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**Description:**

**From** \*Starred Review\* One day British novelist Susan Hill went to the bookshelves in her home looking for a copy of Howards End. She didn't find it (at least not at first), but she did come upon several other books she had never read. That started her thinking: Why not devote a year's reading time just to the books on her own shelves? The project launched, she began a systematic browse through all the books in her house (it's an old house with lots of floors and shelves on every floor, not to mention the landings between floors). This delightful bibliophile's memoir records her

experience, both the browsing and the reading. Along the way, she developed a kind of second project: If she could only keep 40 books, which ones would they be? The list of 40 appears at the end, and it's a charmingly eccentric batch of books, but the real fascination in reading Hill's ruminations isn't about the list but, rather, about how she reads and how living with books enriches her life. Those who collect books in any fashion will be lost in their own memories as Hill muses on "things that fall out of books," or defends writing in books, or, best of all, argues against overorganizing the books on her shelves (no more wonderful surprises). Just try to read this book without nosing around your own shelves. --Bill Ott

**Review** "So skilled is Ms. Hill at bringing her books, and their authors, vividly before us that by the end of her year of reading we come to feel that her book-brimmed house is itself a lively presence, not so much haunted as animated by these familiar spirits" *Wall Street Journal*

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"Hill provides us with a reading list the equal of any degree course." *The Times* (London)

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