



Where the Lost Wander Author: Amy Harmon Subgenres: Pioneer Life, Wagon Train, Romance

The Overland Trail, 1853: Naomi May is widowed at twenty and sets off with her family for a life out West. On the trail, she forms an instant connection with John Lowry, a half-Pawnee man straddling two worlds and a stranger in both. But life in a wagon train is fraught with hardship, fear, and death. Even as John and Naomi are drawn to each other, the trials of the journey and their disparate pasts work to keep them apart. When a horrific tragedy strikes, decimating Naomi's family and separating her from John, the promises they made are all they have left. Both will have to make terrible sacrifices to find each other, save each other, and eventually...make peace with who they are.



Have Brides, Will Travel

Author: William W. Johnstone Subgenres: Outlaws, Action

Bo Creel and Scratch Morton are lifelong drifters but when they save the life of Cyrus Keegan—the owner of a matrimonial agency—they receive an unexpected proposal that's hard to resist. Keegan needs to deliver five mail order brides to a mining town in New Mexico Territory. The job seems easy enough—and the brides-to-be are even easier on the eyes. But their prospects look bad when the journey to the altar includes Mexican banditos, scheming silver robbers, and one overbearing rancher who won't take no for an answer. Bo and Scratch promised to keep the ladies safe—and keep their hands to themselves—but it could be the last vow they'll ever make . . .



How Much of These Hills is Gold Author: C Pam Zhang Subgenres: Ethnic Mythology, Race, Cowpunk

Ba dies in the night; Ma is already gone. Newly orphaned children of immigrants, Lucy and Sam are suddenly alone in a land that refutes their existence. Fleeing the threats of their western mining town, they set off to bury their father in the only way that will set them free from their past. Along the way, they encounter giant buffalo bones, tiger paw prints, and the specters of a ravaged landscape as well as family secrets, sibling rivalry, and glimpses of a different kind of future.



Texas Outlaw Author: James Patterson Subgenres: Lawmen, Texas Ranger

Texas Ranger Rory Yates is not keen for hero status. Rory escapes his newfound fame when he's sent to the remote West Texas town of Rio Lobo, a municipality with two stoplights. And now according to the Chief of Police, it has one too many Texas Rangers. Rio Lobo Detective Ariana Delgado is the one who requested Rory, and the only person who believes a local councilwoman's seemingly accidental death is a murder. Then Rory begins to uncover a tangle of small-town secrets, favors, and lies as crooked as Texas law is straight. To get to the truth before more people die, Rory is forced to take liberties with the investigation.

Inland

Author: Téa Obreht Subgenres: Pioneer Life, Outlaws, Magical Realism

In the lawless, drought-ridden lands of the Arizona Territory in 1893, two extraordinary lives unfold. Nora is an unflinching frontierswoman awaiting the return of the men in her life--her husband, who has gone in search of water for the parched household, and her elder sons, who have vanished after an explosive argument. Meanwhile, Lurie is a former outlaw and a man haunted by ghosts. He sees lost souls who want something from him, and finds reprieve from their longing in an unexpected relationship that inspires an expedition across the West. The way in which Lurie's death-defying trek at last intersects with Nora's plight is the surprise and suspense of this brilliant novel.



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Calder Brand

Author: Janet Daily Subgenres: Romance, Cowboys, Ranch Life

Ambition drove Joe Dollarhide across the parched plains but when a wild stampede separates him from the cattle drive, it is survival that keeps him going. Hope buoyed Sarah Foxworth when she had just five dollars, traveling the dusty rails where Joe first rescued her from a violent attack, then won her heart as a cowboy in need of redemption. But it's her own reputation that suffers when she gives birth to an illegitimate baby. Years later, Sarah walks into Joe's world once more. Now a prosperous rancher, Joe yearns to finally make a home with Sarah and their boy. But life has also shown Joe that nothing worth having ever comes easy. And that Sarah is a woman worth fighting for...



Outlawed

Author: Anna North Subgenres: Outlaws, Alternative History, Dystopian

The day of her wedding, 17-year-old Ada's life looks good; she loves her husband, and she loves working as an apprentice to her mother, a respected midwife. But after a year of marriage and no pregnancy, in a town where barren women are routinely hanged as witches, her survival depends on leaving behind everything she knows. She joins up with the notorious Hole in the Wall Gang, a band of outlaws led by a preacher-turned-robber known to all as the Kid. Charismatic, grandiose, and mercurial, the Kid is determined to create a safe haven for outcast women. But to make this dream a reality, the Gang hatches a treacherous plan that may get them all killed.