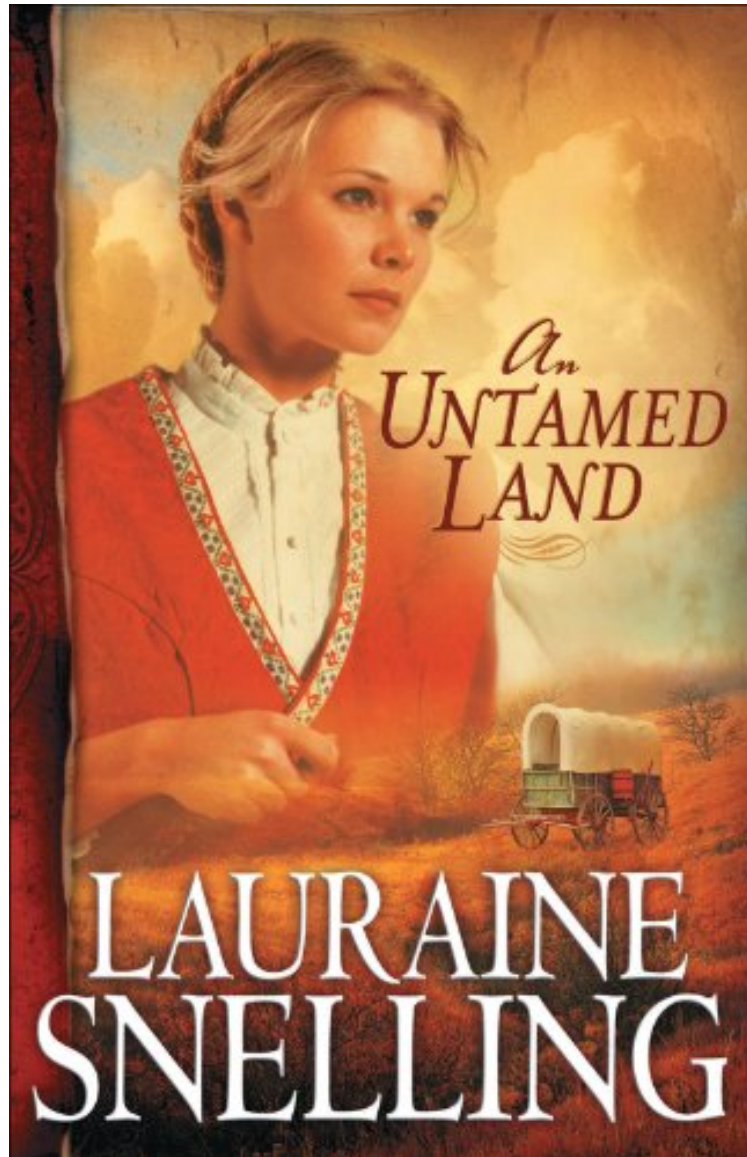


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Siedlerthematik ohne Schnfrberei dargestellt - lesenswert!Von nigmaZum InhaltDer Roman schildert das Schicksal der beiden Brder Carl und Roald Bjorklund, die mit ihren Frauen Kaaren und Ingeborg im Jahr 1880 von Norwegen

nach Amerika aufbrechen, um sich in Dakota auf frei verfügbarem Siedlungsland ein neues Heim zu errichten. Ein passendes Stück Land ist nach der beschwerlichen Reise schnell gefunden, aber die Neuankömmlinge besitzen nichts als das, was auf ihren Planwagen passt und müssen sich unter großen Mühen und Entbehrungen eine Existenz schaffen. Während des warmen und sonnigen Sommers kommen sie gut voran, aber der Winter mit seinen gnadenlosen Blizzards bringt eine Katastrophe mit sich. Es obliegt Ingeborg, die sich schon zuvor nicht mit der blichen Rollenverteilung auf der wachsenden Farm anfreunden konnte, das Ruder zu übernehmen, um ihre Familie am Leben zu erhalten.

**Beurteilung** Der Roman ist in sehr flüssigem und anschaulichen Stil geschrieben, die gnadenlose Härte des Lebens in einem neuen Land gegen Ende des 19. Jahrhunderts wird sehr authentisch geschildert. Dies ist kein "Friede-Freude-Eierkuchen-Buch", in dem die Hauptfiguren jedes Problem meistern und glücklich bis an ihr Ende leben, stattdessen ereignen sich - wie es wohl der historischen Realität entspricht - Tragdienen, die die Protagonistin Ingeborg bis an die Grenzen ihrer Leidenschaftlichkeit fordern und auch überfordern. Sie wird realistisch mit guten Eigenschaften, aber auch Schwächen dargestellt. Auch ihr Mann Roald ist ein gut ausgearbeiteter und glaubwürdiger Charakter. Etwas zu penetrant ist (für mich) der christliche Ton des Romans, die Hauptfiguren sind sehr gläubig und im dauernden Zwiegespräch mit Gott. Das ist normalerweise gar nicht mein Fall, es spricht aber für die sonstige Gestaltung des Romans, dass ich das Buch dennoch unbedingt beenden wollte, da es mich fesselte. Wer sich für die Thematik der Besiedlung des Amerikanischen Kontinents durch europäische Einwanderer im 19. Jahrhundert interessiert, einigermaßen fit im Englischen ist und sich nicht an der christlichen Ausrichtung stört, hat hier ein durchaus lesenswertes Buch vor sich.

**Fazit** Ein lesenswerter Roman, der das harte Leben europäischer Siedler in Dakota ohne Schnmalerei darstellt. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. This book is meant for the serious reader! Von Ein Kunde I read this book almost two years ago, but I still remember how much it captured my attention. I think what made the book so interesting is the fact that it didn't create a phony atmosphere. Everything was so real and their problems were so crushing that I think I better understood what a hard life many immigrants went through. I appreciate the spiritual side of the book too. I think it's a great witness when writers use Jesus Christ as a key player in their character's lives. I have also read the next two books in the series and am looking forward to the third. I have a lot more to say of the book, but I'll leave it at this; it's a great book for people interested in history and in love with great reading! 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Definitely on my top ten list!!! Von Ein Kunde 'An untamed land' was one of the best books I have ever read. I would strongly recommend this book to everyone who enjoys good, quality historical fiction. Mrs. Snelling definitely has a gift for writing. I have just finished the sequel, 'A new day rising', and I can't wait to read 'A land to call home'. I love the way Mrs. Snelling incorporates the Lord into her books. So many Christian authors today don't bother to write about Jesus Christ, it's refreshing to read a book that centers around Him! Mrs. Snelling, all I can say is, please write more!

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winter?SynopsisLeaving their beloved Norway for the promise of untold prosperity in America, the Bjorklund family settles in Dakota Territory on the banks of the Red River and endures unimagined hardships and trials.