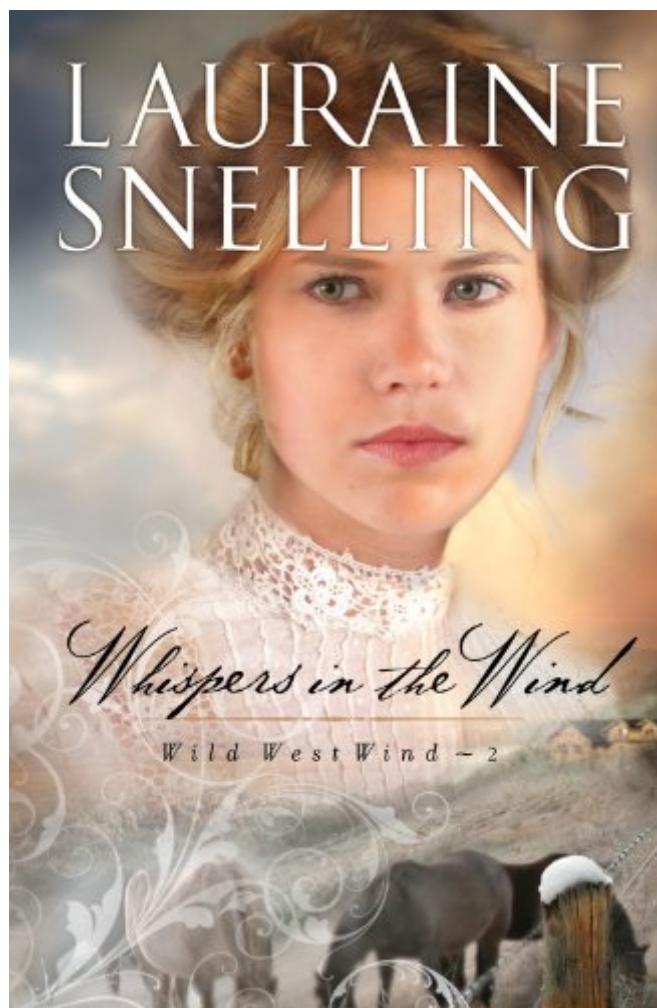


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# Whispers In The Wind (Wild West Wind Book #2)



## **Synopsis**

Book Two in Lauraine Snelling's Exciting Wild West Wind SeriesAfter fleeing North Dakota and the now defunct Wild West Show, Cassie Lockwood and her companions have finally found the hidden valley in South Dakota where her father had dreamed of putting down roots. But to her dismay, she discovers a ranch already built on her land.Cassie's arrival surprises Mavis Engstrom and forces her to reveal secrets she's kept hidden for years. Her son Ransom is suspicious of Cassie and questions the validity of her claim to the valley. But Lucas Engstrom decides from the start that he is in love with her and wants to marry her.Will Cassie be able to build a home on the Bar E Ranch and fulfill her father's dream of raising horses, or will she be forced to return to the itinerant life of her past?

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After reading the first....story so compelling can not wait for all books in the series. Yes...Wish these were free kindle books. Is hard to find a good book...when I find good ones I celebrate. Actually....all this authors books are good.

I have never been let down by any of Lairaine Snelling's books. I loved this series set in North Dakota. I love historical fiction and the characters were fantastic. All 3 books were great. Start with the first one so you can get the picture of what happened and continue on through 3. I recommend these books to all those readers of historical/western/romance fiction.

**Whispers In The Wind (Wild West Wind 2)** I had the opportunity to review this book for Bethany House in exchange for a copy of the book. I am really behind in my reviews which is why this review is about a year or so late! I love Lauraine Snelling. Her characters suck me in and I feel like I am in whatever setting the book is taking place. I really loved the first book in this series and eagerly awaited this book, the second in the series. Unfortunately, this book let me down. I felt it was drawn out and could have ended much sooner. We do get to know the story behind Cassie's father's relationship with the Engstrom's. We also get to know the Engstrom's sons and more about their mother. However, how much doubt and testing can one girl go through. How much can the brother's push Cassie away before it gets old? The brothers themselves are great characters. They are complete opposites as siblings often are and it was great getting to know them. Their dynamic is what made this particular book worth the read for me. I love the premise of the story. I have the third and final book on my to be read list. Given how much I love Ms. Snelling's books, I am sure this book and I just didn't mesh as sometimes happens.

Whispers in the Wind is the second book in the Wild West Wind series--If you have read Valley of Dreams, you will be glad to know that this book picks up right where the first book left off. Whispers in the Wind doesn't flow like a raging river, but rather a gentle stream. I think the pace of this story allows the reader to really get to know the characters, not only that, but to step back into a time where life truly moved at a slower pace. Cassie Lockwood and her people are now living in the "Valley of Dreams" that her father had often spoken of, but Mavis Engstrom hadn't told her sons about their fathers' partnership with Cassie's father, Adam, in ownership of the ranch. Once the story is told of how their fathers came to find and begin homesteading on the land, Ransom, feels threatened, afraid that Cassie will seek to take the ranch away from his family, causing tension between both families. Cassie feels that she needs to find away to support her people, but the only thing she knows is the now defunct Wild, West Show she grew up in. How will she earn the money she needs to survive? Mavis Engstrom is strong, both in her faith and her resolve to keep her family, which now includes Cassie and her people, together. She takes Cassie under her wing, filling the

void in Cassie's heart that has been there since her mother passed away. If you liked Lauraine Snelling's Red River of the North and Return to Red River series, I think you'll enjoy this book and the other books in the Wild West Wind series, as well. I also think that you will see a lot of similarities between Ingeborg Bjorklund and Mavis Engstrom.\*\*Whispers in the Wind by Lauraine Snelling was provided for me free by Bethany House in exchange for my honest review.

I really enjoyed this book. It was hard to put down once I started reading. Cassie needed to follow in her fathers footsteps to start over in a valley he loved. She has an innocence but full of determination to find a home for herself and her companions.

I've already purchased the third book, I haven't put this series down since I started it. At first I wasn't sure do like a wild west show themed book, however it's turned into a wonderfully fulfilling story.

Chief leaves and returns to the E Ranch an old and sick man, who gains strength and some health by being with people who love him. Cassie feels she is not in love with the brother pursuing her but feels she is in love with another.

I love Lauraine Snelling's books! Her Blessing series is the best, but I am enjoying this series too. She is a master at making characters real, as well as explaining what life was like for the settlers of the Dakota territories. Her spiritual lessons and insight are challenging and very applicable for us today. Please keep writing, Lauraine!

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