### History & Current Events

- **No Place Left to Bury the Dead:** Denial, Despair, and the Twenty-First Century’s First International Human Rights Movement by Adam Hochschild (916.6 SALA)
- **Africa Doesn’t Matter:** How the West Has Failed the Poorest People by Giles Bolton (337.6 BOLT)
- **Bestselling firsthand account of Sierra Leone’s violent civil war.**
- **A Long Way Gone:** Memoirs of a Boy Soldier by Ishmael Beah (967.5 HOCH)
- **African Air:** A Pride of African Tales by Various (778.3 STEI)

### African Fables & Folklore

- **Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People’s Ears:** A West African Tale retold by Verna Aardema (E AARD)
- **The Flame Trees of Thika:** By Elspeth Huxley (J 398.2 SOUT)
- **Dramatizes Nelson Mandela’s mission to bring the South African people together through sport during the 1995 Rugby World Cup.**

### Travel, Land & Wildlife

- **Cruelest Journey:** 600 Miles to Timbuktu by Kira Salak (916.62 SALA)
- **Africa on Six Wheels:** A Semester on Safari by Various (916.704 LEVI)
- **Into Africa:** The Epic Adventures of Stanley and Livingstone by Various (916.04 THER)

### People & Memoirs

- **Unbowed:** Memoir of the Kenyan feminist, political activist, environmentalist, and recipient of the 2004 Nobel Peace Prize by Wangari (333.7209 MAAT)
- **A Long Way Gone:** Memoirs of a Boy Soldier by Ishmael Beah (966.604 BEAH/CD BOOK 966.604 BEAH)
- **The House on Sugar Beach:** by Helene Cooper (966.604 BEAH/CD BOOK 966.604 BEAH)

### Books, Movies & Music

- **African Air:** A Pride of African Tales by Various (778.3 STEI)
- **Music CDs:**
  - **African Music for Children:** by Various (CD)
  - **Afrobeat... No Go Die:** by Various (CD)
- **Feature Films:**
  - **Invictus:** Dramatizes Nelson Mandela’s mission to bring the South African people together through sport during the 1995 Rugby World Cup.
  - **District 9:** Science fiction film about segregation between aliens and humans in South Africa twenty years after the aliens’ arrival.
  - **Blood Diamond:** A cynical South African mercenary, an American journalist, and a Mende fisherman who wants to recover his kidnapped son seek out a rare diamond in the midst of civil war.
  - **Hotel Rwanda:** True story of an upscale hotel manager who managed to save 1,200 lives during the 1994 Rwandan conflict.
  - **The Flame Trees of Thika:** A young girl and her parents journey to the unspoiled wilderness of East Africa in 1913 where they struggle to transform a rugged plot of land into a farm. Based on the memoir of Elspeth Huxley.

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GraceLand by Chris Abani
A teenage Elvis impersonator living in the chaotic world of postcolonial Lagos, Nigeria is tempted by criminal pursuits when he loses faith in his dream. FIC ABAN

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe
Classic modern African novel exploring the story between African and European cultures, and one villager’s struggle. FIC ACHE

Johnny Mad Dog by Emmanuel Dongala
Two Congolese teens—Johnny, a member of a rebel faction, and Lassole, a girl who wants to be an engineer—grow up amidst West Africa’s civil wars. FIC DONG

Skinner’s Drift by Lisa Fugard
Ten years after leaving South Africa, a woman returns to the family farm to see her dying father, finally facing her family’s violent past and a secret she has kept since childhood. FIC FUGA/LT FUGA

The Imposter by Damon Galgut
A South Africa–set noir novel of racial tension, betrayal, and moral incertitude, centering around a repressed boy and an old schoolmate pursuing a secret vendetta. FIC GALG

Baking Cakes in Kigali by Gaile Parkin
A Tanzanian baker’s wonderful confections, sympathetic ear, and gentle counsel provide comfort to her customers in post-genocide Rwanda. FIC PARK

Half of a Yellow Sun by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
Epic, award-winning novel weaving together the stories of three people during the violent struggle to independent Nigeria. FIC ADIC/eAudiobook

The Syringa Tree by Pamela Gien
Related through the eyes of a child, this novel follows the entwined lives of two South African families, one black and one white, up to the 1976 Soweto uprising. Based on the award winning play. FIC GALG

The House Gun by Nadine Gordimer
Two South African professionals discover their son is not the man they believed when his autobiography is accused of killing his classmates and his motives are revealed. FIC GORD

Disgrace by J.M. Coetzee
An unemployed college professor tries to relate to his daughter and the changing world of post-apartheid South Africa after an illegitimate affair with a student. Winner of the Booker Prize. FIC COET

Cape Greed by Sam Cole
The cases of two Cape Town private investigators converge, both leading to a dangerous international gangster, in this fast-paced, and vivid crime novel. MYS COLE

Unconfessed by Yvette Christiane
Fictionalized true story of an early 19th century slave in South Africa, reminiscent of Toni Morrison’s Beloved PEN/Hemingway Award finalist. FIC CHRI

In the Country of Men by Hisham Matar
A Libyan 9-year-old spots his father in the streets of Tripoli—in disguise—and is thrown into a dark world of secrets and danger that he can’t understand. FIC MAHF

Islands by Dan Siegh
Epic tale of the 17th century Dutch colonization of South Africa, centering around seven men all involved with the same woman—the daughter of the first mixed marriage in the new colony. FIC SLEI

The No. 1 Ladies’ Detective Agency by Alexander McCall Smith
When their guide is bitten by a snake on their African safari, Max and Sam must cope with the hazards of the jungle on their own. Ages 7–9. FIC MANK

More Adult Fiction Set in Africa
The Day of Creation by J.G. Ballard
FIC BALL
The Sheltering Sky by Paul Bowles
FIC BOWL
The Story of the Cannibal Woman by Maryse Conde
FIC COND
Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
CAS A CONR/eAudiobook
A Guide to the Birds of East Africa by Nicholas Drayson
FIC DRAY
What is the What by Dave Eggers
FIC EGGE
Servants’ Quarters by Lynn Freed
FIC FREE
A Burnt-Out Case by Graham Greene
FIC GREE
King Solomon’s Mines by H. Rider Haggard
FIC HAGG/eAudiobook
Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver
FIC KING/CAS A KING/eAudiobook
The Mission Song by John Le Carré
FIC LECA
The No. 1 Ladies’ Detective Agency by Alexander McCall Smith
MYS MCCA/LT MYS/CAS A MCCCA/eAudiobook
The Eye of the Leopard by Henning Mankell
FIC MANK
Neferet by Michelle Morgan
FIC MORA/CAD BOOK MORA
Mixed Blood: A Thriller by Roger Smith
FIC SMIT
The Camel Bookmobile by Martha Hamilton
FIC HAMI