

Vampire Fiction: Hot & Popular Titles

Provided are some of the hottest and most popular titles in vampire fiction today. We hope that these can help with Reader's Advisory and selecting books to purchase for your collections.

Manga & Graphic Novels



Batman and Dracula: Red Rain by Doug Moench, illustrated by Kelley Jones (1997, DC Comics)

When Dracula decides that Gotham would be a perfect kingdom; it is up to Batman to stop him. To fight Dracula, Batman must ally with a group of renegade vampires.



Blood: The Last Vampire 2002 by Benkyo Tamaoki (2002, VIZ Media LLC)

Saya wages a holy war against the vampiric Chiropterans. Definitely one for the older teens.



Blood Alone, Vol. 1 by Masayuki Takano (2006, Infinity Studios)

Young and innocent Misaki is a newly turned vampire, living under the care of Kuroe, a private investigator and vampire hunter. Because he was unable to protect Misaki and prevent her from being turned, Kuroe makes it his duty to protect her. The two grow close as they work together, battling the evil vampires that turned Misaki.



Blythe: NightVision by David Quinn, illustrated by Hannibal King (1998, Thorby Comics)

Blythe is the victim of a genetic experiment gone wrong, and she's not the only one. As a two hundred year old vampire, Blythe uses her abilities to track down other victims of the experiment and destroy them.



Chibi Vampire by Yuna Kagesaki (2006, TokyoPop)

Karin is just like any other high school student, except that she comes from a family of vampires. However, she's not like normal vampires. Considered a freak by her family, she doesn't drink blood, she produces it. So much so that she has to inject others with her own blood by biting them, or she'll get terrible nosebleeds. Despite that, Karin's life is relatively peaceful...until good-looking Kenta Usui comes to town.



Dracula: A Symphony in Moonlight & Nightmares by Jon J. Muth (1993, Nbm Pub Co)

A graphical retelling of Bram Stoker's Dracula.



Lament of the Lamb, Vol. 1 by Kei Toume (2004, TokyoPop)

After Kazuna Takashiro loses his mother and discovers his long-lost sister, life gets complicated. Both siblings discover that they suffer from a disease which will turn them into vampires.



Millennium Snow by Bisco Hatori (2007, VIZ Media LLC)

Chiyuki is a teenager with a serious heart problem. As her condition worsens, she isn't expected to live much longer. However, she meets Toya, an eighteen year old vampire, destined to live a thousand years. Despite wanting a companion, Toya pushes Chiyuki away, because he sees his near immortality as a curse, rather than a blessing. Chiyuki sets out to convince him otherwise, so they can both live on together.



Model, Vol. 1 by So-Young Lee (2004, TokyoPop)

An art student living in Europe, Jae's life is changed forever when her room-mate brings home a drunken stranger to give him a place to stay for the night. The stranger, a vampire named Michael, bites Jae during the night. Attracted to Michael, Jae works out an unlikely arrangement that works for the pair: Michael can drink her blood, and she can sketch the vampire. As they bond, the pair must come face to face with the nature of vampires.



Rebirth, Vol. 1 by Woo (2003, TokyoPop)

Kalutiki Maybus punished Deshwitat for killing his fiancé. Sealed away for three hundred years, Deshwitat escapes and sets out to exact his revenge.



Sea Of Red Volume 1: No Grave But The Sea by Rick Remender, Kieron Dwyer, Salgood Sam (2005, Image Comics)

Four hundred years ago Marco Esperanza was made a vampire. Since then, he has been tied to the bow of a ship at the bottom of the ocean. Only by fluke is he discovered by James Cameron, who is exploring a new project.



Vampire Game, Vol. 1 by Judal (2003, TokyoPop)

100 years ago, Duzell the vampire king was defeated by King Phelios, who sacrificed himself in the attack. However, as they both lay dying, Duzell put a curse on Phelios that would bring them both back to life in a hundred years to battle again. Now in the present time Duzell, reincarnated as a cat, is back and searching for Phelios.



Vampire Knight, Vol. 1 by Matsuri Hino (2007, VIZ Media LLC)

Cross Academy is a seemingly nor-mal private high school. However, there is more than meets the eye. Cross has two groups of students: those that attend during the day, and those that come out, only at night. The night students are vampires, bound to protect the unknowing day students from harm, without revealing what they are. Yuki, the headmaster's adopted daughter, and her friend Zero, are in charge of protecting the secret despite Zero's beliefs that humans and vampires aren't meant to co-exist.



The Vampire Lestat: A Graphic Novel by Anne Rice (1991, Ballantine Books)

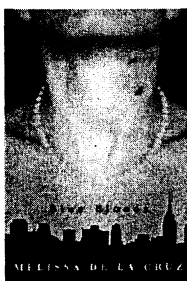
The story begins in modern time with Lestat, a world renowned rock star. Lestat's history begins in pre-Revolutionary France where he was a member of the aristocracy.

Series Fiction



The Ariella Montero Series by Susan Hubbard [The Society of S, The Year of Disappearances] (2008, Simon & Schuster)

When Ariella is spurred to find her mother, she learns more about her family history, and herself, than she ever thought possible.



Blue Bloods by Melissa De La Cruz [Blue Bloods, Masquerade, Revelations] (2007-2008, Hyperion)

Not all of the Pilgrims who sailed on the Mayflower were fleeing religious persecution. In fact, not all of them were human. After hiding in American aristocracy for hundreds of years, what happens when their secrets are threatened?



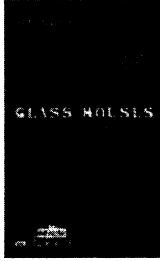
The Darkangel Trilogy by Meredith Ann Pierce [The Darkangel, A Gathering of Gargoyles, The Pearl of the Soul of the World] (1998-1999, Magic Carpet Books)

Aeriel is a servant girl whose choice to save or destroy her vampire master will have a profound effect on the rest of her life.



The House of Night Series by P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast [Marked, Betrayed, Chosen, Untamed] (2007-2008, St. Martin's Griffin)

The House of Night is a school where vampires go to study. Most make it through the training, but not all do. Zoey is a new student at the school whose abilities set her apart from the others.



The Morganville Vampires Series by Rachel Caine [Glass Houses, The Dead Girls' Dance, Midnight Alley, Feast of Fools] (2006-2008, NAL Jam)

Claire Danvers is a first year student in university faced with a hideous living situation. When she moves off-campus, her new roommates are fairly quiet, but a much better alternative.



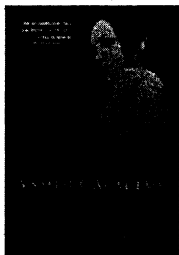
The Night World Series by L.J. Smith [Secret Vampire, Daughters of Darkness, Spellbinder, Dark Angel, The Chosen, Soulmate, Huntress, Black Dawn, Witchlight, Strange Fate] (1996-2009, Archway)

Dying of cancer, Poppy lay in the hospital waiting for the end to come. Instead James, a boy from school, offers her the chance to live forever.



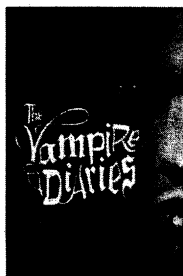
The Twilight Saga by Stephenie Meyer [Twilight, New Moon, Eclipse, Breaking Dawn] (2005-2008, Little, Brown Young Readers)

Bella Swan moves from Phoenix to the sleepy town of Forks. There she meets Edward and the rest of his family and her life will never be the same.



Vampire Academy Series by Richelle Mead [Vampire Academy, Frostbite, Shadow Kiss] (2007-2008, Razorbill)

After two years on the run, best friends Rose, half-human/half-vampire, and Lissa, a mortal vampire princess, are caught and returned to St. Vladimir's Academy. Aside from normal teenage stuff like peer pressure, Rose and Lissa face dangers which may cost them their lives.



The Vampire Diaries Series by L.J. Smith [The Awakening, The Struggle, The Fury, Dark Reunion] (1999, Harper Prism)

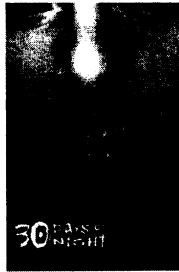
Elena wants Stefan, he is tragically resisting her, and Damon is hunting Stefan, who he believes betrayed him.



Vampire Kisses by Ellen Schreiber [Vampire Kisses, Kissing Coffins, Vampireville, Dance with a Vampire, The Coffin Club] (2003-2008, Katherine Tegen Books)

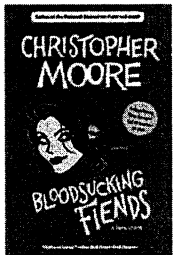
Raven is a vampire-loving goth girl, so when the new neighbours move to the old boarded up mansion on the hill, she is intrigued. There she meets the handsome and mysterious Alexander, but is he what she thinks?

Crossovers



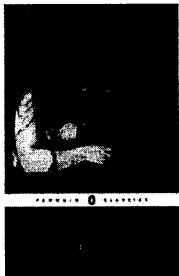
30 Days of Night by Steve Niles (2004, IDW Publishing)

Barrow is a small Alaskan town where the sun doesn't rise for thirty consecutive days. Normally this is a stressful time for Barrow, but this year will be much worse. As the sun disappears, a vicious evil comes closer to town bringing death and destruction.



Bloodsucking Fiends by Christopher Moore (2008, Simon & Schuster)

Jody wakes up in a dumpster with a burned arm, sore neck, and an intense thirst. Now what? She didn't ask to become a vampire. Adjusting will take some time. C. Thomas Flood, Tommy to his friends, is biding his time night-clerking and frozen-turkey bowling in a San Francisco Safeway. But all that changes when a beautiful undead redhead walks through the door and proceeds to rock Tommy's life -- and afterlife -- in ways he never imagined possible.



Dracula by Bram Stoker (2005, A Bed Book)

The story is told mainly through journal entries and letters written from several points of view. Dracula interacts with Jonathan Harker, his wife Mina, and her friend Lucy. Lucy succumbs and becomes a vampire while Dracula toys with Mina, pulling her into his control. The culmination is a battle between Dracula, Harker and Van Helsing.



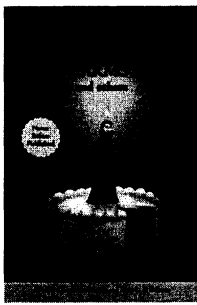
Fangland: a novel by John Marks (2008, Penguin)

Evangeline Harker is a successful journalist when she is sent to Romania on a story. She delivers more than a story when mysterious e-mails, coffins, and a creepy guy named Torgu descend on the New York office. This darkly funny tale will appeal to vampire and horror aficionados as well as anyone who's fed up with what passes for "news" today.



Interview with the Vampire by Anne Rice (1997, Ballantine Books)

This is the story of Louis: from Louisiana plantation owner to drunk, then he meets Lestat who changes his world. Follow Louis into the world of vampires.



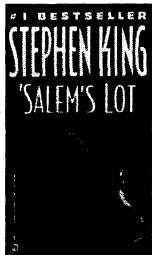
Many Bloody Returns by Charlaine Harris (Editor) (2009, Ace Trade)

This is a collection of thirteen vampire stories which all center on the theme of vampire birthdays. Each story has a different take on what a vampire birthday is and how it should be celebrated.



Night Watch by Sergei Lukyanenko (2006, Miramax)

Set in contemporary Moscow, the Light Side and the Dark Side are growing restless. For years the two sides have held a tentative truth, but things are changing.



Salem's Lot by Stephen King (1999, Simon & Schuster)

Ben Mears returns to his home town after the death of his wife. As he settles in, things start to change around the town. People are disappearing and dying. One by one, people are being turned into vampires and Ben will have to fight for his life.



Undead and Unwed by Mary Janice Davidson (2004, Berkley Mass Market)

Betsy's not having a good day. She loses her job and then gets killed in a car accident. To top it off, she just won't stay dead. And what's this about a prophecy of a vampire queen? Do her new friends really think that she could be her?



Wicked Game by Jeri Smith-Ready (2009, Simon & Schuster)

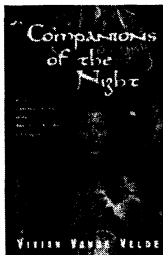
Marketing internet Ciara Griffin gets a job at WMMP. She discovers that DJs are undead and specialists in the musical eras in which they were turned into vampires. Ciara's new marketing strategy promotes the station as the "Lifeblood of Rock and Roll." Fortunately, no one takes the "fang factor" seriously. However, there is another group of vampires which aren't too happy with her style of promotion.

Popular Stuff



The Chronicles of Vladimir Tod: Eighth Grade Bites by Heather Brewer (2007, Penguin Young Reader Group)

Vladimir is like any teen with problems – he has bully problems, the principal is out to get him, the girl he likes doesn't like him, he's half-vampire... all normal stuff. Vlad has to contend with being a bit different and not understanding his full abilities. Plus, there's a vampire hunter on his tail.



Companions of the Night by Vivian Vande Velde (2002, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

Kerry heads to the Laundromat late one night to run a simple errand. Instead she gets caught up in a war between vampires and their hunters. Her family is in danger and she has to keep herself together if any of them are going to live to see the sun again.



Evernight by Claudia Gray (2008, HarperTeen)

Evernight Academy is a school for the rich, beautiful and elite. And, of course, vampires. Bianca is not your typical Evernight student; neither is Lucas, the school bad boy. What are the school misfits hiding that could get them both kicked out?



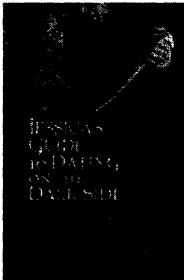
Good Ghouls Do by Julie Kenner (2009, Berkley Mass Market)

Beth Frasier is a student at Waterloo High where they are facing an increase in the local vampire population. It's up to Beth to lead the charge to save both the school and the town. Her quest? Find the head vampire and take him down.



Got Fangs? by Katie Maxwell (2004, Love Spell)

Fran's mother is a psychic who travels around Europe as part of a faire. But Fran has her own talent – she can read people just by touching them, as much as she doesn't like that gift. Suddenly a vampire is following her around, convinced that she is his beloved and the only one who can break his curse. Can she really help him and everyone else without risking herself?



Jessica's Guide to Dating on the Dark Side by Beth Fantaskey (2009, Harcourt Children's Books)

Life seems normal for Jessica when all of a sudden out of nowhere Lucius Vladescu appears on her doorstep telling her that not only is she vampire royalty (him too) but they're betrothed. With only a copy of *Growing Up Undead: A Teen Vampires Guide to Dating, Health, and Emotions* Jessica switch from all American high school senior to European princess.



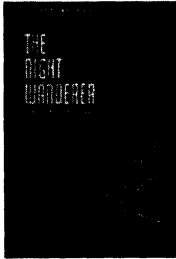
Legacy (Vampire Beach) by Alex Duval (2007, Simon Pulse)

Jason Freeman is in a pretty good place. He has an in with the vampires in the area, he is about to finish his senior year, and he is head over heels in love with Sienna, one of the vampires. But in order for a relationship to happen, he has to become a vampire. It would mean that Jason would come into some serious cash and be free to be with Sienna. Is Jason really ready for this big a commitment?



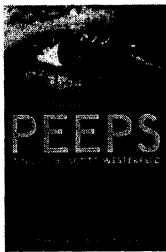
Night Road by A. M. Jenkins (2008, HarperCollins Canada)

Cole has spent his last hundred years being very careful. When Cole takes a newly created hemovore (a blooddrinker or heme) named Gordon under his wing as a trainee, he is forced to examine his own existence as a heme. Can he maintain his meticulous nature or will it all fall apart?



The Night Wanderer: a Native gothic novel by Drew Hayden Taylor (2007, Annick Press)

Tiffany Hunter, a sixteen year old living on the Otter Lake Reserve, is finding life hard. Her mom is gone, she's struggling in school, and vampire Pierre L'Errant just rented a room in her house.



Peeps by Scott Westerfeld (2005, Penguin)

When Cal arrived in New York, he lost his virginity and picked up a parasite all on the same day. Now that he's tested positive, he works for the government to track down others like him.



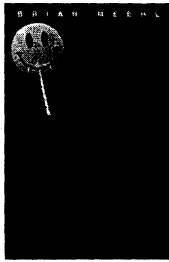
Rancour by James McCann (2009, Simply Read Books)

Alix thought her biggest problem would be finding a prom date. That was before she found herself in the middle of a feud between the vampires and the werewolves. The situation is difficult enough as it is without throwing past lives into the mix. Will they all come out of this unscathed?



The Silver Kiss by Annette Curtis Klause (1992, Laurel Leaf)

Zoe's mother is dying of cancer and she is finding it difficult to accept. She meets Simon, a mysterious sort, who is actually a vampire. Simon is hunting his mother's killer and enlists Zoe to help him.



Suck it Up by Brian Meehl (2008, Delacorte Books for Young Readers)

Morning McCobb is not a typical vampire. Normally only the beautiful and popular are chosen. Morning is a bit on the geekier side of life. Or not-life as it would be. Given his “different” nature, Morning is selected to be the first vampire to come out to the general public.



Sweetblood by Pete Hautman (2004, Simon Pulse)

Lucy has spent most of her life suffering from diabetes and hates it. She develops a theory which links her condition with vampirism. Lucy begins a quest to learn everything she can about vampires, while her own life and health suffers.



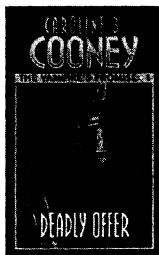
Tantalize by Cynthia Leitich Smith (2008, Walker Books Ltd)

Quincie’s family restaurant has just been remodelled with a vampire theme. But right before the grand reopening, the chef is mauled to death. The prime suspect just happens to be a werewolf. Quincie fears that her friend Kieran, a hybrid-werewolf, might be responsible.



Thirsty by MT Anderson (2008, Candlewick)

In addition to all the normal problems that come with adolescents, Chris is becoming a vampire. Although his town has formal vampire justice, it often descends into mob and pitchfork lynchings. So Chris agrees to a deal which will keep his condition a secret. But will things work out in the end?



Vampire's Promise #1: Deadly Offer by Caroline Cooney (2003, Scholastic Inc.)

Althea is quiet and often goes unnoticed. She’d like to change that and desperately wants to be part of the popular crowd. She meets a vampire who resides in her new house and he promises her everything she wants. But at what cost?