

Rubin, Julia Lynn—***Trouble Girls***

Trixie and Lux head out on a weekend getaway, but quickly become fugitives and unlikely media figures after a night of violence derails their trip.

Smith, Amber—***The Last to Let Go***

When her mother is arrested for killing her abusive father, Brooke must confront the shadow of her family's violence and dysfunction.

Spalding, Amy

The Summer of Jordi Perez (And the Best Burger in Los Angeles)

Fashion-obsessed Abby lands an internship at her favorite boutique. She quickly falls hard for a fellow intern with whom she's competing for a coveted paid position.

Sugiura, Misa

It's Not Like It's a Secret

After moving to California, 16-year-old Sana thinks it might be time to be honest with everyone, including herself, when she falls for the beautiful and smart Jamie.

Talley, Robin—***Pulp***

Abby feels a connection with, and tries to track down, the author of a 1950s lesbian pulp fiction novel that she's reading as part of her senior project.

Tamaki, Mariko

Saving Montgomery Sole

Montgomery "Monty" Sole buys the *Eye of Know* crystal, hoping it will help against the bullies who mock her friend for being gay, and her for having lesbian moms.

Ward, Kaitlin—***Bleeding Earth***

There's blood oozing from the earth, causing panic and making Lea a prisoner in her own home, but she'll have to find a way to rescue her sanity, herself, and her girlfriend.

Waters, Erica

The River Has Teeth

Natasha's sister is the second person to go missing from a local wildlife preserve, and Natasha turns to Della, rumored to be a witch, for help.

A few notes:

- These book lists are examples, not complete lists of books which fit into the genre.
- Not all books will be of interest to every reader.
- Teen Scene staff are always eager to help you find a book that fits your personal taste and interests. Just ask!

Lesbian Lit for Teens



Suggestions for Young Adult books that ...

- Include characters that identify as lesbian.
- Deal with issues within the lesbian community.

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Blake, Ashley Herring

Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World

Twelve-year-old Ivy Aberdeen's house is destroyed in a tornado. In the aftermath of the storm she begins to develop feelings for another girl at school.

Brown, Jaye Robin

Georgia Peaches and Other Forbidden Fruit

Joanna is out and proud, but agrees to lay low after her pastor father remarries. When she meets Mary, however, Joanna realizes her promise may cost her everything.

Coulthurst, Audrey—***Inkmistress***

Demigod Asra uses blood magic to try to protect Ina, the mortal girl she loves, but Asra's spell goes horribly wrong and Ina, full of rage, incorrectly blames the king.

Downham, Jenny—***Unbecoming***

Seventeen-year-old Katie is suddenly caring for a grandmother she's never met, dealing with a stressed-out mother, and trying to keep her secrets from getting out.

Girard, M-E—***Girl Mans Up***

Pen has to fight through disintegrating friendships and disappointed parents in order to be true to herself.

Gonsalves, Florence

Love & Other Carnivorous Plants

Nineteen-year-old Danny returns home after a disastrous first semester of college and struggles with first love, grief, identity, and self-destructive behavior.

Gough, Erin—***Get It Together, Delilah***

Delilah is running her family's café while her father is gone while dealing with flack at school and crushing hard on the girl who dances outside the café each evening.

Heard, Wendy—***She's Too Pretty to Burn***

Veronica and her introverted girlfriend, Mick, get caught up with a chaotic, and sometimes murderous, performance artist after a photo of Mick goes viral.

Hitchcock, Shannon—***One True Way***

As Allison and Samantha's friendship grows into something else, they have to face the difficulties of being gay in 1977 North Carolina.

Johnson, Leah—***Rise to the Sun***

Toni and Olivia head to a music festival for different personal reasons and learn to rely on one another after a problem at the festival causes a panic.

Kisner, Adrienne—***Dear Rachel Maddow***

When Brynn gets flack for trying to run for an important school position, she ponders what course of action her idol, political commentator Rachel Maddow, would take.

LaCour, Nina—***We Are Okay***

Marin has to face everything that's been left unsaid and everything she's left behind when her best friend pays her a visit at college after months of silence.

Lee, C. B.

A Clash of Steel

After stealing Xiang's pendant, Anh finds a tiny map inside and asks for Xiang's help in finding a lost pirate treasure in this Treasure Island retelling.

Leno, Katrina—***Summer of Salt***

Georgina has yet to feel the tingle of magic in her fingers that her twin sister has already experienced, and with her 18th birthday looming, she fears her gift may never come.

Lo, Malinda—***Last Night at the Telegraph Club***

The threat of deportation looms for Lily's parents amid an atmosphere of anti-Communist paranoia and general distrust of Chinese immigrants as Lily pursues a dangerous relationship with her classmate, Kath.

Mac, Carrie—***10 Things I Can See from Here***

Maeve, a sufferer of severe anxiety, moves in with her recovering alcoholic father and very pregnant stepmother, and falls for a girl who is not afraid of anything.

Mayhew, Julie—***The Big Lie***

In an alternate-world modern England under Nazi rule, Jessika questions what it means to be good when she develops an attraction for her best friend, Clementine.

Mitchell, Sandra

The Prom: A Novel Based On The Hit Broadway Musical

Emma Nolan and Alyssa Greene share the same goal: debut as a couple at their senior prom.

Murphy, Julie—***Ramona Blue***

Ramona is sure that she likes girls, but a growing affection for her childhood friend, Freddie, has her wondering if she likes guys or girls or if this new attraction is just a fluke.

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The Girl from the Sea

Morgan wants to escape her perfect, but stifling, little island town until she's rescued from drowning by a mysterious girl whose secrets, along with Morgan's, threaten to bubble to the surface.

Quindlen, Kelly

She Drives Me Crazy

Basketball-loving Scottie bribes her cheerleader nemesis Irene into fake-dating to get back at her toxic ex, but their scheme threatens to reveal some very real feelings.