

NEW BOOKS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026

Fiction

1. **A Murder is Fixed by Madhav Nayak**

‘Entertaining gripping and has some charming twists...Crime fiction that is worth a read and more.’ - Harsha Bhogle

2. **Among the Ruins by Claire Coughlan**

‘Rich, Complex and beautifully written. Just gorgeous.’ – Andrea Mara

3. **As Long as the Lemon Trees Grow by Zoulfa Katouh**

‘An absolute must-read.’ - Sabaa Tahir

4. **Bookstore Girls by Kei Aono**

A slice of life book about two completely different women who work for a bookstore company.

5. **Count My Lies by Sophie Stava**

‘Blisteringly fun and diabolically plotted.’ – Katy Hays

6. **Fade In by Kyle Mills**

‘Spicy, smart, and entertaining. Kyle Mills knows what he’s doing.’ – Steve Berry

7. **Felicia’s Favourites by Danielle Steel**

A powerful story of family secrets – and one mother’s extraordinary legacy.

8. **Five by ILona Bannister**

‘Ridiculously good...Darkly thrilling and unforgettable.’ – Chris Whitaker

9. **Happily Never After by Lynn Painter**

‘A pitch-perfect romantic comedy.’ – Christina Lauren

10. **I Know What I Did Last Summer by Lois Duncan**

A tense, cerebral young adult thriller focusing on guilt, paranoia, and moral panic.

11. **Land by Maggi O’Farrell**

‘A heart-bursting story of resilience and love.’ – Louise Kennedy

12. **Lost Lambs by Madeline Cash**

Ripping with humour, warmth and style, Lost Lambs turns family dysfunction into an art form.

13. **Matcha on Monday by Michiko Aoyama**

In a quiet neighbourhood in Tokyo, the beloved Marble Café offers a cup of comforting matcha to all who pass through its doors.

14. **Once Elephants Lived Here by Geetanjali Shree**

A literary fiction and short stories from the International Booker Prize – winning author of Tomb of Sand

15. **Plant Lady by Minyoung Kang**

A twisted tale of reinvention, female rage, and the lengths to which we’ll go to take back control.

16. **Private Monaca by James Patterson and Adam Hamdy**

‘Breathtaking twists and turns.’ - Anthony Horowitz

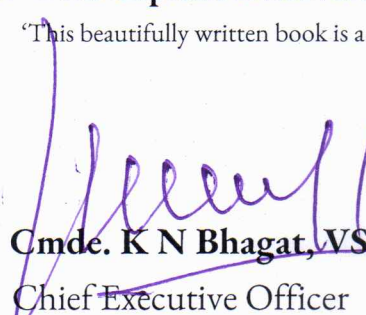


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17. **The Caretaker by Marcus Kliever**
'A no-brakes plummet into madness.' – Alma Katsu
18. **The Cat Who Caught a Killer by L T Shearer**
'A captivating and gentle tale, perfect for all those who love their crime cosy.' – Peter James
19. **The Daisy Chain Flower Shop by Laurie Gilmore**
A small – town spicy romance.
20. **The Final Six by Akinari Asakura**
A high-wire masterclass in tension, suspicion and pressure.' – B.P. Walter
21. **The Locked Door by Freida McFadden**
A fast paced, highly bingeable psychological thriller.
22. **The Secret Eligibles of Mumbai by Anmol Malik**
A spirited romantic comedy about ambition, family and finding your match in the most unexpected place.
23. **The Turn of the Key by Ruth Ware**
'Pure suspense, from the first gripping page to the last shocking twist.' – Erin Kelly
24. **Welcome to Murder Week by Karen Dukess**
'Smart, funny, utterly original.' – Annabel Monaghan

Non-Fiction

25. **Birth of a Nation by Josy Joseph**
A riveting account of the negotiations and machinations of the princely states in the weeks leading up to India's Independence.
26. **Chand Bibi: The Lives and Legends of a Warrior Queen by Sarah Waheed**
'Elegantly balancing a profound scholarship with an easy, conversational style, this is a wholly immersive book.' – Ira Mukhoty
27. **Kafkaesque by Maia Hruska**
'Lively, lyrically inviting prose ... makes Kafka fresh and revelatory again.' – George Prochnik
28. **The Second Orbit: Belief of a Man... Dream of 1.4 Billion Hearts by Shubhanshu Shukla**
'A wonderful memoir that will inspire everyone to dream and reach for (the) stars.' – Sachin Tendulkar
29. **Wild Capital: Discovering Nature in Delhi by Neha Sinha**
'This beautifully written book is a reminder that even in the heart of a city, wonder is waiting to be rediscovered.' – Amitav Ghosh


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