



Recommended Reading—Nonfiction

Andrade, Tonio. *Lost Colony: The Untold Story of China's First Great Victory over the West*. 2011.

Becker, Jasper. *Dragon Rising: An Inside Look at China Today*. 2006, *Hungry Ghosts: Mao's Secret Famine*. 1998. Graphic analysis of the world's worst famine—an entirely manmade tragedy.

Callahan, William. *China Dreams: 20 Visions of the Future*. 2013.

Chang, Iris. *The Rape of Nanking: The Forgotten Holocaust of World War II*. 1997.

Chang, Jung. *Mao: The Unknown Story*. 2006. Careful research that exposes what Mao really was and really wanted for China; *Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China*. 2003. Three generations of women share their experiences from the warlord period through the Maoist era.

Chang, Leslie T. *Factory Girls: From Village to City in a Changing China*. 2009. An explanation of why so many youth are leaving their rural homes, their fears and their aspirations.

Chen, Da. *Colors of the Mountain*. 2001. Da Chen's story of growing up during the Cultural Revolution which, fortunately, had a happy ending.

Cheng, Nien. *Life and Death in Shanghai*. 1988. Story by a cultural revolution survivor of six and one-half years in prison, seven years of house arrest and finally escape from China.

Dikötter, Frank. *Mao's Great Famine*. 2010.

Fallows, James. *Postcards from Tomorrow Square: Reports from China*. 2009. A compilation of articles written for the *Atlantic Monthly* from 2006 to 2008.

Hessler, Peter. *Country Driving: A Journey through China from Farm to Factory*. 2010, *Oracle Bones: A Journey between China's Past and Present*. 2006, *River Town: Two Years on the Yangtze*. 2006.

Kristof, Nicholas. *China Wakes: The Struggle for the Soul of a Rising Power*. 1994.

Lampton, David M. *Following the Leader: Ruling China, from Deng Xiaoping to Xi Jinping*. 2014.

McGregor, Richard. *The Party: the Secret World of China's Communist Rulers*. 2010.

Mitter, Rana. *Modern China: A Very Short Introduction*. 2008, *A Bitter Revolution: China's Struggle with the Modern World*. 2004

Pakula, Hannah. *The Last Empress: Madame Chiang Kai-Shek and the Birth of Modern China*. 2009.

Pruitt, Ida and Lao T'ai-T'ai Ning. *A Daughter of Han: The Autobiography of a Chinese Working Woman*. 1967. Biography of a poor Chinese in early twentieth century.

Salisbury, Harrison E. *The New Emperors: China in the Era of Mao and Deng*. 1992.

Snow, Edgar. *Red Star over China*. 1938. Why did the Chinese join the communists? Snow reveals it all and perpetuates myths in the process.

Spence, Jonathan D. *The Search for Modern China*. 1991.

Terrill, Ross. *The New Chinese Empire and What It Means for the United States*. 2003. A book filled with historical lore and contemporary observations about the red dragon.

Wasserstrom, Jeffrey. *China in the 21st Century: What Everyone Needs to Know*. 2010.

Wills, John. *Mountain of Fame: Portraits in Chinese History*. 1994. Biographical introduction to China, past and present.

Wong, Jan. *Red China Blues: My Long March from Mao to Now*. 1997. Red-phile turned journalist reveals the strains of abandoning Maoism.

Yen Mah, Adeline. *Falling Leaves: The Memoir of an Unwanted Chinese Daughter*. 1997.

RECOMMENDED READING—FICTION

Buck, Pearl. *The Good Earth, Sons, A House Divided, Peony, Imperial Woman, Pavilion of Women, Dragon Seed*, etc. (historical fiction)

Cheng Xiaoqing. *Sherlock in Shanghai: Stories of Crime and Detection*. (mystery)

Jin, Ha. *Waiting, War Trash, Nanjing Requiem: A Novel*, etc. (recent historical fiction)

Lord, Bette Bao. *Spring Moon, Legacies: A Chinese Mosaic, The Middle Heart*. (historical fiction)

Min, Anchee. *Red Azalea, Empress Orchid, Pearl, Becoming Madame Mao*, etc. (historical fiction)

Qiu, Xiaolong. *Death of a Red Heroine, Red Mandarin Dress, When Red Is Black, The Mao Case*, etc. (mystery)

Sears, Gale. *Jade Dragon Box*. (historical fiction, LDS Church in Hong Kong and policies of Mao)

See, Lisa. *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan, Peony In Love, Shanghai Girls, Dreams of Joy*, (historical fiction) ; *Dragon Bones, Flower Net*. (mystery)

Tan, Amy. *The Hundred Secret Senses, The Bonesetter's Daughter, The Kitchen God's Wife*, etc. (historical fiction)

Tsukiyama, Gail. *Women of Silk, The Language of Threads*. (recent historical fiction)

Van Gulik, Robert. *The Chinese Gold Murders, The Chinese Bell Murders, The Chinese Lake Murders, The Chinese Nail Murders*, etc. (mystery based on true cases from A.D. 650)

RECOMMENDED VIEWING

There are many good movies out now. Go to the provider you have (i.e., Netflix) and see what is available.