

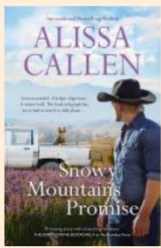
AUSTRALIAN RURAL ROMANCE

2023 Reading List



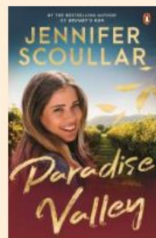
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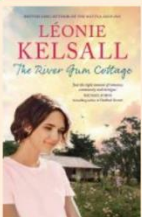
Title:
Snowy Mountains Promise
Author:
Alissa Callen
Published:
2023
Adult Fiction

Hettie Burbrook is the first to admit she's happiest when flying solo through the outback skies. After her hobby of photographing farmers lands her a book deal, it provides the ideal cover story to visit small-town Bundilla. But every photograph brings her closer to uncovering the answers behind why she is really in the mountains...



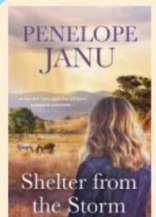
Title:
Paradise Valley
Author:
Jennifer Scoullar
Published:
2023
Adult Fiction

Ambitious country reporter, Del Fisher, seems to have it all. She's just landed her dream job, along with an engagement to Nick, Wingo's most eligible bachelor and son of local mayor and mining tycoon, Carson Shaw. But Del is blindsided when a feature article and its shocking allegations about the Shaw family is published under her name.



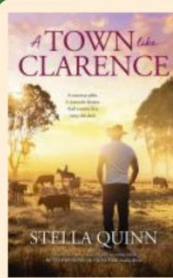
Title:
The River Gum Cottage
Author:
Leonie Kelsall
Published:
2022
Adult Fiction

Sometimes, home isn't a place: it's a feeling. Lucie Tamberlani had it all: a business manager with a passion for naturopathy, she was set to take over the bookwork at the family strawberry farm in South Australia. But the unexpected fallout from a relationship sees her flee to Melbourne, raising her daughter alone. Summoned back to the farm after her father's death, Lucie must find a way to deal with not only grief, guilt, and the betrayal that forced her away - but the fear of losing her daughter.



Title:
Shelter from the Storm
Author:
Penelope Janu
Published:
2023
Adult Fiction

Fiercely-independent naval officer Patience Cartwright has never had a place to call home, but she knows where she doesn't belong. After an unhappy childhood and a badly broken heart, she'll never return to the country. But to save her career, Patience is forced to accept a secondment -- to an environmental team working near the town where she grew up. There she encounters once more the infuriatingly attractive biologist Hugo Halstead -- the very man she's sworn never to forgive.



Title:
A Town like Clarence
Author:
Stella Quinn
Published:
2022
Adult Fiction

When Kirsty Fox goes on the run to escape a crash-and-burn at work, she finds a family she didn't know she needed... A witty and warm rural romance perfect for readers of Rachael Johns and Alissa Callen.



Title:
Time After Time
Author:
Karly Lane
Published:
2023
Adult Fiction

Alice Croydon has the perfect life: she has a loving family and she's about to marry her high school sweetheart Finn. Alice couldn't be happier. Except for the occasional niggles whenever she thinks about her career. Fashion design has always been her passion, but living in a small country town doesn't offer much opportunity to pursue that dream....



Title:
As the River Rises
Author:
Fiona McArthur
Published:
2023
Coming soon!!

Dr Hannah Rogan, a GP from outback Queensland, is in hiding from an emotionally abusive ex-boyfriend. When a visit to her friend Gracie in Featherwood sparks the idea to move there and open a medical practice for the town, Hannah finds the fresh start she needs.



Title:
The Vet's Country Holiday
Author:
Lily Malone
Published:
2022
Adult Fiction

One-by-the-numbers accountant, plus one irrepressible city girl, equals one tricky equation!



Title:
Magpie's Bend
Author:
Maya Linnell
Published:
2021
Adult Fiction

Featuring a black tie ball, a fun run, a magpie called Vegemite and a snake-chasing kelpie called Basil, Magpie's Bend is a story about rural lives, family, love and letting go.



Title:
Jillaroo from Jacaranda
Author:
Mandy Magro
Published:
2022
Adult Fiction

What happens when fate sends you just the right person, at just the wrong time...? Among the beauty of the bush landscape Rose finds surprising adventure and friendships, but is taking a risk on love worth the gamble of breaking her heart all over again if it all goes wrong?



Title:
The Library at Wagtail Ridge
Author:
Janet Gover
Published:
2022
Adult Fiction

An unusual inheritance. A love of books. And a town ready to embrace her. Will it be enough to make her stay?



Series:
The Augathella Girls
Author:
Annie Seaton
Adult Fiction

1. *Outback Roads*
2. *Outback Sky*
3. *Outback Escape*
4. *Outback Winds*
5. *Outback Dawn*
6. *Outback Moonlight*
7. *Outback Dust*
8. *Outback Hope*



Title:
Home to Echidna Lane
Author:
Eva Scott
Published:
2023
Coming soon!!

A rural rom-com about friendship, family, failure and finding the place you truly belong.



Title:
Five Bush Weddings
Author:
Clare Fletcher
Published:
2022
Adult Fiction

With her ex soon to be married, her mum back on the dating scene, and her best friend threatening to settle down with the Most Boring Man Alive, Stevie is feeling left behind. To top it off, her old uni mate Johnno West, whom she hasn't seen for years, keeps turning up as best man at Stevie's jobs. And he is looking so good. Perhaps their youthful pact - that if they were both still single in their early thirties they'd get together - is not so crazy after all?