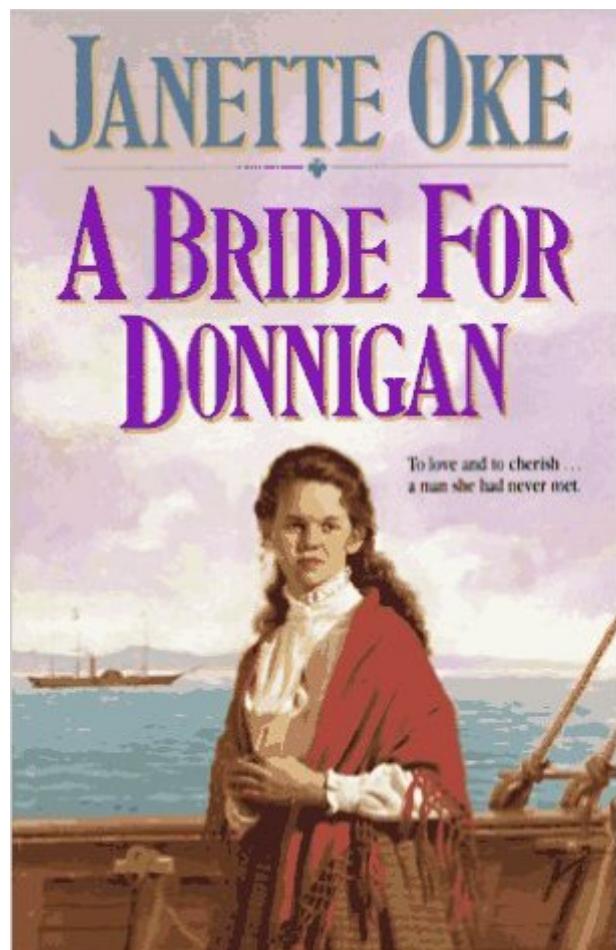


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# A Bride For Donnigan (Women Of The West #7)



## Synopsis

Responding to an Advertisement, She Crossed an Ocean to Meet a Total Stranger and Became a Mail-Order Bride-Kathleen O'Malley stood on the deck of the Barreth Lily and watched the land she'd called home for more than a dozen years slip from her view. She had thought she would be glad to see the last of it, but she was not. Emotions in turmoil, her whole being yearned to slip from the ship and return to what she knew. Even though Kathleen had not been happy with her situation, it was all she had ever known. As the shoreline faded into the morning mist, her only certainty was that she was bound for America to marry a man whose name she did not even know and whose face she had never seen. On the other side of the Atlantic, Donnigan Harrison anxiously awaits Kathleen's arrival on a prairie farm far from her port of arrival in Boston. He has known the wonder of a dream fulfilled a snug frame cabin, the sturdy log barn and outbuildings, a fine herd of livestock, and crops in the field that made his eyes sparkle. Yet Donnigan felt a loneliness on the western frontier that pierced his very soul. With so limited opportunities for finding a wife, the notion of ordering a wife that once seemed unthinkable had come to make some sense. Now that the time has come, Donnigan feels like a small boy waiting for Christmas. But Donnigan's anticipation is overshadowed with terrifying uncertainties. What have I done? And that question is echoed in Kathleen's heart as she nears the po

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## Customer Reviews

I so loved this book, I adore the books by Janette Oke. this one also spoke to me about the bitterness I, and many people carry in their hearts. I would have like to seen Donnigan and Kathleen's search happen earlier in the book, but other than that it's a beautiful story.

This is a clean, Christian romance. I am underwhelmed. This book had two distinct feels. The first part follows Kathleen from England, through her travels and the beginning of her marriage. Her husband thought she was a child of about fifteen (she was seventeen). He lamented to himself that she was only a child, treated her like a child, yet he slept with her nightly and worried that she would get pregnant at such a young age. There was no affection even mentioned. As a matter of fact if she hadn't gotten pregnant I wouldn't have known they were sleeping together. I was still waiting for some kind of romantic gesture to show they cared for one another. The second part covers years of time measured by the birth of children and the search for spiritual guidance and a way to salvation (preaching disguised as a story). I usually like Christian romance. There is a difference between a message within a story and a theology lesson thinly disguised as a story. This one did not work for me on so many levels.

This is the story of Kathleen and how she leaves London for America to become a mail order bride. The story continues as she and Donnigan make friends on the prairie, and experience hardships and joy; the story of their children, and how they discover God's plan for their lives, makes for a well rounded tale of blessings and untold riches. As always Janette Oke weird a superb Christian novel. Recommended for all ages.

This was a great book. Starts off real slow. But then it picks up quick. I loved how it showed how to really talk to someone especially your spouse. to get to know them. also step by step on learning about God and getting to know him and becoming a Christian.

I think that this book is awesome. I had to read it for school, so i thought oh great another boring book....one where i have to try to keep my eyes open. But, when i started to read it...it kept my interest and i kept wanting to read it more and more. It is exciting and you never know what is going to happen next. It was easy to understand. Best of all when I took my test on it ...i got 100%! I was wicked happy!

This story has to be the sweetest I have read in years! It was pure and upright, with a full Christian

focus, especially near the end. It tells the story of a young Irish girl who has faced more than one tragedy in her life and out of desperation turns to an option she likely never would have considered in better circumstances: shipping herself to America to become the wife of a man she knows nothing about. On the other side of the Atlantic, a young man living in the frontier has signed up for a "mail order bride" also out of desperation born from loneliness. Their epic meeting and journey to love, a family of their own, and finding faith in Jesus Christ is nothing short of beautiful. I was sorry to reach the end and can't wait to read it again.

I would like to tell anyone who is thinking about getting their first book by Janette Oke to get this one. It not only expresses how to find God, get closer to Him & live as a christian but is also a history lesson because it talks about life in the pioneer days. This book is a MUST READ!

Janette Oke is at her best with this story, A Bride for Donigan. One can sympathize with both the hero and the heroine and stay buried for hours with the Kindle. Why do I have to get up off the sofa and make supper?

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