# Mystery

# The Caretaker: a Ranjit Singh novel

by A. X Ahmad

Disgraced Indian Army Captain Ranjit Singh illegally moves into a politician's empty house that is broken into by armed men who are searching for an antique porcelain doll, a crime that draws Ranjit into the homeowner's shadowy world.

# Death at the Durbar : a Maharaja mystery

by Arjun Gaind

When Maharaja Skinander Singh investigates the murder of a young woman in the new King George V's tent, his case is complicated by a long list of suspects and motives and an impossible time limit.



## The Satapur Moonstone

by Sujata Massey India's only female lawyer in 1922 helps the royal ladies of Satapur by getting involved in the power plays and ancient vendettas of the palace in the second novel of the series following The Widows of Malabar Hill.

# A Necessary Evil: a novel

by Abir Mukherjee

A sequel to the award-winning A Rising Man finds Captain Wyndham and Sergeant Banerjee of the 1920 Calcutta Police Force investigating the assassination of a Maharajah's progressive-minded son, a crime that has left the country in the hands of the victim's brother, a feckless playboy.

## Romance

# The Takeover Effect

by Nisha Sharma

Mina will do whatever it takes to recover control of her mother's law firm, even if it means agreeing to an arranged marriage. Her newest case assignment is to assist Bharat in the midst of a potential takeover. It could be the key to finally achieving her goal while preventing her marriage to a man she doesn't love--as long as her explosive attraction to Hem doesn't get in the way.

#### It's All in the Planets

by Preeti Shenoy

Aniket and Nidhi meet on a train, a chance encounter, and she agrees to become his 'relationship coach.' **It's** a decision that sets into motion a chain of events that will have a profound impact on the lives of all involved. One man, two women, and the trap called Destiny. Some things, they say, are all in the planets.

# Science Fiction



# The Book of M

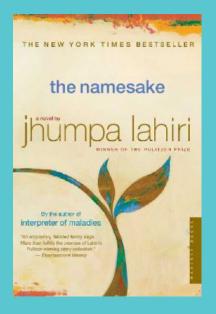
by Peng Shepherd When people throughout the world begin losing their shadows and memories while developing dangerous powers, a man desperately searches for his afflicted wife in a world turned upside down by bandits and cultists.



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# Read Something Different



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## A Good Indian Wife

#### by Anne Cherian

Successful anesthesiologist Neel hopes to resist his family's pleas that he marry a proper woman during a visit home to India, while jaded thirty-year-old teacher Leila anticipates her latest suitor without high hopes and while retaining memories of an old friendship with a Muslim boy.

## The Bollywood Bride

## by Sonali Dev

Traveling home to Chicago to attend a family wedding and ride out a scandal, Bollywood star Ria Parkar reunites with Vikram Jathar, whose heart she broke to pursue her career.



#### Oleander Girl

by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni Troubled by the silence surrounding her parents' deaths, Korobi Roy is prompted by a love note among her mother's possessions to travel from India to post-9/11 America in search of her true identity.

# Flood of Fire

## by Amitav Ghosh

Follows Kesri Singh, an East India Company soldier, on his 1839 journey to Hong Kong after the British colonial government assembles an expeditionary force to end a costly embargo on the eve of the Opium Wars.

## Exit West

## by Mohsin Hamid

The internationally best-selling author of The Reluctant Fundamentalist presents the story of two young lovers whose furtive affair is shaped by local unrest on the eve of a civil war that erupts in a cataclysmic bombing attack, forcing them to abandon their previous home and lives.

## Unmarriageable: a novel

## by Soniah Kamal

A retelling of "Pride and Prejudice" set in modern-day Pakistan finds a practical-minded teacher from a family of sisters evaluating her resolve never to marry after encountering a brusque but compelling man during a series of lavish wedding parties.



## The Matchmaker's List

## by Sonya Lalli

Raina Anand navigates a series of disastrous blind dates in her efforts to balance her tight-knit Indianimmigrant community's traditional expectations with her own ideas of what modern romance is.

## A Fine Balance

## by Rohinton Mistry

In India during the mid-1970s, after a "state of internal emergency" is declared, four different people-a widowed seamstress, a student, and a man and his nephew who have fled their village's caste violence-find their lives becoming inextricably intertwined.

# A Place for Us: a novel

## by Fatima Farheen Mirza

A story of family identity and belonging follows an Indian family through the marriage of their daughter, from the parents' arrival in the United States to the return of their estranged son.

## The Tree Bride

## by Bharati Mukherjee

Struggling to reconcile with her estranged husband, Desirable Daughters narrator Tara Chatterjee relates the story of an East Bengali ancestor who married a tree at the age of five and who grew up to be a nationalist freedom fighter against the British Raj.

## Girls Burn Brighter

## by Shobha Rao

Forging a deep friendship with impoverished but passionate fellow weaver Savitha, motherless Poornima leaves behind everything she knows to search for her friend after an act of cruelty drives Savitha away.

# The Ministry of Utmost Happiness

## by Arundhati Roy

A provocative love story by the award-winning author of The God of Small Things meanders through a spectrum of powerful emotions experienced by diverse protagonists, including a grieving father who writes a letter profiling the people who came to his 5-year-old daughter's funeral and two longtime friends at a guest house who sleep wrapped around each other like newlyweds.

## The Golden House: a novel

## by Salman Rushdie

A real estate tycoon and his mysterious, corrupt family become the subjects of an aspiring filmmaker's project before revelations of their criminal past activities give way to the rise of a mad presidential candidate.



## Home Fire

by Kamila Shamsie
Given a chance to resume a
deferred dream years after raising
her troubled siblings, Isma worries
about the influence of a powerful
politician's son who drives the
family to choose between love and
loyalty, with devastating results.

# We That Are Young

## by Preti Taneja

A modern-day King Lear, set in contemporary India, traces the power struggles of a turbulent family that becomes painfully subject to the anti-corruption riots of 2011 and 2012, a father's advancing dementia and an unwanted arranged marriage.