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Lady Serena Chamberlain loves horses and racing almost as much as she hates Elliott Beckett. The two families' have been in a feud all her life though she has never thought to question why. It just is. More than anything she wants to win The Wakefield Chase. Only her best horse is nervous on the track. At each race meeting Elliot beats her and his attitude is insufferable. When the old Duke dies and Elliot becomes the new Duke of Shawcross his father tries to explain and end the long running feud. Only he left it too late and died before he could finish. On the reading of the will Elliot is told that he must marry Serena or lose his wealth. Suddenly he starts to see his spirited rival in a different light. As he uncovers the mysteries of the past the frivolities of the present are no longer so important. Can he overcome Serena's mistrust? When Elliot finds out another secret the old rivalry takes on a different meaning and more than just his own future is in jeopardy. Will he do the right thing or will an age old misunderstanding bring down two great families'? Find out if love can conquer distrust in this sweet and wholesome romance by bestselling author Charlotte Darcy.

Loving the Duke

William does not want anything in his life to change. He is more than content to continue with his rakish ways, but, when his father dies unexpectedly, he is forced to return to the country and take on his ducal responsibilities. Eleanor Davisham hates how her parents quash her free spirit. They are determined that she should marry, but only a man of their choosing. Determined to live her own life, and terrified of her suitor's cruelty, Eleanor flees from her home, managing to find employment. Sparks fly when the new Duke and Eleanor meet. She will not be taken in by his flirtations, and he is astounded to discover that, once he drops his façade, his heart is softening in a way he has never experienced before. However, secrets haunt their blossoming relationship and, when they all come out in a flurry, Eleanor's life is left hanging in the balance – and William must decide what he is to do with the woman who has captured his heart.

A Duke, the Lady, and a Baby

"Smart and witty . . . the perfect historical read." —Julia Quinn, #1 New York Times bestselling author New York Public Library, Bookriot, Vulture, Time Out, and Overdrive Featured Book to Read After Bridgerton! Featured in Entertainment Weekly, O Magazine, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, Bustle, and Bookish! An Amazon Best of the Month Selection A Publishers Weekly Summer Reads 2020 Editors' Pick A ground-breaking, empowering, and sexy story from acclaimed author Vanessa Riley that fans of Beverly Jenkins, Evie Dunmore, and Alyssa Cole won't be able to put down. Join these Rogues & Remarkable Women as they fight for their status, their families...and true love. When headstrong West Indian heiress Patience Jordan questioned her English husband's mysterious suicide, she lost everything: her newborn son, Lionel, her fortune—and her freedom. Falsely imprisoned, she risks her life to be near her child—until The Widow's Grace gets her hired as her own son's nanny. But working for his unsuspecting new guardian, Busick Strathmore, Duke of Repington, has perils of its own. Especially when Patience discovers his military strictness belies an ex-rake of unswerving honor—and unexpected passion . . . A wounded military hero, Busick is determined to resolve his dead cousin's dangerous financial dealings for Lionel's sake. But his investigation is a minor skirmish compared to dealing with the forthright, courageous, and alluring Patience. Somehow, she's breaking his rules, and sweeping past his defenses. Soon, between formidable enemies and obstacles, they form a fragile trust—but will it be enough to save the future they long to dare together? "Vanessa Riley at her finest." —Sarah MacLean, New York Times bestselling author "I was delighted. Readers on the lookout for Black or disabled characters in historical romance will not want to miss this.\" —New York Times Book Review "One of the best historicals I've read in years." —Kristan Higgins, New York Times bestselling author "Expertly crafted romance." —Publishers Weekly, STARRED review

The Shy Duchess

With her golden hair and dazzling emerald eyes, Lady Emily Carroll should have her pick of suitors. Instead, her crippling shyness has earned her the nickname \"Ice Princess.\" Nicholas, Duke of Manning, isn't looking for a bride, but he won't pass up a stolen kiss at a masked ball. With her blushes hidden, Emily lets her inhibitions go. Only to find herself betrothed! Now it's her wedding night, and her new husband seems determined to thaw his Ice Princess and reveal her every secret....

Daring and the Duke

New York Times bestselling author Sarah MacLean returns with the much-anticipated final book in her Bareknuckle Bastards series, featuring a scoundrel duke and the powerful woman who brings him to his knees. Grace Condry has spent a lifetime running from her past. Betrayed as a child by her only love and raised on the streets,

she now hides in plain sight as queen of London's darkest corners. Grace has a sharp mind and a powerful right hook and has never met an enemy she could not best...until the man she once loved returns. Single-minded and ruthless, Ewan, Duke of Marwick, has spent a decade searching for the woman he never stopped loving. A long-ago gamble may have lost her forever, but Ewan will go to any lengths to win Grace back...and make her his duchess. Reconciliation is the last thing Grace desires. Unable to forgive the past, she vows to take her revenge. But revenge requires keeping Ewan close, and soon her enemy seems to be something else altogether--something she can't resist, even as he threatens the world she's built, the life she's claimed...and the heart she swore he'd never steal again.

A Duke to Die For

Acclaimed Regency romance from New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Amelia Grey Henrietta doesn't want a husband... Miss Henrietta Tweed is convinced that she carries a curse—one that's responsible for killing her previous guardians. So when she's sent to Lucien Trent Blakewell, the fifth Duke of Blakewell and the last man her father trusted to care for her, she knows the only way to save the duke is to persuade him to sign over her inheritance and set her free. Does she? Lucien doesn't believe there's a curse and just wants to get his new ward off his hands by finding her a suitable husband. But as the chemistry between him and Henrietta grows, he is increasingly tempted to fill that role himself. And when suspicious accidents begin to endanger the Duke's life, Henrietta must take drastic measures to save the one man she could love... The Rogues' Dynasty series: A Duke to Die For (Book 1) A Marquis to Marry (Book 2) An Earl to Enchant (Book 3) \"Intriguing danger, sharp humor, and plenty of simmering sexual chemistry.\"—Booklist \"Perfectly timed and tuned.\"—Long and Short of It Reviews \"Memorable characters...humor, excitement and great love scenes. I couldn't ask for anything more!\"—The Romance Studio \"An upbeat plot...sweep[s] readers along at a lively pace in a lusciously spicy romp.\"—Library **Iournal**

The Lady Always Wins

Railway financier Simon Davenant has waited seven years for a second chance with his childhood sweetheart and best friend. He's not about to let his impending financial ruin destroy the opportunity. This time, he'll do anything he can to secure her hand in marriage—even if it means losing her heart for good. The Lady Always Wins is a short story of 18,500 words (about 60 print pages). This story was previously published in the anthology "Three Weddings and a Murder."

What to Do with a Duke

Seizing the opportunity to become a resident of the infamous Spinster House, Isabelle Catherine Hutting must first deal with her attraction to her prospective landlord, Marcus, Duke of Hart, who is plagued by a centuries-old curse.

Hamilton's Battalion

Love in the time of Hamilton... On October 14, 1781, Alexander Hamilton led a daring assault on Yorktown's defenses and won a decisive victory in America's fight for independence. Decades later, when Eliza Hamilton collected his soldiers' stories, she discovered that while the war was won at Yorktown, the battle for love took place on many fronts... PROMISED LAND by Rose Lerner Donning men's clothing, Rachel left her life behind to fight the British as Corporal Ezra Jacobs--but life catches up with a vengeance when she arrests an old love as a Loyalist spy. At first she thinks Nathan Mendelson hasn't changed one bit: he's annoying, he talks too much, he sticks his handsome nose where it doesn't belong, and he's self-righteously indignant just because Rachel might have faked her own death a little. She'll be lucky if he doesn't spill her secret to the entire Continental Army. Then Nathan shares a secret of his own, one that changes everything... THE PURSUIT OF... by Courtney Milan What do a Black American soldier, invalided out at Yorktown, and a British officer who deserted his post have in common? Quite a bit, actually. * They attempted to kill each other the first time they met. * They're liable to try again at some point in the five-hundred-mile journey that they're inexplicably sharing. * They are not falling in love with each other. * They are not falling in love with each other. * They are.... Oh no. THAT COULD BE ENOUGH by Alyssa Cole Mercy Alston knows the best thing to do with pesky feelings like \"love\" and \"hope\": avoid them at all cost. Serving as a maid to Eliza Hamilton, and an assistant in the woman's stubborn desire to preserve her late husband's legacy, has driven that point home for Mercy—as have her own previous heartbreaks. When Andromeda Stiel shows up at Hamilton Grange for an interview in her grandfather's stead, Mercy's resolution to live a quiet, pain-free life is tested by the beautiful, flirtatious, and entirely overwhelming dressmaker. Andromeda has staid Mercy reconsidering her worldview, but neither is prepared for love—or for what happens when it's not enough.

The Duke and I

From New York Times bestselling author Julia Quinn comes the first novel in the beloved Regency-set world of her charming, powerful Bridgerton family, now a series created by Shonda Rhimes for Netflix. In the ballrooms and drawing rooms of Regency London, rules abound. From their earliest days, children of aristocrats learn how to address an earl and curtsey before a prince--while other dictates of the ton are

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unspoken yet universally understood. A proper duke should be imperious and aloof. A young, marriageable lady should be amiable...but not too amiable. Daphne Bridgerton has always failed at the latter. The fourth of eight siblings in her close-knit family, she has formed friendships with the most eligible young men in London. Everyone likes Daphne for her kindness and wit. But no one truly desires her. She is simply too deuced honest for that, too unwilling to play the romantic games that captivate gentlemen. Amiability is not a characteristic shared by Simon Basset, Duke of Hastings. Recently returned to England from abroad, he intends to shun both marriage and society--just as his callous father shunned Simon throughout his painful childhood. Yet an encounter with his best friend's sister offers another option. If Daphne agrees to a fake courtship, Simon can deter the mamas who parade their daughters before him. Daphne, meanwhile, will see her prospects and her reputation soar. The plan works like a charm--at first. But amid the glittering, gossipy, cut-throat world of London's elite, there is only one certainty: love ignores every rule... This novel includes the 2nd epilogue, a peek at the story after the story.

More than a Mistress

In this captivating novel, Mary Balogh, the premier writer of Regency romance, invites you into a world of scandal and seduction, of glittering high society and intrigue, as an arrogant duke does the unthinkable—he falls in love with his mistress. She races onto the green, desperate to stop a duel. In the melée, Jocelyn Dudley, Duke of Tresham, is shot. To his astonishment, Tresham finds himself hiring the servant as his nurse. Jane Ingleby is far too bold for her own good. Her blue eyes are the sort a man could drown in—were it not for her impudence. She questions his every move, breaches his secrets, touches his soul. When he offers to set her up in his London town house, love is the last thing on his mind. Jane tries to pretend it's strictly business, an arrangement she's been forced to accept in order to conceal a dangerous secret. Surely there is nothing more perilous than being the lover of such a man. Yet as she gets past his devilish façade and sees the noble heart within, she knows the greatest jeopardy of all, a passion that drives her to risk everything on one perfect month with the improper gentleman who thinks that love is for fools.

Unmasked Heart

Shy, nearsighted caregiver, Gaia Telfair always wondered why her father treated her a little differently from her siblings, but she never guessed she couldn't claim his love because of a family secret, her illicit birth. With everything she knows to be true evaporating before her spectacles, can the mulatto passing for white survive being exposed and shunned by a powerful duke who has taken an interest in her? Ex-warrior, William St. Landon, the Duke of Cheshire, will do anything to protect his mute

daughter from his late wife's scandals. With a blackmailer at large, hiding in a small village near the cliffs of Devonshire seems the best option, particularly since he can gain help from the talented Miss Telfair, who has the ability to help children speak. If only he could do a better job at shielding his heart from the young lady, whose honest hazel eyes see through his jests as her tender lips challenge his desire to remain a single man.

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OMag.com & Bibliolifestyle Most Anticipated Romances of the Year PopSugar Best Romances of April Publishers Weekly Top 10 Romances of Spring ELLE Canada Summer's Best Romances A witty and moving story from the acclaimed author of A Duke, the Lady, and a Baby, about the lengths to which a woman will go for the love of her child...and the love of a man who knows her worth. Breaking with traditional Regency rules and customs, Vanessa Riley pens an unforgettable story perfect for fans of Julia Quinn's Bridgerton, Evie Dunmore, and Eloisa James looking for something fresh and stirring! \"Get your fill of scandal, misunderstandings and a secret society to boot.\" - ELLE Canada "Elaborate storytelling...a more diverse Regency world than is traditionally found. Well-researched, with a fascinating author's note at the end...A historical romance of impressive heft." - Kirkus Reviews "Fans of Shonda Rhimes" adaptation of Julia Quinn's Bridgerton books will devour this series." - Booklist STARRED REVIEW "Move over, Bridgertons. There's a new set of scandalous aristocrats waiting to take London society by storm." - Library Journal Masterminded by the ton's most clever countess, the secret society The Widow's Grace helps ill-treated widows regain their reputations, their families, and even find true love again—or perhaps for the very first time . . . Surviving a shipwreck en route to London from Jamaica was just the start of Jemina St. Maur's nightmare. Suffering from amnesia, she was separated from anyone who might know her, and imprisoned in Bedlam. She was freed only because barrister Daniel Thackery, Lord Ashbrook, was convinced to betray the one thing he holds dear: the law. Desperate to unearth her true identity, Jemina's only chance is to purloin dangerous secrets with help from The Widow's Grace—which means staying steps ahead of the formidable Daniel, no matter how strongly she is drawn to him . . . Married only by proxy, now widowed by shipwreck, Daniel is determined to protect his little stepdaughter, Hope, from his family's scandalous reputation. That's why he has dedicated himself not just to the law, but to remaining as proper, upstanding—and boring—as can be. But the closer he becomes to the mysterious, alluring Jemina, the more Daniel is tempted to break the very rule of law to which he's deevoted his life. And as ruthless adversaries close in, will the truth require him, and Jemina, to sacrifice their one chance at happiness? RAVES FOR A DUKE, A LADY, AND A BABY "One of the best historicals I've read in years." —Kristan

Higgins, New York Times bestselling author "Smart and witty . . . the perfect historical read." —Julia Quinn, #1 New York Times bestselling author "Expertly crafted romance." —Publishers Weekly, STARRED review "Riley gifts readers a sparkling love story" —Entertainment Weekly

A Duke, the Spy, an Artist, and a Lie

Founded by the ton's most ingenious countess, the secret society The Widow's Grace comes to the aid of ill-treated widows and wives and helps them regain their fortunes, their families, and sometimes discover true love. . . For adventurous heiress Cecilia Charity Thomas, marrying charming military lieutenant Viscount Gantry to save him from danger—and herself from mercenary suitors—was a painful mistake. Instead of a passionate life together, she's stranded at his chilly mansion with his unaccepting family. Worse, she finds he is actually a spy dedicated to duty over wedlock—and secrets over trust. So when she hears her sister has been driven to her death, Cecilia is determined to expose the powerful man responsible. Assisted by The Widow's Grace, she flees to Covent Garden with a new identity. But can she elude her formidable husband—even as the desire between them continues to flare even hotter? Always calm, forever controlled, Gantry has put everything aside to hunt down the traitor who nearly killed him. It's only when Cecilia leaves that he realizes his real duty should have been to her. As she continually outwits him through London's most perilous streets, Gantry realizes his wife is a resourceful, courageous woman he longs to truly know. But when her pursuit threatens influential enemies, will his and Cecilia's only chance to gain justice separate them once and for all? RAVES FOR VANESSA RILEY "Bridgerton fans, if you read just one book on this list, make sure it's Vanessa Riley's terrific An Earl, the Girl, and a Toddler." —Popsugar "Riley gifts readers a sparkling love story." —Entertainment Weekly on A Duke, The Lady, and a Baby

Christian Seaton: Duke of Danger

The declaration: \"You don't have a choice. You will return with me to England.\" The deed: In the dark of night, British spy Christian Seaton, Duke of Sutherland, abducts Lisette Duprée and flees French mercenaries in a race against time. Christian must protect her at all costs--Lisette is the answer to everything in the Dangerous Dukes' work for the crown. The difficulty: Innocent Lisette is an enticing temptation who's increasingly hard to resist!

Only a Duchess Would Dare

New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Amelia Grey brings you a beautiful historical romance full of charm, intrigue, and delight! You won't want to miss the

Rogues' Dynasty series! If he didn't steal her pearls, then how exactly did he get them? Alexander Mitchell Raceworth, the fourth Marquis of Raceworth, is shocked when the alluring young Duchess of Brookfield accuses him of stealing priceless pearls belonging to her family. The pearls in question have been in Race's family since the sixteenth century. And while Susannah Brookfield is the most beautiful, enchanting, and intelligent woman he has ever met, he's not about to hand over a family heirloom. Susannah refuses to be intimidated by the Marquis' commanding presence, chiseled good looks, or charming smile. She has proof the pearls rightfully belong to her family, and she means to reclaim them, regardless of the irresistible chemistry between them, or his addictive kisses. She could never love a rogue—especially one with the audacity to steal from her family! But when the pearls are stolen, Race and Susannah will have to work together. And Race is about to discover he'll do anything for the love of a duchess that he can't live without. This book was previously released under the title: A Marquis to Marry.

Regency in Color

A MASTERPIECE OF REGENCY ROMANCE STORYTELLING... It is the social season of 1817 and London is brimming with scandal. From a beautiful heiress moonlighting as a tavern songstress, to society's misfit and a sinfully sexy Duke striking an unlikely alliance. Welcome to an enchanting collection of Regency Romance novellas featuring a diverse cast of heroes and heroines of color. We promise these stories won't be ones you soon forget! Designing his Duchess By Gabrielle Carr \"Never try to emulate them. Their friendship is as false as their words are flattering. They call you the OBA (ordinary ball companion).\" Miss Juliana Abigail Drake swallowed the cruel truth in the Duke of Hersthire's words. She was the misfit of society. But not for long. With fierce determination and a plan--of sorts--she intends to shed the horrid moniker, and she'll use the Duke to do it. Surely, the devilish rake had taken off enough fashionable dresses to know how to help her pick one out. All she has to do is keep from undressing him first... The Allure of a Reformed Rogue By Hildie McQueen She's as determined to pursue him as he's determined to keep his distance. After a heartbreaking debacle, Thomas Sullivan decides to give up his roguish ways and become celibate. A test comes sooner than later upon meeting the lady of the house's companion, Mary. Mary Asher is not sure why the handsome new driver tries to avoid her at all costs, when he obviously finds her attractive. She decides to find creative ways to get time alone with him. One Night Only By Elise Marion Thalia Ramsey has resigned herself to a quiet life running a respectable book shop in London's West End. Nothing exciting ever happens in her world...until Stephen Dryden, His Grace the Duke of Westerfield, begins patronizing her establishment. Her girlish infatuation is completely ridiculous, and nothing will ever come of it. Yet, a heart's hope is not so

easily broken, especially when a chance encounter during a Vauxhall Gardens masquerade brings Thalia face-to-face with the duke. A night of passionate romance is more than she could have hoped for, but once the night is over, will there be a chance for more? The Nightingale and the Lark By Jessica Cale After years of failed auditions, rum heiress Andromeda Archambault gives it one last try at The Crow's Nest in Shoreditch against her better judgment. She may be a lady, but to director Frank Creighton, she's the Queen of Night, and she's perfect for a starring role in his theatre and his life. But Andie isn't who she says she is, and neither is Frank. Will their Phantasmagoria be a success, or will the skeletons in their closets close the show before it begins?

A Duke is Never Enough

From the USA Today bestselling author of The Untouchables series comes your next Regency obsession: The Spitfire Society... Meet the smart, independent women who've decided they don't need Society's rules, their families' expectations, or, most importantly, a husband. But just because they don't need a man doesn't mean they might not want one. Notorious rake Marcus Raleigh, Marquess of Ripley, is gracing the gossip pages for a new reason: the rumors he may have murdered his swindling cousin. His quest for answers regarding his cousin's death leads him to an incomparable self-declared spinster, and he is--for the first time--beguiled beyond reason. Neither is what the other wants, and yet their intense mutual infatuation is inescapable. After abandoning her philandering betrothed at the altar, Phoebe Lennox fled from London only to return an heiress who refuses to follow the ton's rules. She won't risk a relationship of any kind--until she meets the scandalous Marquess of Ripley. Swept into his seductive embrace, her resolve falters in the face of a pleasure she never anticipated. But when the truth about Marcus and the murder come to light, Phoebe could lose everything she holds dear, including a love for all time.

The Leopard Prince

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The Seafaring Lady's Guide to Love

Fans of Grace Burrowes, Bree Wolf, K.J. Jackson, and Bridgerton are sure to enjoy this new steamy historical romance series about a family of four sisters who must face pride, peril, and adventure before each finds a love that conquers all. Featuring some of your favorite tropes... Enemies to Lovers Grumpy/Sunshine Curvy Heroine Forced Proximity Only One Bed! What would you do for a little adventure? A rebellious young lady... Miss Rosalind Gardner's two older sisters are happily married, but she has no

plans to follow in their footsteps anytime soon. Determined to see the world before settling down, she sets out on an ocean voyage to distant lands. Exuberant, warmhearted, and ceaselessly optimistic, Rosalind has spent her life waiting for this opportunity. But it's one thing to dream about adventure and another thing to live it-especially when doing so means living in close quarters with the coldest, most arrogant man alive. ...and a heartless hero... Philip Calvert has already lived two very different lives. A rebellious rake in his youth, he was thoroughly reformed when he fell in love with his first wife, only to lose her tragically. When he undertakes a perilous sea voyage, Philip is horrified to find himself boxed in with an uninhibited hoyden who has used his name to secure her passage. Having sworn off love and marriage, his resolve will be tested by this high-spirited woman whose passion and beauty threaten to pull him into uncharted waters. ... are about to set sail on a journey into love. Out on the deep blue sea, with nowhere to run and nowhere to hide, small berths and narrow decks bring hidden desires into the light... along with dark secrets better left buried. Book Details The Gardner Girls books are standalone stories which may be read in any order. Each book in the series is a rollicking adventure featuring a spunky heroine, a romantic hero, a swoon-worthy happy-ending, and at least one villain you'll love to hate! Heat Level: Steamy \"A delight which kept me up into the wee hours of the night!\" - Elodie's Reading Corner \"Fenna Edgewood is a worthy addition to the ranks of Regency Romance.\" - Lesley H., Amazon Reviewer

Splendid

Based on the phenomenal growth of Quinn's popularity, and her four-week stint on the New York Times bestseller list with Romancing Mr Bridgerton, it's the perfect time to revisit Ms Quinn's 'splendid' storytelling. American heiress Emma Dunster has always been fun-loving and independent with no wish to settle into marriage. She plans to enjoy her Season in London in more unconventional ways than husband-hunting. But this time Emma's high-jinks lead her into dangerous temptation... Alexander Ridgely, the Duke of Ashbourne, is a notorious rake who carefully avoids the risk of love...until he plants one reckless kiss on the sensuous lips of this high-spirited innocent...and condemns himself to delicious torment. Little does he know that his passion has touched the very soul of the lovely enchantress...and committed them both to a lifetime of splendid ecstasy.

The Duke Of Shadows

Meredith Duran returns with another witty, humorous and smart romance. Fans of Julia Quinn, Jane Feather and Eloisa James will delight in Meredith's trademark headstrong heroine, cunning hero and tale of deep emotional intensity! From exotic sandstone palaces... Sick of tragedy, done with rebellion, Emmaline Martin vows to settle quietly

into British Indian society. But when the pillars of privilege topple, her fiance's betrayal leaves Emma no choice. She must turn for help to the one man whom she should not trust, but cannot resist: Julian Sinclair, the dangerous and dazzling heir to the Duke of Auburn. To the marble halls of London... In London, they toast Sinclair with champagne. In India, they call him a traitor. Cynical and impatient with both worlds, Julian has never imagined that the place he might belong is in the embrace of a woman with a reluctant laugh and haunted eyes. But in a time of terrible darkness, he and Emma will discover that love itself can be perilous - and that a single decision can alter one's life forever. Destiny follows wherever you run. A lifetime of grief later, in a cold London spring, Emma and Julian must finally confront the truth: no matter how hard one tries to deny it, some pasts cannot be disowned...and some passions never die. Looking for more Meredith Duran novels? Try Written On Your Skin or her Rules for the Reckless series.

My Dirty Duke

\"Violet knows that her father's best friend, the Duke of Ravensthorpe, is the most powerful man in all of London with a reputation for sin. But nothing can stop Violet from wanting to shed her wallflower ways and fulfill her darkest, most forbidden desires--even if it means seducing a man twice her age\"--Back cover.

Big Duke Energy

Kerrigan Byrne and Friends Present: The Seasons of Sin 2022 Anthology Collection. In the first of four new anthologies from highly-acclaimed, award-winning, and USA Today bestselling authors, Big Duke Energy is all brand new content where beloved secondary characters are granted their second chances at long-awaited happily ever afters! THE EARL ON THE TRAIN by Kerrigan Byrne Sebastian Moncrieff is a villain, a traitor, and a pirate, who has recently inherited an Earldom he never wanted. As a man who's committed every sin imaginable, he knows his only chance at redemption is the one woman who ever reached through to his soul of ice. He's kidnapped Veronica Latimer once before, and was enchanted by everything about her... This time, when he takes her, he'll have to admit that she's kept his heart captive since the moment they met. But can he convince her to forgive his past in order to claim a future? LOVED AND FOUND: Christi Caldwell Lieutenant Thaddeus Phippen has lived a lifetime away from the only love he ever knew, a powerful duke's daughter. He's now returned from fighting Boney's forces, ready to put aside tragic battlefield remembrances and the memory of past heartbreak of love lost. Or that was the plan...until Thaddeus finds himself face-to-face with the one woman he soon finds he can't ever forget... Is the divide between former lovers too great to forge a future together...or can they at last have a love to last a lifetime? THE WOLF OF WESTMORE by Amalie Howard Lord

Wulfric Bane, the Duke of Westmore knows that blood is thicker than water, that duty is more important than personal desire, and that some things, like falling in love, are never meant to be. Cossetted and coddled Lady Jocelyn Capehart has been bred to be the perfect lady. On the outside, she is demure, sweet, and biddable, but on the inside, a vixen longs to break free of her cage. A chance meeting at a sultry club leads to one sinfully explosive night that neither of them can forget. PUT UP YOUR DUKES by Janna MacGregor Martin \"Duke\" Richmond bows to no one, including any duke who protests what he publishes in his sensational gossip rag, The Midnight Cryer. However, he is occasionally open to negotiation when it comes to special requests from his wife. Estranged from her husband for five years because of the incendiary gossip he prints, Amelia Richmond finds escape from her lonely existence by volunteering at a foundling home, helping society's most powerful people avoid her husband's rancor gossip, and sleeping with her husband every Wednesday. Not an entirely unwelcome chore. When Martin goes on a rampage against one of the most powerful dukes in the British Isles, Amelia must use her wit and best persuasive techniques to rein him in. When her chance for a happy marriage appears within reach, Amelia finds herself falling for him once again, which is bad...very bad. DUKE OF EVERY SIN by Stacy Reid Ethan Benedict, Duke of Bainbridge, has been an object of fear, fascination, and salacious gossip for years. To many, his reputation would make him an unlikely savior of a baby left on his doorstep. But Ethan saw the child as perhaps a pathway to redemption. What he did not anticipate was for his jaded heart to soften toward the mysterious young woman who infiltrates his household and secretly cares for the child.

A Lady of True Distinction

Hawthorne Dorning either finds a way to turn his family's botanical resources into a successful commercial venture, or the estate the Dornings call home could be broken up. Margaret Summerfield has put aside her passion for scent-making--permanently. Hawthorne needs her help, but how can he tempt Margaret to entangle herself with his dreams?

Black London

In Black London, Gretchen Gerzina shows how by the eighteenth century the work of all kinds of artists - Hogarth, Reynolds, Gillray, Rowlandson - as well as work by poets, playwrights and novelists, reveals to sharp eyes that not everyone in that elegant, vigorous, earthy world was white. In fact there were black pubs and clubs, balls for blacks only, black churches, and organizations for helping blacks out of work or in trouble. Many blacks were prosperous and respected: George Bridgtower was a concert violinist who knew Beethoven; Ignatius Sancho corresponded with Laurence Sterne; Francis Williams studied at Cambridge. Others, like Jack Beef, were successful

stewards or men of business. But many more were servants or beggars, some turning to prostitution or theft. Alongside the free black world was slavery, from which many of these people escaped. In particular, it was the business of kidnapping blacks for export to the West Indies that made Granville Sharp an abolitionist and brought the celebrated Somerset case before Lord Justice Mansfield. Those men are now heroes of human rights, yet Sharp probably did not believe in racial equality; and Mansfield, whose own much-loved great-niece was black, was so worried about property rights that he did all he could to avoid a judgment that would set blacks free. The ties and conflicts of black and white in England, often cruel, often moving, were also complex and surprising. This book presents a fascinating chapter of history and one long in need of exploration.

Dancing in the Duke's Arms

Why Do Dukes Fall in Love? Every summer the cream of society gathers at the Dukeries, named for the ducal estates concentrated in one small corner of Nottinghamshire. While the entertainments include parties, balls, and a famous boat race, the ducal hosts and their guests find heartbreak, love and happy endings. Four heartwarming stories from four bestselling authors.

The Balloonist's Wager

Flying is wonderful, but romance is sublime if it's with the right person. Fearless and impulsive, Lady Anne Lewis, daughter of the Earl of Doverton, is not the usual ton lady. Nor does she want to be, for she's worked the bulk of her adult life at being a balloonist. At eight and twenty she wants to make her stamp as an inventor and more importantly, show the beau monde she's not a laughingstock for wanting to fly. What is romance compared to that ultimate freedom? Well-read Benedict Urguhart, Viscount Worthington is a man who values peace and order over all else in his life. After attaining the rank of captain in the military, he refuses to use it, for he was naught but a coward on the field. He wants a surcease from guilt and a way to gather the courage he lacked years ago, regardless of his dull work as an actuary. None of that can be found by marrying and furthering his line. When a freak accident throws Benedict from his horse, his placid life takes an abrupt turn upon meeting the distracting and unrepentant woman manning the runaway hot-air balloon. Anne's ecstatic about the new distance she's covered and gives the handsome, incensed viscount a field promotion to her unlikely assistant. Despite their differences as well as the desire simmering between them, they become allies when a wager is thrown down. If they're fortunate, the prize won at the end will bring exactly what they both needed all along but were too obstinate to see.

Marrying the Marquis (Book 9 The Lords of London Regency Romance Series)

Blaze Flambeau is clever and gutsy: Daughter of a wealthy duke, Blaze Flambeau is a woman with a purpose and plans never to marry. Gifted with the ability to communicate with animals, Blaze is determined to build a sanctuary for horses, dogs, and cats. With a clever idea to raise funds, Blaze plans to race the thoroughbred filly her father gave her. Unfortunately, her prized thoroughbred has a quirk of nature that keeps her from reaching the finish line. Ross MacArthur is charming and easygoing: Ross MacArthur, the wealthy Marquis of Awe, is an influential thoroughbred owner on the racing circuit. MacArthur wants a wife uncorrupted by the prospect of material gain. Attracted to Blaze from the start, Ross thinks she's more refreshing than a summer in the Highlands. Not only will Ross cure her ailing filly, he's determined to win Blaze's heart.

When a Lady Loves a Rogue: A Regency Romance Collection

Indulge in a world of whispered passions and forbidden trysts, where love's delicate waltz defies the boundaries of Regency society. Discover a world of passion, intrigue, and irresistible romance in this captivating 4-book boxset collection set in the elegant Regency era. Immerse yourself in the lives of four extraordinary couples as they navigate the delicate intricacies of society, defy conventions, and risk everything for a chance at true love. Book 1: Forever My Rogue Lady Annabelle Lindlow believes in the power of a rose quartz to guide her to love, but when she crosses paths with the notorious Duke of Rutland, her heart's desires become entangled with a man she should avoid. Can she trust the whispers of her heart over the dictates of society? Book 2: One Moonlit Tryst Lady Tabitha Pemberton's plans for an unburdened debut season are thrown into turmoil when a scandalous letter reveals a passionate connection between her and the magnetic Earl of Harcourt. As their forbidden attraction deepens, they must choose between love and reputation, defying a world that demands conformity. Book 3: Christmas in the Duke's Embrace Rescued from near death, Lady Marina Ellis finds unexpected salvation in the arms of Evan Lockhart, an enigmatic duke. As Christmas approaches, their bond grows stronger, but can they overcome their pasts and seize the chance at a love worth risking everything for? Book 4: Courting Temptation Tabetha Barkley's life takes an unexpected turn when she becomes a maid in the Duke of Devon's household, and her heart falls for the charming footman, Thomas Kingston. Forbidden by their stations, they must choose between duty and desire, and fight for a future that defies social boundaries. Indulge in the enchanting tales of four couples as they navigate society's expectations, embrace their hearts' true desires, and dance along the edge of love and temptation. Lose yourself in this Regency Romance Collection where passion knows no bounds and

love's delicate waltz sweeps you away to another time. Fall in love with love itself as you delve into the pages of When a Lady Loves a Rogue. These four Regency romance novels prove that true love is worth every risk, every challenge, and every moment of heart-fluttering anticipation

How to Win a Duke's Heart

Some fairy tales begin with love at first sight. This is not one of those tales... Sophronie Slater had no interest in getting married. Even if she did, the Duke of Waycross would not be her choice. She would, however, do anything for her father. So, in honor of his dying wish to see her legally bound to the contrary, annoyingly handsome Scot who drives her mad, she agrees to a very temporary marriage. She'll never love him, though. At least, that was the plan... Evan Gordonstone has no interest in romance. Caring for his relatives and restoring his duchy to profitability is about all he can manage. But if he has any hope of one day realizing his dream of breeding and racing horses, he needs Sophronie. Their arranged marriage will fix all his problems. Assuming he doesn't fall for his lovely new wife and ruin everything... Sophronie and Evan are about to find out that opposites can attract in the most unexpected—and sensual—ways. But when all is said and done, can they win each other's hearts and turn their fake marriage into a real happily ever after?

Scandals, Secrets, and Sweet Romance This Historical Regency Romance by a USA Today bestselling author proves that enemies can become lovers and opposites do attract. Sparks fly as Evan and Sophronie match wits until they admit their love for each other. If you enjoy reading lovable roque or duke romances with a pinch of intrigue, a dash of humor, and soul-searing emotion, then you'll adore Collette Cameron's enthralling SEDUCTIVE SCOUNDRELS series. Settle into your favorite reading nook with a beverage and your copy of HOW TO WIN A DUKE'S HEART for a page-turning, enemies to lovers, entertaining Regency world adventure you can't put down Though this book can easily be read as a stand-alone, most readers prefer to read the series in order. SEDUCTIVE SCOUNDRELS SERIES: · A Diamond for a Duke · Only a Duke Would Dare · A December with a Duke · What Would a Duke Do? · Wooed by a Wicked Duke · Duchess of His Heart · Never Dance with a Duke · The Debutante and the Duke · Wedding her Christmas Duke · How to Win A Duke's Heart · Loved by a Dangerous Duke · When a Duke Desires a Lass · My Dearest Duke CHECK OUT USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR, COLLETTE CAMERON'S COMPLETE LIBRARY OF REGENCY AND SCOTTISH HIGHLANDER ROMANCE SERIES: Chronicles of the Westbrook Brides · Daughters of Desire: Scandalous Ladies · For the Love of an Earl (Wicked Earls' Club) · Heart of a Scot · Highland Heather Romancing a Scot: Castle Brides · Ladies of Opportunity · Seductive Scoundrels · The Culpepper Misses · The

Regency Romance Novels - Book Set

This collection of regency romance novels consists of the most loved books of all time, including Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen, Vanity Fair by William Makepeace, The Black Moth by Georgette Heyer and many more such stories, which paved the way for modern romance books, TV series and movies: Pride and Prejudice (Jane Austen) Sense and Sensibility (Jane Austen) Mansfield Park (Jane Austen) Emma (Jane Austen) Persuasion (Jane Austen) Powder and Patch (Georgette Heyer) The Black Moth (Georgette Heyer) These Old Shades (Georgette Heyer) Evelina (Fanny Burney) Cecilia (Fanny Burney) Camilla (Fanny Burney) The Wanderer (Fanny Burney) Mary: A Fiction (Mary Wollstonecraft) Paul and Virginia (Bernardin de Saint-Pierre) First Love (Mrs. Loudon) Dilemmas of Pride (Mrs. Loudon) The Yellow Poppy (D. K. Broster) Mr. Rowl (D. K. Broster) The Battle of the Strong (Gilbert Parker) Malcolm (George MacDonald) Lorna Doone (R.D. Blackmore) First Love (Ivan Turgenev) A Dash for a Throne (Arthur W. Marchmont) The Wild Irish Girl (Lady Sydney Morgan) Sophia (Stanley John Weyman) Belinda (Maria Edgeworth) Patronage (Maria Edgeworth) Love in Excess (Eliza Haywood) Fantomina (Eliza Haywood) The History of Miss Betsy Thoughtless (Eliza Haywood) The Fortunate Foundlings (Eliza Haywood) Memoirs of Emma Courtney (Mary Hays) Dangerous Liaisons (Pierre Choderlos de Laclos) Miss Marjoribanks (Mrs. Olifant) Phoebe, Junior (Mrs. Olifant) Vanity Fair (William Makepeace Thackeray) Pamela (Samuel Richardson) Anti-Pamela (Eliza Haywood) Shamela (Henry Fielding) Olinda's Adventures (Catharine Trotter Cockburn) The Charterhouse of Parma (Stendhal) The Sorrows of Young Werther (Goethe) War and Peace (Leo Tolstoy)

Wicked Wagers the Complete Trilogy

A compilation of Bronwen Evans's fabulous Regency historical romances, The Wicked Wagers trilogy, the complete set. Three notorious rakes, and three determined ladies, collide in this set of three Regency romance stories based around a series of scandalous dares, wagers, and challenges. To Dare the Duke of Dangerfield (Top 5 FINALIST in the Kindle Book Review Indie Romance Book of the Year 2012)Lady Caitlin Southall's temper has finally got the better of her. She's challenged Harlow Telford, the Duke of Dangerfield, the most notorious rake in all of England, to a wager. She wants her house back. The one her destitute father lost to Dangerfield in a card game. But if she doesn't win their bet, she not only loses her home, she loses her dignity and pride and damn it all, maybe her heart... For the handsome Duke has decreed, when he wins, she must spend the night in his bed.Harlow Telford is amused by his hellion neighbor, Caitlin, or Cate to her friends, who seem to encompass everyone on earth except him. When she bursts into one of his private gatherings, he mistakes her for

the entertainment. Her slap across his face sets him straight and raises the absurd desire to seduce the unconventional beauty into his bed. When she issues her daft challenge to win back her father's pile of rubble, the terms are set. And he'll do anything to win--except fall in love...To Wager the Marguis of WolverstoneMarcus Danvers, the Marguis of Wolverstone, is renowned for his cynical demeanor. It's rumored that long ago, a beautiful woman broke his heart. Now he lives life for pleasure. He's the consummate, handsome rake. If anyone tries to get too close-let's just say his bark is as bad as his bite. That is, until the beautiful, as she is deceitful, Contessa Orsini re-enters his life with a wager he cannot resist. When he wins, he'll have Sabine exactly where he wants her-in his bed and at his mercy. Forced to return to England and avenge her father's death, Sabine knows the one person who can help her is the only man she has ever loved-Marcus. The man who hates her with as much passion as he once loved her. But Marcus doesn't know that by winning the wager he'll also be getting his revenge. For there are some secrets best left buried...To Challenge the Earl of CravenswoodHenry St. Giles, the Earl of Cravenswood, longs to find his soul mate. Now that his two best friends, both reformed rakes, are happily married, the need becomes an obsession. When they challenge him to find a wife by the end of the season or marry his neighbor, the innocently alluring Lady Amy Shipton, he can't believe his luck. He wins, either way. But a darkened garden, a case of mistaken identity, a drunken kiss, and a dropped emerald earring, leads Henry on a Cinderella hunt. He knows the woman he held in his arms could be the one he's searched for all his life. He just has to find her.Lady Amy Shipton is determined to marry for love instead of sharing her husband like her mother did. So why did she let her handsome neighbor and romantic fantasy, the Sinful Saint as he's called for his bedroom prowess, seduce her in his garden? And what can she do when in the middle of their passionate encounter; he whispers another woman's name. Now Henry is hunting the owner of the earring Amy left behind, and she's determined to retrieve it before her identity is revealed. She's not about to give her father the ammunition he desperately wants to force her down the aisle.

A Duel for Christmas

The heart always knows best... Everything changes in Susan Wilton's life, when she takes the position of nanny-governess to Elizabeth, the five-year-old daughter of the Duke of Lennox. The Duke while charming and vigorous is still suffering from the loss of his wife in giving birth to their daughter. As Susan and the Duke work together, they find they have a lot in common, and mutual fascination grows, followed by a developing romance. However, Susan, also courted by Daniel, a handsome and dashing naval captain, finds she is torn between the two men and feels she is unable to make a commitment to either. But things are never exactly what they seem to be,

and soon life-changing events begin to alter the dynamics in the two relationships as Susan begins to learn more about the two suitors. ♥ A historical romance novel full of twists that'll keep you turning the pages ♥*The Governess Who Stole My Heart is a historical standalone story of 85,000 words (around 350 pages). No cheating, no cliffhangers, and a super sweet happily ever after. Get this book for free with Kindle Unlimited!

The Governess Who Stole My Heart

The Duke of Preston has ruined more young ladies than can be tolerated by Society, which turns its collective back to him and his family. In order to regain their respectability, his aunt insists he takes a bride. What Preston never imagines is that he will fall in love with the most unlikely of ladies - Miss Tabitha Timmons, a vicar's daughter who is cursed in love and vows never to marry. Now it is up to the notorious duke to change her mind.

Along Came a Duke

Engagements with Adaptation invites students both to consider adaptations on their own terms and to engage with the urgent questions they raise about literary canons; the media industry; the relations between different kinds of media; the nature of national, political, and cultural identities; and the ways in which contemporary digital and social media have complicated the roles of producers and consumers of texts. Thomas Leitch guides students through six ways of thinking about adaptation: aesthetic, intertextual, industrial, biological, sociological, and participatory. He explores multiple media and discusses a wide range of sources, including Frankenstein, Persepolis, Bridgerton, and the world of DC and Marvel comics. Each of the six chapters includes a detailed discussion of Greta Gerwig's film Barbie to help readers compare the ways in which these six approaches can engage with a single text. The book also offers invaluable insight into copyright, censorship, critical race theory, and immigration. The questions at the end of each section embed and reinforce learning and prompt further research. This accessible and engaging guide reveals how the "anti- discipline" of adaptation studies is adjacent to a remarkable array of disciplines, making it a much-needed resource for students interested in television studies, moving image studies, digital media studies, translation studies, performance studies, music and art history and creation, border studies, race studies, queer studies, disability studies, and ecocritical studies.

Engagements with Adaptation

The book intends to explore intricate connections between history, ethnicity,

mythology, and literature, unravelling the threads that weave together the diverse narratives that shape our understanding of identity. By examining the interplay of these elements, the book offers an understanding on how historical events, cultural myths, and ethnic heritage enrich literature create multifaceted and complex identities. Among other things, it also emphasizes the need to reinterpret our past history, 'samskaras', and knowledge system that holistically shapes the human conscience, mind, and values of contemporary times. The book is tailored for scholars, students, and enthusiasts interested in the intersections of history, ethnicity, mythology, and literature. It will appeal to those in the fields of cultural studies, literature, history, sociology and anthropology, as well as a broader audience intrigued by the complex tapestry of human identity.

Exploring the Connections Between Ethnicity, History, Mythology and Literature

An old flame rekindles in this fan-favorite tale from New York Times bestselling author Joan Johnston... Wealthy aristocrat Bella Benedict has one last wish: to see her five estranged children happily married. But one of her sons, Max Benedict, has no interest in long-term commitment. Instead, he travels the world, working as a sometime spy for the CIA but mostly cementing his reputation as a rich playboy. When he's asked to investigate a foreign threat against the president, he doesn't think twice about accepting—until he hears who he'll be working with in London. FBI Special Agent Kristin Lassiter is under investigation and on the verge of losing everything—her savings, her job, her beloved father. So when Bella Benedict approaches her with an offer to pay her mounting debts, she's tempted to accept. But there's a catch, and a big one. Bella wants Kristin to win the heart of her playboy son Max—the very man who broke Kristin's heart years ago and is unaware that he fathered her nine-year-old daughter. If Kristin succeeds, she'll get the money she needs. But can she win Max's heart without falling back in love with him?

Invincible

A classic Signet Regency from Amanda McCabe featuring a woman of means who always knows what she wants...until she meets her heart's desire. Although she is not one of the ton, independently wealthy Georgina Beaumont is accepted by them--not merely because of her lifelong friendship with a titled lady, but because she is an artist whose portraits grace the walls of society's elite. A fiery spirit with a strong, independent will, she has proven herself the equal of any man--and believes she needs none to make her happy. Alexander Kenton, the Duke of Wayland, retired from military service only to discover that his brother gambled away his family's entire fortune, leaving his mother and sister almost destitute. Only by marrying within the aristocracy

can he help his family regain their place in society. But Alexander has fallen in love with Georgina, and he's afraid that she'll think he's only after her money. Even worse, he's afraid that she truly doesn't want to be married... Don't miss Amanda McCabe's other Signet Regency Romances, including The Spanish Bride and Scandal in Venice, available now!

Lady Rogue

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