

Oprah's Book Club 2.0

Twelve Tribes of Hattie

Just released today (so new, it isn't even in our catalog yet!) is *The Twelve Tribes of Hattie*, the debut novel by Ayana Mathis. This book has gotten some good reviews, including a glowing review from the often hard to please New York Times reviewer, Michiko Kakutani. But what makes this book especially noteworthy? One word: Oprah. Yep. In case you missed it, last year Oprah renewed her book club, renamed Book Club 2.0 and chose *Wild*, Cheryl Strayed's memoir of her redemptive and inspiring through hike of the Pacific Crest Trail.

This year Oprah chose something completely different, but no less interesting sounding. *The Twelve Tribes of Hattie* is about a young African-American woman who during the Great Migration leaves Georgia and settles in Philadelphia. Hattie's struggles and those of her children are interwoven in twelve narrative threads coming together to paint an intimate picture of a singular family, but also that of a greater nation. Sounds great. I can't wait until it hits the library shelves!

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