

## Two Texas Hearts Jodi Thomas

***Fearless and irresistible, outlaws are the original bad boys. Now New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas and Linda Broday, Phyliss Miranda, and DeWanna Pace offer up four sexy and romantic stories for women who love men who know how to pack heat. . . If Cozette Camanez's groom doesn't show up for their wedding by dawn, she'll lose her family ranch. Trouble is, the groom doesn't exist-until unsuspecting thief Michael Hughes comes along. Never was an outlaw faced with such a lovely-and willing-target. . . Larissa Patrick, the beautiful daughter of a wealthy rancher, has been kidnapped. Only one man can save her: gunfighter Johnny Bravo. Rescuing Larissa is the easy part-but getting her home without losing his heart will take the discipline of a saint. And Johnny's no saint. . . Lawman Ethan Kimble is finally face to face with his quarry: socialite and bank robber Savannah Parker. The only thing between them is a Winchester pointed at his heart-and some undeniable sparks. If Kimble can tame the Texas Flame, they may ignite a passion that breaks every rule. . . When outlaw Shadow Rivers and desperado Odessa Kilmore escape a hail of bullets and team up on a long journey, both are determined to hide their secrets-and their attraction. No easy task as they discover a love more powerful than their enemies combined. . . "Readers couldn't ask for a finer quartet of heroes." -Romantic Times on Give Me a Texas Ranger***

***#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Brené Brown has taught us what it means to dare greatly, rise strong, and brave the wilderness. Now, based on new research conducted with leaders, change makers, and culture shifters, she's showing us how to put those ideas into practice so we can step up and lead. Look for Brené Brown's new podcast, Dare to Lead, as well as her ongoing podcast Unlocking Us! NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY BLOOMBERG Leadership is not about titles, status, and wielding power. A leader is anyone who takes responsibility for recognizing the potential in people and ideas, and has the courage to develop that potential. When we dare to lead, we don't pretend to have the right answers; we stay curious and ask the right questions. We don't see power as finite and hoard it; we know that power becomes infinite when we share it with others. We don't avoid difficult conversations and situations; we lean into vulnerability when it's necessary to do good work. But daring leadership in a culture defined by scarcity, fear, and uncertainty requires skill-building around traits that are deeply and uniquely human. The irony is that we're choosing not to invest in developing the hearts and minds of leaders at the exact same time as we're scrambling to figure out what we have to offer that machines and AI can't do better and faster. What can we do better? Empathy, connection, and courage, to start. Four-time #1 New York Times bestselling author Brené Brown has spent the past two decades studying the emotions and experiences that give meaning to our lives, and the past seven years working with transformative leaders and teams spanning the globe. She found that leaders in organizations ranging from small entrepreneurial startups and family-owned businesses to***

**nonprofits, civic organizations, and Fortune 50 companies all ask the same question: How do you cultivate braver, more daring leaders, and how do you embed the value of courage in your culture? In this new book, Brown uses research, stories, and examples to answer these questions in the no-BS style that millions of readers have come to expect and love. Brown writes, "One of the most important findings of my career is that daring leadership is a collection of four skill sets that are 100 percent teachable, observable, and measurable. It's learning and unlearning that requires brave work, tough conversations, and showing up with your whole heart. Easy? No. Because choosing courage over comfort is not always our default. Worth it? Always. We want to be brave with our lives and our work. It's why we're here." Whether you've read Daring Greatly and Rising Strong or you're new to Brené Brown's work, this book is for anyone who wants to step up and into brave leadership.**

**New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas takes readers to the Old West, where an emotionally wounded man and woman discover the true nature of love and marriage in the first romance in the Wife Lottery series. Thrown off a wagon train with two other women and trying to avoid jail for a murder they committed, Bailee Moore agrees to enter a "Wife Lottery"—a ploy concocted by the Cedar Point sheriff to secure wives for the men in the small Texas town. For the sensible Bailee, however, marrying Carter McKoy is like exchanging one life sentence for another—especially since her new husband hasn't even seen fit to utter a single word in her presence. But still, she can't help thinking that something about this strong, silent farmer could be the key to leaving her troubled past behind...and making a worthy wager with her heart. Two emotional stories of finding home in the West Montana by Debbie Macomber When Molly learns that her grandfather is ill, she packs up her sons without a second thought and makes the long drive home to Sweetgrass, Montana. But she immediately has questions about the stranger working on her grandfather's ranch. Just who is Sam Dakota? Why doesn't the sheriff trust him? Despite everything, Molly can't deny her attraction to Sam—until her ailing grandfather tries to push them into marriage. Some borders aren't so easy to cross... Ransom Canyon by Jodi Thomas Rancher Staten Kirkland is rugged and practical to the last. But when his troubling memories threaten to overwhelm him, the lovely, reclusive Quinn O'Grady is there to catch him. Young Lucas Reyes has his eye on the prize—college. But one night, one wrong decision will set his life on a course even he hadn't imagined. Yancy Grey is running hard from his troubled past. But Yancy isn't prepared for what he encounters in the good people of Ransom Canyon...**

**A Texas Christmas**

**The Cowboy Who Saved Christmas**

**Brave Work. Tough Conversations. Whole Hearts.**

**Mornings on Main**

**An Anthology**

Ransom Canyon welcomes you back for a Christmas that has everything you're looking for: romance, family and a whole lot of Texas. Cooper Holloway would take nature over people any day—especially visiting relatives. That's why he's headed for a rustic cabin in remote Winter Valley, where he'll care for a herd of wild mustangs. But Cooper's plans are quickly thwarted by the arrival of two unexpected guests: one, a stranger in desperate need of his help, and the other, a very attractive young veterinarian. Elliott is busy trying to keep Maverick Ranch running smoothly with Cooper gone, which is no easy task with family visiting. And when his long-lost love suddenly reappears in his life, Elliott knows he'll have more than just books to balance this season. With a big, chaotic family Christmas around the corner and love blooming in surprising ways, the Holloway men will have to make big choices about the future—just in time for the holidays.

New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas "continues to demonstrate why she is one of the finest western romance writers today" (Historical Romance Reviews) in this captivating novel in the Wife Lottery series. Captain Walker Larson received the shock of his life when a beautiful stranger boldly walked into his office—claiming to be his wife. His father may have bought Lacy for him in a "Wife Lottery," but Walker had no desire for a bride—even one as captivating as the one standing before him. So he promptly sent Lacy back to Cedar Point. Three years later, Lacy is shocked when Walker shows up on her doorstep—ordered by the military to protect his wife from a killer. Lacy wants nothing to do with the gruff soldier who once abandoned her away. But despite their different lifestyles and expectations, she finds herself wondering if their marriage was a far better gift than either of them had imagined...and what it would feel like to be in his arms...

ONE OF LIBRARY JOURNAL'S BEST ROMANCES OF THE YEAR Kaki Warner's newest novel in the series about unlikely brides who make their way west—and find love where they least expect it. For fans of Linda Lael Miller and Jodi Thomas... Margaret Hamilton escaped the Irish slums of Five Points as the ward of a wealthy Manhattan widow, but only marriage can secure her future. Railroad mogul Doyle Kerrigan needs a well-connected wife. It seems a perfect match...until a shocking revelation sends her fleeing from the wedding reception. Desperate to make a fresh start, Margaret takes on a new identity and heads West, finally stopping in Heartbreak Creek, Colorado, a dying mining town of little interest to anyone. Here, she finds a purpose, beloved friends to replace the family she's lost, and a home at last. But two men from Margaret's past are on her trail. One is seeking vengeance, the other truth. When they both arrive in Heartbreak Creek, she must choose between the town she has come to love, and the man who might finally capture her heart....

Two emotional stories of finding home in the West by two bestselling authors are collected in this volume. Original.

Change of Heart

Give Me A Cowboy

Dare to Lead

The Whispering Mountain

The Texan's Wager

**In the rough-and-ready Texas Panhandle, the rodeo is where to find a real man. New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas teams up with DeWanna Pace, Linda Broday, and Phylliss Miranda to prove that the right kind of love can tame the wildest heart... Give Me A Cowboy Rowdy Darnell was born to be wild and Laurel Hayes knows she shouldn't get involved with him--but oh, how he can kiss...When Augusta Garrison finds out Dally Angelo is hell-bent on riding the bull that killed his father, she's ready to break their engagement--until pure passion takes over...Tempest LeDoux doesn't play by anyone's rules. When a tall gunslinger named McKenna Smith rides into town, Tempest knows he's the one for her--if she can catch him...Alaine LeDoux is pure tomboy--and she likes shooting and riding more than dresses and tea. Good thing Mr. Morgan Payne turns out to be one hell of a cowboy under his citified suit... "The genuine characters, realistic emotions, and true aura of the West propel Jodi Thomas's books out of the ordinary and straight into readers' hearts."--Romantic Times "Memorable novellas and unforgettable heroes. . .unmatched for fans of the Old West."-- Romantic Rimes on Give Me A Texan**

**19th century Texas was alive with lovers and scoundrels, drifters and dreamers. It was a land brimming with wild, glorious passions—passions New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas tenderly evokes in this novel in the McLain series. Fleeing trouble in Pittsburgh, young Kara O’Riley has no choice but to travel as far West as her meager funds will take her. And when she hires on as bookkeeper for a sprawling Texas ranch, she quickly decides that her new employer, Jonathan Catlin, is the coldest, strangest man she’s ever known. He’s told her he has exactly one year to make the ranch a success—but she has a feeling there’s an awful lot more he’s not telling her. For one thing, there’s something odd about Catlin Ranch. For another, she has glimpsed a hint of tenderness in Jonathan’s gorgeous, haunted eyes—and suddenly her lonely, aching heart is filled with fire... The Lone Star State doesn't have to be lonely... Headlined by New York Times and USA Today bestselling authors Jodi Thomas and Linda Broday along with Sharla Lovelace, a holiday-themed Western historical romance collection featuring three Texas-set stories of romance and adventure. The Civil War is over, Christmas is coming--and it's time for three rugged cowboys to hang up their spurs and find their true loves. FATHER GOOSE New York Times and USA Today Bestselling Author Jodi Thomas Dispirited by war, when Trapper Hawkins accepts a job hauling five little rich girls to Dallas, all he cares about is the money. He doesn't expect they'll awaken his spirit--or that their intriguing nursemaid, Emery Adams, will awaken his heart. And when danger strikes as Christmas Eve nears, he definitely doesn't expect Emery and the girls to risk their lives--for him... THE**

**MISTLETOE PROMISE \* Sharla Lovelace** A catastrophic storm, an ailing herd, and a failing cattle ranch have left Texas rancher Josie Bancroft in danger of losing everything her father worked for. Still, she'd rather die than merge with her neighbor rancher Benjamin Mason, the man who broke her heart years ago, on Christmas Eve. As old sparks fly and secrets are revealed, however, Ben is determined to help Josie--and prove that this time around can be different. That the misunderstandings of Christmas past need not define their future... **ALMOST CHRISTMAS** New York Times and USA Today Bestselling Author Linda Broday Noelle Blessing owns Blessing Falls, Texas' local candy shop, The Sugar Spoon. But despite her festive name and delicious occupation, Christmas doesn't promise to be sweet this year--thanks to the curvy confectioner's resentful ex-fiancé. When he shows up at the town's holiday dance spoiling for trouble, Noelle grabs the nearest cowboy to partner with. Cord Dalton is more than happy to play the hero--and the new boyfriend too. And by the time an unexpectedly white Christmas rolls around, what began as pretend might just be the equally unexpected gift of the real thing...

On the run from her brutal fiancé, Liberty Mayfield must find a way to stop the wedding without risking her father's life and, turning to a reclusive rancher for help, finds her destiny in his arms. Original.

**When a Texan Gambles  
To Wed in Texas  
A Small-Town Texas Novel  
Texas Woman  
Boots Under Her Bed**

In the Texas Panhandle, the winters are long, the storms fierce--and the Yuletide nights are sizzling. New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas along with Linda Broday, Phyliss Miranda and DeWanna Pace, bring you one tempting holiday delight. . . On the eve before Christmas a blizzard arrived, transforming a small Texas town into a night to remember. Four ladies desperately in need of saving, four hard-ridin' cowboys who aim to please. . . When a lone farmer strides to a pretty store owner's rescue, their deepest wishes just might come true. . . A brave heiress can't believe a rugged angel is riding out of the night to save her and her fellow train passengers--until she gets him under the mistletoe. . . A quiet loner wants to help a stranded widow have a holiday to remember. . . And a female saloon owner tired of being scorned by respectable folk gets some very naughty help from a handsome greenhorn. . . "Readers couldn't ask for a finer quartet of heroes. . ." --Romantic Times on Give Me a Texas Ranger "Will warm your heart and bring a smile to your lips." --Love Western Romances on Give me a Cowboy

Two tortured souls find a second chance at happiness in this compelling western historical romance in New York Times

bestselling author Jodi Thomas' McLain series. Wes McLain returned from the civil war with little money, and less hope. He had given up on love. Until he saw her...Allie, the blue-eyed girl who had been called a savage, a wild soul—and was prisoner of what seemed to be a horrible fate. But when Wes looked into her eyes, he wanted only to free her, and to take her with him on a journey through the frontiers of Texas. But Allie has been brutally mistreated for years, and is now too afraid to even speak. Wes will have to heal her and it will take more than good intentions or a few moonlight kisses to win her trust. And when Allie's finally ready to speak again, she will tell Wes more than he ever imagined.

From New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas comes the story of a Confederate widow looking to start her life over and the Yankee captain on a mission to uncover dark secrets still lurking in the South after the war. Maggie, born and bred in Texas, has inherited a sprawling house that sits atop untold secrets. Grayson, hell-bent on hunting down traitors, is the last thing she expected to find. Can their passion and love overcome the many deceptions and deceits as they both try to rebuild in the aftermath of a war that torn a country apart?

In Texas, Valentine's Day is for restless hearts, brave second chances, and passions rekindled. New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas, Linda Broday, Phyliss Miranda, and DeWanna Pace tempt you with four delicious treats. . . Out on these rugged plains, love never comes easy. And four daring ladies will do whatever it takes to capture the hearts of four irresistibly sweet-talking Texans. . . When a quiet foreman comes to the aid of a mystery lady, they'll find that this perfect starlit night is made for courtin'. . . A determined heiress gambles high to reclaim the rancher she's never stopped wanting. . . When a spirited lady and a go-getter mayor compete for their town's future, it's two dreams for a lifetime. . . And to attract a lonely doctor's attention, a shy young woman needs courage--and two unlikely matchmakers. . . "A sweet, sunny anthology perfect for rainy-day reading." --Publishers Weekly on Give Me a Texas Outlaw "Readers couldn't ask for a finer quartet of heroes. . ." --Romantic Times on Give Me a Texas Ranger "Will warm your heart and bring a smile to your lips." --Love Western Romances on Give Me a Cowboy

Western Hearts

Promise Me Texas

Two Texas Hearts

The Texan's Dream

A Texan's Luck

When cousins Rick and Lizzy Matheson of Harmony, Texas, wind up on the wrong side of an attempted shooting, they know they're in deep. Still, the biggest danger is losing their hearts—Rick to an old flame and Lizzy to an old friend she'd never noticed before... PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED IN THE ANTHOLOGY ASK ME WHY?

When Bethany Lane accepts a position as a cook on rugged Texas Ranger Josh Weston's ranch, she is plunged into the dangers of frontier life, and together they succumb to forbidden passion until betrayal

and pride threaten to tear them apart. Original.

A generations-old feud is about to come to a head—and the stakes couldn't be higher with two hearts on the line—in this novel set in the small town of Harmony, Texas. Cord McMillan gave up his freedom at eighteen when he went to jail for a crime he didn't commit. Now, ten years later, he's about to give it up again for a piece of land. Nevada Britain, his neighbor, has just made him an offer he can't refuse: If he'll marry her, she'll sign over a section of property that their families have been fighting over for a hundred years. Nevada refuses to explain why, but Cord knows the bargain is in his favor. He just has one condition—she has to sleep in his bed every night for as long as their doomed marriage lasts. Nevada only wants to maintain her family's legacy—and redeem herself for a wrong she did Cord years ago. But as she spends more time with her husband by necessity, she discovers something unexpected—a love so deep it takes her breath away.

A grief-stricken widower learns to open his heart again in this touching and emotionally charged novel from New York Times bestselling author LaVyrle Spencer... A man of unshakable faith, Eddie Olczak derives intense pleasure from the life he's built with his beloved wife, Krystyna, and their two daughters. But when a tragic accident cuts Krystyna's life short, Eddie is sure his heart is broken forever. Sister Regina, the girls' teacher at St. Joseph's school, has always felt a special affinity for the Olczak family, but the strict rules of the Benedictine sisterhood have kept her from getting too close. Now, as Sister Regina and Eddie cross paths, they realize there is a connection between them that goes beyond their shared love of Krystyna and the girls. Thrilled—and secretly frightened—they must summon the courage to look within their hearts and make their own choices.

Then Came Heaven

Twilight in Texas

Prairie Song

Midnight Bet

Texas Rain

Always in trouble, Nell, a.k.a. "Two Bits," after being wounded in an ambush must once again turn to Texas Ranger Jacob Dalton for help, this time in finding a husband to help her protect the ranches she just inherited, and Jacob vows to prove that he is the perfect man for the job. Original.

When two sisters make a midnight wager that could change both of their lives, the entire town of Harmony Texas takes interest. Original.

350,000 first printing.

Kora Adams did not believe in curses, but she had known nothing but bad luck all her life. Then, one night, there was a knock on her door. It was a handsome but solemn stranger with a story to tell. Winter McQuillen had inherited a sprawling Texas ranch not far from the one room cabin Kora called home. But the only way he could claim it was if he found a wife that night. Winter had but one question for Kora: Would she marry him? The thought of wedding a man she did not know scared Kora to death. But the security of marriage, and even the faintest hope of love, was like a dream come true. Kora knew she needed every bit of comfort marriage would provide. What she didn't know was that Winter needed her even more. " Jodi Thomas is at her remarkable best in Two Texas Hearts...She ' s one of my personal favorites. " —New York Times bestselling author Debbie Macomber

New novellas in the Green Mountain, Harmony, Southern Belle Book Club, and Dare Island series! From four contemporary romance stars, stories filled with first kisses, first dances, and happily-ever-afters... You ' ll Be Mine by Marie Force: Will Abbott and Cameron Murphy are finally ready to tie the knot—as long as family, friends and a love-struck moose don ' t get in the way. Midnight Bet by Jodi Thomas: When cousins Rick and Lizzy Matheson of Harmony, Texas, wind up on the wrong side of an attempted shooting, they know they ' re in deep. Still, the biggest danger is losing their hearts—Rick to an old flame and Lizzy to an old friend she ' d never noticed before... Wrapped Around Your Finger by Shirley Jump: Maggie McBride is just one of the guys in the hard-knocks world of construction. Until she ' s dared to ask Nick Patterson to a wedding, enticing her to knock down some walls—and risk falling in love. Carolina Heart by Virginia Kantra: Determined to leave her wild past behind, Cynthia Lodge is forging a new life for herself and her daughters—one that ' s man-free and drama-free. But when her high school crush shows up on Dare Island, he ' s determined to make her break her rules...

Breakfast at the Honey Creek Cafe

A Christmas Affair

The Light We Lost

Montana Ransom Canyon

Be My Texas Valentine

**"Masterful storyteller"\* Jodi Thomas brings you the story of unlikely love between two very different people. AVAILBLE DIGITALLY FOR THE FIRST TIME** Hired gun Clint Matthews can't think of anything worse than spending a night protecting his boss at Miss Peach's annual Valentine's Day dance. Used to keeping his distance, Clint isn't about to be social—until Miss Peach forces him into being some young spinster's escort for the evening. Headstrong Amanda Hamilton has gotten used to being the least popular girl in town, but that doesn't mean she isn't a little hurt when her paper heart is the last one picked—and a gunslinger winds up as her Valentine. Amanda has no more interest in socializing than Clint does, but after one unexpected kiss, she starts to rethink her dedication to spinsterhood.. Includes a preview of Jodi Thomas's latest Harmony novel, Can't Stop Believing. Heart on His Sleeve previously appeared in Loving Hearts. A fan-favorite story of heartbreak, hope and the incredible power of female friendship from New

York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas, originally published in 2003. Randi Howard, Anna Montano, Meredith Allen, Helena Whitworth and Crystal Howard have absolutely nothing in common apart from their husbands' work. They are all married to men who live to search for "black gold," men who are willing to exchange backbreaking work and long days for danger and excitement—and money. But on a blistering day in early autumn, a fiery explosion on a West Texas oil rig changes everything. In one brief moment, tragedy binds Randi, Anna, Meredith, Helena and Crystal closer together than they ever thought possible. As they gather at the hospital, waiting to learn who among them will have to bury her husband, they turn to one another for support. And so begins a journey of faith, of strength, of courage and of love.

Forced into a desperate bargain with the aristocratic Cruz Guerrero, Sloan Stewart, the eldest daughter of a wealthy cotton planter and a woman wounded by passion, never expected true love as they become caught in the middle between a traitorous enemy and an embattled republic. Original. After a rebellious beauty, fleeing from an arranged marriage, disappears after nursing him back to health and stealing his horse, Travis McMurray is determined to track her down and bring her back to the ranch as his wife.

Betting the Rainbow

Texas Princess

Heart on His Sleeve

The Texan's Reward

Bride of the High Country

Two hearts make a commitment during the Civil War not knowing he is a spy behind enemy lines and she the daughter of a Union general. But eight years later they meet again though she does not recognize him. Romance blooms again. The New York Times Bestseller and A Reese's Book Club Pick "This love story between Lucy & Gabe spans decades and continents as two star-crossed lovers try to return to each other...Will they ever meet again? This book kept me up at night, turning the pages to find out, and the ending did not disappoint."—Reese Witherspoon "One Day meets Me Before You meets your weekender bag."—The Skimm "Extraordinary."—Emily Giffin He was the first person to inspire her, to move her, to truly understand her. Was he meant to be the last? Lucy is faced with a life-altering choice. But before she can make her decision, she must start her story—their story—at the very beginning. Lucy and Gabe meet as seniors at Columbia University on a day that changes both of their lives forever. Together, they decide they want their lives to mean something, to matter. When they meet again a year later, it seems fated—perhaps they'll find life's meaning in each

other. But then Gabe becomes a photojournalist assigned to the Middle East and Lucy pursues a career in New York. What follows is a thirteen-year journey of dreams, desires, jealousies, betrayals, and, ultimately, of love. Was it fate that brought them together? Is it choice that has kept them away? Their journey takes Lucy and Gabe continents apart, but never out of each other's hearts. This devastatingly romantic debut novel about the enduring power of first love, with a shocking, unforgettable ending, is Love Story for a new generation. "It's the epic love story of 2017."—Redbook  
Look for A Christmas Affair, the exciting new novel from Jodi Thomas, available from HQN books Oct 1, 2017. Pre-order your copy today!

Winner of the Guardian Prize for Fiction In the small town of Pennygaff, where Owen has been sent to live after his mother's death, a legendary golden harp has been found. Knowing of the prophecy of the Harp of Teirtu, Owen must prevent the magic harp from falling into the evil clutches of its reputed owner, the sinister and diabolical Lord MayIn. But it won't be easy. Owen and his friend Arabis are plunged into a hair-raising adventure of intrigue, kidnapping, exotic underground worlds, savage beasts...even murder. For only too late will Owen learn that Lord MayIn will stop at nothing to have the golden harp. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

To Kiss a Texan

Beneath the Texas Sky

Give Me A Texas Outlaw

Ask Me Why

Can't Stop Believing

*From New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Jodi Thomas, a romantic, heartwarming contemporary new series set in Honey Creek, Texas--a little town nestled in the rolling hills bordering the Brazos River, where family bonds and legends run deep, and friendship and love are always close at hand. Filled with Jodi's characteristic warmth, authentic Texan flair, and knack for worldbuilding, this first visit to Honey Creek will have readers clamouring to return! Piper Jane Mackenzie, mayor of Honey Creek, won't let a major scandal rip her quirky hometown apart, or jeopardize her dream of one day running for higher office. So she's willing to welcome undercover detective Colby McBride, hired to help solve the mystery behind her wannabe fiance's disappearance. Colby's cover? That he is an old boyfriend now begging Piper for a second chance--always when there are plenty of townsfolk around to witness his shenanigans. Piper hardly knows whether to laugh or cry, especially when she finds herself drawn to the handsome rascal. He's not the only newcomer she has to deal with. There's a new interim preacher in town, Sam Cassidy. Drifting from one assignment to another since his one love died, Sam isn't sure he's the right fit for Honey Creek. But as*

*Piper knows, this is a place chock-full of surprises. And if she can keep her town--and her heart--from going completely off the rails, there may be a sweet, unexpected future in store...*

*~"Thomas knocks it out of the park again" --Publishers Weekly (starred review) New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas returns to the town of Harmony, Texas, where life has a way of making better plans than anyone ever imagined... Sisters Abby and Dusti Delaney have spent their entire lives on Rainbow Lane, but they dream of something bigger. So when a poker tournament comes to town, Dusti is determined to win enough money to leave. Enlisting expert Kieron O'Brian to teach her the game, sparks begin to fly as they play their hands. But Kieron refuses to stand in the way of her dream, even if it means losing her forever... After a year of traveling, Ronny Logan is settling into a home on Rainbow Lane, but that's all the settling she'll be doing. Ronny refuses to fall for anyone, regardless of the chemistry she has with her neighbor Austin Hawk. Yet something undeniable begins to grow between the two loners—if only they can let their barriers fall and open their hearts...*

*From four acclaimed authors come four all-new novellas featuring the rugged men of the West and the women who want them...*

*From Jodi Thomas...Callie has done a lot of crazy things, but it'll take one more to prove she isn't nuts: find a husband, fast!*

*Her only requirement: he has to be taller than she is and swear not to have her committed during their ruse of a marriage. From Jo Goodman...Felicity Ravenwood was raised to be independent-minded, but when this runaway bride opposes her father's choices, it is up to Nat Church to bring her around. But he doesn't count on springing her from jail, holding her hostage, or falling head over boot-heels in love. From Kaki Warner...Two strangers on a train have more in common than they know—both*

*have hidden purposes and ties to a Nebraska bank robbery. But when their schemes unravel, they find a bigger surprise awaiting them than either could have imagined. From Alison Kent...When runaway New York socialite Maeve Daugherty joins her father's bodyguard Zeb Crow on his personal mission of revenge, what was a slightly scandalous new life as a bookkeeper for an infamous San Antonio brothel becomes downright dangerous. But that's not stopping Maeve from having the time of her life.*

*New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas continues her McLain series with the story of a man in need of a helping hand and the woman who gives him more than he ever expected. If any town needs guidance on the path to peace it's wild and dangerous Jefferson, Texas. Delivering it is the widowed Reverend Daniel McLain's calling. Unfortunately, Daniel's own serenity is disrupted when his young daughters' nanny abandons her job, leaving the widower to appeal to his late wife's family for help. But instead of the elderly aunt he's expecting, he's greeted by Karlee Whitworth, the family's forlorn cousin who's desperate for a place to stay, and eager to prove her worth—by caring for the twins and by mending Daniel's greiving heart. Now two lost souls are about to discover a kindred spirit, and the courage they need to find the happiness they were destined to share...*

*A Novel*

*Christmas in Winter Valley*

### *The Widows of Wichita County*

In this novel in the Whispering Mountain series, New York Times bestselling author Jodi Thomas returns to Texas with a historical romance that sets two unlikely hearts on fire... On a midnight train, four hours away from her wedding, Beth McMurray discovers the devastating truth about the powerful senator she's about to marry. Convinced nothing could make this stormy night worse, the train wrecks, and she tumbles straight into the arms of an outlaw. Andrew McLaughlin doesn't believe in loving except between the pages of his writings. He loved deeply once and thinks he'll never survive another loss. To save a friend, he climbs aboard a train heading toward Dallas. In the moment before the train crashes, he saves a beautiful woman and is injured in the fall. He wakes up to find she ' s claimed him as her fiancé—and now they ' re both on the run, and destined to do everything it takes to make an unexpected promise of love come true.

“ Compelling and beautifully written. ” —Debbie Macomber, #1 New York Times bestselling author on Ransom Canyon From the beloved and bestselling author of the Ransom Canyon and Harmony, Texas series comes a powerful, heartwarming story about generations of family and the ironclad bonds they forge When Jillian James lands in the small town Texas community of Laurel Springs, she ' s definitely not planning to stay—except to find a few clues about the father who abandoned her and destroyed her faith in family. Connor Larady is a single dad, and the only one caring for his grandmother, Eugenia, who has Alzheimer ' s. And now he has to close Eugenia ' s quilt shop. When Connor meets down-on-her-luck Jillian, he ' s out of options. Can he trust the newcomer to do right by his grandmother ' s legacy? Jillian is done with relationships. But as she grows closer to Connor and Eugenia, she must consider giving up her nomadic life for a future with those who need her. An inspiring family saga that asks us to consider what love and chosen family really mean.

The acclaimed #1 "New York Times"-bestselling author presents a spellbinding tale of a mother's tragic loss and one man's last chance at gaining salvation. Once again, Picoult mesmerizes and enthralls readers with this story of redemption, justice, and love.

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