Latitude 41 ~ Reisling



9-18-26 (Day 1)
First batch of real wine.
Kit from Northern Brewer.
6 gallon Riesling

O.G. = 1.082

Following directions to the letter.

9-21-26 (Day 3)
S.G. = 1.061

9-22-26 (Day 4)
S.G. = 1.058

9-23-26 (Day 5)
S.G. = 1.048
Added Yeast Nutrient today

9-30-26 (Day 12)
S.G. = 1.018

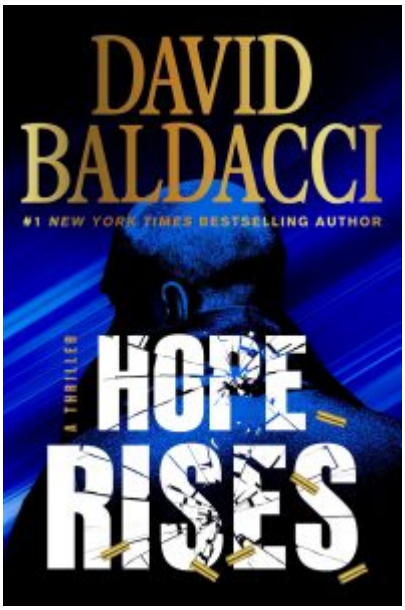
10-2-26 (Day 15)
S.G. = 1.000

It’s done hopefully and I’m racking today.
Followed the directions completely.
Racked into 5 gallon carboy and 2 gallon carboy (with blueberries in 2 gallon only)

10-5-26 (Day 18)
Clearing nicely.

10-16-26
Bottling day! She looks good but I got a lot of sediment stirred up with the new siphoning tube (large). Learn how to use it better!!

David Baldacci ~ Hope Rises (Book 2)



Started on 10/11/26. This is Book 2 in the Walter Nash

series. Just published in 2026 so it may be a while before we see another one so enjoy it.

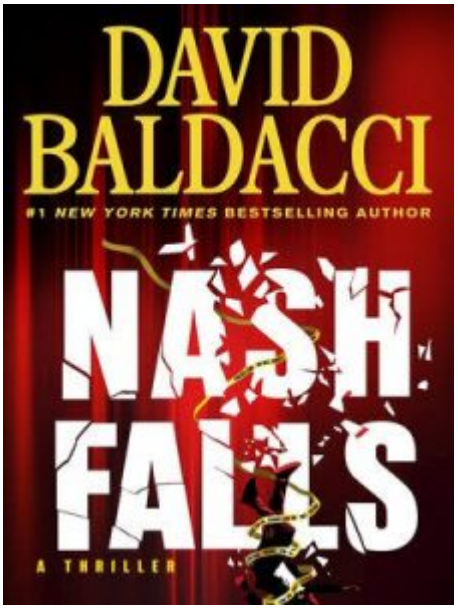
Finished on 10/25/26. 14 days.

Walter and Steers become a little more than friends. Steer's mother is bad. The series is probably concluded unless he thinks of a way for Dillon Hope to become a body guard for someone else.

I enjoyed the story. Characters were very well written and development of Walter was really good.

Giving this book a 9

David Baldacci ~ Nash Falls (Book 1)



It's been a minute since I've read anything new by DB.

This is book 1 that I purchased and have book 2 downloaded already (in nextcloud).
Starting on 9/23/26. 426 pages

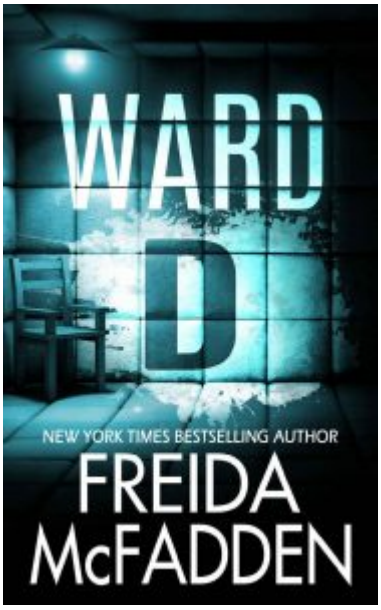
Finished on 10/10/26. **17 Days.**

I really enjoyed this one. It shows a transformation of Walter Nash from easy going business type that makes a shit ton of money to hard core, man with an attitude, body guard. Walter got mixed up as an FBI informant because the company that he works for is in bed with a Chinese nationalists. The FBI comes to Nash and “recruits” him. Shit goes down and Walter loses his daughter. Shock, his dads friend, helps him change his appearance and muscle up. He then goes “undercover” to be a body guard for his old boss who doesn’t recognize the “new” Walter.

It ends with Walter flying to Hong Kong to meet with the evil “Steers” who is in control of their destiny.

I’m giving this book a 9/10. It kept my interest very well. Chapters were short and characters were all memorable.

Freida McFadden ~ Ward D

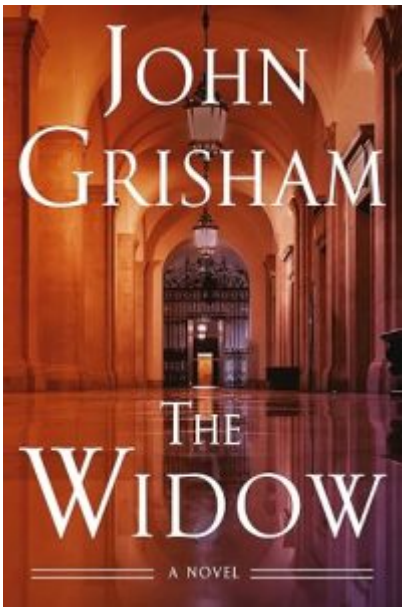


Started on 9/15/26. This will be my third or fourth Freida book this year.
Finished on 9/23/26. Just past midnight so really 9/22/26
Amy, a medical student has to do a night rotation on Ward D. The physc ward.
Her past has her scared because she has seen a little girl who wasn't really there. Her best friend Jade from high school is also on Ward D.
There's a killer locked in a security room in Ward D and the other patients are scared, which in turn makes Amy scared.
Is she seeing things or are there dark forces working against her to survive the 12 hour night shift in Ward D?

I absolutely loved this book. The twists and turns are amazing and at one point I thought she was hallucinating the whole thing and actually a patient.

Giving this book a 10/10. I couldn't put it down.

John Grisham ~ The Widow



Started on 8/26/26. Haven't read John in a while.
Finished on 9/15/26. 20 days.

It was a long book. Characters were well written and you really did get the sense that Latch was wrongly convicted. Chapters were on the long side for me. John has a way of writing that keeps your interest but once you get to the "meat" of the book you don't want to put it down.

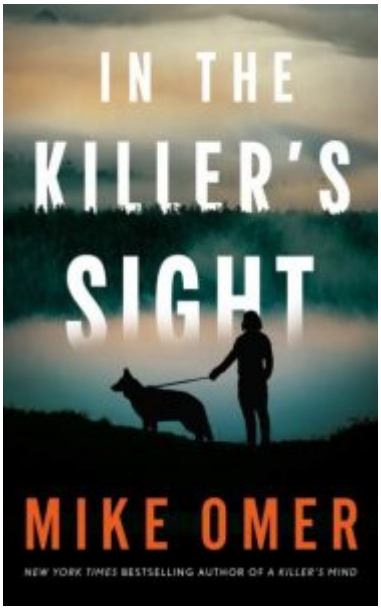
Elenor walks into Latch's office and asks for a will. Tells him she's rich beyond belief. He draws the will up and starts ingratiating her. She tells him she has no family. The dollar signs start rolling in his eyes.

Greed takes over. Elenor gets in a car accident and ends up in the hospital. She comes down with a mysterious case of pnuemonia and ends up passing away. The will makes Latch look guilty. He gets arrested, tried and convicted of murder.

He has to find the real killer and get his name cleared.

Good book. Giving it an 8/10 just because it was so long.

Mike Omer ~ In the Killer's Sight



Amazon first read. Book 1 Kate Marino Thriller. Started on 8/7/26
I've read Mike before. I'm pretty sure I'm going to enjoy this one!

Finished 8/25/26. 18 days. Not to bad.

Kate gets herself and her dogs into trouble. The dogs get her out of trouble.
Her niece gets kidnapped and Kate has to find her. The suspect list grows short and it seems to be one of their own.

Chapters were short and characters very well written.
I liked the story. Giving this book an 8/10

Carissa Ann Lynch ~ Dead Girls Tell No Tales



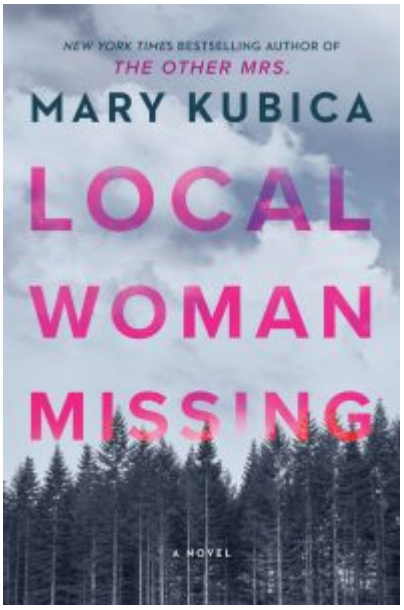
Started on 7/28/26. Amazon first read. Only a few chapters in so far it's OK.
Finished on 8/6/26. 9 days.
Carrisa is a writer with writers block. She's looking for a story. She gets a job at a nut shoppe and befriends Rebel a young girl aspiring to become a writer. Or so she thinks.

The SSS is the high school writers club that both C & R belonged to. Mr. H is a bad dude who grooms girls for sex.
Is he the killer? Who murdered Tamara & Christian?

I like the book. Chapters were short and characters were very well written. It didn't take long to get to the "meat" and keep me interested.

9/10

Mary Kubica ~ Local Woman Missing



Started this book on 7/18/26. Finished on 7/28/26. 9 Days to finish.

2 women and a small girl go missing in a small town. 1 of the women was the mother of the small girl so they disappeared together. The other, the wife of an upscale business man.
Delilah, the you girl is (what you think) kept hostage savagely by a “treat” of a couple. Held in captivity in the basement with no light, bed or toilet.
Meridith, Delilah’s mother is found with a suicide note in a shady hotel room.

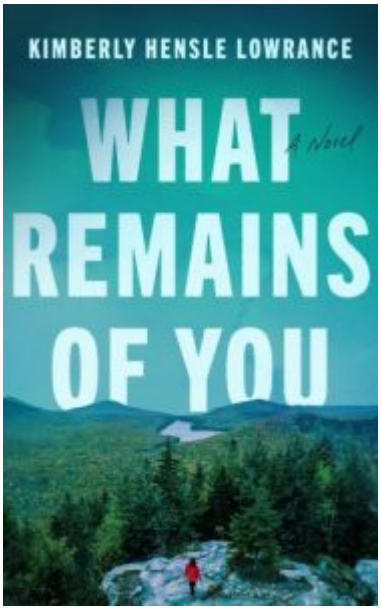
The other woman missing is found partially buried and naked.

Who done it? You’ll have to read the book to find out. Things aren’t what they seem in this book and the twists are numerous.

Chapters were fairly short. Characters were well written. I could picture most of them in my head. The timeline in the book made me question things and try and find things that weren’t there.

I’m giving this book a 9/10. Once I got to the meat of the story I couldn’t put it down.

Kimberly Hensle Lawernce ~ What Remains of You



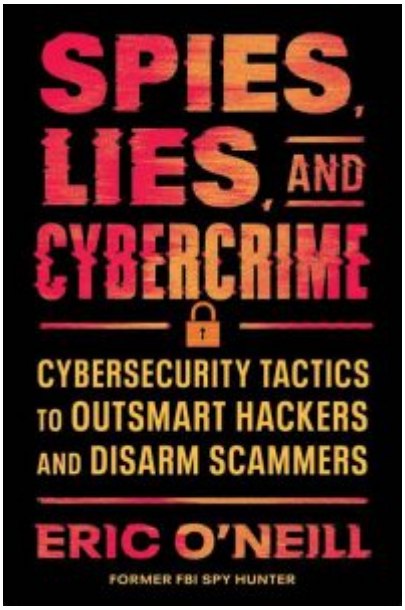
Amazon First Read. Started on 7/5/26. The day before my birthday. I finished it on 7/17/26. 12 days.
Characters were well written and chapters were fairly short.
I knew who everyone was. I could picture them.
I didn't care for the story though. She dragged on and on without getting to the "meat" quickly enough for me.
It was definitely a plausible story but it was to "feely" for me.

Imaging your spouse dying and 9 months later you find a letter from them claiming they've done something so terrible they couldn't tell you or the kids.
Would you track down what it was or "let sleeping dogs lie"?
Well she had to track down what it was. I had so many theories about what it could have been and the writer gives it away (or most of it) with a reveal in the middle of the book.
So we kind of know what the secret is but the last 2 chapters

wrap it all up.

Giving this book a 6 out of 10.

Eric O’neill ~ Spies, Lies and Cybercrime



Started this book on 6/20/26. The chapters are well written so far and examples seem to be useful.

I’ll let you know when I finish.
I finished this book on 7/4/26. Yep July 4th. In DC waiting for fireworks that night!

It gets me how lame I am with some of the techniques he’s writing about. Using the same password. I’m guilty of that.

Great book anyway and I watched the movie too. He’s pretty cool

Giving this book a 9.5/10 because it interested me.