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NOVEMBER 2026

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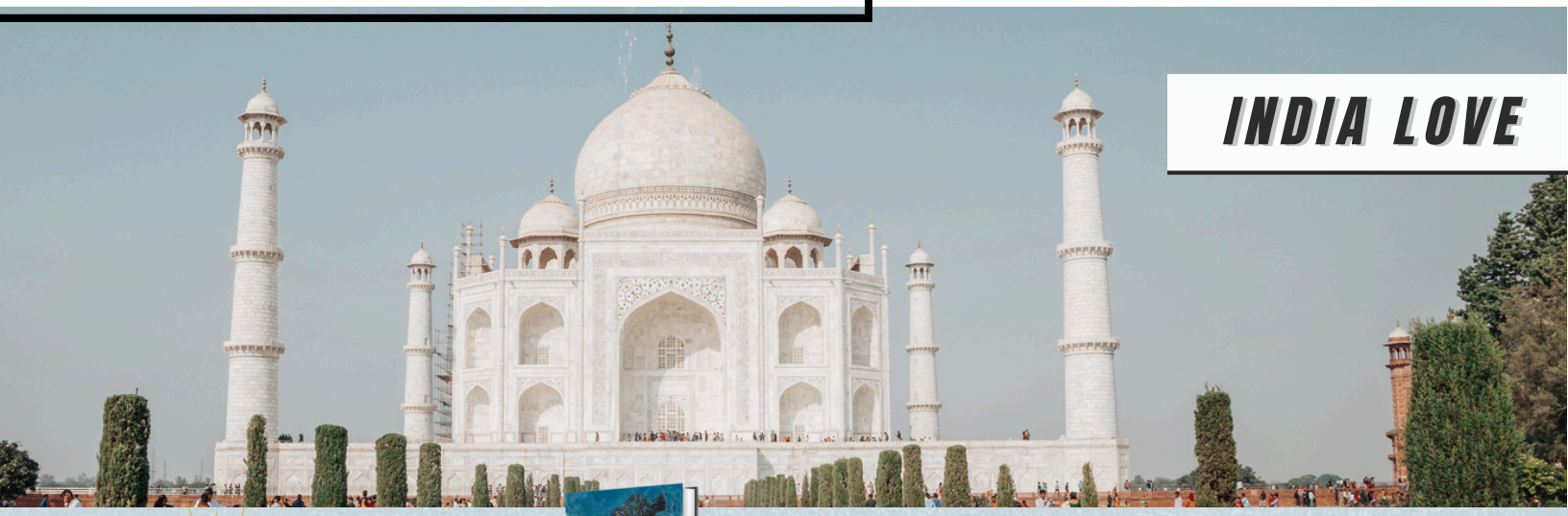

INDIA LOVE

MGR Sponsored Monthly Book Selection

FROM THE AUTHOR OF THE NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FINALIST GHOSTROOTS, A DEBUT NOVEL THAT THRILLS WITH ITS EERIE MIX OF FOLKLORE AND HISTORY.

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GIVING TUESDAY DECEMBER 1ST

This Giving Tuesday, we're coming together to celebrate the power of sisterhood, storytelling, and safe spaces for Black women who love to read. 💜

Our goal this year is to raise $3,000 to help Mocha Girls Read keep growing — funding in-person chapter meetups and our website that connects readers across the country and keeping our online spaces thriving and inclusive.

✨ If Mocha Girls Read has inspired you, challenged you, or made you feel seen — Giving Tuesday is your chance to give back.

👉 Donate now:

Let's do this together, Mocha Girls. Let's show the world what a community of readers can do. 📚💪

♡ Mocha Girl Alyssia

NOMINATIONS FOR DECEMBER MONTHLY SELECTION

Each month Mocha Girls Read members select one book to nominate for the book of the month. To make the nomination process easier, we will give you a theme for the upcoming month. This way we can mix up the genre, authors, & themes. All you have to do is add your book nomination to our site from 11/9/2026 to 11/15/2026. Then from 11/16/2026 to 11/22/2026, the polls will be open for voting. The book with the most votes wins!

The winner will be announced on 11/23/2026.

Theme for DECEMBER

"INDIA LOVE"

(Any romance or rom-com with an Indian Main Character.)

Remember one nomination and three votes per person.

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2014, 2015, 2020, 2022, 2025
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Our Thoughts

Oof. This began delightfully fast-paced, nearly reminding me of YA literature. I zoomed through the pages and was eager to consume more. But the last 150 pages were a true slog. Overall, the novel would significantly benefit from stronger editing. Aside from the numerous typos polluting the text, there are too many themes here. It's like the author took every concept she ever heard of and dumped them all into a book soup. Maybe something that could have been achieved with stronger editing, but here it simply falls flat and inhibits any believable sense of world-building. I wanted to love this book, but it was essentially a mess. ***- Mocha Girl LitGirlLiv***

Mocha Girls please take a minute to leave a review of our books of the month on Amazon and/or Goodreads. Make sure your voice is heard. The authors appreciate it too.

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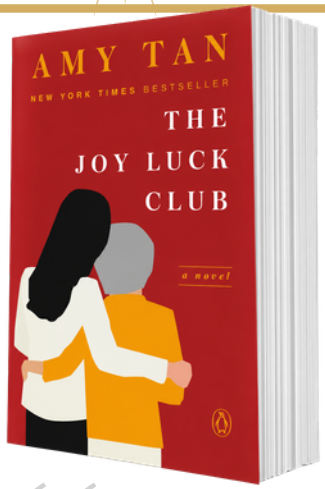
A soulful architect. A gospel-rooted musician. A love built to last. Rhythm and Design: A Platinum Chocolate Romance is a powerful story of purpose, passion, and divine timing.

November 2026 Monthly Book Selection



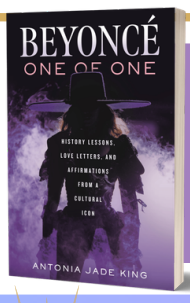
"Impressive . . . Describes the morass of fierce love and misunderstanding which lies between the two generations."
—The New Yorker

The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan

In 1949, four Chinese women, recent immigrants to San Francisco, begin meeting to play mah jong, remember the past, and gossip into the night. United in unspeakable loss and new hope, they call themselves the Joy Luck Club.

With wit and sensitivity, Amy Tan examines the memories that display these women's strength, worries, and determination. As each woman reveals her secrets, trying to unravel the truth about her life, the strings become more tangled, more entwined. Mothers boast or despair over daughters, and daughters roll their eyes even as they feel the inextricable tightening of the matriarchal ties that they believe have stymied their ability to face the uncertainties of the future.

Intimate and moving, The Joy Luck Club shows us how the inheritance of pain and unspoken secrets can lead to misunderstanding—and yet how love can still offer the promise of reconciliation.



Beyoncé-One of One: History Lessons, Love Letters, and Affirmations from a Cultural Icon
by Antonia Jade King
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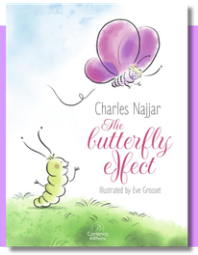
In a world ruled by rigid Rules, fear, and injustice, caterpillars spend their lives crawling, never imagining that anything greater awaits them.
THE BUTTERFLY EFFECT BY CHARLES NAJJAR