

Paranormal Readers' Advisory A Cheat Sheet for Cross-Genre Recommendations

All of the books in this list can be described as contemporary paranormal fantasy, but many books that fit that description can also be used as bridges connecting the paranormal genre with other genres.

Fans of Urban Fantasy with Female Leads might try:

Ilona Andrews	<u>Kate Daniels</u> series, starting with <i>Magic Bites</i>
Kelley Armstrong	<u>Women of the Underworld</u> series, starting with <i>Bitten</i>
Patricia Briggs	<u>Mercy Thompson</u> series, starting with <i>Moon Called</i>
Karen Chance	<u>Cassandra Palmer</u> series, starting with <i>Touch the Dark</i>
Laurell K. Hamilton	<u>Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter</u> series, starting with <i>Guilty Pleasures</i>
Chloe Neill	<u>Chicagoland Vampires</u> , starting with <i>Some Girls Bite</i>
Carrie Vaughn	<u>Kitty Norville</u> , starting with <i>Kitty and the Midnight Hour</i>

Fans of Urban Fantasy with Male Leads might try:

Jim Butcher	<u>Dresden Files</u> , starting with <i>Storm Front</i>
Mark Del Franco	<u>Connor Grey</u> series, starting with <i>Unshapely Things</i>
John Levitt	<u>Dog Days</u> series, starting with <i>Dog Days</i>
Anton Strout	<u>Simon Canderous</u> series, starting with <i>Dead to Me</i>
Rob Thurman	<u>Cal Leandros</u> series, starting with <i>Nightlife</i>

Fans of Hard-Boiled Mysteries might try:

Mike Carey	<u>Felix Castor</u> series, starting with <i>The Devil You Know</i>
Simon R. Green	<u>Nightside</u> series, starting with <i>Something from the Nightside</i>
Justin Gustainis	<u>Quincey Morris Supernatural Investigations</u> , starting with <i>Black Magic Woman</i>
Charlie Huston	<u>Joe Pitt</u> series, starting with <i>Already Dead</i>

Fans of Chick Lit/Humorous Romance might try:

Rachel Caine	<u>Weather Warden</u> series, starting with <i>Ill Wind</i>
MaryJanice Davidson	<u>Queen Betsy</u> series, starting with <i>Undead and Unwed</i>
Molly Harper	<u>Jane Jameson</u> series, starting with <i>Nice Girls Don't Have Fangs</i>
Charlaine Harris	<u>Sookie Stackhouse/Southern Vampire</u> series, starting with <i>Dead Until Dark</i>
Kim Harrison	<u>The Hollows</u> , starting with <i>Dead Witch Walking</i>
Katie MacAlister	<u>Aisling Grey, Guardian</u> series, starting with <i>You Slay Me</i>

Fans of Romance might try:

Kresley Cole	<u>The Immortals After Dark</u> , starting with <i>A Hunger Like No Other</i>
Jeaniene Frost	<u>Night Huntress</u> series, starting with <i>Halfway to the Grave</i>
Sherrilyn Kenyon	<u>Dark-Hunter</u> series, starting with <i>Fantasy Lover</i>
Marjorie Liu	<u>Dirk and Steele</u> series, starting with <i>Tiger Eye</i>
Lynsay Sands	<u>Argeneau Vampires</u> , starting with <i>Single White Vampire</i>
Nalini Singh	<u>Psy-Changelings</u> series, starting with <i>Slave to Sensation</i>
J. R. Ward	<u>Black Dagger Brotherhood</u> , starting with <i>Dark Lover</i>

Fans of Traditional Horror might try:

Stephen King *'Salem's Lot*
John Ajvide Lindqvist *Let the Right One In*
Sergei Lukyanenko Watch series, starting with *The Night Watch*
Richard Matheson *I am Legend*
David Wellington Laura Caxton series, starting with *13 Bullets*

Fans of Mythic Fantasy might try:

Emma Bull *War for the Oaks*
Charles de Lint Newford set books, starting with *Dreams Underfoot*
Pamela Dean *Tam Lin*
Neil Gaiman *American Gods*
Christopher Golden The Veil, starting with *The Myth Hunters*
Terri Windling *The Wood Wife*

Fans of Humor/Satire might try:

Max Brooks *World War Z*
Andrew Fox Fat White Vampire series, starting with *Fat White Vampire Blues*
B. H. Fingerman *Bottomfeeder*
A. Lee Martinez *Gil's All Fright Diner*
Christopher Moore *You Suck*

Fans of Literary Fiction might try:

Octavia Butler *Fledgling*
Jonathan Carroll *The Ghost in Love*
Justin Evans *A Good and Happy Child*

Fans of Young Adult/Coming of Age fiction might try:

Holly Black Modern Faerie Tales, starting with *Tithe*
Rachel Caine Morganville Vampires, starting with *Glass Houses*
Melissa De La Cruz Blue Bloods series, starting with *Blue Bloods*
Susan Hubbard Ariella Montero series, starting with *The Society of S*
Richelle Mead Vampire Academy series, starting with *Vampire Academy*
Brian Meehl *Suck It Up*
Stephenie Meyer Twilight Saga, starting with *Twilight*
Kimberly Pauley *Sucks to Be Me: The All-True Confessions of Mina Hamilton, Teen Vampire*
Daniel Waters Generation Dead series, starting with *Generation Dead*

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