

GLBTQ Books



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Absolutely Positively Not by David LaRochelle

Chronicles a teenage boy's humorous attempts to fit in at his Minnesota high school by becoming a macho, girl-loving, "Playboy" pinup-displaying heterosexual.

Almost Perfect by Brian Katcher

With his mother working long hours and in pain from a romantic break-up, eighteen-year-old Logan feels alone and unloved until a zany new student arrives at his small-town Missouri high school, keeping a big secret.

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz

Fifteen-year-old Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.

Ash by Malinda Lo

In this variation on the Cinderella story, Ash grows up believing in the fairy realm that the king and his philosophers have sought to suppress, until one day she must choose between a handsome fairy cursed to love her and the King's Huntress whom she loves.

Ask the Passengers by A.S. King

Astrid loves Dee, but there is no one in her small town, with its narrow-minded gossip, or even in her family, who she can talk to about her feelings.

The Bermudez Triangle by Maureen Johnson

The friendship of three high school girls and their relationships with their friends and families are tested when two of them fall in love with each other.

Boyfriends with Girlfriends by Alex Sanchez

When Lance begins to date Sergio, who is bisexual, he is not sure that it will work out, and when his best friend Allie, who has a boyfriend, meets Sergio's lesbian friend, she has unexpected feelings which she struggles to understand.

Boy Meets Boy by David Levithan

In a "what if" town where being gay is totally accepted, Paul falls for Noah, makes a mistake that drives Noah away, and then does all he can to get Noah back.

The Difference Between you and Me by Madeleine George

School outsider Jesse, a lesbian, is having secret trysts with Emily, the popular student council vice president, but when they find themselves on opposite sides of a major issue and Jesse becomes more involved with a student activist, they are forced to make a difficult decision.

Down to the Bone by Mayra Dole

Laura, a seventeen-year-old Cuban-American girl, is thrown out of her house when her mother discovers she is a lesbian, but after trying to change her heart and hiding from the truth, Laura finally comes to terms with who she is and learns to love and respect herself.

Far from Xanadu by Julie Anne Peters

In a small Kansas town, sixteen-year-old Mary-Elizabeth "Mike" Szabo tries to come to terms with her father's suicide and her own homosexuality.

Empress of the World by Sara Ryan

While attending a summer institute, fifteen-year-old Nic meets another girl named Battle, falls in love with her, and finds the relationship to be difficult and confusing.

The God Box by Alex Sanchez

When openly gay Manuel transfers to Paul's high school, Paul, a born-again Christian, begins to question his own sexuality.

Hero by Perry Moore

Thom Creed, who keeps both his sexuality and his special powers a secret from his homophobic, ex-superhero dad, decides to join the League and finally finds the strength and support to be himself.

Huntress by Malinda Lo

Seventeen-year-olds Kaede and Taisin are called to go on a dangerous and unprecedented journey to Tanlili, the city of the Fairy Queen, in an effort to restore the balance of nature in the human world.

I Am J by Chris Beam

J, who feels like a boy mistakenly born as a girl, runs away from his best friend who has rejected him and the parents he thinks do not understand him when he finally decides that it is time to be who he really is.

Keeping You a Secret by Julie Anne Peters

As she begins a very tough last semester of high school, Holland finds herself puzzled about her future and intrigued by a transfer student who wants to start a Lesbian club at school.

A Love Story Starring My Dead Best Friend by Emily Horner

As she tries to sort out her feelings of love, seventeen-year-old Cass, a spunky math genius with an introverted streak, finds a way to memorialize her dead best friend.

Luna by Julie Anne Peters

Fifteen-year-old Regan's life, which has always revolved around keeping her older brother Liam's transsexuality a secret, changes when Liam decides to start the process of "transitioning" by first telling his family and friends that he is a girl who was born in a boy's body.

The Miseducation of Cameron Post by Emily Danforth

In the early 1990s, when gay teenager Cameron Post rebels against her conservative Montana ranch town and her family decides she needs to change her ways, she is sent to a gay conversion therapy center.

Naomi and Ely's No Kiss List by Rachel Cohn and David Levithan

Although they have been friends and neighbors all their lives, straight Naomi and gay Ely find their relationship severely strained during their freshman year at New York University.

Out of the Pocket by Bill Konigsberg

As Bobby Framingham, quarterback of his high school football team, finally acknowledges to himself that he is gay, events start to spin out of control when his sexual orientation is revealed in the student newspaper and then in the local press, and he learns that his father has cancer.

Pink by Lili Wilkinson

Sixteen-year-old Ava does not know who she is or where she belongs, but when she tries out a new personality--and sexual orientation--at a different school, her edgy girlfriend, potential boyfriend, and others are hurt by her lack of honesty.

Rainbow Boys by Alex Sanchez

Three high school seniors, a jock with a girlfriend and an alcoholic father, a closeted gay, and a flamboyant gay rights advocate, struggle with family issues, gay bashers, first sex, and conflicting feelings about each other.

She Loves You, She loves You Not by Julie Anne Peters

When seventeen-year-old Alyssa is disowned by her father for being a lesbian, she is sent off to a small town in Colorado to live with the mother she has never known, where she is forced to come to terms with herself and her family.

Silhouette of a Sparrow by Molly Beth Griffen

During the summer of 1926 in the lake resort town of Excelsior, Minnesota, sixteen-year-old Garnet, who dreams of indulging her passion for ornithology, is resigned to marrying a nice boy and settling into middle-class homemaking until she takes a liberating job in a hat shop and begins an intense, secret relationship with a daring and beautiful flapper.

Sister Mischief by Laura Goode

Esme Rockett, also known as MC Ferocious, rocks her suburban Minnesota Christian high school with more than the hip-hop music she makes with best friends Marcy (DJ SheStorm) and Tess (The ConTessa) when she develops feelings for her co-MC, Rowie (MC Rohini).

Someday This Pain Will be Useful to You by Peter Cameron

Eighteen-year-old James lives in New York City with his older sister and divorced mother and struggles to find a direction for his life.

Split Screen Brent Hartinger

Two books in one tell of sixteen-year-old friends Russel, who is gay, and Min, who is bisexual, as they face separate romantic troubles while working as extras on the set of a horror movie.

Suicide Notes by Michael Ford

Fifteen-year-old Jeff, who finds himself in a psych ward after a suicide attempt, connects with other teens on the ward who help him.

Wide Awake by David Levithan

In the not-too-distant future, when a gay Jewish man is elected president of the United States, sixteen-year-old Duncan examines his feelings for his boyfriend, his political and religious beliefs, and tries to determine his rightful place in the world.

Will Grayson, Will Grayson by David Levithan

When two teens, one gay and one straight, meet accidentally and discover that they share the same name, their lives become intertwined as one begins dating the other's best friend, who produces a play revealing his relationship with them both.

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