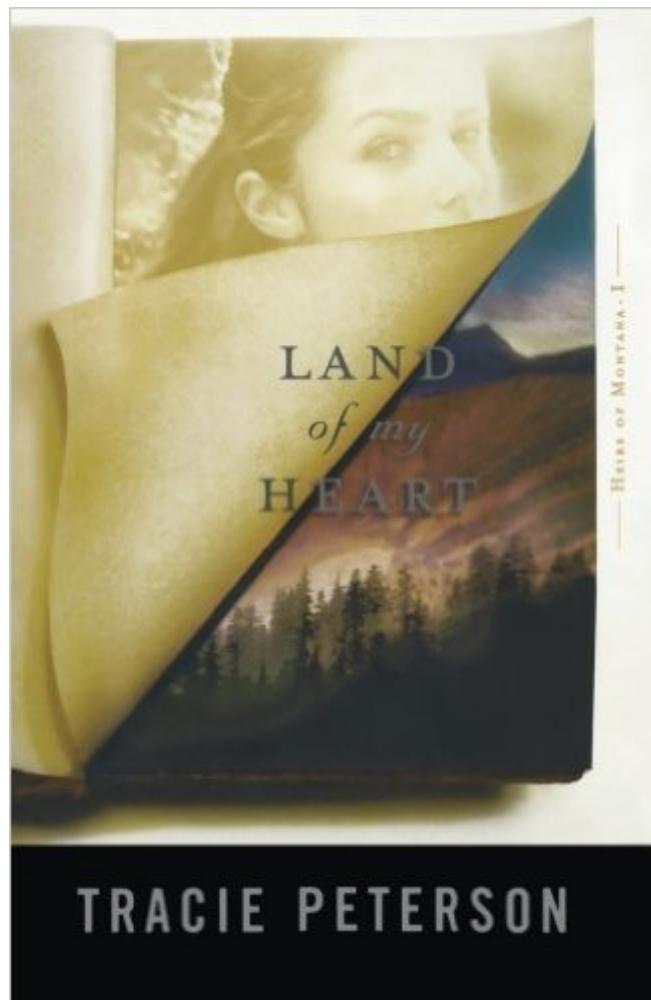


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# Land Of My Heart (Heirs Of Montana #1)



## **Synopsis**

Book 1 of Heirs of Montana from bestselling author Tracie Peterson. Adventurers, families, outlaws. . .all driven west in the 1860s by a longing for endless blue sky along with wild and wideopen spaces. Tracie Peterson, from her own Montana home, paints an unforgettable portrait of this rich, rugged landscape, populated by strong and spirited characters. When Dianne Chadwick urges her family to move west to her uncle's ranch in the Montana Territory, she has no idea that her new life in the rugged frontierand even within her uncle's homewill not be the idyllic adventure she expects. But first she has to survive the arduous wagon journey with the help of guide Cole Selby, whose heart seems to be as hard as the mountains he loves.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Somehow I felt Tracie Peterson went a bit heavy on the sad stuff, but perhaps that was the way it was. Dianne is featured along with her family which continues to decrease due to various reasons and some very tragic circumstances.Diane and her Mother want to take the family and flee the war in Missouri- so- without her Father, they leave on a wagon train for Montana. If anything else went wrong there would not have been a book to write! Whites hating Blacks, Indians hating Whites, families in turmoil and through it all, a thread of hope and the Gospel. Enough happiness and success is present to continually nudge the reader to finish.Tracie did a great job with proof of cultural differences and the grief they could cause through other people, especially in dealing with the marriage of Bram and Koko.I am anxious for book 2 in this series. Thank you Tracie Peterson.

This book is not a "romance" per se. Rather, it is a story about how the characters deal with loss and challenge, and how they grow as a person because of it. (I try to write that way myself.) Peterson does a masterful job of this character transformation, and that's the reason I had trouble putting this book down! The relationship (as opposed to "romance") between Cole and Dianne builds slowly, which some may see as a negative, but which I find much more compelling and deep. The passages relating to the characters' struggles with God are completely believable - for most of us have questioned God at some time or other. I'm looking forward to the next in the series!

In this historical fiction, Dianne loses a great deal in her quest to better the lives of her mother and siblings. She urges them to travel across the country in a wagon train to the new Montana Territory, but in the process, she loses much. Some loss comes by death, some by distance, some by a distant heart..... but will she find herself and what she loves most? Just when resolution seems eminent, a cliffhanger..... At times, I thought I could read no more, but I couldn't put it down!

What began as a promising storyline, a father shot protecting his daughter, turned into a very long ordeal dragged out through several more years of disjointed story lines involving many characters. Honestly, I didn't even finish the story but skipped to the end only to find out the story actually doesn't end! Very disappointed. Will not be reading the rest in the series.

Excellent Christian fiction that's not too preachy; full of adventure. I like that the stories do have tragedy; people do die, even children, and that's what it was like in the old west. Too many other writers romanticize the old west! Tracie Peterson does a good job of bringing out the injustices of prejudices against all kinds of people, such as in this book with the Indians and ex-slaves. Quite a good story line - I hope to read the next in this series soon. I also liked the printing of this book with the "turned page corner" at the beginning of each chapter. It's a clever little illustration. It makes the book a little more special, so nice if you are thinking of giving the book or Heirs of Montana series as a gift.

I picked this book up three times at the library and each time just couldn't get into it. I finally said I would read it, and when I did, I wished that I hadn't. I love Tracie Peterson as a writer (she is my favorite author), and would never want to put her down, but this book was just too sad to handle. It does get a lot better near the end, but the beginning and part of the middle is just too much misery

in one book. And the worst thing about this is that my friend told me that the sequel is almost just as sad. Now I started a series and I don't know if I am willing to pick up the second book. But please don't let this stop you from reading it. It is really good and people have different likes and dislikes about books.

Is the rest? It just ended....leaving the reader saying what the heck, I feel like I just wasted two days for nothing

This is the second book by Tracie Peterson that I have ever read, and thanks to this book, I'm hooked! I could barely put the book down, and am eager to start reading the next in this series. If the reader likes historical fiction, especially that of pioneer and wagon train stories, this is the one to read. It had more than its fair share of tragedy, however, so be prepared. But that was also the way of life on the trail, and many of our pioneering ancestors faced many hardships. I like the way the characters have been developed and interwoven, and I like the way Tracie has shown how God worked in all of their lives, through good and through bad. This is not a romance novel, exactly, but the "end" looks promising for two of the main characters!!

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