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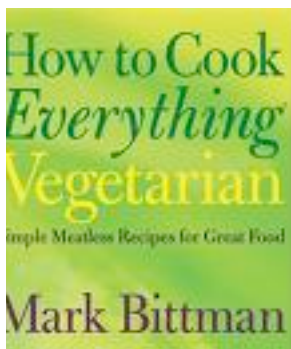
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It's the middle of summer, do you know where your reading list is? One of these is sure to get you back on track -- enjoy!



Kristina Riggle, Fiction Co-Editor, says, "**Beachcombing** by **Maggie Dana** is described as a 'coming of middle age' story and its heroine, Jillian Hunter, is a character to root for, as she risks everything--her independence, her friendships, her business--for a second chance at the love of her life. Jillian isn't always wise, but she is funny and strong, even when the boy she knew doesn't turn out to be the man she expected."

Caroline Grant, Editor-in-Chief and Columnist, writes, "I'm really enjoying **Sophia Raday's Love in Condition Yellow: A Memoir of an Unlikely Marriage**. An expansion from her Literary Mama column, Mommy Athens, Daddy Sparta, which detailed how the Stanford-educated peace activist came to build a life with an Oakland policeman/Army Reserve officer, Raday's book is a beautifully written, moving, and often quite funny look at how one couple manages to find common ground despite some significant differences."



And finally, Literary Reflections Assistant Editor, Christina Marie Speed, writes, "I became a vegetarian three months ago and **How to Cook Everything Vegetarian** by **Mark Bittman** is still sharing space on my nightstand with novels and poetry. While meat has never been the focus of my plate, it certainly was part of my weekly diet. The recipes are friendly to the beginning (and longtime) vegetarian, but thankfully not written for the beginning cook. With engaging, detailed descriptions of many of the staple vegetarian foods alongside the obscure, this book stirs my cooking juices while gently encouraging me to try new combinations. This is the epitome of a great cookbook -- deliciously written and absorbing!"

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