TBR BACKLOG READING CHALLENGE 2021

How it works: Type/write years you want to include in the grid under the appropriate heading. Mark off/color in the boxes throughout the year as you read a book you purchased in that year (or was published that year). The last three columns are for your customized options special to your TBR! Hosted/Created by [www.roniloren.com](http://www.roniloren.com)

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Category Ideas

Here are some ideas for what to put in the columns. You can select subgenres, formats, fun made-up categories. Don’t limit yourself. This is your challenge to push *your* boundaries and needs to be personal to your tastes. Have a good time with it!

**Genres/Subgenres:**

Romance

* Contemporary
* Erotic
* Dark
* Romantic suspense
* Paranormal/Urban Fantasy
* Historical
* Romantic Comedy
* Sci-Fi/Fantasy/Speculative
* Dystopian
* Mystery
* Inspirational/Christian
* LGBTQ
* Gothic
* Old School/Retro (Romance from 70s-90s)

Young Adult

* Romance
* Contemporary
* Suspense/Thriller
* Horror
* Paranormal/Urban Fantasy
* Historical
* Romantic Comedy
* Sci-Fi/Fantasy/Speculative
* Dystopian
* Mystery
* Inspirational/Christian
* LGBTQ
* Old School/Retro (YA from the 70s-90s)

**Genre Fiction:**

Contemporary

Women’s Fiction

Suspense

Mystery

Cozy Mystery

Hard-Boiled Detective/Noir

Horror

Gothic

Paranormal

Urban Fantasy

High Fantasy

Dystopian

Sci-Fi/Speculative

Graphic Novel/Comic

Steampunk

Historical fiction

Action/Adventure

Erotica

Time Travel

Middle Grade (and all its subgenres)

Picture Book

Inspirational/Religious

**Non-Fiction:**

Memoir/Biography

True Crime

Humor

Travel

Self-Improvement

Business

Productivity

Home

Health

Cookbook/Food

On Writing (or whatever your field is)

Entertainment (about music, movies, tv, celebrity memoirs, etc.)

Science

History

Politics

Essay Collection

Parenting

Social Issues

**General Fiction:**

Literary Fiction

Classics

Book Club Fiction

Short Stories

Contemporary

Historical

Family Saga

**Diverse Reads:**

Book by POC Author

POC Main Character

Book by LGTBQ Author

LGTBQ Main Character

Book with characters whose religion is different from yours

Book in translation

Book by an author from another country

Book with a neurodiverse character

**Format:**

Short Story

Anthology

Doorstop (500+ pages)

Novella

Serial

Audiobook

Translated

Trilogy

Ebook

Hardcover

Paperback

Library Book

Indie Published

Small Press

Traditionally Published

**Creative Categories:**

Made Into A Movie or TV Show

Award-Winning

Banned Book

Re-read From Childhood

Debut Author

First in Series

Book From Your Birth Year

Loved By Others

Second Chance on a DNF (did not finish)

Road Trip Story

Set Outside of the U.S./UK/Canada

Book That Intimidates You

Written By the Opposite Sex

Retro Read (published before a certain year)

Three in a Row of a Series

Book You Should’ve Read in School

Favorite Author You Haven’t Read Lately

Legendary Author I’ve Never Read

Book Club Pick/Book of the Month Club selection

Podcast Recommendation

Recommendation from a Friend

Recommendation from a Book Blogger/

Bookstagrammer/BookTube

Recommendation from Another Author

Book I Bought for the Cover

Airport Book

Huge Bestseller

Book about Books

Book about Food

Book about TV or Movies

Beach Read

Book That Made Me Cry

Book that Made Me Laugh

Classic of a genre

Found at the Used Bookstore

Book I Received as a Gift

Holiday-themed

Book by a Local Author