

VERY BRIEF BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY OF LESBIAN LITERATURE

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(It must be emphasized that this is a very inadequate list. There are at least 300 novels in the English language that ought to be read by all literate Lesbians interested in ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ their fictional portraiture. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ A possibly unwise added handicap was in operation in the selection of these titles, too, as I was asked to lean toward the "positive" happy ending titles, while delighted to do so, that sometimes means sacrificing reality as well as literary value. Quite obviously Lesbians haven't had the world handed to them on a plate, and since literature reflects life our literature is often cluttered with the horrors dished out to us by society.)

Do not
include

AUTHOR	TITLE	PLACE	PUBLISHER	DATE
Acosta, Mercedes de	HERE LIES THE HEART	N. Y.	Reynal	1960
Baker, Dorothy	CASSANDRA AT THE WEDDING	Boston	Houghton-Mifflin	1962 (Signet, 1966) et al
Bannon, Ann	BEEBO BRINKER I AM A WOMAN JOURNEY TO A WOMAN THE MARRIAGE ODD GIRL OUT WOMEN IN THE SHADOWS		All paperback originals published by Fawcett Gold Medal between 1957 and 1962. All have been reprinted several times.	
Barnes, Djuna	NIGHTWOOD	N. Y.	Harcourt,	1937 (other editions)
Bedford, Sybille	A COMPASS ERROR	N. Y.	Knopf,	1968
Brophy, Brigid	THE KING OF A RAINY COUNTRY	N. Y.,	Knopf	1957 (et al) (published in both hardback and paperback)
Christian, Paula	AMANDA ANOTHER KIND OF LOVE EDGE OF TWILIGHT LOVE IS WHERE YOU FIND IT THE OTHER SIDE OF DESIRE THIS SIDE OF LOVE		All paperback originals published by Avon, Paperback Library, Avon, and Belmont Books between 1959 and 1965. Several have been reprinted, all can be found by searching second hand stores diligently.	
Craigin, Elisabeth	EITHER IS LOVE	N. Y.	Harcourt,	1937 (Many many paperback editions)
Duffy, Maureen	THE MICROCOSM	N. Y.,	Simon and Schuster,	1966
Frederics, Diana	DIANA	N. Y.	Dial	1939 (Many paperback editions, primarily from Berkeley, often in print)
Hall, Radclyffe	THE WELL OF LONELINESS	N. Y.,	Covici Friede,	1928 (Constantly in print in paperback from Pocket Books.)
King, Louise W.	THE DAY WE WERE MOSTLY BUTTERFLIES THE VELOCIPEDE HANDICAP	Garden City, N. Y.,	Doubleday,	1964 Garden City, N. Y., Doubleday, 1966
Mahyere, Evaline	I WILL NOT SERVE	N. Y.	Dutton,	1969 (This is the gay woman's Sylvia Plath story. The author committed suicide just a XXXXXXXXXXXX scant 6 or so years before there would have been a place in the world for her.)
Morgan, Claire	THE PRICE OF SALT	N. Y.	Coward-McCann	1952 (Very often in print in paperback from Bantam Books. Possibly the finest Lesbian novel yet written.)
Miller, Isabel	A PLACE FOR US	N. Y.	Bleecker Street Press	1969 (Reprinted in hardback by McGraw-Hill, 1972 with title, PATIENCE AND SARAH.)

Phelps, Robert HEROES AND ORATORS N. Y. McDowell, Obolensky 1958
(In paperback with title, THREE IS A CROWD,
Hillman Books, 1961.)
This one is worth finding, despite that 1958 date this
might have been written yesterday, deals with communal living-
without calling it that, counter-culture, and expanding
relationships.)

Rule, Jane DESERT OF THE HEART N. Y. World 1965

Seid, Ruth THE WASTELAND N. Y. Harper 1946
(Jo Sinclair, pseud.) (paperback reprint
Lancer Books, 1961)

Stein, Gertrude ~~THE~~ THINGS AS THEY ARE Pawlet, Vt., Banyan Press, 1950
(Currently in print in FERNHURST, Q.E.D.
AND OTHER EARLY WRITINGS, N. Y., Liveright, 1971)

Stevenson, Sylvia SURPLUS N. Y. Appleton 1924

Taber, Gladys ANOTHER PATH Philadelphia Lippincott 1963

Taylor, Valerie THE GIRLS IN 3-B (Paperback originals all
JOURNEY TO FULFILLMENT published by Fawcett Crest #1
RETURN TO LESBOS or Midwood Tower between 1957
STRANGER ON LESBOS and 1964)
UNLIKE OTHERS
WHISPER THEIR LOVE
A WORLD WITHOUT MEN

Troubridge, Lady Una THE LIFE AND DEATH OF RADCLYFFE HALL N. Y. Citadel 1963
(Autobiography and biography
by Radclyffe Hall's lifelong lover)

Weirauch, Anna Elisabet THE OUTCAST N. Y., Greenberg, 1933
THE SCORPION N. Y., Greenberg, 1932
(Many other hardback and paperback editions.
One paperback edition is called ~~THE~~ OF LOVE
FORBIDDEN)

~~WALTON~~

Walton, Su HORACE SIPPOG AND THE SIREN'S SONG N. Y. Morrow 1968

*Marian Smith
Ann Aldrich*

*add one Third Sex The Red Wheelbarrow Hail to the Hero
Beacon, Beacon, Mountain The Vogue Press
Fawcett, Gold Medal*