

Kathleen's Recent Reads—January

Adult Non-Fiction

Uprooted : A Gardener Reflects On Beginning Again by Page Dickey

In this memoir, the noted gardener shares her account of leaving her longtime home and the large garden she built there for a smaller home in a new location. With inspiring photos sure to help get you through the winter!

Without a Map by Meredith Hall

After becoming pregnant at age 16 in the late '60s, Hall was shunned by her community and family. Heartbreaking, redemptive, and told with an unflinching clarity, this memoir is, in a word, magnificent.

American Nations : A History of the Eleven Rival Regional Cultures of North America by Colin Woodard

Maine journalist Woodard examines how the backgrounds and values of the different settlers of the United States have shaped our history, and continue to influence us today. An illuminating read in view of recent national events.

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The Guest List by Lucy Foley

A celebrity wedding on an island off the coast of Ireland, a storm, and guests with secrets—what could possibly go wrong? Someone meets their end, but the reader is left guessing the identities of both the victim and the killer until the very end. Try if you enjoyed *Big Little Lies* by Liane Moriarty.

The Unseen World by Liz Moore

Ada is a preteen, homeschooled prodigy whose life revolves around her father, his associates and their work at a computer lab at a prestigious institute of technology in Boston in the 1980s. A life-threatening diagnosis and questions about her father's past upend Ada's tidy, insular world. Tender and luminous, this is sure to please readers seeking both a well-crafted plot and a compelling story.

Modern Lovers by Emma Straub

An engaging, multi-generational tale about the members of two families trying to find and keep love while seeking their life's purpose.

Zone One by Colson Whitehead

Written by the two-time Pulitzer Prize winner, this is the best-written zombie apocalypse novel you will ever read. Be sure to take note of all the various adjectives used to describe Connecticut!

Audiobook

*The Chemist** by Stephenie Meyer

The author of the young adult *Twilight* series offers up an adult book blending her trademark romance with propulsive action in a gripping thriller. A chemist in a secretive government agency finds herself on the run and fighting to stay alive after unknown parties try to assassinate her.

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