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Soul Kiss Madelynne Ellis Love is love... No label needed. Dylan Drake is 100% gay. He's been confident of that his whole life. Until her... Kira Carter-Wells shouldn't turn him on. She shouldn't make his pulse race. But his new bodyguard does precisely that. And there's no escaping her if he wants to stay safe from the stalker threatening his life. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ "Sensationally hot 180-degree twist on the popular 'GFY' trope which is a delight on every page." Author Vin George. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Fast-paced with loads of drama and suspense. I was hooked from beginning to end." Goodreads Reviewer. Soul Kiss is an angst heavy, trope-twisting, bodyguard romance, encompassing one man's journey of self-discovery. It contains M/M and M/F depictions. If you're not okay with the complexities of human sexuality, best give this one a miss. Keywords: adult romance, rockstar romance, rock star romance, contemporary romance, beach reads, steamy romance, new adult, erotic romance, european, international romance, british romance, UK romance, madelynne ellis, black halo series, black halo books, stirred passion series, sunsetters, forced proximity, new york times bestseller, USA today bestseller, hot romance, found family, boys on tour, kissing books, emotional romance, angsty romance, forbidden love, celebrity romance, bad boy romance, swoonworthy romance, book boyfriends, smutty delights, sassy heroine, emotional trauma, alpha hero, thrilling romance, bad boy movie star, bisexual romance, forced proximity, holiday romance, film star romance, movie star romance, celebrity romance, forbidden love, British bad boys, bromance, polyamory, poly, multiple partners, forced proximity, holiday romance, film star romance, movie star romance, celebrity romance, forbidden love, British bad boys, homoflexible, gay romance, m/m romance, bodyguard romance, celebrity stalker, fake relationship romance, action flick, Hollywood, fake dating. Perfect for fans of Julia Kent, Ember Casey, Megan March, Corinne Michaels, Jillian Dodd, Chelle Bliss, Lexy Timms, Blair Babylon, Christina Lauren, Avery Flynn, Penny Reid, Sarina Bowen, Neve Wilder, Bella Andre, Melissa Foster, Sierra Simone.

Independence Day B. A. Ecker 1983 High school student Michael comes to terms with the fact that he is gay, and on July 4th, Independence Day, decides to tell his best friend Todd of his true feelings toward him.

The Best Men Lauren Blakely 2022-01-18 Bestselling authors Sarina Bowen and Lauren Blakely team up for the first time in an enemies-to-lovers, opposites-attract, irresistibly sexy standalone romance between the best man and the other best man! In my defense, I was left alone with a bottle of single-

malt and a life-long penchant for protecting my baby sister. Still, that's no excuse to send ten drunk-texts on why her hasty marriage would be a mistake. If only I had just texted my sister. But nope. I accidentally sent the message to her, her groom, and his super hot wingman. I also used the phrase "super hot wingman," so I'd like to die now. Instead, I have to plan a wedding with the aforementioned hottie and share a too-small guesthouse in steamy Miami. Three days in the sun with the cocky, charming former athlete who likes to push my buttons? Fine, two can play at that let's-infuriate-each-other game. Until Asher ups the stakes with one wildly sexy suggestion. A no-strings fling, then I go back to my single dad life in New York, and he returns to his star-studded one. Sign me up. But the more nights I spend with the other best man, the more I want days too, and that just can't happen. Especially when I find out the real reason why... Contents Include: First times, a secret to-do list, champion-level flirting, fast cars, #eggplants, and two men who look good in formal wear.

Chance of the Heart Kade Boehme 2015-01-26 Chance Becket's life was mapped out. He'd one day own the ranch he grew up on, have a family, and be the son he was raised to be, like all good boys in Small Town, U.S.A. When his high school sweetheart calls for a break during her last semester of college, the last place Chance thought he'd end up was in his old friend Bradley's bed. Bradley Heart blasted out of the closet before his family could name him heir apparent to his father's church. After six years away, a job layoff has him coming home to work behind the scenes. He and his father have little interaction and he's fine with it staying that way when he returns home. Going back into the closet, for any reason, is not on his list of things to do. But Chance may prove too much a temptation, especially with the simmering feelings they've had for one another since they were teens. Confused over his sexuality, Chance has to decide what's more important -- loyalty to his family and the path set forth, or the promise of happiness with not just the only man, but the only person, he's ever really wanted. Includes a very toppy accountant, a cowboy who'd rather be in the kitchen, porn positions, some spanking, and absolutely zero religion other than worshipping... You know.

Better Be True Anyta Sunday 2020-07-30 Two friends. One bed. A big Italian Wedding. Nico Amato is in trouble. He's in love with his roommate. Who's hung up on his ex. This so isn't part of his summer plans. Luke's an all-American jock, a jeans and t-shirt kind of guy. The kind of guy who thinks Nico is too much. That doesn't stop Nico from pretending to be Luke's boyfriend, once, twice, thrice . . . A friend does what a friend does to make an ex jealous. Just . . . How many favors before Luke gives up on his ex? Lucas DeRosa has a problem. His roommate pushes every one of his buttons. Every. Damn. One. This so isn't part of the script. Nico is flamboyant, a tight jeans/purple blazer kind of guy. The kind of guy who thinks Lucas is boring. That doesn't stop Luke from pretending to be Nico's boyfriend again, and again, and again . . . A friend does what a friend does to repay a favor. Just . . . How many favors before he wins Nico's heart? "Better Be True" is a roommates to lovers, fake-boyfriend, slow burn M/M romance with a HEA. This New Adult, college, opposite attract novel can be read as a standalone. The Harrison Campus series can be read in any order

The Charm Offensive Alison Cochrun 2021-09-07 A MOST ANTICIPATED ROM-COM SELECTED BY * BUZZFEED * LGBTQ READS * BUSTLE * THE NERD DAILY * ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT * FROLIC MEDIA * AND MORE! A BEST BOOK PICK BY * HARPER'S BAZAAR * ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY "The Charm Offensive will sweep you off your feet." —PopSugar In this witty and heartwarming romantic comedy—reminiscent of Red, White & Royal Blue and One to Watch—an awkward tech wunderkind on a reality dating show goes off-script when sparks fly with his producer. Dev Deshpande has always believed in fairy tales. So it's no wonder then that he's spent his career crafting them on the long-running reality dating show Ever After. As the most successful producer in the franchise's history, Dev always scripts the perfect love story for his contestants, even as his own love life crashes and burns. But

then the show casts disgraced tech wunderkind Charlie Winshaw as its star. Charlie is far from the romantic Prince Charming Ever After expects. He doesn't believe in true love, and only agreed to the show as a last-ditch effort to rehabilitate his image. In front of the cameras, he's a stiff, anxious mess with no idea how to date twenty women on national television. Behind the scenes, he's cold, awkward, and emotionally closed-off. As Dev fights to get Charlie to connect with the contestants on a whirlwind, worldwide tour, they begin to open up to each other, and Charlie realizes he has better chemistry with Dev than with any of his female co-stars. But even reality TV has a script, and in order to find to happily ever after, they'll have to reconsider whose love story gets told.

Last Night at the Telegraph Club Malinda Lo 2021-01-19 Winner of the National Book Award A New York Times Bestseller "The queer romance we've been waiting for."—Ms. Magazine Seventeen-year-old Lily Hu can't remember exactly when the feeling took root—that desire to look, to move closer, to touch. Whenever it started growing, it definitely bloomed the moment she and Kathleen Miller walked under the flashing neon sign of a lesbian bar called the Telegraph Club. Suddenly everything seemed possible. But America in 1954 is not a safe place for two girls to fall in love, especially not in Chinatown. Red-Scare paranoia threatens everyone, including Chinese Americans like Lily. With deportation looming over her father—despite his hard-won citizenship—Lily and Kath risk everything to let their love see the light of day. (Cover image may vary.)

Life Sucks If You're Married to a Billionaire Grace 2018-10-25 Kei Forest, a stubborn young man, is living an ordinary college life until he receives a letter that will change his life forever. Recently turned twenty-one, he is now faced with a decision that will shake the very foundation of his life. His parents had left him an unimaginable wealth but under one condition: He must marry the arrogant business magnate, Jace Langlois. Will Kei put up with this ordeal? Or will he leave his husband after he gets his inheritance? This is an LGBT book you shouldn't miss. Grab a copy now!

If This Gets Out Sophie Gonzales 2021-12-07 A NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER Sophie Gonzales and Cale Dietrich's "If This Gets Out is an absolute showstopper! Equal parts edgy and adorable, this bright, joyful book has everything I look for in a queer YA romance." —Phil Stamper, bestselling author of *The Gravity of Us* You're in the most popular boy band in America...and all you want is the boy singing next to you. Eighteen-year-olds Ruben Montez and Zach Knight are two members of the boy-band Saturday, one of the biggest acts in America. Along with their bandmates, Angel Phan and Jon Braxton, the four are teen heartthrobs in front of the cameras and best friends backstage. But privately, the pressure to stay in the closet has Ruben confiding in Zach. On a whirlwind tour through Europe with an unrelenting schedule and minimal supervision, the two come to rely on each other more and more, and their already close friendship evolves into a romance. But when they decide they're ready to tell their fans and live freely, Zach and Ruben realize they will never truly have the support they need. How can they hold tight to each other when their whole world is coming apart?

American Psycho Bret Easton Ellis 2014-12-15 A cult classic, adapted into a film starring Christian Bale. Is evil something you are? Or is it something you do? Patrick Bateman has it all: good looks, youth, charm, a job on Wall Street, reservations at every new restaurant in town and a line of girls around the block. He is also a psychopath. A man addicted to his superficial, perfect life, he pulls us into a dark underworld where the American Dream becomes a nightmare . . . With an introduction by Irvine Welsh, Bret Easton Ellis's *American Psycho* is one of the most controversial and talked-about novels of all time. A multi-million-copy bestseller hailed as a modern classic, it is a violent black comedy about the darkest side of human nature.

Lesbian Romance R. P. James 2015-07-18 LESBIAN ROMANCE Things are about to get wet. Very, very, very wet... My friend Venus might just be the most beautiful girl in the world. The two of us have known one another since middle school, and for the longest time I've had an intense crush on her. But here's the thing- she doesn't even know I'm a lesbian. Now, the two of us are in college together, sharing a dorm room. Both of us compete on our school's swim team, and I'm tormented by the sight of her perfect body moving so gracefully through the water. I begin to have visions of losing her after the end of our senior year together, and I decide that it's time to make a move. The two of us share an intense intimate moment together in the shower after the two of us have finished up practicing for the night. For a moment, I think that the happiness I've craved for so long is finally mine, until she runs out of the locker room, crying. She disappears for that entire next week, and I fear that I may have ruined our friendship forever. Now, it's going to take quite a bit of persuasion from our swim coach, Ms. Blum, to get the two of us to kiss and make up... *Warning: This book contains lots of HOT sex, drama and adult language. If this is not the kind of stuff you like to read, then start now and see what you have been missing ;-) Enjoy!*

Hometown Christmas Garrett Leigh 2019-11-15 Yani Nicolaou is sworn off love for good. After fleeing a bad break-up in London, the only blood, sweat, and tears he has left are for his gyro stall at the Christmas market. Rebound fling? No thanks. He's sticking to one-night-stands. Ex-army vet Gavin Richie has even less capacity for romance. Managing a homeless shelter while recovering from injury keeps him far too busy. So what if he's often alone? He's content being single, or so he thinks until a chance meeting lights a spark he can't ignore. Yani is the warmth and affection Gavin hadn't known he was missing. As Christmas lights up the city, their lives entwine in more ways than one. Falling for each other is easy. Holding on is harder, unless a hometown Christmas proves their love can last longer than the festive season.

Of Fire and Stars Audrey Coulthurst 2016-11-22 An atmospheric and romantic debut fantasy perfect for fans of *Ash* and *The Winner's Curse*. Betrothed since childhood to the prince of Mynaria, Princess Dennaleia has always known what her future holds. Her marriage will seal the alliance between Mynaria and her homeland, protecting her people from other hostile kingdoms. But Denna has a secret. She possesses an Affinity for fire—a dangerous gift for the future queen of a land where magic is forbidden. Now Denna has to learn the ways of her new kingdom while trying to hide her growing magic. To make matters worse, she must learn to ride Mynaria's formidable warhorses before her coronation—and her teacher is the person who intimidates her most, the prickly and unconventional Princess Amaranthine, sister of her betrothed. When a shocking assassination leaves the kingdom reeling, Mare and Denna reluctantly join forces to search for the culprit. As the two work together, they discover there is more to one another than they thought—and soon their friendship is threatening to blossom into something more. But with dangerous conflict brewing that makes the alliance more important than ever, acting on their feelings could be deadly. Forced to choose between their duty and their hearts, Mare and Denna must find a way to save their kingdoms—and each other. Plus don't miss the sequel: *Of Ice and Shadows*!

Forever Moore Riley Hart 2019-04-25 With his raven hair and snow-white skin, Lord Ansil Eirwin draws unwanted attention wherever he goes. After his father's untimely death, Ansil is set to become Duke of Ravenswood on his next birthday. The gallant and timid lord would never dream of shirking responsibility, so he subverts his desires in order to please his mother and new stepfather, Reginald. Orien Moore, known as the Huntsman, lives on the fringes and has forsaken close bonds with anyone, even the misfits he has taken in. When Orien is called upon by his brother, Reginald, to kill the pampered future duke, it is the perfect opportunity to seek revenge against his power-hungry brother.

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Orien formulates a plan to use Reginald's vicious request to his advantage by kidnapping Ansil and holding him hostage until he can fulfill his birthright. Soon Orien realizes that Ansil is nothing like he'd expected. Kind and joyful, Ansil enchants Orien and his ragtag group. And Ansil, in turn, cannot help but be curious about the gruff huntsman as Orien's vulnerabilities are exposed. Their mutual interest transforms into affection, followed by overwhelming desire. But they are living on borrowed time. With Reginald seeking power in Ravenswood, they have no way of knowing what will transpire once Orien returns Ansil to his proper place in society. The only certainty is that the odds are stacked against them. Will the young lord and his huntsman ever have the chance to experience the happily ever after they've found in each other's arms?***PLEASE NOTE: FOREVER MOORE is a romantic fairy tale-minus the magic-that features one reluctant lord, one brooding huntsman, and plenty of angst, forbidden love. It's loosely based on a treasured fairy tale in a make-believe setting that isn't part of any specific time period and doesn't play by any traditional rules. (less)

American King Sierra Simone 2017-10-31 They say that every tragic hero has a fatal flaw, a secret sin, a tiny stitch sewn into his future since birth. And here I am. My sins are no longer secret. My flaws have never been more fatal. And I've never been closer to tragedy than I am now. I am a man who loves, a man whose love demands much in return. I am a king, a king who was foolish enough to build a kingdom on the bones of the past. I am a husband and a lover and a soldier and a father and a president. And I will survive this. Long live the king.

Unholy Yearning Lynn Burke 2022-01-04 Enjoy this steamy, multiple partners, forbidden mm romance novel by contemporary author Lynn Burke... As a Christian counselor, I strive for integrity in helping guide others in God's will for their lives. Until a young man walks into my office for premarital counseling—the stranger who ensnared my soul eight months earlier with his bewitching green eyes. Levi Townson. The one whose addictive, luscious mouth I can't cleanse from my memory. My hunger for another taste of him should assure me of my need for a savior, not shepherd me down the rabbit hole toward depravity. Levi's yearnings mirror mine, the kind that dominates my will. Incinerates and leaves me powerless against my sinful nature. But if we fall from grace, neither of us will escape unscathed. *Unholy Yearning* is the second standalone novel in the forbidden gay romance *Sinful Natures* series which focuses on religious men learning to accept who they are. MM HEA guaranteed, this steamy LGBTQ romance contains religious undertones and homophobia. Perfect for readers who enjoy multiple partners that include an engaged couple who invite their marriage counselor in their bed to sate their curiosity before tying the knot—and end up paying the price for their supposed sins. If you're a fan of Lucy Lennox, Ella Frank, J.R. Gray, Jacki James, Alessandra Hazard, Saxon James, and Baylin Crow you're going to love this forbidden gay romance novel! *Warning: this MM title contains multiple partners/multiple pairings including MF and also infidelity

Georgia Peaches and Other Forbidden Fruit Jaye Robin Brown 2018-05-08 "A sweet, sexy, honest teen romance that just happens to involve two girls—all the more charming for being so very ordinary."* A Kirkus Best Book of the Year! A Chicago Public Library Best Book of the Year! A Bustle.com Best Young Adult Book of the Year! 3 starred reviews! Joanna meets the perfect girl for her and must decide whether to break a promise that could change everything for her and her family or lose out on love in this charming young adult romance that's perfect for fans of Julie Murphy's *Dumplin'* and Becky Albertalli's *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*. Joanna Gordon has been out and proud for years, but when her popular radio evangelist father remarries and decides to move all three of them from Atlanta to the more conservative Rome, Georgia, he asks Jo to do the impossible: to lie low for the rest of her senior year. And Jo reluctantly agrees. Although it is (mostly) much easier for Jo to fit in as a straight girl, things get complicated when she meets Mary Carlson, the oh-so-tempting sister of her new friend

at school. But Jo couldn't possibly think of breaking her promise to her dad. Even if she's starting to fall for the girl. Even if there's a chance Mary Carlson might be interested in her, too. Right? *Kirkus

Young Adult Gothic Fiction Michelle J. Smith 2021-06-15 This collection is the first to focus exclusively on twenty-first-century young adult Gothic fiction. The essays demonstrate how the contemporary resurgence of the Gothic signals anxieties about (and hopes for) young people in the twenty-first century. Changing conceptions of young adults as liminal figures, operating between the modes of child and adult, can be mobilised when combined with Gothic spaces and concepts in texts for young people. In young adult Gothic literature, the crossing of boundaries typical of the Gothic is often motivated by a heterosexual romance plot, in which the human or monstrous female protagonist desires a boy who is not her 'type'. Additionally, as the Gothic works to define what it means to be human - particularly in relation to gender, race, and identity - the volume also examines how contemporary shifts and flashpoints in identity politics are being negotiated under the metaphoric cloak of monstrosity.

Made For You Anyta Sunday 2019-04-24 Ben wants to find a new home. Twenty-four-year-old Ben McCormick is the primary caregiver for his brother Milo after their parents' death. A year into the job, he's totally got the hang of it. Mostly. Sort of. Not at all? Defeated and thoroughly chastised for his lack in parenting skills at teacher-parent night, Ben slumps away with the resolve to finally get his life sorted: be a better role model, and sell their parents' house for a fresh start. But first, he needs to spruce up his house to hit the market. He's no DIY king, but Milo's hot-as-hell woodwork teacher is... Jack wants an old home to fix. Thirty-nine-year-old Jack Pecker is waiting for the home of his dreams to come on the market in the summer. What better way to wait the interim months than working on a small renovation gig? Only trouble is, the gig is for the McCormick brothers. And working in close quarters to red-haired Ben McCormick won't be easy. Not with the attraction that simmers between them. Attraction Ben makes no effort to hide. But Jack's professional. Dating a parent is highly discouraged at Kresley Intermediate, and he'd never cross the lines... Ben and Jack. Two guys searching for a home - - a home that might just be where their hearts lead them. - - Set in New Zealand, *Made For You* (Love & Family #2) is an MM gay romance featuring two guys at very different places in their lives - but both finding out they are looking for the same thing. Can be read as a standalone. Tropes: friends-to-lovers, slow burn, age gap, found family Genre: New Adult, light-hearted contemporary gay romance

Say You'll Be Nine Lucy Lennox 2021-04-02 One dilapidated cabin in need of renovation. Two stubborn men pretending to be a couple. Three summer months to get the job done. Four tangled legs in only one bed. Five cameras catching it all for YouTube. Six hundred thousand Instagram followers. Seven nosy family members with Opinions. Eight thousand reasons they should never fall in love. Nine million reasons why they will. *Say You'll Be Nine* is a standalone novel.

The Mistress Tiffany Reisz 2018-01-01 There's punishment—and then there's vengeance. Find both in book four of Tiffany Reisz's fan-favorite *Original Sinners* series... Nora Sutherlin is in handcuffs, held captive by two men. Under different circumstances, she would enjoy the situation immensely, but her captors aren't interested in play. Or pity. As the reality of her impending peril unfolds, Nora becomes Scheherazade, buying each hour of her life with stories—sensual tales of Søren, Kingsley and Wesley, each of whom has tempted and tested and tortured her in his own way. This, Nora realizes, is her life: nothing so simple, so vanilla, as a mere love triangle for her. It's a knot in a silken cord, a tangled mass of longings of the body and the heart and the mind. And it may unravel at any moment. But in Nora's world, no one is ever truly powerless—a cadre of her friends, protectors and lovers stands ready to do anything to save her, even when the only certainty seems to be sacrifice and heartbreak.... Originally published in 2013

International LGBTQ+ Literature for Children and Young Adults B.J. Epstein 2021-08-17 This edited collection explores LGBTQ+ literature for young readers around the world, and connects this literature to greater societal, political, linguistic, historical, and cultural concerns. It brings together contributions from across the academic and activist spectra, looking at picture books, middle-grade books and young adult novels to explore what is at stake when we write (or do not write) about LGBTQ+ topics for young readers. The topics include the representation of sexualities and gender identities; depictions of queer families; censorship; links between culture, language and sexuality/gender; translation of LGBTQ+ literature for young readers; and self-publishing. It is the first collection to expand the study of LGBTQ+ literature for young readers beyond the English-speaking world and to draw cross-cultural comparisons.

Us Elle Kennedy 2016-03-08 Can your favorite hockey players finish their first season together undefeated? Five months in, NHL forward Ryan Wesley is having a record-breaking rookie season. He's living his dream of playing pro hockey and coming home every night to the man he loves—Jamie Canning, his longtime best friend turned boyfriend. There's just one problem: the most important relationship of his life is one he needs to keep hidden, or else face a media storm that will eclipse his success on the ice. Jamie loves Wes. He really, truly does. But hiding sucks. It's not the life Jamie envisioned for himself, and the strain of keeping their secret is taking its toll. It doesn't help that his new job isn't going as smoothly as he'd hoped, but he knows he can power through it as long as he has Wes. At least apartment 10B is their retreat, where they can always be themselves. Or can they? When Wes's nosiest teammate moves in upstairs, the threads of their carefully woven lie begin to unravel. With the outside world determined to take its best shot at them, can Wes and Jamie develop major-league relationship skills on the fly? Warning: contains sexual situations, a vibrating chair, long-distance sextimes and proof that hockey players look hot in any shade of green. "I read HIM in one sitting--it's so, so good! If I had to pick two authors who I'd have team up, it would be Bowen and Kennedy" -- #1 New York Times bestselling author Colleen Hoover "HIM is my favorite read of 2015! Hot, sexy, romantic, funny, and full of heart. I LOVED Jamie and Wes!" -- NYT Bestselling Author Lauren Blakely "The way that Sarina Bowen and Elle Kennedy spun the tale of these two men falling and staying in love was absolutely timeless and beautifully real." --Audrey Carlan, #1 New York Times Best Selling Author Keywords: MM, male/male, hockey romance, hockey mm, sports romance, contemporary romance. For fans of: Alexis Hall, Roan Parrish, Avon Gayle, Riley Hart, Ella Frank, Lucy Lennox, Devon McCormack, Kindle Alexander, NR Walker, Damon Suede

Unholy Craving Lynn Burke 2021-11-16 As a newly appointed youth pastor, I blindly walk by faith, stumbling without the promised light down God's chosen path. Until a young man resurrects the sinful nature I've rejected in my strive for purity. Isaac Van Dusen, my pastor's son. He's troubled. Rebellious. Off limits to my lonely heart, yet gives me breath when I feel I'm drowning and in need of a savior. Isaac's hunger for sin rivals mine, the kind that consumes. Burns like fire and brimstone. I'm determined to stay in a constant state of prayer, begging for delivery from temptation—all while dreaming of being on my knees for entirely different reasons. I want to submit to the unholy craving between us and worship the young man entrusted to my spiritual care. But acting on the lusts of the flesh ensures our fall from grace, and I can't allow him to be the second one to pay the price for my sins. Even if it means living a lie for eternity.

LGBTQ Young Adult Fiction Caren J. Town 2017-06-19 Young adult literature featuring teenage lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning characters is fast growing in popularity. Unlike the "problem novels" of the past, which focused on the guilt, bullying and isolation of LGBTQ characters, today's narratives present more sympathetic and celebratory portrayals. The author explores a selection

of recent novels—many of which may be new to readers—and places them in the wider contexts of LGBTQ literature and history. Chapters discuss a range of topics, including the relationship of Queer Theory to literature, LGBTQ families, and recent trends in utopian and dystopian science fiction.

If You Could Be Mine Sara Farizan 2013-08-20 Winner of the Lambda Literary Award for LGBT Children's/Young Adult One of Rolling Stone's 40 Best YA Novels A 2014 ALA Rainbow List Top 10 Title A Booklist Top 10 First Novels for Youth 2013 A Chicago Public Library "Best of the Best" 2013 This Forbidden Romance Could Cost Them Their Lives Seventeen-year-old Sahar has been in love with her best friend, Nasrin, since they were six. They've shared stolen kisses and romantic promises. But Iran is a dangerous place for two girls in love--Sahar and Nasrin could be beaten, imprisoned, even executed. So they carry on in secret until Nasrin's parents suddenly announce that they've arranged for her marriage. Then Sahar discovers what seems like the perfect solution: homosexuality may be a crime, but to be a man trapped in a woman's body is seen as nature's mistake, and sex reassignment is legal and accessible. Sahar will never be able to love Nasrin in the body she wants to be loved in without risking their lives, but is saving their love worth sacrificing her true self?

Goodbye Paradise Sarina Bowen 2017-03-21

Love and Medicine J. P. Oliver 2018-07-19 ROSS I was never supposed to see Tom again after the one passionate night we spent together. That's the way I prefer it. I was definitely never supposed to operate on him when he was brought into my ER after his accident. That part's against the law. It was an honest mistake - I didn't realize until later that the man I'd just put back together was the same man who'd just spent the previous night taking me apart, innuendo most definitely intended. And when I paid his medical bills, that was just a guilty conscience. He wouldn't have been on the road as tired as he was if me and my issues hadn't been against him staying the night. But when I keep making up excuses to see him, and those turn into justifications for why I'm mashing my lips up against his and taking off his clothes again and throwing him down on my desk, well... Okay, I admit it. That might technically be my bad. After my last disastrous relationship, commitment's been a no go for me. I don't know how to turn my back on the first guy in forever to actually make me feel something. Make me willing to risk everything. Except it's not just a cliché here. But no matter what my head says, I can't ignore what my heart is telling me. TOM I'm getting sick of people telling me to stay away from Ross. At first it was just a joke. He had a reputation for being a bad boy, and people don't call me tight-ass as a compliment to my glutes. I never thought we'd actually hit it off. The only thing we had in common that night were too many drinks and loneliness. But we did connect, on a deeper level than I can't even explain to myself - let alone to everyone who seems to have an opinion now on why I can't be with the doctor who saved my life. Even if he's also the only one who can heal my soul. Normally I'm the guy that's all about listening to what others think, but this time is different. This time I've got to listen to my heart. This 50,000 word standalone features medical misadventures and sexual healing. Our heroes won't let the law stand in the way of true love, but you should if you're under eighteen please!

A Clean Break Keira Andrews 2017-07-22

Forbidden Tabitha Suzuma 2012-06 Sixteen-year-old Maya and seventeen-year-old Lochan tell, in their separate voices, of their confusion and longing as they fall in love with one another after years of functioning as parents to three younger siblings due to their alcoholic mother's neglect.

The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo Taylor Jenkins Reid 2017-06-13 The epic adventures Evelyn creates over the course of a lifetime will leave every reader mesmerized. This wildly addictive journey of

a reclusive Hollywood starlet and her tumultuous Tinseltown journey comes with unexpected twists and the most satisfying of drama.

A Forbidden Rumspringa Keira Andrews 2014 When two young Amish men find love, will they risk losing everything? In a world where every detail of life is dictated by God and the all-powerful rules of the church, David takes on Isaac as a carpentry apprentice. Soon their attraction grows amid the sweat and sawdust, and they share sinful secrets. Can they reconcile their shocking desires with their commitment to faith, family and community?

Georgia Peaches and Other Forbidden Fruit Jaye Robin Brown 2016-08-30 "A sweet, sexy, honest teen romance that just happens to involve two girls—all the more charming for being so very ordinary."—Kirkus A Kirkus Best Book of the Year! A Chicago Public Library Best Book of the Year! A Bustle Best Young Adult Book of the Year! 3 starred reviews! Joanna meets the perfect girl for her and must decide whether to break a promise that could change everything for her and her family or lose out on love in this charming young adult romance that's perfect for fans of Julie Murphy's *Dumplin'* and Becky Albertalli's *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*. Joanna Gordon has been out and proud for years, but when her popular radio evangelist father remarries and decides to move all three of them from Atlanta to the more conservative Rome, Georgia, he asks Jo to do the impossible: to lie low for the rest of her senior year. And Jo reluctantly agrees. Although it is (mostly) much easier for Jo to fit in as a straight girl, things get complicated when she meets Mary Carlson, the oh-so-tempting sister of her new friend at school. But Jo couldn't possibly think of breaking her promise to her dad. Even if she's starting to fall for the girl. Even if there's a chance Mary Carlson might be interested in her, too. Right?

It Looks Like this Rafi Mittlefehldt 2016 "A wrenching tale of first love and loss that exposes the undercurrents of a tidy suburban world."--Provided by publisher.

[The American Nightmare](#) Jerry Cole 2018-03 Free Bonus Novella "Forbidden Fruits" also included! (see below) Greg and Edward Jones have been together eighteen years, married for twelve. They have two beautiful children, their own home, and only Greg needs to work to maintain their lifestyle. They have it all... except satisfaction, happiness, and self-love, that is. They hadn't always been like this, but somewhere along the lines they have lost their way chasing the ideal life, and both of them are thoroughly miserable, yet hoping that their quiet martyrdom will protect their family. To boot, Edward is haunted by an endless stream of messages suggesting that Greg is seeing other men behind his back. Could this be true? He doesn't want to believe it, but he is no longer sure he is desirable to anyone. And Greg himself finds his mind is slowly rotting at work, as he realizes that everyone else gets the life he wants, gets all the breaks... whereas he only gets broken. Their individual identities, and their identity as a couple, are slowly falling apart. But a marriage cannot survive on sacrifice alone. As they drift apart, Edward makes one final push to bring back the spark that used to burn so brightly between them. Will it work, can they fall in love all over again? Will they realize the lies and misinformation between them and save their marriage and their family? Will love prevail? Or is it too little too late? Bonus Novella: *Forbidden Fruits (An Historical Gay Romance)* Thomas Fitzroy has always known he was different. Ever since hitting puberty, he has been struggling with his own feelings, and the realization that he is attracted to men in the same way other young men are attracted to women. In an age where even the smallest deviancy from the norm could ruin a man's life, Thomas, as Baron Fitzroy's eldest son, must repress his true feelings and desires, grit his teeth, and accept the fact that it is his fate to end up in a loveless political marriage to a woman he has no hope of desiring. At least, until he meets Lord Christopher Godwin, who turns those plans on their head. Christopher Godwin, the son of the Duke of York, is an outgoing socialite well known for his outrageous behaviors. His passions for men and women

alike are regularly indulged, but because of his status most of society is willing to turn a blind eye to it. But this lifestyle has become stale to Christopher. Nothing brings him the same joys it used to and he has retired from his globetrotting playboy lifestyle to attend to simple duties for his father back home. At least, until he spots Thomas Fitzroy at a party he is throwing, and the young man steals his heart. When these men meet, their desires bubble to the surface, resulting in a forbidden passion coming to life. But what can they possibly do about it? It is not as though there is any way they could truly be together... or is there? Please Note: These books contain adult language & steamy adult activities, they are intended for 18+ Adults Only. Each novella is approx. 30,000 words in length (each approx. 50% of the book). HEA (happy ever after endings). Do not end with "cliffhangers."

Just a Bit Twisted Alessandra Hazard 2014 Professor Derek Rutledge is hated and feared by all of his students. Strict, reserved and ruthless, he doesn't tolerate mistakes and has little patience for his students. Shawn Wyatt is a twenty-year-old struggling to provide for his younger sisters after the death of their parents. On the verge of losing his scholarship, Shawn becomes desperate enough to go to Professor Rutledge. Everyone says Rutledge doesn't have a heart. Everyone says he's a ruthless bastard. Shawn finds out that everyone is right. He strikes a deal with Rutledge, but unexpectedly, the deal turns into something so much more. Something all-consuming and addictive. Something neither of them wants.

Trailer Park Trickster David R. Slayton 2021-10-12 They are my harvest, and I will reap them all. Returning to Guthrie, Oklahoma, for the funeral of his mysterious and beloved aunt Sue, Adam Binder once again finds himself in the path of deadly magic when a dark druid begins to prey on members of Adam's family. It all seems linked to the death of Adam's father many years ago—a man who may have somehow survived as a warlock. Watched by the police, separated from the man who may be the love of his life, compelled to seek the truth about his connection to the druid, Adam learns more about his family and its troubled history than he ever bargained for, and finally comes face-to-face with the warlock he has vowed to stop. Meanwhile, beyond the Veil of the mortal world, Argent the Queen of Swords and Vic the Reaper undertake a dangerous journey to a secret meeting of the Council of Races . . . where the sea elves are calling for the destruction of humanity.

The Midnight Gardener R G Thomas 2020-07-24 A lonely teenage boy whose father has moved them too often for him to make lasting friendships. A mysterious neighbor his own age who hums as he gardens... at night... surrounded by fireflies. Superstition is the town Thaddeus Cane and his father, Nathan, have settled in this time, and every evening Thaddeus becomes more intrigued with his new neighbor. When Thaddeus finally works up the nerve to visit his neighbor, the crush blooming underneath surfaces, and he realizes that Teofil, the midnight gardener, is lonely as well. When his father finds out where he's been spending his time, Thaddeus is forbidden from returning. But the attraction is too strong, and soon Thaddeus is back in Teofil's yard, leading to the revelation of long held secrets that upend Thaddeus' quiet life and sends him on the adventure of a lifetime.

Ever After Christina Lee 2018-02-27 As next in line for the Evergreen crown, Prince Merrick Davendall's future involves ruling, marriage, and producing an heir of his own. But he's long been tormented by desires that are far from princely. Especially when the beautiful Cassius is promoted to be his new valet, and Merrick is struck by a longing like never before—a longing to know him far beyond royal and servant. After his father's passing, Cassius Havendale's sole duty is to provide for his family. A promotion to serve a pampered prince is something he endures only for their sake. Surely Prince Merrick has no understanding of the true suffering of the common people, nor could he possibly understand what it's like to desperately desire something he cannot have. Except the prince is not at all

what Cassius imagined. Kind, humorous, and caring to those in need, he also shares Cassius's affinity for the arts. In fact, Merrick understands his deepest vulnerabilities in a most remarkable way. As their affection deepens, the underlying tension between them becomes unbearable and they're unable to ignore it any longer. But when the queen prepares a lavish ball with all the eligible ladies in the land in attendance, Merrick must fulfill his obligations to his country, and Cassius has the needs of his family to consider. They've long known their stolen moments would have to come to an end, but are they ready to give up one another and the idea of a happily-ever-after? ***PLEASE NOTE: EVER AFTER is a romantic fairy tale-minus the magic-that features one compassionate prince, one brooding valet, and plenty of angsty, forbidden love. It's loosely based on a certain treasured fairy tale in a wintery make-believe setting that wouldn't be considered contemporary but also isn't based on any specific time period and doesn't play by any traditional rules. *Please be sure to read the Dear Reader letter in the book before you begin.

Enduring Love Ian McEwan 2010-07-20 In one of the most striking opening scenes ever written, a bizarre ballooning accident and a chance meeting give birth to an obsession so powerful that an ordinary man is driven to the brink of madness and murder by another's delusions. Ian McEwan brings us an unforgettable story—dark, gripping, and brilliantly crafted—of how life can change in an instant.