BEACH READS

MY FAVORITE MISTAKE
BY MARIAN KEYES (JULY 30)
A woman in the throes of a midlife crisis gives up on her seemingly happy life in NYC and returns to her hometown in Ireland to work in PR for a high-end coastal retreat.

PINK GLASS HOUSES
BY ASHA ELIAS (JULY 30)
A challenge for the PTA presidency unravels a group of wealthy mothers at an elite Miami Beach elementary school.

THE WEDDING PEOPLE
BY ALISON ESPACH (JULY 30)
A woman arrives at a grand hotel in Newport to fulfill a dream trip and discovers that the inn has been taken over for a wedding.

FIVE-STAR STRANGER
BY KAT TANG (AUGUST 6)
A top-rated man on the “Rental Stranger” app plays many roles for his clients but forms an unexpected attachment to a young girl whose father he is pretending to be.

PLAYS WELL WITH OTHERS
BY SOPHIE BRICKMAN (AUGUST 6)
A parenting advice columnist goes to incredible lengths to try to get her precocious son into one of NYC’s elite kindergarten classes.

THERE’S NOTHING WRONG WITH HER
BY KATE WEINBERG (AUGUST 6)
A woman is suffering from an unnamed condition that confines her to a physical and mental state she calls “The Pit.”

A GREAT MARRIAGE
BY FRANCES MAYER (AUGUST 13)
When a perfect wedding is called off just days before the big event, it sends two people—and their families—into a tailspin.

THE MATRIARCH
BY PAMELA REDMOND (AUGUST 13)
The picture-perfect life of a woman of a certain age gets turned upside down when her son does not turn up for her A-list relaunch party.

A SEASON OF PERFECT HAPINESS
BY MARIBETH FISCHER (AUGUST 20)
A woman leading a quiet life in Wisconsin falls for a lighthearted theater nerd.

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A woman with a massive social media following is floundering in her personal life.

A woman who spends her time knitting and dreaming of leaving the remote island where she lives takes a job working for the local airline.

A cynical romance novelist goes on a Bachelor-like reality TV show to revive her flagging career.

A London veterinarian studying endangered tortoises on a remote island in the South Atlantic Ocean is asked to stay on as the local vet.

A woman expects her suitors to go through the Five Stages, the courtship ritual that lovers in the Philippines have performed for generations.

Four college friends make a pact always to be there for one another, no matter how separated they may become by circumstances or distance.

A single dad and former hockey star hires a broke woman studying to be a marine biologist to be his live-in nanny.

The new owners of a seaside house hire its former resident to investigate whether the house is haunted.

A woman writes a best seller that draws from real life and gets the cold shoulder from her friends and neighbors.

The death of an elderly substitute teacher in the faculty lounge of a high school sets off an unexpected chain of events.

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**How to Age Disgracefully** by Claire Pooley (June 11)
A woman takes a job running the Senior Citizens Social Club, but they are not the docile group she’s expecting.

**Margo’s Got Money Troubles** by Riji Thorpe (June 11)
A young single mother becomes an internet sensation.

**Not in Love** by Ali Hazelwood (June 11)
A biotech engineer starts an affair with the man running the hostile takeover of her company.

**One Last Summer** by Kate Spencer (June 11)
A woman whose life is spiraling out of control joins her friends on their annual summer vacation to their beloved childhood sleepover camp for a much-needed escape.

**The Rom-Commers** by Katherine Center (June 11)
A young woman gets the chance to rewrite a script for a famous Hollywood screenwriter.

**The Summer Escape** by Jill Shalvis (June 11)
In this newest Sunrise Cove novel, a woman goes on an adventure to prove that her father did not steal a diamond necklace.

**Lula Dean’s Little Library of Banned Books** by Kirsten Miller (June 18)
A woman tries to ban books by starting a little free library of books she approves of, but someone is sneakily replacing them.

**The Love Shack** by Lori Foster (June 18)
A woman running a local animal shelter tries to fight her attraction to her handsome neighbor.

**The Memo** by Rachel Dodes & Lauren Mechling (June 18)
At her college reunion, a woman is given the chance to relive her life and make all the right decisions this time around.

**Tangled Up in You** by Christina Lauren (June 25)
A reimagining of Disney’s *Tangled*.

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**Women of Good Fortune** by Sophie Wan (March 5)
A woman who is engaged to marry a man she does not love and her two best friends plot to steal the wedding gift money and start their lives over again.

**The Funeral Ladies of Ellerie County** by Claire Swinarski (March 12)
Armed with a Crock-Pot and a pile of recipes, a grandmother, her granddaughter and a mysterious young man work to bring a community together.

**Sylvia’s Second Act** by Hillary Yablon (March 12)
After divorcing her cheating husband, a 63-year-old woman and her best friend start new lives in Manhattan.

**Expiration Dates** by Rebecca Serle (March 19)
Every time she meets a man, a woman gets a piece of paper with a number on it that indicates how long she will date him. Then she gets a piece of paper with a name and no number.

**The Good, the Bad, and the Aunties** by Jesse Sutanto (March 26)
In the third book in the Aunties trilogy, a woman’s honeymoon with her dream mate is interrupted by theft and abduction.

**Begin Again** by Helly Acton (April 2)
After she dies in a freak accident, a woman gets five second chances to revisit her life to see what would happen if she made different choices.

**The Husbands** by Holly Gramazio (April 2)
A woman’s attic somehow contains an infinite supply of husbands, each reshaping her life in many ways.

**Just for the Summer** by Abby Jimenez (April 2)
Two people whose ex’s find true love after leaving them try to break the curse by dating each other.

**The Marriage Sabbatical** by Lian Dolan (April 2)
A couple who have been married for 23 years decide to take a nine-month break from their marriage.

**Tourist Season** by Brenda Novak (April 2)
A woman who is stranded at the family beach house during a storm discovers hidden family secrets.
A woman visiting Prince Edward Island unknowingly falls for her best friend’s younger brother.

Christa Comes Out of Her Shell by Abbi Waxman (April 16)
An introverted woman who lives on a small island where she studies snails returns to her hometown after her father, long thought dead, turns up alive.

One Last Word by Suzanne Park (April 16)
A woman develops an app that delivers messages to family, friends and frenemies upon death and is intended to be validating and empowering.

Funny Story by Emily Henry (April 23)
After her fiancé runs off with his childhood best friend, a woman moves in with the best friend’s ex.

The Paris Novel by Ruth Reichl (April 23)
A woman’s distant mother bequeaths her a one-way ticket to Paris in her will.

The Summer We Started Over by Nancy Thayer (April 23)
Two sisters reconnect during the course of one summer on Nantucket.

The Best Life Book Club by Sheila Roberts (May 7)
Four women in need of a reboot start a book club.

How to Read a Book by Monica Wood (May 7)
A retired English teacher, a woman recently released from prison and the local mechanic form an unlikely bond through their love of books.

Mistakes We Never Made by Hannah Brown (May 7)
A man and a woman who almost but never quite dated team up to find a missing bride two days before the wedding.

Summer After Summer by Lauren Bailey (May 7)
A woman returns to her family beach house in the Hamptons in this modern retelling of Jane Austen’s Persuasion.

The Paradise Problem by Christina Lauren (May 14)
The buttoned-up heir of a grocery chain and his free-spirited artist ex fake a relationship in order to receive a massive inheritance.

A Northern Light in Provence by Elizabeth Birkeland (May 21)
A translator leaves her isolated home on the coast of Greenland for a village in Provence to translate a poet’s work.

Becoming Ted by Matt Cain (June 4)
A predictable 43-year-old man reimagines his life and takes new chances on friendship and love after his husband leaves him for another man.

Dear Dotty by Jaclyn Westlake (June 4)
A young woman starts to follow the advice of her late great-aunt through a series of revelatory emails about pursuing her dreams rather than society’s idea of what she ought to be doing.

For the Love of Summer by Susan Mallery (June 4)
A woman takes in her ex-husband’s wife and child after he is arrested.

Summer Romance by Annabel Monaghan (June 4)
A professional organizer’s personal life is a mess, but she gets some help from an unexpected person from her past.