

# Fantasy

is a genre that uses magic and other supernatural forms as a primary element of plot, theme, and/or setting. If you like reading books with lots of detail and character development, exploring other worlds, books in series, learning about mysterious creatures, action adventure, and plot twists you will enjoy the Fantasy genre.

- *The Mists of Avalon* by Marion Zimmer Bradley, Fic Bradley
  - Even readers who don't normally enjoy Arthurian legends will love this version, a retelling from the point of view of the women behind the throne.
- *Curse of the Chalion Series: The Curse of the Chalion (Book 1)* by Lois McMaster Bujold, ScF Buj
  - A finely balanced mixture of adventure, swordplay, court intrigue, romance, magic, and religion makes this book a delightful read.
- *Alvin Maker Series: Seventh Son (Book 1)* by Orson Scott Card, PBK Fantasy Ca
  - This first volume of the Tales of Alvin Maker introduces young Alvin Miller Jr., the seventh son of a seventh son, who lives on the frontier of an alternate early 19th century America, where folk magic such as faith healing and second sight really works.
- *The Antelope Wife* by Louise Erdrich, Fic Erd
  - The narrative begins like a fever dream with a U.S. cavalry attack on an Ojibwa Native American village, the death of an old woman who utters a fateful word, the inadvertent kidnapping of a baby and a mother's heartbreaking quest.
- *American Gods* by Neil Gaiman, Fic Gaiman
  - *American Gods* is Neil Gaiman's best and most ambitious novel yet, a scary, strange, and hallucinogenic road-trip story based on the idea that the gods of old are not dead.
- *The Chronicles of Tornor: Watchtower (Book 1)* by Elizabeth A. Lynn, PBK Fantasy Ly
  - Tornor Keep is the legendary tower that guards the winter end of a summer land. But when raiders overrun Tornor, a young prince is the tower's last hope in an enchanting story of a time far removed from ours and of a land alive with warriors, lovers, war, and honor.
- *Song of Ice and Fire Trilogy: A Game of Thrones (Book 1)* by George R.R. Martin, Coming Soon!
  - Treachery, greed and war threatens the Seven Kingdoms south of the Wall. In a world scarred by battle and catastrophe, this novel describes the deeds of a people locked in conflict and the legacy they will leave their children.
- *Ombria in Shadow* by Patricia McKillip, ScF McK
  - Greed, despair, grief and avarice have all taken their toll on the once-beautiful city of Ombria, but it is the death of its prince that pushes it over the edge into darkness and shadow.
- *The Prestige* by Christopher Priest, Fic Priest
  - Pair of rival magicians in turn-of-the-century London seek the other's winning trick. But the trick is so elemental that it takes on a life of its own.
- *Tooth and Claw* by Jo Walton, PBK Fantasy Wa
  - Dragons ritually eat dragons in order to gain strength and power in Walton's enthralling new fantasy, set amid a hierarchical society. After Bon Agornin dies, his children must deal with the circumstances of his death.

