



SUMMERTIME ... and the Reading is Easy

Recommendations from the RVC Staff

THE LAST SUMMER (OF YOU AND ME) by Ann Brashares (Fic Brashares)

The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants author writes her first adult novel in this story of a Fire Island beach community friendship triangle.

FEAR AND YOGA IN NEW JERSEY by Debra Galant (Fic Galant)

A funny suburban family satire set in New Jersey.

GIRL OF HIS DREAMS by Donna Leon (Mys Leon)

Going undercover to investigate a new Protestant sect in Venice, Commissario Brunetti is forced to put his probe aside when the body of a young gypsy girl turns up in a local canal.

THREE GIRLS AND THEIR BROTHER by Theresa Rebeck (Fic Rebeck)

After being transformed into the fashion world's latest "It" girls, the three Heller sisters fall prey to the temptations of show business, unleashing a rivalry that threatens the three girls and their quiet, neglected brother with a self-destructive disaster.

WHACKED by Jules Asner (Fic Anser)

Entertainment host (E!) Jules Asner's first novel is a send-up of the viciously cut-throat world of romance in Hollywood.

LOVEHAMPTON by Sherri Rifkin (Fic Rifkin)

Manhattanite media pro Tori shares a posh Hamptons summerhouse with five upwardly mobile 30-somethings. Attention all *Sex and the City* fans!!

SUMMER READING by Hilma Wolitzer (Fic Wolitzer)

The lives of three very different women intersect over the course of a summer in the Hamptons as they find their reading choices changing their lives forever.

SWINE NOT: a novel pig tale by Jimmy Buffett (Fic Buffett)

Moving their beloved pet pig from their Tennessee hometown to their new home in a posh no-pets-allowed NYC hotel, southern belle Ellie McBride and children struggle to hide the swine from the hotel staff, including an ultra-carnivorous hotel chef.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING KENNEDY by Laurie Graham (Fic Graham)

Becoming a servant for the Kennedys shortly after arriving in America from Ireland, Nora is given charge of the family's nine children whom she offers solace from their harsh mother, distant father and the prying public.

SAIL by James Patterson and Howard Roughan (Fic Patterson)

Struggling to maintain family cohesion after the death of her husband, a woman plans a sailing vacation and is challenged by difficulties with her children and a catastrophic accident.

FRIDAY NIGHTS by Joanna Trollope (Fic Trollope)

Gathering weekly to commiserate over their relationships, careers and hardships, six women find their circle changing when one meets a man who tests their closely forged bond.

THE DAY I ATE WHATEVER I WANTED by Elizabeth Berg (SS Berg)

A collection of humorous short stories of what women would do if no one was watching.

SUMMER AT TIFFANY by Margorie Hart (381.141H)

A memoir of the summer of '54 during which the author and her best friend became the first women to work on the sales floor at Tiffany & Co. in NYC.

THE UNCOMMON READER by Alan Bennett (Fic Bennett)

A modern fable in which Queen Elizabeth II becomes an avid reader and the new ideas she encounters change the way she thinks and reigns.

CHASING HARRY WINSTON by Lauren Weisberger (Fic Weisberger)

Making a pact that they will change the things that most challenge them within a year's time, three NYC friends shed their downtrodden identities in order to pursue the high life.

LOVE THE ONE YOU'RE WITH by Emily Giffin (Fic Giffin)

A newlywed must choose between her reliable, handsome and wealthy Atlanta husband and her charismatic, handsome but unpredictable ex, whom she left behind in Manhattan.

THE HOUSE AT RIVERTON by Kate Morton (Fic Morton)

Living out her final days in a nursing home, ninety-eight-year-old Grace remembers the secrets surrounding the 1924 suicide of a young poet during a glittering society party hosted by Grace's English aristocrat employers, a family that is shattered by war.

THE STEEL WAVE: a novel of World War II by Jeff Shaara (Fic Shaara)

A fictional account of D-Day and the Allied invasion of Europe chronicle the events of the campaign and the personalities who took part, from the ordinary soldiers on the land and in the air, to such leaders as Dwight Eisenhower and George Patton.

PLAYING FOR PIZZA by John Grisham (Fic Grisham)

The humorous story of an American football player transplanted to a country where "fourth down" is definitely a foreign expression.

CERTAIN GIRLS by Jennifer Weiner (Fic Weiner)

A sequel to *Good in Bed* takes place 13 years later and finds a no-longer-famous Cannie writing science fiction under a pen name, raising her teenage daughter and considering her husband's request to have her sister provide surrogate services so they can have a second child.