

Catherine's Top 10

I do hope you all enjoyed Bitter Greens and Kate Forsyth (I have read all 11 of her adult fiction books) - if you liked Bitter Greens - try *The Wild Girl* (about the girl who became wife to one of the Brothers Grimm and furnished them with a lot of their fairy tales) - here's a link if you are interested: <http://www.amazon.com/The-Wild-Girl-Kate-Forsyth-ebook/dp/B00ANG3WZQ> - it was very good too! Also why not take a look at the *Wiches of Eileanan* series.

I thought I might also add a list of a few of my favourite Aussie authors (besides Kate Forsyth) that you may not have heard of.

Deborah Challinor - (she actually lives in the same area as I do in Australia) she writes both New Zealand and Australian historical fiction.

Juliet Marillier - (although NZ born, she lives in Western Australia) - she writes historical fantasy, drawing on folklore and Celtic myth and legend. Her best series is The Sevenwaters series (I loved these); and again, I have read all of her books.

Miles Franklin - wrote *My Brilliant Career* (which was made into a movie) and is one of my favourite books.

Other notable Aussie authors are: Kate Grenville, Matthew Reilly (action thriller/espionage and young adult fiction writer), Thomas Keneally (wrote *Schindler's Ark* - became the movie *Schindler's List*), Bryce Courtenay, Markus Zusak (*The Book Thief*), Colleen McCulloch (probably best known for *The Thorn Birds*), Kate Morton, Tim Winton and John Marsden (*Tomorrow When The War Began*). Some of these authors I have not read, but they are very well known in Australia, I am not sure whether you would have heard of any of these writers here though - maybe you have. Please share if you have!