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“A captivating historical western romance set in the burgeoning and treacherous city of San Francisco. Go along for the ride in this gripping story that seizes your attention from the very first page.”

“If you’re a reader who wants to discover an entire family of characters you can fall in love with, this is the series for you.” – Authors to Watch

Pierce is a rough man, but happy in his new life as a Special Agent. Tasked with defending the rights of the federal government, Pierce is a cunning gunslinger always ready to tackle the next job. That is, until he finds out that his new job involves Mollie Jamison.

Mollie can be a lot to handle. Headstrong and independent, Mollie has chosen a life of danger and intrigue guaranteed to prove her liquor-loving father wrong. She will make something of herself, and no one, not even arrogant Pierce MacLaren, will stand in her way.

A secret mission brings them together, but will their attraction to each other prove deadly in their hunt for justice? The payoff for success is high, much higher than any assignment either has taken before. But will the damage to their hearts and souls be too much to bear? Can Pierce and Mollie find a way to overcome their misgivings and work together as one?

Read *Wilder than the Rest*, another heartening story of duty, honor, passion, and love in book six of the MacLarens of Fire Mountain.

Wilder than the Rest Details

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Anari says

Pierce McLaren is a man on a mission. Trouble is, on his latest assignment he's been saddled with an unusual partner - a woman! And not just any women, either. A gorgeously pretty one at that.

Both are not amused to be working side by side, but the pay is too good to pass up, so each must suffer the other's company and concentrate on the job in hand.

Alas, passion blooms between them, hot and fiery, and neither has a clue how to deal with it, or how to still the tension that creeps into air every time they see each other...

There are lots of twists and turns fluttering around in this book of dark conspiracy and it will keep you guessing right until the end. The unlikely couple will have a job of the utmost importance to do for their country and they will need to learn to work together in order to both succeed and stay alive!

BRAVO! Another wonderful 5 star read by Ms Davies.

Tricia Drammeh says

Pierce is a Special Agent, tasked with trying to get to the bottom of a political plot in the thriving city of San Francisco. He loves being in the thick of the action. What he doesn't enjoy is having to work with Mollie, his determined, difficult partner. Mollie isn't too thrilled with her partner either. She sees Pierce as a distraction, and the idea of living in close quarters with him is infuriating. Will their mutual attraction get in their way of finishing their assignment, or will desire and love win over all?

This book is a bit different from the other books in the MacLarens of Fire Mountain series, but it still remains true to the core values in the series. Why is it different? Because this is probably the most complex book the author has written so far. As Pierce, Mollie, and their team uncover deep, dark secrets among San Francisco's most prominent business people, the plot twists and turns until there isn't a single character outside of the core team that the reader can trust. Almost everyone is suspected of having some ulterior motive. The author also delves into some of the political turmoil happening the nation during this historical period in time. At one point, I had to stop reading to marvel at how much research must go into the making of such a historically accurate, but still entertaining book.

I've probably repeated myself in almost every one of my reviews of the MacLarens of Fire Mountain books, but here we go again.. I can't get enough of this series or the characters. I love that the author brings starring characters from previous books into the current novel to remind us of how close-knit the family is. If you mess with one MacLaren, you certainly mess with the whole clan, because they will defend their own with their last breath if necessary. The brothers and cousins (and Aunt Alicia) aren't opposed to taking a loved one to task when it's needed. But that's what real family is all about. And the MacLarens are that kind of family-- the kind who sticks together, stands up for each other, works to create a ranch where everyone has a place, and celebrates each new addition to the clan, whether it's a new baby, a new daughter-in-law, or a long-lost cousin they hardly know.

I give Wilder than the Rest (and the series as a whole) five stars. It's a series I'm proud to recommend.

Shel says

Wilder than the Rest, set in the late 1800s, is the sixth book in the MacLarens of Fire Mountain Series. While each book offers new insight into the lives of the MacLaren family members, they can be read in isolation – though once you've read one, you'll be hooked!

Wilder than the Rest is the story of Pierce MacLaren, a US Secret Services agent working for the Federal Government. The story heats up when Pierce is partnered with agent Mollie Jamison, with a cover story of being married. They are both stubborn and proud, and the two of them clash horribly. Their investigation into a counterfeiting ring provides a fascinating backdrop to the rollercoaster ride they take toward romance.

As always, author, Shirleen Davies, has created believable characters and an interesting plot. Davies knows how to tell a good romance, and Wilder than the Rest is no exception!

Efpierce says

In my head, I have visions of the old west and San Francisco in particular. I see it very differently from the rest of the world, or so I thought. It has taken me countless novels from this author to realize why I like her writing so much. Was it the way she tells us a story and makes us feel like part of the book itself? Or maybe it's the way she introduces characters to us that make us feel for them and want them to stay safe when danger lurks close by or the way we plead for them to have that one more kiss making the scene that much more dramatic. It could be a combination of all of these for many readers, but for this one, it's the way she builds a backdrop for each of her stories. She doesn't just introduce new characters and rehash an old scene where we seem to lose interest in the setting itself. Shirleen Davies brings us an exciting world of intrigue, suspense, romanticism and rawness that is the old west. At least what I envision it as. Wilder Than the Rest may be the last book in this series, but I don't ever think that it will be the last we hear of this author. I am sure right now as I write this, she is hard at work on her next exciting tale of romance and dangerous interludes and it's for that reason that I thank her for all of her hard work and the entertainment she has given me thus far.

sharon trotter says

MacLarens

I read all six in the series and enjoyed every one, a very good mix of love, mystery, romance I could hardly wait to start the next one very good author hope to read many more of your books

Jenny Cheese says

What happens when a rough and ready gunslinger winds up working alongside a crazy and single minded woman? What will happen to them in the unstable boom town that was San Francisco in the olden days? I won't spoil the plot, but all these questions get answered, and not in the straightforward way I was expecting. By the end, I didn't know what was coming and I couldn't wait to read the next chapter. As much a romance as it was a straight up thriller, I couldn't get enough of this excellent addition to the MacLaren saga.

Katlyn Womack says

And So it Ends... Sort of

Well, all six MacLaren men (and one MacLaren woman) have now had their stories told. This one being that of Pierce MacLaren and the woman he starts off despising from the beginning but grows closer and closer to throughout this book. The circumstances of their relationship are quite interesting. There is an interesting investigation going on throughout the story that would be good even without the romance aspect. Of course, the main story is them.

While this was the last of the MacLarens of Fire Mountain, Shirleen Davies introduced us to three new characters in this book that will apparently begin a new series all together. I look forward to the new series, and of course the contemporaries she has been putting out to keep coming as well. They are nice little stories to keep me going while waiting for the longer ones.

As always, I recommend all of Shirleen's stories. They are always great romances that keep me wanting more.

Mikkel Libby says

Ending was to abrupt.

The story flowed along at a good pace and the introduction of the new McLaren s was timely. Still much like the Sackett series except later in history. The ending needed an epilogue. She did this in other stories, so why not this one?

Sarah Evanston says

I have read all of Shirleen Davies' books and I am partial to them all even though I have some favorites thrown in for good measure. Pierce MacLaren is my favorite character out of all of the MacLarens! His arrogance is beyond compare and his special agent title makes him all that much more interesting! I really love the connection between him and Mollie and the way they started out was pure genius. None of that love at first site, they couldn't stand each other! With most novels, we can see the budding romance even in that type of meeting, but not in Wilder Than the Rest; I couldn't tell what was going to happen. How does an author do that? To write as many books as she has and still come up with something different that draws the

reader in and keeps them interested with every plot turn and new event is an amazing feat!

I read this book in record time and I have already started re-reading it. The story line is impeccably written and the characters are brought to light in a way that makes us clench our teeth when something happens to them. I couldn't imagine what these stories would be like if they were made into a movie! I wouldn't be able to leave my seat!

For action, adventure and romance, it's Shirleen Davies and her incredible writing style for me!

Lcdk says

'Wilder Than The Rest; Book Six' is an absolute MUST read for any romance fan out there whom may be looking for a refreshingly different and new read- especially those that love a historically-accurate twist combined with a great blend of Western influence. I would say that Shirleen Davis has essentially mastered the craft, every literary device is pulled off excellently at the right time and the characters are believable and clearly well-thought-out to the point that I found myself thinking about them long after I had initially finished the read.. The style of the writing drew me in at a quick and smooth pace, giving me clues as to what will happen next... Then it would suddenly catch me off-guard with a twist or turn that the author would throw in - there's definitely a huge suspense/thriller element to Shirleen Davis' writing, and it's one of the main reasons of why I admire this author so much. Ultimately, this read is the definition of what a good romance should be like, and I would recommend this to literally any kind of fans of the genre.

Sylvia says

In this story of the MacLarens of Fire Mountain series, we get to follow Mollie and Pierce as they are assigned a case to help uncover a dangerous conspiracy. Their uncertain feelings for each other creates a great deal of tension between them, and more fights than their job alone can bring their way.

Mollie was a strong woman who could hold her own, which is what I liked best about her, and Pierce complimented her character well by not trying to change who she was, while still staying close by to help her out. The ending had a cute and unexpected twist that I didn't expect too.

I was happy to see some of my other favorite characters from previous books as well, and Shirleen Davies' writing is entertaining and keeps you turning the pages to find out what happens next. This is a wonderful Western series and set of characters to invest in, and I look forward to reading more from her in the future!

Deede says

I've been a fan of Shirleen Davis from the get-go and have enjoyed every book in this series thus far, but I have to say Wilder than the Rest is definitely my favorite. Ms. Davis has incredible skill for creating these complex, relatable characters. Characters that you grow to genuinely care about throughout the course of the plot. In Wilder Than the Rest she really outdid herself, even for her own very high standards. Mollie was fabulous. Smart and headstrong, she gave as well as she got. And the fact that she and Pierce started out a bit antagonistic was fantastic to watch, their chemistry sizzled. Pierce, too, was a very multidimensional, very complex yet interesting character. At first he's very brazen, very cocky, but with a deft hand Ms. Davis

reveals many layers to him, and like all the MacLarens Pierce, when he falls, does so deeply and with great passion.

Another aspect I loved about this book was the intrigue and espionage. Pierce and Mollie are at the center of a case and as the plot twists and turns I was left at the edge of my seat, at one point genuinely biting my bottom lip out of nerves. In fact, I got so invested reading this that I pretty much threw everything out I had been planning to do that day: dishes, laundry, baking, and ending up reading the whole thing in one go, unable to put it down. It was not a particularly productive day, chore-wise, but oh what an enjoyable one!

All-in-all Wilder Than the Rest is truly a shining star out of a series that has been well-written, compelling and heartwarming from the very first book. Shirleen Davis hasn't lost her momentum yet and I hope she keeps writing indefinitely.
