

SUGGESTED READING LISTS FOR VIETNAM

The Quiet American

Two Americans with different characters are sent to Vietnam for their own missions. After meeting a beautiful native girl, who creates a catalyst for jealousy and competition between the men and a cultural clash resulting in bloodshed and deep misgivings.



Graham Greene

When Heaven and Earth Changed Places

A true story of the hardship and ordeal Le Ly suffered in order to survive when growing up. Her faith in humanity thrives upon all the terrible ordeals. Le Ly is courageous woman who experienced the true horror of the Vietnam War—and survived to tell her unforgettable story.



Le Ly Hayslip

Child of War, Woman of Peace

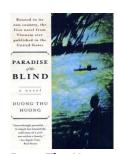
The inspiring story of an immigrant's struggles to heal old wounds in the United States, this is the sequel to *When Heaven and Earth Changed Places*, Le Ly Hayslip's extraordinary, award-winning memoir of life in wartime Vietnam.



Le Ly Hayslip

Paradise Of The Blind

An exquisite portrait of three Vietnamese women struggling to survive in a society where subservience to men is expected and Communist corruption crushes every dream.



Dung Thu Huong



Novel Without A Name

A piercing, unforgettable tale of the horror and spiritual weariness of war, Novel Without a Name will shatter every preconception Americans have about what happened in the jungles of Vietnam.



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Dispatches

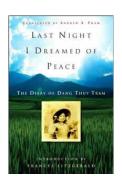
American correspondent Herr's documentary recalls the heavy combat he witnessed in Vietnam as well as the obscene speech, private fears and nightmares of the soldiers.



Michael Herr

Last Night I Dreamed Of Peace

A gift from a heroine who was killed at the age of 27 but whose voice has survived to remind us of the humanity and decency that endure amid, despite the horror and chaos of war.

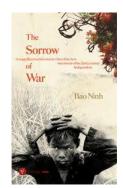


Dang Thuy Tram



The Sorrow of War: A Novel of North Vietnam

The author, a former North Vietnamese soldier, provides a strikingly honest look at how the Vietnam War forever changed his life, his country, and the people who live there. **The Sorrow of War** has won worldwide acclaim and become an international bestseller.



Bao Ninh

The Lover

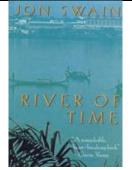
Set in the prewar Indochina of Marguerite Duras's childhood, this is the haunting tale of a tumultuous affair between an adolescent French girl and her Chinese lover.



Marguerite Duras

River of Time: A Memoir of Vietnam and Cambodia

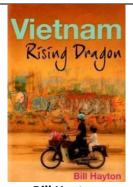
A splendid memoir...a tale, at once tragic and beautiful, of love and loss, of coming of age and of witnessing the end of Indochina as the West had known it for more than a century.



Jon Swain

Vietnam: Rising Dragon

In this engaging work, experienced journalist Bill Hayton looks at the costs of change in Vietnam and questions whether this rising Asian power is really heading toward capitalism and democracy. Based on vivid eyewitness accounts and pertinent case studies, Hayton's book addresses a broad variety of issues in today's Vietnam, including important shifts in international relations, the growth of civil society, economic developments and challenges, and the nation's nascent democracy movement as well as its notorious internal security.

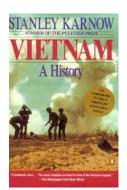


Bill Hayton



Vietnam: A History

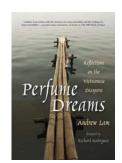
He began his journalistic career in Paris in 1950 as a Time correspondent. He went to Asia for Time and Life in 1959 and subsequently reported from there for The Washington Post. His other books include He served as chief correspondent for the series "Vietnam: A Television History," for which he won six Emmys and shared in the Dupont, Peabody and Polk Awards.



Stanley Karnow

Perfume Dreams: Reflections on the Vietnamese Diaspora

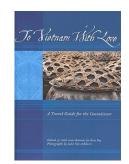
Journalist and NPR commentator Andrew Lam explores his lifelong struggle for identity as a Viet Kieu, or a Vietnamese national living abroad. Reflecting on the meanings of the Vietnam War to the Vietnamese people themselves, particularly to those in exile. Lam picks with searing honesty at the roots of his doubleness and his parents' longing for a homeland that no longer exists.



Andrew Lam

To Vietnam With Love: A Travel Guide for the Connoisseur

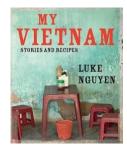
This beautiful, full-color guidebook features a collection of personal essays by savvy expatriates, seasoned travelers, and inspired locals. Each reflection on a favorite dining, shopping, sightseeing, or cultural experience is paired with a practical fact file, so that readers can follow in the writers footsteps.



Kim Fay & Julie Fay Ashborn

My Vietnam: Stories and Recipes

A stunningly beautiful love letter to Vietnam with more than 100 recipes, from best-selling author and Cooking Channel host Luke Nguyen.



Luke Nguyen



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The story emerging was one of a Vietnamese émigré on a boat to an unknown future: her own story fictionalized and crafted into a stunning novel. It's a classic immigrant story told in a breathtaking new way.



Kim Thuy

Bikes Of Burden

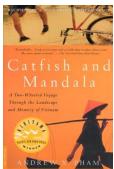
Bikes of Burden shows in 148 stunning, full color photographs how the motorbikes, the drivers and their loads ride around the cities and countryside in acts that defy your wildest imagination.



Hans Kemp

Catfish and Mandala

Catfish and Mandala is the story of an American odyssey—a solo bicycle voyage around the Pacific Rim to Vietnam—made by a young Vietnamese-American man in pursuit of both his adopted homeland and his forsaken fatherland.



Andrew X. Pham