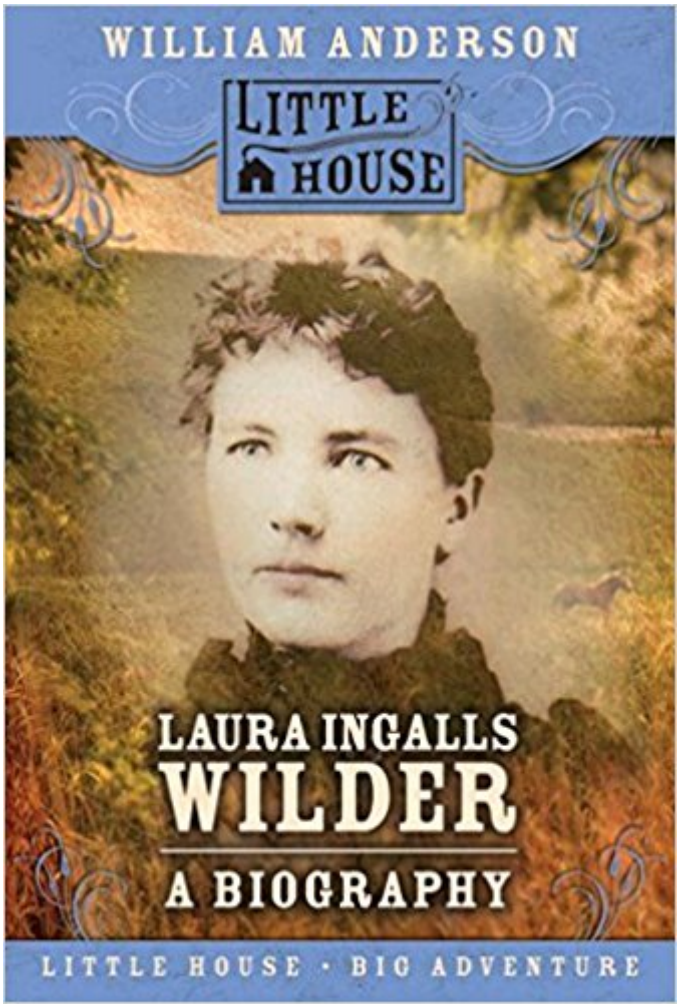
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This straightforward chronology of Laura Ingalls Wilder (1867-1957) details her heritage and birth, her family's pioneering and her travels with her husband Almanzo and daughter Rose. Though he makes use of the author's private journals, Anderson provides little information on his subject's life and times that the reader wouldn't glean from the eloquent descriptions in the Little House series. Because it fleshes out some of the gaps in that series, this biography might interest history buffs, and Wilder devotees may snap this up. But by simply shadowing and underscoring her universally acclaimed writings, the book pales in comparison with Wilder's own versions of her adventures. Ages 8-12. Copyright 1992 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

Grade 4-7-- This biography of the quintessential pioneer girl who lived the ``Little House'' stories and later captured them for posterity in her books is substantial in length and content. Like the subject's enduring series, it not only chronicles growing up on the frontier, but also pictures a way of life that has long since vanished. Many more people and events from Wilder's childhood and mature years appear here than in other juvenile accounts. Quotations from her works are woven into the text. Anderson brings credentials to the work, yet falters when discussing Wilder's awards. He states that Little House in the Big Woods (1932) became a Newbery Honor Book, when, in fact, On the Banks of Plum Creek (1937, both HarperCollins) was the first of the series so named. Compounding the error, he describes an Honor Book as ``the most outstanding children's book of the year.'' These inaccuracies aside, Anderson's colorful and detailed biography should prove popular with ``Little House'' devotees and students reporting on notable women or authors. Two sections of black-and-white photographs are included. --Pat Katka, San Diego Public LibraryCopyright 1992 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

One of the must-reads for those interested in Laura Ingalls Wilder and her life, times and perspectives.I also recommend the incomparable annotated autobiography, a wonderful resource and product and, of course, the great stories.of the childhoods of Laura and her siblings and Almanzo's as well.Truly touching and rrefreshing. It's hard to add any more to the volumes of enthusiasm for the Little House books and their context.

Very interesting, historical read. I was delighted to get to know more about the lady behind the TV show "Little House on the Prairie" and her growing up/adult years. This woman actually lived from Wagon Trains to Airplanes, what a fascinating life and time to live in.

This was a fantastic read. It brought more details and truths than the Little House Books. If you like Laura and her stories, you will love this book.

The details are delightful, enlightening those who grew up enjoying the Little House books and shares the challenges and fullness of 19th century life. There are wonderful photos of the Ingalls and Wilder family. Got this for our granddaughter - but, read it first.

Very interesting and a quick read. So nice to get the adult perspective on her life story. I also bought the annotated autobiography, but it is a massive hardcover. This book would be great for taking on a plane as it’s light and only takes a few hours to read.

I am going to read this first as anything about Laura Ingalls is going to be interesting.

Bought this book for my daughter who has read all of the "Little House" series. Received on time and in great condition. She has not readit yet. But, she is so excited and looking forward to reading it.

Anything "Little House" I love!! It is alot of what I already read & knew, but I like the different format.

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