New LGBTQ+ Reads

Book Riot's "40 of the Best Queer Books"

https://bookriot.com/2020/03/09/best-queer-books/ 40 suggestions of Fiction, Non-Fiction, Young Adult, Poetry, and Graphic Novels/Memoirs – compiled in 2020, most titles are pretty recent though there are a few classics in the mix

LGBTQ+ Awards

Stonewall Book Awards (American Library Association's Rainbow Roundtable)

http://www.ala.org/rt/rrt/award/stonewall/honored

The Lammys (Lambda Literary)

https://www.lambdaliterary.org/awards/2020-winners/

LGBTQ+ Classics

The Advocate's "The 25 Best LGBT Novels of All Time"

https://www.advocate.com/books/2018/6/15/25-best-lgbt-novels-all-time Mostly 20th Century titles, though a few 19th and 21st Century works are on the list as well

Oprah Magazine's "Over 100 LGBTQ Authors Share the Books That Changed Their Lives"

https://www.oprahmag.com/entertainment/books/g27455697/best-lgbtq-books-ever/?slide=8

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Read Books with Pride















Genre Lists

LGBTQ+ Mystery and Crime Fiction

Electric Lit's "10 LGBTQ Crime Fiction Must-Reads"

https://electricliterature.com/10-lgbtq-crime-fiction-must-reads/ In addition to the 10 reading suggestions, this article explores the parallel between crime stories and coming out narratives.

Novel Suspect's "10 LGBTQ Characters in Crime Fiction"

https://www.novelsuspects.com/book-list/10-lgbtq-characters-in-crime-fiction/

While not all of these characters are the main protagonist, they all play important roles in these notable novels.

Lambda Literary's "LGBTQ Crime Writers on the Future of Queer Crime Fiction"

https://www.lambdaliterary.org/2019/05/queer-crime-fiction/ Interviews with four writers on moving beyond the victim/villain tropes

LGBTQ+ Historical Fiction

Book Riot's "28 Fabulous Works of Queer Historical Fiction for Pride Month"

https://bookriot.com/2018/06/21/queer-historical-fiction/ Mostly historical fiction books, although a few contemporary novels written in past eras and a few alternate history novels make it onto this list.

Electric Lit's "A Reading List of Queer Romances in Historical Fiction"

https://electricliterature.com/a-reading-list-of-queer-romances-in-historical-fiction/



Genre Lists

LGBTQ+ Fantasy, Sci-Fi, and Speculative Fiction

Bustle's "30 LGBTQIA+ Sci-Fi And Fantasy Books You Should Read This Pride Month"

https://www.bustle.com/p/30-lgbtqia-sci-fi-fantasy-books-you-should-read-this-pride-month-17940283

Book Riot's "50 Must-Read LGBT Fantasy Books"

https://bookriot.com/2018/08/03/best-lgbt-fantasy-books/

The Guardian's "Why Would I Close the Door to a Queer Person?' LGBTQ Fantasy Comes of Age"

https://www.theguardian.com/books/2020/jan/14/lgbtq-sex-fantasy-fiction-books

This article discusses the longtime absence of queer characters in fantasy and the recent explosion of literature that creates worlds where homophobia is nonexistent. While not a reading list, this article does offer a few titles and authors to look out for

LGBTQ+ Books with Happy Endings

QueerBooksForTeens.com's "Recommended Books with Queer Joy and Happy Endings"

http://queerbooksforteens.com/best-of-lists/books-with-queer-joy-and-happy-endings/

Compiled by Angie Manfredi, youth services consultant for Iowa, former head of LACLS youth services. This website also has lots of other great lists of queer YA

Book Riot's "LGBTQ+ Books that Actually Have a Happy Ending"

https://bookriot.com/2018/03/20/lgbtq-books-that-actually-have-a-happy-ending/