

Find Your Next Romance Read

The essential checklist

Select Your Preferred Subgenre(s)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Contemporary | <input type="checkbox"/> Paranormal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Erotic | <input type="checkbox"/> Romantic Comedy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasy | <input type="checkbox"/> Romantic Suspense |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Romance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LGBTQ+ | <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Consider Themes and Tropes:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Gap | <input type="checkbox"/> Mafia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alien | <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage of Convenience |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alpha Male | <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arranged Marriage | <input type="checkbox"/> Nanny |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Athlete | <input type="checkbox"/> Neighbors-to-Lovers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BDSM | <input type="checkbox"/> Office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Best Friend's Brother | <input type="checkbox"/> Opposites Attract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Billionaire | <input type="checkbox"/> Relationship Coach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bodyguard | <input type="checkbox"/> Reverse Harem |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boss | <input type="checkbox"/> Rockstar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brother's Best Friend | <input type="checkbox"/> Roommates-to-Lovers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bully | <input type="checkbox"/> Royalty |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cowboy | <input type="checkbox"/> Runaway Bride |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Romance | <input type="checkbox"/> Second Chance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Enemies-to-Lovers | <input type="checkbox"/> Secret Baby |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fake Dating | <input type="checkbox"/> Shapeshifter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forbidden Romance | <input type="checkbox"/> Single Parent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forced Proximity | <input type="checkbox"/> Slow-burn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Found Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Town |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friends-to-Lovers | <input type="checkbox"/> Surprise Pregnancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grumpy Sunshine | <input type="checkbox"/> Taboo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Love Triangle | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher-Student |

- The Dare/Bet
- Time Travel
- Vampire
- Virgin

- Werewolf
- Witch
- Other: _____

Research Popular Authors

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Ask for Recommendations

- Engage in conversations with fellow romance readers
- Join book clubs or forums
- Ask for suggestions based on your preferences

Look for Sample Excerpts or Chapters

- Read online or in-store excerpts
- Check out sample chapters
- Get a taste of the author's writing style and story tone

Read Book Reviews (but Avoid Spoilers!):

- Read reviews from trusted sources
- Look for reviews from other readers

Experiment

- Try different subgenres, authors, and themes
- Step out of your comfort zone and discover new favorites

Consider this checklist your wing woman when exploring romance novels. Keep track of your favorite subgenres, tropes, and authors all in one place.

For a deeper dive into romance, check out the BWBH's Beginner's Guide to Discovering Your Next Romance Read.

Enjoy the journey to finding your next romance read!

Stay spicy,

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