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BOOK CLUB NEWS

Help us choose our next books!

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Dear Goddess,

Hello book and travel lovers! Our JourneyWoman Book Club is in our second year -- and it's even better thanks to our partnership with TripFiction. Our books so far this year have been terrific and we've had some wonderful discussion at our monthly book club, which just passed its two year anniversary!

We've also got a passionate new co-host, Australian Sally Jane Smith, who joins the wonderful Wendy Brooke in hosting our monthly book club meetings. Sally has visited 33 countries and lived on five continents, and is the author of *Unpacking for Greece* (working title). Her current writing is inspired by her seven-week solo journey through Turkey.



Our next Book Club meeting is on May 18, featuring **Gods of Jade and Shadow** by **Silvia Moreno-Garcia (Mexico)**

Silvia Moreno-Garcia is one of the most popular writers in Mexico. I first read her best-selling novel *Mexican Gothic* when I was in Merida, and then discovered *Gods of Jade and Shadow*. The storyline is unlikely: unhappy Casiopea Tun meets the Mayan god of death, who asks for her help dethroning his brother, sending her on a harrowing, life-changing journey in this one-of-a-kind fairy tale inspired by Mexican folklore.

Joining us from Merida, Mexico, is expert Trudy Woodcock, an expert in the ancient teachings of the Maya. If you're planning to visit Mexico, Trudy will help you discover the deep wisdom of the Maya women and create a more fulfilling travel experience. Join us and read our discussion questions **here**.

[Register for "Gods of Jade and Shadow" on May 18 Here!](#)

Help us choose our next books

We've curated a list of books that are set in fabulous locations around the world and need your help creating a shortlist. Please vote for your favourites or suggest one that we've missed!

[Vote Here!](#)

Upcoming Book Club Meetings

- June: "In the Shadow of the Banyan" by Vaddey Ratner (Cambodia)
- July: "The Paper Palace" by Miranda Cowley Heller (Cape Cod)

Want to add more to your travel inspiration list? Browse through our **[Book Club page](#)**:

- [Tembi Locke's "From Scratch: A Memoir on Healing and Love Set in Sicily"](#)
- [Biking Across the Silk Route in Kate Harris' Memoir "Lands of Lost Borders"](#)
- [23 Women Whose Travel Memoirs Will Inspire Your Next Journey](#)
- [Margaret's Travel Treats: 10 of the Best Travel Documentaries to Feed A Curious Mind](#)

I hope you'll join us and look forward to seeing you at our next book club meeting next week. I'll be in Oaxaca, Mexico and can't wait to tell you about it!

Carolyn