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A list of the most notable adult books from 30 years worth of ALA Notable Book lists is now available for ordering.

The Notable Notables list, which covers the years 1944-74, is intended for use by the general reader or by the librarian who works with adult readers. Its purpose is to call attention to the most significant of the books which appeared on the 31 annual notable books lists published during that period.

The titles were chosen by a subcommittee of the 1975 Notable Books Council which is a standing committee of the Reference and Adult Services Division (RASD). The subcommittee used the same criteria in compiling this list as are used in compiling the annual Notable Books list--literary merit, inspiration or pleasure, knowledge comprehensible to the nonspecialist, or the promise of a contribution toward the solution of a contemporary problem. Several titles which the subcommittee felt were outstanding but which do not appear on any Notable Books list are included.

The list may be ordered from the ALA Order Department at the following prices: single copies, 25 cents; 3 - 50 copies, 10% discount; 51 - 250 copies, 20% discount; 251 - 1000 copies, 30% discount; 1001 - 5000 copies, 40% discount; 5001 plus copies, 50%.