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As our Travel Book Club begins its third year, I'm thrilled to share our first four books for 2023, selected with our book club partner TripFiction, and voted on by you. Each of these books have a strong sense of place and cover a range of genres, including mystery, memoir, suspense and historical fiction.

Our January 2023 book is *The Memory Keeper of Kyiv* by Erin Litteken, which has been called *"The most powerful, important historical novel of 2022."* This is a story of the resilience of the human spirit, the love that sees us through our darkest hours and the true horror of what happened during the Holodomor.

I'm honoured that **Erin will be joining us** for our first book club on January 18, 2023. The granddaughter of a Ukrainian refugee, she grew up hearing about the difficulties of life in Eastern Europe during, and after, World War II. As a historian with a passion for research, she hopes that this book will help us to learn the lessons of the past.

Erin says: "It's so important to know what has come before...history does repeat itself if we don't learn lessons from it, and clearly we haven't learned the lessons from this instance of Russia and Ukraine, and now it's happening again."

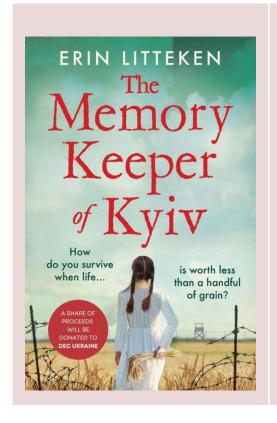
Our Book Club is free to join. However, Erin has asked that we make a donation to Nova Ukraine, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing humanitarian aid to the people of Ukraine and raising awareness about Ukraine in the United States and throughout the world.

Please join us on January 18 for an open, vibrant discussion with Erin about the state of the world and what we, as travellers, need to know. You do not want to miss this!

Travel safely,

Carolyn, your book club co-host editor@journevwoman.com

Announcing our first book of 2023!



January Book of the Month: The Memory keeper of Kyiv by Erin Litteken

Meet Erin on January 18

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Pictured: Carolyn with Jane Christmas, author of "What the Psychic Told the Pilgrim" in Bath, UK in November 2022

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