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A Contemporary Cowboy Romance Novel.

Marlene is one of the Red O'Connor's kids and she's got her dad's fiery temper. Itching for something bigger, she left the family ranch in Texas and hasn't been back for a while. Now, for the first time in months, she's back on vacation where she meets Curtis Copeland who is working as a ranch hand on Circle O. The last thing Marlene wants is any form of relationship, she has a full life already and it's not on the farm. Curtis has different ideas though; he's waited ten years to finally have Marlene and fate or destiny delivered her to him. Yet everything seems to be working against them. Marlene's family is dead set against the relationship and Curtis harbors a ten year old secret that can tear them apart. Whether they will be able to overcome the obstacles to be together is a question neither Marlene nor Curtis can answer.

Mending Fences is Book 1 in the Texas Heat series and it features the lively O'Connor family who work hard and love hard.

## Mending Fences Details

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## From Reader Review Mending Fences for online ebook

### Jo-Anne says

Marlene O'Connor grew up on her family's ranch in Texas but left as soon as she could. Ten years later she came back for a vacation but sure doesn't get much relaxation. She met ranch hand Curtis Copeland and was immediately attracted to him. She didn't recognize Curtis from her youth but he loved her as a teen and never forgot her. She's only there for a short time but hopes they can have fling anyway. Too bad Marlene's father and brothers didn't want them to be together and worked hard to keep them apart. Also Curtis had a ten year old secret that he didn't want her to find out about because he's afraid she'll hate him.

I liked how strong Marlene was in standing up to her family and outsmarting them. You should read it to find out more about how she does it. Curtis was a very proud man who worked hard around the ranch. Marlene's father and brothers were so protective of Marlene that I felt sorry for her having to deal with them. Even though I liked this book I almost stopped reading after the first few chapters but I like Amelia Rose's writing so I kept going and I'm glad I did. The couple of things that annoyed me were related to horses. The first thing was the comment about the horse's fur. Horses don't have fur - they have hair. The second thing was that I thought the reason she got thrown from her horse was stupid. She lost focus when racing her horse against Curtis and didn't see the water. You just don't lose focus when riding. She especially wouldn't race when she hadn't ridden in years. I thought about this a little more and realized that most readers wouldn't know these facts so as part of the story it would be exciting.

I did enjoy this romance and recommend it.

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### Manuela says

sweet, good read, long time love.

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### Patty says

Not quite a second chance romance, but a childhood crush that comes to life. This book was a joy and completely entertaining. Marlene goes home to her family ranch for vacation. She loves her family, but at times finds them completely overbearing. She meets Curtis, and they fall into an easy attraction. Curtis has secrets though, and is not ready to reveal them to Marlene. Of course, the over protective brother and father make life difficult for the ranch hand, but Curtis is a tough one. Along with the spunkiness of Marlene and the perseverance of Curtis, these two can make it through anything.

When Curtis comes clean with his secrets, there is some retribution that takes place, but the love between Marlene and Curtis grows. It is so sweet and loving, you can't help but fall for this couple!

Charles D Baker is the narrator. He is perfect for the contemporary western romance.

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### Maggie Hesseling says

A really sweet story about a man who has loved the daughter of the neighboring ranch since he was a teenager. Now she's back and he will do anything to make himself known. I liked the story and the characters, they were personable and real.

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### **Amy says**

Read as part of "Contemporary Cowboy Romance 3 Book Box Set"

Sweet but sleepy romance. Some closer attention could've been spent in copy editing.

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### **Dotty says**

good clean short sweet romance.

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### **Jen\_C says**

Can a book be bipolar? This one seemed to be taking place in the late 1800s if judging by the attitudes and talk, but then a cellphone or something more modern is mentioned and it almost jarred me.

If you are a feminist, this book is not for you. If you like He-Men, daddy knows best, 25-year-old women who let their families run their lives and find that romantic, this one is for you.

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### **Chris Hanselman says**

As I promised myself, if a book had a lot of errors(wrong words, wrong names, etc) I would deduct a star on my review.

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### **Cynthia says**

#### **Enjoyable**

Marlene grew up in her family ranch always helping. Curtis was working on the ranch next door when he and she was 15 and he was stealing fence post so he could see her. Now years later he is working on her family ranch and she's home for vacation and they finally connect.

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### **Delta says**

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## **April says**

Mending Fences (Texas Heat #1)

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A short, sweet, clean, western romance that has two young people that want a relationship and the many things that are trying to keep them apart. It was a nice listen.

The narration was well done. The characters were well portrayed, by Charles D. Baker.

"I was voluntarily provided this review copy audiobook at no charge by the author, publisher and/or narrator."

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## **Linda says**

### **Loved this book!**

It's a great story about love, trust and accepting responsibility for the acts you do. There's Curtis who's loved a girl on the ranch for 10 years and Marlene the woman who comes back to the ranch after a long absence from there. They feel a strong attraction to each other but trust and her family's blessings are hard won. An excellent story, my only problem with it was that it wasn't long enough. I'd certainly recommend this book to anyone who likes a great, clean romance.

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## **Caro says**

Pretty good. Mostly sweet, has emotions, stubbornness, determination, hard work and a perfect ending. Good for passing time, relaxing, or a lighter, happier kinda read. Enjoy

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## **Nancy says**

This is the first book I have read that was written by Amelia Rose and it will definitely not be the last. This is the story of Marlene O'Connor and Curtis Copeland and how her family didn't want her to have anything to do with Curtis, one of their ranch hands, and how they overcame that obstacle.

This is the first book in the Texas Heat series and since this one was so good I am ready to start reading books 2 and 3.

## Betty says

This is a wonderful romantic novella. Its well written with very likable characters. Marlene O'Conner is just returning to the family ranch for a month's stay. Her father and brothers are extremely protective of the women in the family and Marlene has really felt their possessiveness. Its one of the big reasons that after college she chose to stay on in town to find work as a nurse. When she arrives at the ranch she finds a stranger their to open the gate rather than her brother. He is a nice looking man and very sexy. Even though she is a bit angry that her brother didn't take the time to meet her himself, she is drawn to the ranch hand that has come for her. Little does she know that this is a man who fell in love with her as a boy, 10 years ago. Curtis feels lucky just to be able to ride next to her from the gate to the ranch house. I love the plot of the story and the romance... a very enjoyable read.

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