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The Wilder sisters fall in love with men when they least expect it—and most need it. Rose, the older, more practical one, is a widow who lives in New Mexico and has two ungrateful kids, a bored dog, and a horse with a bad back. Lily, the younger, more daring sister, lives in Southern California, where she has put her career before everything else—including love. Lily and Rose flee to their parents' ranch, for some emotional detox. But the two haven't spoken in five long years, and spending time together is the last thing they'd planned on. Nor had either anticipated being so actively pursued by lovestruck men. Readers will be in their corner all the way as they rediscover the bonds of sisterhood and slowly open their hearts to love.

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Judy says

I have read several books by this author, and really enjoy her stories about strong women. I especially enjoyed the dedicated veterinarian who catches Rose's eye. The story really focuses on strong family relationships especially between two sisters with very different personalities.

Sue says

This is probably 3 1/2 stars for me - I struggled not rating it higher, because I came to really care about the characters. I struggled with the sexual aspect of the intimacy, and feeling like the author was being certain to preach safe sex by her frequent mention of the importance of condoms. Despite caring about the characters, appreciating the small town NM setting, and relishing the role of horses and dogs, I felt as though the book was half novel and half Harlequin Romance.

Tammy Hamblen says

I really liked this novel. This author really gave each of the woman their own personality and struggles. I would recommend this book to any one who's looking for a relaxing read and may be an animal lover (especially horses).

Debbie says

Too much of a woman's fiction book for my taste, plus too close to a romance. Plus I didn't think either guy was worth it. did have a nice feel for New Mexico.

Rosie says

Simply couldn't get into it.

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Jessa says

More than anything else from this book, I'll remember that a man groveled to the extent of physically crawling on his hands and knees. I appreciated that gesture, but overall the book fell flat for me, and I didn't feel as if Lily or Rose had great taste in men. Their family dynamic was good, though.

Dot says

Sisters Rollercoaster Ride in Life.

I totally love ALL of Jo-Ann Mapson's books she brings characters to being flesh and blood people. Some you feel you've known all your life, others you wish you did. I now have read all she's written, some many times over. This book makes me wish I'd had a sister to grow up with. I would recommend this book to anyone who wants an in-depth knowledge of sisters, love, and how life can be a rollercoaster ride.

Marian says

Thought this book was a little dragged out.

Barb says

Another good book by Jo-Ann Mapson.

Marleen says

I remember now why I like Jo-Ann Mapson's novels so much. Her talent and style really stand out. It's been awhile (10 years) since I read "Bad Girls Creeks" and "Hank and Chloe", and I absolutely fell in love with those books. Her more recent "Solomon's Oak" wasn't totally up to that standard, in my opinion, but as far as her earlier books go, they are truly delightful. Come to think of it, to this date I haven't come across another author who matches her particular style and unique story-telling. I immensely like her characters; they are realistic and so refreshingly flawed (what a relief!), and like in real life there's no guarantee of a happy ending. What I like is that the characters evolve and grow. Observations about life, love, and family are witty and funny and oh so true. I especially liked the passages in the book when the Wilders Sisters, Rose and Lily, re-connected. And I'm glad the sisters made up and were there for each other. I know the feeling, and nothing can replace a sister in one's life.

The New Mexico setting was wonderfully drawn too, and now I can't wait to go there on my next trip to the USA. I want to visit Taos, Santa Fe, the Chimayo church.

The relationship between Rose and Austin Donovan intrigued me particularly and I thought they were genuinely convincing characters. I was so heart-stricken and shocked when Donovan showed up with his ex-wife at the church dinner. (By the way, did he lie about that while explaining himself to Rose?). Ugh - I wanted to smack him so hard, you wouldn't believe what emotions ran through me then!

Although I applaud the author for the original ending of the book, I still would've liked, I don't know, more words from both Austin and Rose, and then at the same time I think it wasn't necessary. I just wanted the characters to keep on talking. I guess I just wished that this book had a sequel.

As for my favorite moment in the book, that is when Lily says goodbye to dear Shep, the old ranch-hand and the family long-time friend. Unforgettable.

I've decided I'm absolutely going to read every other book Jo-Ann Mapson has written.

Karen says

I read this book the second time. There were things I missed the first time. I enjoyed the story and the ending. Some women have to wait a long time for their true love and happy ending. Sisters share a special bond.

Erin72 says

Something rather different to my normal reading taste, modern, but I was drawn to the sister bond. Actually rather interesting, but one area was left un-addressed. Generally I like to relate to the main characters on some level, one sister I did, the other was too diff to me.

Paula says

Discovered this author when "Slomen's Oak" was published. I enjoyed it so much that I am currently reading all of her novels. Some are better than others, but they are all at the very least good so far.

Diana says

Rose and Lily (named for flowers) are sisters. They haven't spoken to each other for 5 years. Each sister envies the life the other one has. Rose was married, has 2 children and works in a vet's office. Lily has never married and works for a surgical instruments company. She lives the "high life." She would love to have been married and have children.

Due to a series of circumstances the two sisers are together again.

It is a good story and likeable characters. I probably would have given it 4 stars but I don't appreciate the writing style of this story. There are many long paragraphs, even one that is almost 2 pages long. Guess my attention span is short, but sometimes by the time I was at the end of the paragraph, I had forgotten what the first part of it was about.
