

Sharpe, Tess—***Far From You***

Recovering drug addict Sophie is reeling after her best friend is murdered right in front of her and no one will believe the truth of what really happened.

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

What We Left Behind

Toni and Gretchen have been together forever, but when they separate to go to different colleges, they find that being apart is very different than they expected.

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, Tawni—***Beauty of the Broken***

In a God-fearing, churchgoing town, Mara finds herself drawn to a free-spirited transplant from San Francisco, but her abusive father makes their relationship risky.

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.

Echo After Echo

Zara lands a dream role, but it's hard to keep her promise to avoid distractions when she falls for an alluring crew member and the play is plagued by mysterious deaths.

Fat Angie

Fat Angie's sister was captured in Iraq, she's the resident laughingstock at school, and her therapist tells her to count instead of eat. Can a daring new girl in her life really change anything?

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.

Danforth, Emily M.

The Miseducation of Cameron Post

When Cameron rebels against her conservative Montana ranch town and her family decides she needs to change her ways, she is sent to a gay conversion therapy center.

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.

If You Could Be Mine

In Iran, where homosexuality is punishable by death, teenage Sahar and Nasrin love each other in secret.

Annie on My Mind

Liza Winthrop and Annie Kenyon awkwardly navigate their growing romantic feelings for each other.

George, Madeleine

The Difference Between You and Me

Outsider Jesse is having secret trysts with popular Emily, but they are forced to make difficult decisions when they find themselves on opposite sides of a major school issue.

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.

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.

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.

Ask the Passengers

Gossip and narrow-mindedness leaves Astrid Jones with no safe place for her love for a girl named Dee, so she sends it to the passengers in airplanes overhead.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Peters, Julie Anne

She Loves You, She Loves You Not

When Alyssa is disowned by her father for being a lesbian, she is sent off to the mother she has never known and forced to come to terms with herself and her family.