City vs Country

Big Metropolis or big green space? Culture or Nature? We’ve selected our favourite books about urban society and rural life. We hope you enjoy them.

1. *The Lonely Londoners* by Samuel Selvon
2. *The Lonely City: Adventures in the Art of Being Alone* by Olivia Laing
3. *Tuesday Nights in 1980* by Molly Prentiss
4. *Welcome to Lagos* by Chibundu Onuzo
5. *Capital: The Eruption of Delhi* by Rana Dasgupta
6. *Dubliners* by James Joyce
7. *The White Tiger* by Aravind Adiga
8. *Cold Comfort Farm* by Stella Gibbons
9. *Being a Beast* by Charles Foster
10. *A Very Distant Shore* by Jenny Colgan
11. *All the Birds, Singing* by Evie Wyld
12. *Southeaster* by Haroldo Conti
13. *Hullaballoo in the Guava Orchard* by Kiran Desai
14. *The Outrun* by Amy Liptrot
15. *A Place Called Winter* by Patrick Gale
17. *City on Fire* by Garth Risk Hallberg
18. *Elmet* by Fiona Mozley
19. *High-Rise* by J. G. Ballard
20. *Open City* by Teju Cole
21. *NW* by Zadie Smith
22. *The Sun Is Also a Star* by Nicola Yoon
23. *Clay* by Melissa Harrison
24. *At Hawthorn Time* by Melissa Harrison
25. *Falling Awake* by Alice Oswald
27. *The Running Hare: The Secret Life of Farmland* by John Lewis-Stempel
28. *A Fine Balance* by Rohinton Mistry
29. *Brick Lane* by Monica Ali
30. *My Absolute Darling* by Gabriel Tallent