

# Regency References

Books: Some of these you'll need to get second-hand. I've put the BEST sources in BOLD.

- **Georgette Heyer's Regency World by Jennifer Kloester** (a great over-view and hits on a lot of classic Regency concepts)
- **Jane Austen: The World of Her Novels by Deidre Le Faye** (Priceless.)
- **Jane Austen's Country Life by Deidre Le Faye**
- The Regency Years by Robert Morrison (Great for realism.)
- The Romantic Age in Britain, edited by Boris Ford (Culture, Art, Literature of Time Period)
- Stagecoach Travel by Louise Allen (Trust me. You need to know how they traveled.)
- Eavesdropping on Jane Austen's England by Roy and Lesley Adkins (A little dry, but good general information.)
- Walking Jane Austen's London by Louise Allen (Short book, but well worth having.)
- What Jane Austen Ate and Charles Dickens Knew by Daniel Pool (Good overview, use with caution as Dickens is Victorian.)
- **Gentlemen of Uncertain Fortune by Rory Muir** (REALLY good if your hero has to have a job of some kind.)

## Primary Sources:

- The Mirror of the Graces by "A Lady of Distinction" (Google Books and Project Gutenberg for Free, etiquette and beauty tips from the time period.)
- **The Complete Servant: Being a Practical Guide by Samuel Adams** (Archive.org, Google Books, etc.)
- **Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen** (Seriously, it's great research into the time period to read from a contemporary source. And Austen is Queen.)
- <https://www.readingwithausten.com> (A list of books found in the library Jane had access to through her brother)
- <https://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk> (Searchable newspapers going back to the 18th century. Great for finding the news-of-the-day for your story.)

## Websites:

<http://janeaustensworld.com> (Great blog with LOTS of searchable topics.)

<https://janeausten.co.uk> (The blog is awesome.)

<https://www.etymonline.com> (Check to see if the word you're using had been invented yet.)

<https://www.regencyhistory.net> (Maintained by Regency author Rachel Knowles.)

<https://maps.nls.uk> (View maps dating back to the Middle-Ages, but certainly quite a few from Regency era.)



# Regency Authors Doing it Right

These are authors I have personally read who I think do an excellent job of matching reader expectation for their sub-genre within the Regency.

## **Sweet/Clean Indie Authors:**

The Last Eligible Bachelor by Ashtyn Newbold  
Sensibly Wed by Kasey Stockton  
The Art of Victory by Martha Keyes  
An Arrangement of Sorts by Rebecca Connolly  
All of Sally Britton's Books ;-)

## **Traditional/Old-School Regency:**

Artemisia by DG Rampton  
ANYTHING by Georgette Heyer

## **Christian/Inspirational:**

On My Honor by Elizabeth Johns  
ANYTHING by Sarah E. Ladd  
ANYTHING by Julie Klassen

## **RomCom:**

Mr. Malcom's List by Suzanne Allain  
Never Fall for Your Fiancee by Virginia Heath  
To Have and to Hoax by Martha Waters

## **Historical Emphasis:**

A Winter Chase by Mary Kingswood  
Georgiana's Secret by Arlem Hawks

## **Paranormal/Fantasy:**

A Proper Dragon by E.B. Wheeler  
Ghostlight by Rabia Gale

## **Steamy:**

Bridgerton Series by Julia Quinn  
His Bride for the Taking by Tessa Dare  
Gentlemen of Pleasure Series by Mary Lancaster

## **LGBTQIA+:**

Something Fabulous & Something Spectacular by Alexis Hall  
The Perks of Loving a Wallflower by Erica Ridley



# Misc. Musts

## A Collection of a Few More Important Things

### Facebook Groups for Authors of Historical/Regency Romance:

- Historymakers: A Storymakers Tribe: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/169509153758081>
- Regency Readers & Writers: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/RegencyReadersAndWriters>
- Sweet Historical Romance Newsletter Swap: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/660804790959750>
- Historical Romance NL Swaps: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1311777295600480>

### Facebook Groups for Regency Readers (Great to learn expectations)

- Sweet Regency Romance Fans (I am one of several admins here):  
[www.facebook.com/groups/sweetregencyromance/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/sweetregencyromance/)
- Regency Romance Fans: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/934474906612465/>
- Regency Kisses: Lady Catherine's Salon (Historically Heavy and Steamy Authors):  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/LadyCatherinesSalon/>

### YouTube Creators/Pages:

- Lucy Worsley (Great videos on her channel and on others)
- Karolina Zebrowska (LOTS of great fashion and historical information)
- Bernadette Banner (Again, SO MUCH fashion information served with a side of historical notes)
- A Janeite Sews (I LOVE her attention to detail and accuracy)

### Instagram Accounts:

@pinsent\_tailoring (This man dresses like it's the Regency ALL the time.)

@malibudarcy (Trained journeyman tailor - photos are gorgeous, info is great for menswear)

@tigerpetri (SOME Regency, more Georgian, but he's fun and answers questions)

@thejaneaustencentre (All things Jane Austen)

### Movies/Series:

- Becoming Jane - 2007 - Fictionalized Story of Jane Austen's (Possible) Romance. Be prepared to cry.
- Pride and Prejudice - 1995 - BBC Miniseries is considered by most the DEFINITIVE Austen adaptation and romance. If you haven't seen it, block out a few hours and get busy.
- Pride and Prejudice - 2005 - A softer Darcy, a grittier backdrop, GORGEOUS music and cinematography, and more in keeping with the FEEL of current Regency novels.
- Bridgerton Series - Netflix, Ongoing - VERY Steamy, and the Cupcake Version of the Regency
- Persuasion - 2022, Netflix - Incredibly divisive. It might be a good idea to watch this one and then read some of the criticisms, because they're the same ones I see on a lot of newer-Indie authors' books.
- Emma. - 2020 - Gorgeous, and more accurate than you'd think. Lots of love for popular Regency colors (houses, gardens, and gowns are all based on fashion plates and paintings of time period). Quite enjoyable retelling of the Austen novel.