Black History Month UK Reading List Main Objective

To bring together a selection of fiction and non-fiction books that recognise the contributions of black people around the world, celebrate black history, confront racism and focus on Black History Month UK’s 2023 theme of ‘Saluting Our Sisters’.

The books were uploaded through Exact Editions’ ‘Reading Rooms for Books’ platform, and the reading list is powered by virtual book collection tech.
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Views & Users

Total Number of Click Throughs:

13,754

Individual Book Views in October 2023:

4,924

Individual Book Users in October 2023:

896
Click Through Timeline

Click Through Total: 13,754
Most Viewed Books

1. Africa is Not a Country, Dipo Faloyin (Vintage)
2. Before You Suffocate Your Own Fool Self, Danielle Evans (Pan Macmillan)
3. An Aviary of Common Birds, Lalah-Simone Springer (Broken Sleep Books)
Press Coverage

Exact Editions Unveils Black History Month UK Reading List

Social Media Promotions

Reading List: Black History Month UK
Social Media Engagement

- Twitter
  - Impressions: 5888
  - Engagements: 285

- LinkedIn
  - Impressions: 1809
  - Engagements: 82
“Our task as publishers is to make things public, and these Exact Editions’ reading lists are a wonderful resource, a democratic space, a library for everybody. Kei Miller is one of the most original poets to have emerged from Jamaica in recent years. His anthology of Caribbean writing introduced a number of younger poets into the Anglophone bloodstream, as it were.”

Michael Schmidt, Publisher & Managing Director, Carcanet Press

“Lund Humphries is proud to publish books on a diverse range of topics and artists, and we’re very pleased to contribute our books to this excellent reading list put together by Exact Editions in celebration of Black History Month. The Reading Rooms ‘collections’ function is a great way to gather and give insight into books on a common theme and we hope readers will be inspired by this fantastic range of titles.”

Meris Ryan-Goff, Marketing & Publicity Manager, Lund Humphries

“We’re thrilled to see some of our titles in Exact Editions’ list celebrating Black History Month - a wonderful way to explore and promote underrepresented writers and encourage engagement with a part of history that has been skated over for aeons. Our list seeks to broaden the literary canon and raise voices that have traditionally been neglected, and seeing our titles in round-ups like this is such a pleasure.”

Will Dady, Publisher, Renard Press
“Exact Editions readings lists offer curious readers the chance to explore a diverse and fascinating collection of books that they may not have found otherwise. We are delighted to include two titles from the Hackett Publishing catalogue in this list to help celebrate Black History Month, the prose English translation of the West African epic Sunjata and White War, Black Soldiers: Two African Accounts of World War I. The reading list helps bring attention to these classic works and all of the wonderful titles on display.”

Ryan Picazio, Vice President and Director of Marketing at Hackett Publishing

“Combined Academic Publishers is a strong advocate of university press publishing and seeks to promote to a broader readership work of scholarly, intellectual or creative merit. We are delighted to be participating in Exact Editions’ Reading List to recognise and celebrate black history, salute pioneering black women, and introduce our university press clients’ important and diverse books to new readers.”

Georgia Lea, Digital Content Manager at Combined Academic Publishers

“Manchester University Press is committed to promoting the diversity of our authors and fostering awareness and understanding of the rich history, culture, and contributions of Black individuals and communities. Reading lists serve as invaluable tools for educating individuals on vital topics. They offer diverse perspectives, comprehensive knowledge, and historical context, allowing readers to develop a well-rounded understanding of complex issues.”

Rhian Davies, Marketing Coordinator at Manchester University Press