

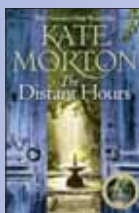


The Waterstone's Card guide to

Women's Summer Fiction - 2011

This summer there are some brilliant women's fiction paperbacks just waiting to be packed into suitcases and taken to the beach. Whether you're going abroad or staying at home, make sure you have a new paperback to keep you occupied. Here we've highlighted the one's we think are really special.

We love...



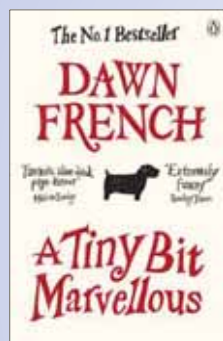
The Distant Hours
Kate Morton

I loved every minute. It's a big read, but that's perfect because you don't want the story to end. It's about a crumbling Dorset castle, 3 elderly sisters who live in it and their famous author father, who wrote a popular children's book called The Mud Man.

The heroine is Edie, a London publisher who's interest is piqued when her Mum receives a long lost letter from one of the sisters and discloses that in WWII she was evacuated to the castle. There are secrets, murder, romance and you'll never expect the final twist at the end.

Meg Frost
The Waterstone's Card Team

Read me first...



A Tiny Bit Marvellous
Dawn French

If you only read one book this summer, then give Dawn French's debut novel a go! Everyone hates the perfect family. So you'll love the Battles. Mo is about to hit the big 50, and some uncomfortable truths are becoming quite apparent. Dora is about to hit the big 18 ...and about to hit anyone who annoys her, especially her precocious younger brother Peter who has a chronic Oscar Wilde fixation. Then there's Dad ...who's just, well, dad. A Tiny Bit Marvellous is the story of a modern family all living in their own separate bubbles lurching towards meltdown.

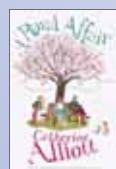
Feel good fiction...



Mini Shopaholic
Sophie Kinsella



The Single Girl's To-Do List
Lindsey Kelk



A Rural Affair
Catherine Alliott



The Way We Were
Elizabeth Noble

Thought provoking reads...



Room
Emma Donoghue



One Moment One Morning
Sarah Rayner



Afterwards
Rosamund Lupton



Harvesting the Heart
Jodi Piccolt

Seen on screen...



One Day
David Nicholls

15th July 1988. Emma and Dexter meet for the first time on the night of their graduation. Tomorrow they must go their separate ways. So where will they be on this one day next year? And the year after that? And every year that follows? Twenty years, two people, One Day.



Water for Elephants
Sara Gruen

Water for Elephants is illuminated by a wonderful sense of time and place. It tells a story of a love between two people that overcomes incredible odds in a world in which even love is a luxury that few can afford.