

Family Sagas

[The River Wife](#) by Jonas Agee

Chronicles the adventure-filled life of Jacques Ducharme, a French fur trapper and river pirate, and the five women whose lives he touches--Annie Lark, whom he rescues in the wake of the 1811 New Madrid earthquake; his second wife Laura; Omah, a freed slave and fellow river raider; Maddie, his young daughter; and Hedio Rails, betrothed to his grandson, Clement.

[The House of Lanyon: the Exmoor Saga](#) by Valerie Anand

In fifteenth-century England, Richard Lanyon, who had sacrificed the happiness of his own family to become a landowner, finds he can no longer live with the guilt of his past, while his son, agreeing to an arranged marriage, harbors his own lost dreams.

[East Side Story](#) by Louis Auchincloss

The story of the rise of a New York family, the Carnochans, from their early arrival in America from Scotland to their rise to prominence and wealth, recounts the lives and fortunes of diverse members of the family across generations.

[The Mathematics of Love](#) by Emma Darwin

Packed off to her estranged uncle's failed rural school in England while her mother vacations with a new lover, teenaged Anna Ware finds solace in her friendship with an aging war photographer.

[Golden Country](#) by Jennifer Gilmore

Traces the lives of three Jewish-American families throughout four decades in the twentieth century, in a tale told through the experiences of such characters as gangster-turned-Broadway producer Seymour, salesman and innovator Joseph, and actress Frances Gold.

[Sacred Time](#) by Ursula Hegi

When his aunt and cousins move into his 1950s Bronx home after his uncle goes to jail again, young Anthony Amedeo struggles with sharing a room with his twin female cousins, resulting in an event that irrevocably changes the family.

[A Thousand Splendid Suns](#) by Khaled Hosseini

Two women born a generation apart witness the destruction of their home and family in wartorn Kabul, losses incurred over the course of thirty years that test the limits of their strength and courage.

[Fault Lines](#) by Nancy Huston

A family trip to Munich, Germany, begins a journey into the dark secret that connects a birthmark found on Sol, a gifted six-year-old boy, to the horrors of World War II in Europe.

[Consequences](#) by Penelope Lively

A love story that connects the lives of three generations, Lorna and Matt who experience heartache during World War II, their daughter Molly, and their granddaughter Ruth, who begins a journey that takes her back to 1941.



[The End of the Jews](#) by Adam Mansbach

The saga of the Brodskys, a family of Jewish writers and artists, unfolds from shtetl to suburbia across the turbulent course of the twentieth century, as each member embarks on an individual--and obsessive--quest for love, inspiration, art, and a place in the world.

[The Owl & Moon Café](#) by Jo-Ann Mapson

A tale featuring women from four generations of the Moon family finds matriarch Gammy Bess limiting her kind nature to the days on which she wins bingo games, Allegra driving her daughter Mariah crazy with her numerous protest rallies and boyfriends, and twelve-year-old Lindsay struggling with her high IQ and romantic fantasies about Carl Sagan.

[The Thorn Birds](#) by Colleen McCullough

Meggie, daughter of a Catholic father and a Protestant mother with deep secrets, harbors a love for a Catholic priest.

[Back to Wando Passo](#) by David Payne

Returning home after inheriting a South Carolina rice plantation, a down-on-his-luck rock musician stumbles upon a voodoo pot buried in the garden, a discovery that leads him back more than a century to the story of an illicit, interracial love affair.

[The Woodsman's Daughter](#) by Gwyn Hyman Rubio

The daughter of a nineteenth-century turpentine farmer in southern Georgia strives to create a better life for herself while protecting her family, efforts that are challenged by her father's past misdeeds.

[Sarum: the novel of England](#) by Edward Rutherfurd

The town of Salisbury, England, reveals five families residing in its environs who have lived there from the last Ice Age to the present.

[Cutting For Stone](#) by Abraham Verghese

Twin brothers born from a secret love affair between an Indian nun and a British surgeon in Addis Ababa, Marion and Shiva Stone come of age in an Ethiopia on the brink of revolution, where their love for the same woman drives them apart.

[An Outrageous Affair](#) by Penny Vincenzi

Protecting a long-time secret with ties to a tragic accident in the 1950s and a mysterious suicide twenty years later, Caroline Hunteerton hides the truth from her hostile daughters, until a journalist attempts to tell her story.

[The Toss of a Lemon](#) by Padma Viswanathan

Brings to life a profoundly exotic yet utterly recognizable family in the midst of social upheaval in a story that spans the lifetime of one woman in a Brahmin household from 1896 through 1962, in a novel inspired by the author's grandmother's stories.

