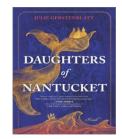


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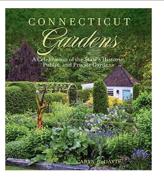
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Daughters of Nantucket, by Julie Gerstenblatt

Set against the Great Fire of 1846 Nantucket, this wonderfully written piece of historical fiction brings together three very different women, and the decisions they must make during very difficult circumstances. Living on an island while many of the men are out at

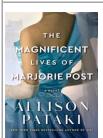
sea for long periods of time, these women have learned to fight for survival, while dealing with the romantic, financial, racial problems of the times. My heart ached for each of these thoughtfully developed, relatable, characters. This is a book of substance, not soon to be forgotten once read.



Connecticut Gardens, Caryn B. Davis

In her third photographic volume, awardwinning photographer Caryn Davis has magnificently photographed and brought to life through stories and history, Connecticut's historical, public and private gardens. From The Florence Griswold Museum in Old Lyme, to the Walnut Hill Rose Garden in New Britain, and an abundance of private gardens – Davis takes the reader on a

wonderfully photographed, historical journey. Truly inspirational, this book is an absolute treasure! ~ Christine



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The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post, by Allison Pataki

I learned so much from this wonderful piece of historical fiction! Marjorie Post, the heir to

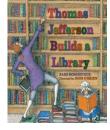
the C.W. Post cereal company, lived a truly magnificent life. She was a mother, wife, businesswoman, and philanthropist. From sitting on the board of General Foods, her marriage to a U.S. ambassador to Russia, to building Mar-a-Lago; she gracefully and intelligently navigated an epic life! ~ Christine



The Last Thing He Told Me, by Laura Dave

Just over a year after Hannah finds her soul mate, Owen who mysteriously disappears

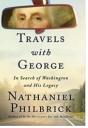
leaving his 16 year old daughter, Bailey, behind. Bailey has never been fond of Hannah, but now they must team up to find him. Full of lies, betrayals, and realizations that even when we think we know someone, we may know nothing at all. ~ Jackie



Thomas Jefferson Builds a Library, by Barb Rosenstock

This delightful children's book introduces one of our most important founding fathers to a whole new generation of

learners. Intelligently written, easy to read, and wonderfully illustrated, it highlights Jefferson's most important accomplishments. Most importantly though, it leaves the reader with an appreciation of Jefferson's love of books and the knowledge they contain, and how hard he worked to build the Library of Congress! ~ Christine



Travels with George, by Nathaniel Philbrick

Follow George Washington's excursions from Mount Vernon to the new capitol in New York, in a month long tour of Connecticut, Massachusetts,

Rhode Island and the Carolinas with award-winning author Nathaniel Philbrick. Written at a time when our Founding Fathers are under increased scrutiny, Philbrick takes a tour of Washington's America 299 years later to answer the question, "Does Washington still matter?" ~ Christine

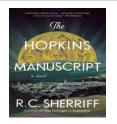


CHANGED THE WORLD

The Course of History, by Struan Stevenson

Imagine sitting at the dinner table with the likes of Jefferson, Hamilton, Churchill, or Hitler; and listening to history unfold

as you dine and drink sumptuous feasts! I felt delightfully transported to ten delicious power dinners in this book – each one rich in historical and culinary detail. It includes recreated recipes from soup to desserts, by celebrity chef Tony Singh - an utterly clever way to portray the importance of food and wine to modern history! ~ Christine



The Hopkins Manuscript, by R.C. Sherriff

Originally written in 1939, and re-released this year this extraordinary post

apocalyptical novel is completely relevant today! The writing is superb as the main character Edgar Hopkins, a retired school teacher in his early 50s, is among the first to hear that the moon is about to collide with the earth in just under seven months! Hopkins narrates the entire story, as every human realizes the horrific fate about to befall them. The book is not without hope; but the post apocalyptic society that results, reflect the unfortunate adage that humans can and will destroy themselves - given the chance. ~ Christine