

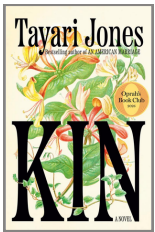
WHAT'S ON YOUR NIGHTSTAND  
Book Recommendations  
March 2026

FICTION



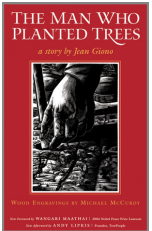
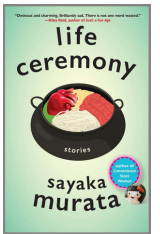
***Hamnet*** by **Maggie O'Farrell** - Reimagining Shakespeare's family life and the loss of a son during the Black Plague.

***Island of the Missing Trees*** by **Elif Shafak** - A drama, a romance, a retelling of a terrible time on a beautiful island, a story about war, about people both young and old, and cultural differences carried too far.



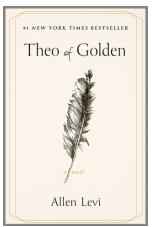
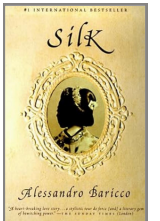
***Kin*** by **Tayari Jones** - Two motherless daughters, raised in the Jim Crow South, have been best friends but are fated to live starkly different lives.

***Life Ceremony*** by **Sayaka Murata** - A short story collection with tales of weird love, heartfelt friendships, and the unsettling nature of human existence.



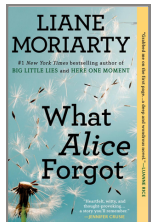
***The Man Who Planted Trees*** by **Jean Giono** - A short, allegorical story about a shepherd who single-handedly reforests a desolate valley in the French Alps over several decades.

***Silk*** by **Assandro Baricco** - A riveting, lyrical love story; a compact, condensed little epic about human hearts in crisis.



***Theo of Golden*** by **Allen Levi** - One spring morning, a stranger arrives in a small southern city and asks a lot more questions than he answers.

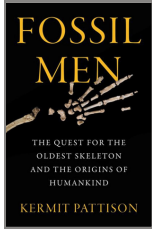
***What Alice Forgot*** by **Liane Moriarty** - Alice must reconstruct the events of a lost decade, and find out whether it's possible to reconstruct her life at the same time.



NONFICTION



***Did Ye Hear Mammy Died?*** by **Seamas O'Reilly** - A heart-warming and hilarious family memoir of growing up as one of eleven siblings raised by a single dad in Northern Ireland at the end of the Troubles.



***Fossil Men: The Quest for the Oldest Skeleton and the Origins of Humankind*** by **Kermit Pattison**. An investigation into the origins of the human lineage, and the oldest of human emotions: curiosity, jealousy, perseverance, and wonder.

***Picasso and The Invention of Cubism*** by **Pepe Karmel** - Combining intellectual history with close visual reading, Karmel opens new perspectives on the most influential movement in twentieth-century art.



***Pig Years*** by **Ellyn Gaydos** - An itinerant farmhand chronicles the wonders hidden within the ever-blooming seasons of life, death, and rebirth.



***Unbowed: A Memoir*** by **Wangari Maathai** - Nobel Prize winner Wangari Maatha established a poor people's environmental movement to save Kenya's forests and restore democracy to her beloved country.

