

## **Bestseller List**

Top 10s from the *New York Times Book Review*August 17, 2019

## **Fiction**

- 1. *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. In a quiet town on the North Carolina coast in 1969, a young woman who survived alone in the marsh becomes a murder suspect.
- 2. **One Good Deed** by David Baldacci. A World War II veteran on parole must find the real killer in a small town or face going back to jail.
- 3. *The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead. Two boys respond to horrors at a Jim Crow-era reform school in ways that impact them decades later.
- 4. *The New Girl* by Daniel Silva. Gabriel Allon, the chief of Israeli intelligence, partners with the crown prince of Saudi Arabia, whose daughter is kidnapped.
- 5. **Dark Age** by Pierce Brown. The fifth book in the Red Rising series.
- 6. **Summer of '69** by Elin Hilderbrand. The Levin family undergoes dramatic events with a son in Vietnam, a daughter in protests and dark secrets hiding beneath the surface.
- 7. **Labyrinth** by Catherine Coulter. The 23rd book in the FBI Thriller series. Agents Savich and Sherlock wend their way through a maze of lies to get to the bottom of a secret.
- 8. *Chances Are...* by Richard Russo. Three men in their 60s who met in college reunite on Martha's Vineyard, where mysterious events occurred in 1971.
- Under Currents by Nora Roberts. Echoes of a violent childhood reverberate for Zane Bigelow when he starts a new kind of family in North Carolina's Blue Ridge Mountains.
- City of Girls by Elizabeth Gilbert. An 89-year-old Vivian Morris looks back at the direction her life took when she entered the 1940s New York theater scene.

## **Non-Fiction**

- 1. *Educated* by Tara Westover. The daughter of survivalists, who is kept out of school, educates herself enough to home for university.
- 2. **Three Women** by Lisa Taddeo. The inequality of female desire is explored through the sex lives of a homemaker, a high school student and a restaurant owner.
- 3. **Becoming** by Michelle Obama. The former first lady describes her journey from the South Side of Chicago to the White House, and how she balanced work, family, and her husband's political ascent.
- 4. *Unfreedom of the Press* by Mark R. Levin. The conservative commentator and radio host makes his case that the press is aligned with political ideology.
- 5. *The Pioneers* by David McCullough. The Pulitzer Prize-winning historian tells the story of the settling of the Northwest Territory through five main characters.
- 6. **Justice on Trial** by Mollie Hemingway and Carrie Severino. The conservative authors give their take on the confirmation of Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh.
- 7. *A Dream about Lightning Bugs* by Ben Folds. A memoir by the former frontman fo the alternative rock band Ben Folds Five.
- 8. **Beyond Charlottesville** by Terry McAuliffe. The former governor of Virginia describes the forces and events behind the "Unite the Right" rally and suggests ways to prevent similar occurrences in the future.
- 9. *The Second Mountain* by David Brooks. A New York Times Op-Ed columnist espouses having an outward focus to attain a meaningful life.
- American Carnage by Tim Alberta. Politico Magazine's chief political correspondent narrates a decades-long civil war inside the GOP and Donald Trump's concurrent ascension.

