MORE TIME FOR BOOKS:
Book Club Favorites
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The Weight of Ink
by Rachel Kadish
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017

2018 Association of Jewish Libraries
Jewish Fiction Award Winner
2017 National Jewish Book Award:
Book Club Award Winner
Women’s League Reads Selection

Read-Alikes:
And After the Fire by Lauren Belfer
The People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks
The Lost Letter by Jillian Cantor
A Backpack, a Bear, and Eight Crates of Vodka
by Lev Golinkin
Doubleday, 2014

The Betrayers by David Bezmozgis
Little Brown, 2014

See Also:
Natasha and Other Stories (2005) and The Free World (2011) by David Bezmozgis

Read-Alikes:
When They Come For Us We'll Be Gone by Gal Beckerman
A Replacement Life by Boris Fishman
The Mathematician's Shiva by Stuart Rojstaczer
Leaving Russia: A Jewish Story by Maxim D. Shrayber
Little Failure: A Memoir by Gary Shteyngart
There are Jews in My House: Stories by Lara Vapnyar

The Third Daughter
by Talia Carner
William Morrow, 2019

2019 National Jewish Book Award: Book Club Finalist

See also:

The Impure (2017 documentary)

Read-Alikes:
The Singing Fire by Lilian Nattel
After Anatevka by Alexandra Silber
The Little Bride by Anna Solomon
Bodies and Souls: The Tragic Plight of Three Jewish Women Forced into Prostitution in the Americas by Isabel Vincent
The Last Watchman of Cairo
by Michael David Lukas
Spiegel & Grau, 2018

2019 Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature, ALA Sophie Brody Medal, Hadassah Magazine Ribalow Prize, and 2018 National Jewish Book Award: Fiction Winner

See Also:
From Cairo to the Cloud (2018 documentary)

Read-Alikes:
Sacred Treasure: The Cairo Genizah by Mark Glickman
Sacred Trash: The Lost and Found World of the Cairo Geniza by Adina Hoffman
The Convert by Stefan Hertmans
A Guide for the Perplexed by Dara Horn
The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit by Lucette Lagnado

Waking Lions
by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen
(translated by Sondra Silverston)
Little Brown, 2017

2017 National Jewish Book Award: Book Club Finalist and Fiction Finalist

The Liar
by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen
(translated by Sondra Silverston)
Little Brown, 2019
*paperback 8/2020*

See also:
One Night, Markovitch (2015)
The Family: Three Journeys into the Heart of the 20th Century by David Laskin
Viking, 2013

My Jewish Year: 18 Holidays, One Wondering Jew
by Abigail Pogrebin
Fig Tree Books, 2018

My Russian Grandmother and Her American Vacuum Cleaner by Meir Shalev
(translated by Evan Fallenberg)
Schocken, 2011

Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love
by Dani Shapiro
Knopf, 2019

The Hired Girl
by Laura Amy Schlitz
Candlewick, 2015

The Inquisitor's Tale
by Adam Gidwitz
Dutton, 2016

Refugee
by Alan Gratz
Scholastic, 2017

Sweep
by Jonathan Auxier
Abrams, 2018
Virtual Author Events:

Lauren Belfer - https://laurenbelfer.com/
Jillian Cantor - https://www.jilliancantor.com/
Talia Carner - https://www.taliacarner.com/
Lynda Cohen Loigman - https://lyndacohenloigman.com/
Rachel Kadish - http://rachelkadish.com/

Women’s League Reads
https://www.wlcj.org/2015/01/womens-league-reads/

Conversations with authors are available for these “tried & true” favorites:

And After the Fire by Lauren Belfer (Harper Perennial, 2016)
Waking Lions by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen; translated by Sondra Silverston
(Little Brown, 2017)
The Weight of Ink by Rachel Kadish (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017)
The Last Watchman of Cairo by Michael David Lukas (Spiegel & Grau, 2018)
The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem by Sarit Yishai-Levi; translated by Anthony Berris
(Thomas Dunne, 2016)
Jewish Book Council
https://www.jewishbookcouncil.org/book-clubs
Discussion Guides are available for these “tried & true” favorites:

*On Division* by Goldie Goldbloom (Farrar Straus & Giroux, 2019)
*The Weight of Ink* by Rachel Kadish (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017)
*Three Floors Up* by Eshkol Nevo; translated by Sondra Silverston (Other Press, 2017)
*The Best Place on Earth* by Ayelet Tsabari (Random House, 2016)
*The Golem and the Jinni* by Helene Wecker (HarperCollins, 2013)

Jewish Women’s Archives
https://jwa.org/programs/bookclub
Discussion Guides are available for these “tried & true” favorites:

*The Hours Count* by Jillian Cantor (Riverhead Books, 2015)
*The Marriage of Opposites* by Alice Hoffman (Simon & Schuster, 2015)
*The Weight of Ink* by Rachel Kadish (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017)
*My Jewish Year* by Abigail Pogrebin (Fig Tree Books, 2018)
*The Best Place on Earth* by Ayelet Tsabari (Random House, 2016)
## 2020-2021 Book Club Possibilities:

*The Lost Shtetl* by Max Gross (HarperCollins, 10/2020)  
*The World That We Knew* by Alice Hoffman (Simon & Schuster, 2019)  
*The Imperfects* by Amy Meyerson (Park Row, 2020)  
*Mrs. Everything* by Jennifer Weiner (Atria Books, 2019)

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## 2020-2021 Book Club Possibilities:  
On My To-Read List

*The Nesting Dolls* by Alina Adams (Harper, 7/2020)  
*Florence Adler Swims Forever* by Rachel Beanland (Simon & Schuster, 7/2020)  
*I Want You to Know We’re Still Here* by Esther Safran Foer (Tim Duggan Books, 2020)  
*Diary of a Lonely Girl* by Miriam Karpilove; translated from Yiddish by Jessica Kirzane (Syracuse, 2020)  
*Three* by D.A. Mishani; translated from Hebrew by Jessica Cohen (Europa, 2020)  
*The Book of V.* by Anna Solomon (Henry Holt, 2020)  
*Becoming Eve* by Abby Stein (Seal Press, 2019)
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