberts
Patricia Gaffney
RaeAnne Thyne
Robyn Carr
Sherryl Woods
Susan Elizabeth Phillips
Susan Wiggs

SUSPENSE ELEMENTS

Fern Michaels
Jacquelyn Mitchard
Jodi Picoult
Julie Garwood
Lisa Jewell
Nora Roberts
Penny Vincenzi

TRADITIONAL

Barbara Taylor Bradford
Catherine Cookson
Danielle Steel
Elizabeth Berg
LaVyrle Spencer
Maeve Binchy