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Sandra Ambriz says

A wonderful novel

Beth Wiseman is truly blessed with the gift of writing. She truly takes you to the city of Paradise and the families that live there. As always she interwoven the lives of the main characters with their friends and families.

Mayda says

Beth Wiseman continues her Daughters of the Promise series with "Plain Pursuit," in which she tackles the painful subject of shunning as well as catastrophic illness. This she does with a well thought-out storyline that weaves these two threads together in a romantic tale about love and old hurts and disappointments, as well as the second chances that come with understanding and forgiveness.

Cindy says

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Reveiwed by Cindy Loven

Carley's dear friend Lillian has moved to Amish country. Not only that, she has converted to the Amish religion. Arriving for a visit, and a forced vacation by her boss, Carley is going to use this visit to write an article for her newspaper, but also to catch up with Lillian.

Things quickly change though, as at the very beginning of her visit, Lillian's stepson David, falls and cuts his chin, using her rental car Carley drives them to the hospital. There a doctor who seems to know Lillian's

husband Samuel treats David, and disturbs Samuel. Something just is not right about the whole story, and Carley can sense as does Lillian. Samuel, however is not sharing or telling anything.

Life in the Stoltzfus family is fixing to change drastically. The doctor who knew Samuel is his brother who was shunned for leaving the Ordnung and becoming a doctor, but the big change is that David is sick, very sick. In fact his life is in danger, he will die without a kidney transplant. Of all the family, the only who is a match is the the doctor, Noah Stoltzfus. Samuel is full of mixed feelings, he loves his brother, even though he is shunned, but Samuel must follow the shunning, and even though it allows Noah to donate the kidney, it doesn't allow them to be in contact with Noah. How is this all going to work out??

Carley, facing her own demons, concerning hospitals, death and infertility, finds she is quickly falling for the shunned doctor. She realizes how important family is to him, and knowing she will never have children returns home to her job in Texas.

Will she recover from her broken heart? Will David live? Will Dr. Noah Stoltzfus donate his kidney to a family member who cannot even talk to him according to the Amish Ordnung? Where will all of this bring Carley faith in God?

A heart gripping story, full of twists, turns and even a bit suspenseful. Beth Wiseman has written another wonderful Amish story that will thrill her readers. You will not want to miss this book. Recipes and discussion guide at the end of the book. 346 pages US \$14.99 4 and half stars

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Edwina Cowgill says

I must admit that I've not read many Amish stories. Based on what I have read, I've not become a huge fan of Amish stories. And I've wondered at the immense popularity of the Amish books. Until now.

I just finished reading Plain Pursuit by Beth Wiseman. In her writing of the Amish country, Beth transforms the reader into a member of the Amish community. Her knowledge of the Amish ways is vast and she weaves that knowledge throughout this book. But Plain Pursuit is much more than just a fiction book based on the Amish community. It is a love story between two friends. It is a love story between a man, shunned from the Amish community, and an Englisch (that's not a typo) woman. Englisch is a non-Amish person. And I know that because Ms. Wiseman graciously included a glossary of Amish terms in the front of the book. Most importantly, it is a love story between God and His children. A love story of redemption and reconciliation.

Here is the book cover summary:

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This book is obviously written from a heart full of love for God and for the Amish people. It is a book that holds the readers' attention to the end and when the last page is read and the book is closed, the readers are left with that "feel good" feeling.

Plain Pursuit – a "must" read – perfect to read on a freezing winter evening in front of the fireplace with a cup of hot chocolate. Enjoy!!

Crissy says

Absolutely loved the series! Great amish author!

Sylvia says

I loved this!! Great story!! it was a cute story!! I can't wait to read the next book in the series!! starting to read this author's books!!

Casey says

Carley Marek is forced to take a vacation by her boss, so she heads for Pennsylvania Dutch country and her Amish reformed friend. Entering the tranquil countryside and community of the Amish soon proves to be anything, but relaxing. From a shunning no one wants to forgive to a dying child in need of a kidney transplant, Carley is about to discover what she never expected to find.

I hate clichéd Amish stories and there are so many out there. But, I am so thrilled to share with you a simply wonderful story. A tale fresh with new perspective on the Amish culture. I am a huge stickler when it comes to getting facts right on the Amish, but Beth Wiseman does a marvelous job on accuracy. It was like a breath of fresh air and a story I loved from page one to the end. There was one moment that must have been a typo when it came to changing character perspective, but aside from that it was a great read. The ending will even make you cry (in a very good way!) 5/5 stars!

Tara says

AMAZING book! Definitely recommend this book.

Rachel Brand says

Beth Wiseman produces consistently good Amish romantic fiction. This is the second of her full-length novels that I've read, although I've also read a couple of her novellas, and I've yet to be disappointed. I felt that this one was a bit slow to start and I got irritated by how stubborn Samuel could be, particularly as I loved his character in the previous book and felt he'd kind of morphed into the generic Amish male stereotype. Samuel's mood eventually relaxed and the shunning disputes were somewhat alleviated throughout the book, which enabled me to enjoy this book a lot more. I actually got a bit teary-eyed in a few places (a bit embarrassing when you're having your morning cup of tea in the cafeteria at work!) and towards the end I was grinning ridiculously (while on the bus heading back from work, I tried not to make eye-contact with the woman next to me in case she thought I was raving mad). While I did have some reservations at first I ended up being really touched by this book. I particularly liked the fact that while this book features Amish characters and a romance, this isn't the typical "English woman meets Amish man and converts to marry him" plot. Carley and Noah were both Englishers who happened to have friends and relatives in the Amish community and therefore spent a lot of time with them. I also loved the introduction of Dana and Jenna to the story, and the chance to catch up with Lillian's family. I'll admit that I still feel that some issues weren't entirely covered up - why should Lillian always follow her husband's requests even if she doesn't feel comfortable with them or doesn't agree with his views? Is it okay to bend the rules and disobey the Bishop? What should you do when you believe the Christian thing to do isn't what the Bishop is ordering? - but I hope that maybe these are covered in more depth in later books. Another 9/10 from Beth Wiseman. I was planning to keep #3 in the series until later but I think I'll start it now as I'm on a definite Amish kick!

Kathleen Fuller says

I thoroughly enjoyed reading Plain Pursuit. Not having read Plain Perfect (although it's on my list) I was happy to discover that this book, although part of a series, stands alone. Wiseman does a particularly great job of dealing with shunning, a controversial Amish practice that seems cruel and unnecessary to outsiders, but is a part of the Amish faith. The characters of Noah and Carley are well drawn, and the secondary characters are interesting and vital to the story, but don't overwhelm the major players. If you're a fan of Amish fiction, don't miss Plain Pursuit!

Michele says

This is such a good book! When a book makes you go through many emotions and feel the happiness and sadness of the story, it is good! Carly's pain, mixed with Noah's, is heart wrenching. The faith, or lack there of, will make people think about their own beliefs.

Nikole Hahn says

Amish romance has hit the Christian culture like the Twilight series has hit the secular world—like a nuclear

bomb. Authors like Beverly Lewis have colored the Amish in a rosy glow, and Beth Wiseman is no different.

When you first open the book, she lists a few Pennsylvania Dutch words and their definitions. I work with a family whose roots are from Pennsylvania Dutch country and find the language quaint. The story comes from the points of view of Carley (a woman who lost her mother and has an overprotective brother), Lillian (formerly a city-girl who fell in love with an Amish farmer, Samuel, and became baptized into the Amish religion), and Noah (the shunned brother of Samuel). Carley is still struggling with the unexpected death of her mother. The accident stole her mother and her ability to have children.

From the first page to the last page, Beth Wiseman weaves an intricate tale of romance, struggles with past bitterness, and a family's internal struggle with honoring their vows to the Amish Ordnung. A shunning is when a person has been baptized into the Amish religion and chose to leave after the fact. It seems black and white. A promise is truly sacred in God's eyes, but Noah had a calling from God. He tries to explain this to Samuel, but Samuel is caught between his own promise to shun and his own bitterness over Noah's betrayal (of which you will have to read the book and find out what Noah did to betray the Amish).

As you get involved in the lives of Noah, Lillian, Samuel, David and Carley, you will weep in sorrow, sing for joy, and learn about the Amish lifestyle. It is simple. It is hard work. I can see why so many people are fascinated by the Amish. Will Noah and Carley have a 'happily-ever-after,' or will Carley submit to her own fears?

When you reach the end of the book, there is a list of reader questions, like, "The Amish believe that shunning is a way to keep the church pure. It is not intended to be a punishment, but an opportunity for the person shunned to right his or her ways in the eyes of God. Do you feel this is a fair and acceptable practice? Or do you believe it is cruel? Should exceptions be made in certain cases? Have you ever been shunned by someone you love? Have you ever shunned?" This question is very powerful. Shunning, in my opinion, is emotional blackmail to force a person to return to a way of life he or she disagrees with instead of respecting healthy boundaries. At the end of the book you will also find recipes. Beth Wiseman writes in Acknowledgments, "To my Old Order Amish friend in Lancaster County, thank you for allowing me to share your fabulous recipes..."

Read the book. It is available through many bookstore outlets and Amazon.com. You will reluctantly close the book after the last page is read and wish to hear more about Carley and Noah. They become like old friends. Settle into your favorite quilt, sip a cup of your favorite tea, and start reading. Escape from our present reality and listen to this tale of love and redemption so lovingly crafted.

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Nikole Hahn

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Jane says

This book shows God's unconditional love and restoration to people. From the beginning you won't be able to put the book down. You will just keep reading.

Carly has problems dealing with an accident that took her Mother's life and caused it so she cannot have children. Her boyfriend dumped her and her work is affected due to all she is dealing with.

So her boss forces her to take a vacation for a month which turns into a longer period.

Carly goes to Pa. to visit a friend who married into the Amish Community. She is surprised by the peace she finds there and how her faith is strengthened.

An illness brings Samuel and Lillian to the hospital seeking help for their son. But Samuel is shocked to find his brother the doctor there and he is being shunned so he cannot have anything to do with him.

But Noah won't give up and uses Carly to try to reach the family to get help for their son. Now so much happens during all this that begins a restoration and healing and God's unconditional love.

It is a must read book.

Jennifer says

I guess I'm just missing why this series has such stellar reviews on goodreads. It's not TERRIBLE, but not great. The story was so unrealistic. It was fun, but it was hard to get into a story that was so far fetched. However, if you're just looking for a fun "fluff" book, I recommend this for sure.

Megan Rang says

Loved this book! Part way through I realized I had read books by this author and the same characters!
