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Courtney Harte is certain her missing father is alive, lost somewhere deep in Indian territory. But she needs a guide to lead her safely through this dangerous, unfamiliar country, someone as wild and unpredictable as the land itself. And that man is the gunslinger they call Chandos.

Courtney fears this enigmatic loner whose dark secrets torture his soul, yet whose eyes, bluer than the frontier sky, enflame the innocent, determined lady with wanton desires. But on the treacherous path they have chosen they have no one to trust but each other--as shared perils to their lives and hearts unleash turbulent, unbridled, passions that only love can tame.

## **A Heart So Wild Details**

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### Zairobe25 says

3,5★ Mi debut con esta autora y me ha gustado mucho, sin duda leeré más de sus historias.

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### Inés Izal says

-3.5-

Llevaba mucho tiempo detrás de este libro, y gracias a las librerías de segunda mano he podido encontrarlo (Aunque la portada es lo más feo que puedes echarle a la vista xD).

La historia de Chandos y Courtney es tierna y muy divertida, pese a que la pasa de todo a la pobre chica y Chandos es borde como él solo. Y pese a que me ha gustado y me lo he terminado prácticamente en dos días, esperaba un poco más viendo la nota tan alta que tiene en Goodreads.

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### Susan says

Wow - what a story! This is truly one of those 'old school' romances we all grew up with and love so well! It had alot of action, adventure and was quite gritty in some parts. You don't see that much with all the Regency romances around. Made for a nice change.

The heroine was an innocent at the beginning, though pretty smart and logical, but by book end she was really able to stand on her own two feet and express just how she felt about everything.

The hero was damaged, one of those angst kinda guys. Very chilly and cold in the beginning, but warmed up - eventually - in the presence of the heroine. And though he wasn't all ponies and rainbows at the end, cause lets face it, he did murder some people in a most horrible way, he was able to move on from his revenge feelings and you felt that he would make a good life from here on in with the heroine and would make up the relationships he had previously discarded.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this review, it was a bit gritty for a romance road trip, but I really enjoyed it and there wasn't a dandy in sight, which made for a nice change. I'm glad I picked it up as it was quite an escape read :)

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### Laura V. says

Wow, una de mis primeras novelas de romance histórico, y después me preguntan de donde viene mi obsesión con lo western, solo miren a Chandos, mamita querida, que muchacho \*-\*

Sí, han pasado muchos años desde que lo leí, pero who cares, ¿y qué si no me pareció tan romántico como la primera vez? ¿Y qué si Courtney me había parecido más listilla y menos orientada al lado dramático y chillón de la vida? ¿y qué con que se amen con tanta pasión y yo no vea de qué o donde salió tanta cursilería?

A mí me gusta. Es lo primero que leí de Lindsey y es un libro precioso en lo que a mí respecta.

Anduve de compras el otro día y me traje esta joya de una tienda de libros usados, las manoseadas que tienen son indescriptibles, pero tiene historia, y es exacta a cómo me la encontré la primera vez.

Te sigo queriendo Chandos, aún todo bruto, torpe y rudo, te sigo queriendo.

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## **Zeek says**

### Guilty Pleasure #1

His Native American family brutally murdered during an unwarranted attack, Chandos encounters a young woman staying with the man known to be one of the murderers. Her life in his hands, he nevertheless sets her free, intuitively sensing her innocence. Four years later and he's still hunting down the rest of the men involved that day- and Courtney Hart once again has managed to cross his path. However she has no idea the history they have together and though he wants nothing of her, she's determined to hire him to take her to Waco where her long thought dead father appears to be alive and well, if the picture in the paper was to be believed.

Since she's too stubborn to take his advice- ie go home and get that fool idea out of her head- he agrees. Along the way she moves from being his burden (someone has to take care of the headstrong greenhorn), to his tormentor (the skin tight pants she inadvertently buys), his lover, to his greatest weakness. Meanwhile he must stay on the bloody path he had set for himself- avenge the slaughter of his mother and half sister.

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She hated living with her selfish step mother, so when it seemed her father was alive and living in another state- the opposite of what she had been told- Courtney Harte jumps at the only chance to go discover the truth for herself. Even if it means riding along with the enigmatic Chandos- a man she just met.

Even though he tries to frighten her off her mission, she still trusts him beyond all reason. Besides, he is *beautiful* after all, and she can't take her eyes off him.

Despite looking otherwise the entire time, she discovers he's not as uninterested as he appears. When he finally releases the full force of his passion, it frightens her- but his confession that he wanted her too simply undoes her.

With much of her timid nature behind her, they give into the wild heat between them, but a wild heart is not easily tamed and Chandos knows more than anyone that loving means loss.

When they reach their destination, he leaves, intending to never come back. In despair, Courtney tries to move on, as does he, only to find that is all but impossible. Especially when the ties forged on the trail refuse to let go- of either of them.

I love the old western romances that have the hero and heroine riding the open trail across the west, with only each other to survive and *A Heart So Wild* is probably my most favorite. I re-read it often and every time it's just as passionate, just as engaging. For some reason, I'm always amazed at the delicious feeling in the pit of my stomach I get when Chandos gets all possessively protective of her. I'm amazed- not because it happens, but because it happens with a story I know like the back of my hand- and one I've been reading over and over since my teenage years. That's how much a woman likes to feel protected- even one who knows she can pretty much survive anything after all she's been through. Well, this woman anyway. Written in the 80's, trust me when I tell ya, it still has the magic.

Now that I think on it, perhaps *A Heart So Wild* is my favorite romance novel, period. If you know my reading habits, that's saying something.

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### **Duchess Nicole says**

A great example of why Lindsey is such an amazing Historical romance author....her heroes are typical of the bodice rippers, but not quite as brutal. Her romance takes center stage but the secondary plot is engaging as well. It's a wild trek through a wild land. A somewhat innocent heroine, a savage and untamed Indian. He's a chest beater, she's got a stubborn streak and is on a mission. Great choice!

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### **Lelyana says**

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### **MBR says**

I remember reading a book by Johanna Lindsey a very long time back. And though I don't actively pursue each and every book that she writes, nevertheless I remember Ms. Lindsey to have the ability to spin a good historical romance with enough passion between the characters to stir up one's insides. *A Heart So Wild* is a romance that gets recommended quite often on Amazon discussion forums and I finally decided to find out what makes this book of the American-Western genre a favorite of so many romance readers.

*A Heart So Wild* tells the tale of Courtney Harte, the only child of Dr. Edward Harte, who grows up insecure of the love of her father since the death of her mother at the tender age of six. When her father remarries for practical purposes to a woman who changes her colors overnight, Courtney withdraws more into herself than ever before, learning to hide how she feels deep inside. When Courtney survives an attack by the Indians, her life takes a turn for the worse with the disappearance of her father, leaving her solely dependent on her stepmother until she can make it out on her own.

Chandos is a man who is hellbent on getting revenge on those who had violated and killed the people closest to him. The past 4 years has all been about chasing leads and finding each and every single one of the men who had abused their power in the worst way possible and to make them pay for what they had done.

When Courtney finds evidence that her father might be alive, she doesn't hesitate in trying to acquire the services of the strong and silent gunslinger who makes her feel all funny on the insides, something that has

never happened to Courtney before. Chandos would rather cut off his arm and feed it to the bears than let Courtney tag along on a journey that is ridden with hardship and danger, not to mention the number she does on his libido and other emotions just by existing. Chandos hides a secret that binds them together from 4 years back, a secret that could turn the adoration in the eyes of the woman who means more to him than he can admit into hatred and anger.

As both Chandos and Courtney travel the rough and tough journey towards their individual destinations, the desire that simmers between them escalates until it obliterates everything else and demands nothing less but their complete surrender. But Chandos is not a man who would give up his quest for revenge lightly and he would rather not subject Courtney to the wanderlust nature his life had taken form of for the last couple of years. Laced with humor, witty bantering and enough bad guys to keep the action going, *A Heart So Wild* is a romance that hits all the right spots and delivers quite well on all fronts.

I loved Courtney as a heroine whose sense of humor makes even the most tension wrought moments in the book seem less so. Chandos is indeed a swoon worthy hero whose way of calling Courtney "Cateyes" and "Kitten" certainly had me going totally weak at my knees. And I absolutely loved the way Courtney continued to give as good as she got from Chandos, though she loves him to the point of distraction, never letting Chandos walk all over her and her feelings for him. All in all, a quite well rounded tale that had me clamoring for more of Chandos and the brand of magic that only he and Courtney together seems to be able to make.

**Rating= 4/5**

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### **Chumchum\_88 says**

Recently one of my friends in GoodReads recommended Johanna Lindsey *To me*, and this is my first novel by her, and I have to say I liked it ^^

Honestly, at first I got confused because the first couple of chapters didn't involve the main characters much, for a bit I was like "Am I reading the right book?" But then I started to understand, when events started to explain themselves.

I liked the main characters, Courtney "Cat eyes" started off timidly at first, but during the journey and 24/7 presence of Chandos with her rubbed off on her, and she started to grow more bolder, more braver. I loved her moments she faced off her kidnappers both times.

In here Chandos felt to me a bit cruel, not the ones that derive pleasure from physical cruelty, but the type that distance himself from others while hurting them with his words, but he **did** have his physical moments as well, like his first night with her when he wanted to teach her not to trust anyone, even him. Plus his first time he saw her, when he pulled her hair, but after that I liked the part when he kept a bit of her hair with him these last four years.

I loooooooooooved the ending part, when she met his father, then her father, then he came back for her and

finally confessing to each other, if only there was an epilogue \*sigh "of regret" \* XD

Overall, \*thumps up\*

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### **Floripiquita says**

Tenía este libro por casa desde hace un montón y nunca le había dado una oportunidad. Ahora lo he hecho y no me arrepiento. Me ha gustado bastante la historia y la relación entre Chandos y Courtney. Quizá el final sea algo precipitado, pero en general es una lectura muy entretenida.

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### **Pamela(AllHoney) says**

One of Ms. Lindsey's better reads. I can't really put my finger on why I loved it. I just did. It has the alpha, protective hero and the "helpless" heroine. Not that helpless is good. It's not, really, but she was a city girl out of her element so I forgive her.

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### **\* Crystal \* says**

If you can get past the first 2 chapters this is an amazing book. There is some seriously tragic events in the beginning but you need to know to understand the characters. I would highly recommend this book and the book that follows.

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### **Kathleen says**

A classic in Native American historical romance genre. Why isn't it available via Audible? Duh! I'd like a male narrator: Petkoff, Griffith, etc

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### **Libros en FAMILIA says**

Esta autora me gusta muchísimo porque sabe como meterme de lleno en la historia, por muy sencilla que sea. En este caso está ambientada en el oeste y aunque cae en tópicos con los protagonistas, Johanna le da ese puntito personal que los hace diferente a todos. Además no creo que los tópicos sean negativos, en este caso quería una historia que me enganchara al instante y me evadiera y lo ha conseguido totalmente. Si no habéis leído nada de la autora este es un buen libro para comenzar, para viajar al caluroso oeste de mano de dos personajes que os garantizo que os regalará un bonito y tierno romance.<sup>7</sup>

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**Cassandra Dexter Colby says**

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