Pirate Treasure

Yo ho ho and a bottle of rum! Grab a cutlass, attach that pegleg, and sharpen your hook, 'cause you're gonna need 'em to safely sail through these scurvy-filled, shark-infested waters. From historical swashbuckling classics like Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island to futuristic pirates of outer space like Edgar Rice Burrough's Pirates of Venus, from innocents kidnapped to women privateering, you'll find plenty of adventure and a treasure of reading pleasure.

Pirates and Romance | Other-Worldly Pirates

**A High Wind in Jamaica, or The Innocent Voyage**
by Richard Arthur Warren Hughes
The dreamlike action of this masterpiece...begins among the decayed plantation houses and overwhelming natural abundance of late-nineteenth-century Jamaica before moving out onto the high seas, as Hughes tells the story of a group of children thrown upon the mercy of a crew of down-at-the-hells pirates. A tale of seduction and betrayal, of accommodation and manipulation, of weird humor and unforeseen violence...(Book description)

**Admiral Hornblower in the West Indies**
by C.S. Forester
As commander-in-chief of His Majesty's ships and vessels in the West Indies, Admiral Hornblower faces pirates, revolutionaries, and a blistering hurricane in the chaotic aftermath of the Napoleonic Wars.

**Captain Mary, Buccaneer**
by Jacqueline Church Simonas
A fictional story loosely based on the lives of real women pirates Anne Bonny and Mary Read.

**Cup of Gold: A Life of Sir Henry Morgan, Buccaneer, With Occasional References to History**
by John Steinbeck
Henry Morgan, a son of the Welsh glens, sails for the Indies at 15 where he is enslaved in Barbados before becoming the lieutenant governor of Jamaica. (Novelist)

**Emmanuel Appadocca, or Blighted Life: A Tale of the Boucanears**
by Philip Maxwell
First published in 1854 by a Trinidadian jurist of mixed race, this swashbuckling story follows a creole pirate as he seeks revenge against his white, rich, sugar plantation owner father for dishonoring his black mother.

**Grania: She-King of the Irish Seas**
by Morgan Llywelyn
Here is an extraordinary novel about real-life Irish chieftain Grace O'Malley...the story of a magnificent, sixteenth-century heroine whose spirit and passion are the spirit and passion of Ireland itself. (Book description)

**Ramage and the Saracens**
by Dudley Pope
Ordered to Naples after the battle of Trafalgar, Ramage and the Calypso are given fresh orders. The Barbary Coast pirates—the Saracens—are active in Sicily again, and terrorizing fishing ports. Ramage and his crew are sent to Sicily to track down the Saracens before they can attack another town. (amazon.com)

**Robinson Crusoe**
by Daniel Defoe
The subtitle tells it all: the life and strange surprising adventures of Robinson Crusoe, of York, mariner: who lived eight and twenty years all alone in an uninhabited island on the coast of America, near the mouth of the great river of Orinoco; having been cast on shore by shipwreck, wherein all the men perished but himself. With an account how he was at last strangely delivered by pirates.

_Sweet Trade_
by Elizabeth Garrett
Mary Read and Anne Bonny, a pair of unusual (real-life) 18th-century pirates, dress as men so they may travel freely, and, together with Calico Jack Rackham, they terrorize the West Indies. Court records provide some of the information for Garrett's reconstruction of her heroines' lives. (Publishers Weekly)

_The Blackbirder_
by James L. Nelson
Former swashbuckler Thomas Marlowe and his wife have settled in 1702 Tidewater Virginia where they immediately make enemies by freeing their slaves. Planning to set to sea again, to make his fortune plundering rival merchant vessels, Captain Marlowe finds himself bound instead to hunt down an old friend who has killed the captain of a slave ship and has now set sail for Africa.

_The Curse of Treasure Island_
by Francis Bryan
Devoured by generations of armchair adventurers, Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island is too beloved to be imitated casually. Breathing new life into a host of original characters, including the memorable Long John Silver and the villainous Joseph Tate, the author transports an adult Jim Hawkins back to the uninhabited island where he cheated fate and made his fortune some 10 years earlier. (Booklist)

_The Pirate's Daughter: A Novel of Adventure_
by Robert Girardi
A contemporary tale of piracy, slavery and other acts of skullduggery...straddles the line between the real and the wildly improbable...It's a sinister and lusty romantic adventure propelled by a fluid narrative style laced with disturbing undertones. (Publishers Weekly)

_The Privateer, by Gordon Daviot_
by Josephine Tey
Josephine Tey, writing under the pseudonym Gordon Daviot, gives us this fictional account of Henry Morgan, privateer of the West Indies.

_The Requiem Shark_
by Nicholas Griffin
Based on the last voyage of the most successful captain in the history of piracy, The Requiem Shark is the tale of a young recruit, William Williams, and his forced apprenticeship of Bartholomew Roberts, slaver turned pirate captain. Acting as biographer to the captain and fiddler to the crew, Williams sails from West Africa to the Caribbean, recording the pirates' conflicts with mariners, merchants, whores, and tribes who populate the ends of the known world. (Book description)

_The Sea-Hawk_
by Rafael Sabatini
Oliver Tressilian helped defeat the Spanish Armada only to be betrayed by his half-brother, forcing him to become a fugitive. Now a pirate off the Barbary Coast and follower of Islam, Captain Tressilain, the Sea-Hawk, finds adventure and romance in his new life.

_Tom Cringle's Log_
by Michael Scott
In the West Indies, where war, piracy, smuggling, and slave running are the order of the day, the hero of this tale advances from midshipman to lieutenant to a command of his own: the audacious little Wasp.

_Treasure Island_
by Robert Louis Stevenson
There's a reason this one is a classic. A dying pirate's legacy to young Jim Hawkins sends him on a dangerous journey to find the old man's treasure. Jim has to face down the cunning and murderous Long John Silver and a mutinous crew in this thrilling tale.

**Wake of the Perdido Star**  
by Gene Hackman and Daniel Lenihan  
When his parents are murdered, 17-year-old Jack O'Reilly joins the crew of the Perdido Star, facing "storms, shipwreck, hostile and friendly natives, and enemy vessels," eventually leading a renegade band called the Right Honourable Brotherhood of Shipwrecked Men.

**Pirates and Romance**

**Devil's Daughter**  
by Catherine Coulter  
Golden-haired hellion Arabella goes adventuring to Naples, Italy, to solve the mystery of her father's missing ships and cargoes. But soon she discovers that the man behind the thievery is an enemy from her father's past. A man she shouldn't love--but can't resist.

**Least Likely Bride**  
by Jane Feather  
In the "Brides" trilogy, three unconventional women vow never to marry, only to find themselves overtaken by destiny. The least likely bride is shy, bespectacled Olivia, who is abducted by a ruthless privateer--and discovers love, adventure, and passion in his arms.

**Pirates**  
by Linda Lael Miller  
Phoebe needs to forget about her divorce, but she can't foresee what awaits her on Paradise Island. Duncan Rourke is known to historians as "the pirate patriot." He's been dead for two centuries--until Phoebe steps into a run-down island hotel, and into his world. Neither Phoebe nor her pirate can envision the glorious adventure that is about to unfold.

**The Witch From the Sea**  
by Lisa Jensen  
It's 1823, and 16 year old Tory runs away from Boston's Worthen Academy for Women. Disguised as a boy, she takes to the sea, only to find herself aboard a pirate vessel. Plundering and true love ensue.

**Other-Worldly Pirates**

**Pirates of Venus**  
by Edgar Rice Burroughs  
Astronaut Carson Napier plunges into swash-buckling adventures when he is stranded on Venus. Classic (1932) science fiction from the writer who brought us Tarzan and John Carter of Mars.

**Privateers**  
by Ben Bova  
In the early twenty-first century, America withdraws from the Space Race, leaving the Soviet Union in uncontested control of the heavens until multimillionaire Dan Randolph takes it upon himself to become a privateer who preys upon Soviet space freighters. (NoveList)

**Ship of Magic**  
by Robin Hobb  
The first book in a fantasy series "set in a world of sentient ships, merchant traders, ruthless pirates, dangerous treasures, seagoing dragons, and a mysterious elder race." (Booklist)