

*Songbirds* by Christi Lefteri is set in Cyprus and is an examination of the use of poorly paid labour from Southeast Asia by middle-class families and businesses in the island. It deals with the disappearance of a Sri Lankan maid from a relatively wealthy household and what is discovered during the search for her. The reference to songbirds is the illegal trapping of migrating songbirds that are sold for high prices and prepared in some restaurants for rich diners.

December - *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens

January - *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro