

# Agatha Christie™

## Suggested Reading order for Christie's Poirot novels and short story collections

The most important point to note is – make sure you read *Curtain* last. Other points to note are:

1. *Lord Edgware Dies* should be read before *After the Funeral*
2. *Five Little Pigs* should be read before *Elephants Can Remember*
3. *Cat Among the Pigeons* should be read before *Hallowe'en Party*
4. *Mrs McGinty's Dead* should be read before *Hallowe'en Party* and *Elephants Can Remember*
5. *Murder on the Orient Express* should be read before *Murder in Mesopotamia*

Otherwise, it's possible to read the Poirot books in any order – but we suggest the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Mysterious Affair at Styles</i>	1920
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Murder on the Links</i>	1923
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Christmas Adventure</i> (short story)	1923
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Poirot Investigates</i> (short stories)	1924
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Poirot's Early Cases</i> (short stories)	1924
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Murder of Roger Ackroyd</i>	1926
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Big Four</i>	1927
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Mystery of the Blue Train</i>	1928
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Black Coffee</i> (play novelisation by Charles Osborne)	1928
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Peril at End House</i>	1932
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Mystery of the Baghdad Chest</i> (short story)	1932
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Second Gong</i> (short story)	1932
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Lord Edgware Dies</i>	1933
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Murder on the Orient Express</i>	1934
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Three Act Tragedy</i>	1935
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Death in the Clouds</i>	1935
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The ABC Murders</i>	1936
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Murder in Mesopotamia</i>	1936
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Cards on the Table</i>	1936
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Yellow Iris</i> (short story)	1937
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Murder in the Mews</i> (four novellas)	1937
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Dumb Witness</i>	1937
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Death on the Nile</i>	1937
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Appointment with Death</i>	1938
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Hercule Poirot's Christmas</i>	1938
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Sad Cypress</i>	1940
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>One, Two Buckle my Shoe</i>	1940
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Evil Under the Sun</i>	1941
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Five Little Pigs</i>	1943
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Hollow</i>	1946
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Labours of Hercules</i> (short stories)	1947
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Taken at the Flood</i>	1948
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Mrs McGinty's Dead</i>	1952
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>After the Funeral</i>	1953
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Hickory Dickory Dock</i>	1955
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Dead Man's Folly</i>	1956
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Cat Among the Pigeons</i>	1959
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Adventure of the Christmas Pudding</i> (short stories)	1960 not published in the USA

<input type="checkbox"/> The Clocks	1963
<input type="checkbox"/> Third Girl	1966
<input type="checkbox"/> Hallowe'en Party	1969
<input type="checkbox"/> Elephants Can Remember	1972
<input type="checkbox"/> Curtain: Poirot's Last Case	1975

Four Poirot short stories appear in non-Poirot short story collections: *Second Gong* (1932) and *Yellow Iris* (1937) appear in *Problem at Pollensa Bay and other stories* (1991) in the UK and in *Witness for the Prosecution and other stories* (1948) and *The Regatta Mystery and other stories* (1939) respectively in the US. *Christmas Adventure* (1923) and *The Mystery of the Baghdad Chest* (1932) appear in *While the Light Lasts and other stories* (1997) in the UK and in the US *The Mystery of the Spanish Chest* replaced *The Mystery of the Spanish Chest* in *The Harlequin Tea Set and other stories* (1997). *Christmas Adventure* has not been published in this version in the USA.