



Urban Fantasy and Paranormal Romance Recommendations

This list wasn't commissioned by a patron but was instead developed by us to help a patron who was an avid fantasy/science fiction reader but was homebound and relied on a caretaker to find books for her. Since she wasn't able to select the books on her own, we thought it would help both her and her caretaker to have some readymade recommendations that she could select from, all from the comfort of her own home. Her favorite authors included Anne McCaffrey, Mercedes Lackey, and Alan F. Troop, and she didn't mind romance elements in her speculative fiction. I also wrote a separate fantasy and science fiction list for her.

- **Laurell K. Hamilton's books.** Blends contemporary settings with fantasy, horror, and mystery. Recommended for Alan F. Troop fans. Features more sex and violence than some may be comfortable with. Her **Anita Blake series** focuses on a vampire hunter while her **Merry Gentry series** is about a faerie princess/private investigator.
- **Patricia Briggs' books.** Urban fantasy very similar to Hamilton's books, with likable characters, fast-paced action, gritty content, and vibrant settings and worldbuilding.
- **Christine Feehan's books.** Paranormal romances that blend fantasy, romance, action, and suspense. Has a bit more emphasis on romance than some of the other recommendations.
- **Sherrilyn Kenyon's books.** Paranormal romance, with complex characters and atmospheric, vivid settings. A bit less explicit than some of the other recommendations.

