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The journey had been long and difficult and full of mishaps—even deadly ones. But the words in Ian’s mind seemed . . . as if they encompassed all they’d endured and experienced; all their losses and sorrows. . . . You’re exactly where you’re supposed to be, Ian. It was true. He knew it was true. He was exactly where God wanted him to be, and so were those who constituted his family. . . . They were where God wanted them to be; they were on the right path, in the right place at the right time, and they would soon achieve their goal and be united with God’s people.

In volume two of her compelling new Shadows of Brierley series, renowned LDS author Anita Stansfield once again weaves a rich narrative her readers can savor. Remarkably poignant and magnificently moving, this is the story of a family whose lives are anything but ordinary . . . a family whose journey takes them from the luxuries and comforts of a privileged Scottish heritage to the raw realities of a fledgling American frontier and a people who are true to their God and their faith despite relentless persecution.

With characters that leave an indelible impression on the reader’s heart, and a series of misfortunes that threatens to break spirits and extinguish faith, *A Far Horizon* will prove to be a spiritually significant destination well worth the journey.

A Far Horizon Details

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Bethany says

Just finished!!! I liked the first book better and I'm not really sure I care to read the next book. I'm content with the story ending with this book. I lost interest towards the end and started skimming as quickly as I could just to be done. I have a hard time reading her books. Her books tend to be a little too cheesy and unrealistic to me. I find that I roll my eyes a lot and skip over parts. My mom keeps sending her books to me...so I feel like I need to read them. But I struggle!!! However, this series is not bad. I think because I LOVE historical fiction and the fact that this takes place in the early 1800's (the first book was in Scotland)...that's a little more exciting to me. I'm tired of in EVERY book she writes, when the characters are agreeing on something, they ALWAYS say "Amen." ANNOYING!!!! There are so many other words out there to use!!

Evelyn Sheehan says

Anita has done it again! This book takes you on a journey that is so full of love, sacrifice, joy, and sorrow. My heart was touched and I could not stop reading it. You feel so attached to each one of the characters, and journey with them as they try to follow the path that they are destined to follow, and have such joys and such heartbreaks along the way. Their faith is strengthened as they make their way to Nauvoo, and finally begin to set down roots. I loved this book, and highly recommend it! I can't wait to see what happens next!

Alicia says

I enjoyed reading Anita Stansfield's books and this book was no exception. This is the second book in the Shadows of Brierley series. This book is about the journey of Ian and Wren MacBrier to America as they search out the Mormons. A lot happens to them on their journey and it really makes you feel for them.

I think this book is a great one time read.

kelley says

Many years ago I read an Anita Stansfield book. She is an author not to my liking. Too much death, illness, crying and sorrow--without any joy to relieve it all. I gagged my way through it and have never read another of her books (which are many) until this one. And just why would I force myself to gag down another Anita Stansfield book? Well my mother is in the nursing home and has been too feeble to hold and read a book. She started this book before she fell and so I have been reading it out loud to her. So I read it because I love my mother. I hope she is strong enough to hold a book before she asks me to read the third in the series. I just don't know if I can do it. *sigh* But just because I didn't like it doesn't mean you won't.

Lisa says

Spoiler alert - too many people dying in this book although at the end you realize why the suffering was necessary. And as I read my ancestors stories, I realize how many lived harsh lives, with death a common thing so maybe it is just the way things are. I just hated having so many characters pass on. Still a good read!

Jodie says

It took me awhile to get "hooked" on this one. I feel as if Anita's story was too wishful and unrealistic. What bothered me the most was that she used terminology that was LDS church related for someone who knows nothing of the LDS church. These terms would only be used by someone who was. I feel as if she needed to do more research on how someone would actually feel as an investigator of the church and how they would have been raised so that the picture they would feel would be more accurate.

Apzmarshl says

Stansfield continues to hit hard subjects with finesse but the extremely unrealistic way the conversations go, plus the never ending supply of money, and the rich hubby without a job and the shameless desire to never be parted from his wife for longer than mere moments.....it's really trying my patience.

Jana says

I know there is a lot of criticism of this book, but I like these stories. The simple faith of the characters is inspiring to me. It gives me a little look into what it may have been like to be an early convert of the church and to find the Book of Mormon. It makes me remember the gifts I have been given in my life and that I take for granted. It makes me want to be a little better.

Abbie Butcher says

Way too preachy for my taste, I really thought since this book is part of a four-book series that it would only get better and better from book 1. Nope. Still boring. Still preachy. I'm only reading the next to say that I finished the series, not because I've enjoyed it in the least.

Mary Ann says

Ok, I swore I would never read another Anita Stansfield book, but alas I did. I kind of liked the first book of this series, and was hoping I would like this one, but it was so depressing, and dragged on and on. I really

didn't even want to finish it. One thing I don't like is how she tackles gospel topics. She writes like she is informing a non-member, so she goes into great detail. Sorry, but I really don't think many if any non-members are reading her books. Get on with the story please! If she actually did that, maybe the book wouldn't have to be a series. Maybe she could write one really good book instead a series of long, boring books!

Derek N says

I have read many of Anita's books. I have liked almost all of them. This particular series was hard for me. In the first 2 books there have been so many characters die! Like a lot. I don't know the exact count but I swear every chapter someone does or was sick or hit by a carriage or any number of depressing thing! I couldn't stand all the depressing things happening. If I want a depressing story, I can go watch the news.

Aleisa says

Anita Stansfield can write. Some of her books have been well-crafted. But her real talent lies in being a storyteller. She can create some compelling stories--and this is why I always come back to her for a fun story. In recent years though, her writing has become more shallow and her books are just mediocre updates on characters she talked us into loving. The stories are still ultimately enjoyable but it's like listening to someone tell you a long-drawn out story when you would really just like them to get to their point.

Melissa says

I wish I could give this on 2 1/2 stars. I liked it better than the first book of the series, but still didn't really enjoy it. It felt slow and plodding and the tone was depressing and faithless. I didn't care for the characters, but I finished it so I guess that is saying something.

Tiffany says

Still rolling my eyes, but I'm also still reading the series!

Barbara says

The meeting of new people as they do in this book is gratifying. The sadness that occurs when some do pass away is not what I like however it makes good reading when you discover there are reasons for all that happens.
