

LOLLY'S RECOMMENDED READING LIST

HISTORY

How the Irish Saved Civilisation: the Untold Story of Ireland's Heroic Role from the Fall of Rome to the Rise of Medieval Europe

By Thomas Cahill

A History of Ireland in 250 Episodes

By Jonathan Bardon

The Troubles - accurate, simple book on Northern Ireland from 1968-1998.

By Brian Feeney

Malachy McCourt's History of Ireland - Ireland from pre-Christian times to the present

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Under the Hawthorn Tree (Book 1 in a Trilogy) - Written for children about the Irish Famine

By Marita Conlon McKenna

POETRY

Death of a Naturalist - **By Seamus Heaney**

The Collected Poems of WB Yeats - **By William Butler Yeats**

READING FOR ENJOYMENT

An Irish Country Doctor - By **Patrick Taylor** (humorous fictional account of a rural GP's life)

My Lady of the Chimney Corner - By **Alexander Irvine** (moving story of an Ulster childhood)

Angela's Ashes - By **Frank McCourt** (a bit harrowing, story of a Co Limerick childhood)

HEROIC ADVENTURES

The Brendan Voyage: The Seafaring Classic That Followed St. Brendan to America

By Tim Severin

Tom Crean - Ice Man: The Adventures of an Irish Antarctic Hero

By Michael Smith

NOVELS

Star of the Sea - By Joseph O'Connor

Ireland - By Frank Delaney

Princes of Ireland - by Edward Rutherford

Rebels of Ireland - by Edward Rutherford

Country Girls - By Edna O'Brien

Lies of Silence - By Brian Moore

Amongst Women - by John McGahern

Durango - by John B Keane

Trinity - by Leon Uris

The Killing Snows (about the famine) - by Colin Egan

The Dream of The Celt (about Roger Casement) by Mario Vargas Llosa