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"The complexity of [the sisters'] relationship fascinates....[Dailey] moves her story ahead so purposefully and dramatically...readers will be glad they've gone along for the ride."

CHICAGO SUN-TIMES

They meet at their father's funeral, two beautiful women who could almost be twins. Abbie Lawson is the gently bred daughter, raised in the lap of luxury. Rachel Farr is the love child of Dean Lawson and a fiery artist. Rachel's life has been modest and lonely--until now. For the father's death will set off a fierce competition between the sisters, and the stakes are nothing less than all that is Texas at its most magnificent--its oil fields, its Arabian horse farms, and its extraordinary men--men who will love two women who should have been the best of friends. Instead, they are locked in a battle to prove whom their father loved best by fighting to inherit his legacy....

## Heiress Details

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### Ying M. says

first of all, i cannot say that i love the immoral fiction, such as this one (Janet Dailey is my first start of reading novel, i love her jobs, i collect all of her works as most as possible to find out). Love is all the heart of most classic romance novel, but not the immoral, Rechael's mother to the mistress of Dean although she do its as she love but why love can solve everything, Dean has wife, as JD always told in the book that Babb is so so. But i always feel awful, he should divorce before get mistress and for Racheal herself, she married Lane and have Tipp for her lover, OMG and she asked for real love, its is very awful to my moral feeling why u can take love from the one have real couple, as Dean, he should divorce. I continue to finish this book as i love the character of Abbie and MacCrea. As Abbie is the spoil girl but her do the right thing she divorce her first husband. As if her fist husband is very bad guy or so so+++, but divorce first then continue to have the next relationship with other guys.

Babb, Abbie's mother, i like her although she know her husband has lover, she's very nicely wife in my point of view, although someone will not agree with me, but when she knew that their family lose all money and asset, but she's very strong mind to help and support her kid in the way that she only knew. i love this one character.

MacCrea's himself is the one that i try very hard to finish this book, he know what he want and what to do guy, i like this character to support Heroin.

Ben is still good guy better than Dean, Lane, Racheal and Recheal' mother, ask only love and love can solve the immoral behavior. Its' s not my taste that only love can solve everything but as u and me knew its only the novel.

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### Tracey says

I liked the character Mac , but again this book failed to entice me as he was the only likable character. A sad ending in the book though!

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### Maria Padovano says

Loved it a wonderfully written story of two women suffering the results of the choices made by their parents and the mistakes they themselves make. Very good read and look forward to reading mor by MS Dailey.

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### Sweetb says

Said to be one of the greatest romance novels of all time. As I am only on page 99 of 475 I have a bit to go before I can form a judgement but so far so good (for a very obviously dated 80's novel). I feel like I have entered Dynasty and Dallas all over again. HA!

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**Shari says**

This book is a bad soap opera in a novel. I found the rivalry between the half sisters to be unbelievably irrational and overdone. The "romances" were not romantic. The ending was pathetic. I was obviously expected to cry over it but instead I was rolling my eyes.

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**Carolyn Wilson says**

Took way too many pages to tell the story of two half sisters who spent their life hating each other and loving way too many men.

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**Angie says**

I keep trying another of Janet Dailey's books hoping to find one worth something. Unfortunately, this was not the book, Do not waste your time.

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**Annette says****Awesome read....**

It is a emotion filled ride dealing with two woman trying to cope with life, and love. Read it.. It's worth it.

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**Anji says****Very enjoyable**

A predictable story line that went at a good steady pace. For me it made for a good read on the beach.

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**AndreaH says**

Predictable.

Daddy has an affair, and keeps families totally separate.

Creates trust fund for weaker, illegitimate daughter who grows backbone with money.

Legit daughter left with bankrupt estate but pulls up her panties and gets to work.

Lots of familial fighting with 'tragic' end that brings two sides together.

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## **Melanie says**

I enjoyed the book even though some of it was predictable. The ending was very unexpected and made the book fun to have read.

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## **Lindsay Heller says**

Okay, sigh. I read this because I've been collecting trashy 80's epics and from the cover this seemed to fit the bill. And it did. Kind of.

It's the story of two sisters, one legal heir, Abbie, and the other a "love child" (as the characters continually say), Rachel. When their shared father dies Abbie is left with a pile of debts that force her to sell the family seat, River Bend, outside of Houston, Texas and Rachel, not named in the will, is given two million dollars set aside of her in a trust long before the debts started accruing. Both are strong willed and stubborn and neither believe they were the favored child. Their feud fuels the majority of this novel. And then there are the men in their lives; MacCrea Wilder (not even joking), Lane Canfield, Ross Tibbs, and Dobie Hix. On book jacket they are described as vibrant but I couldn't have picked a lamer crop if I'd walked directly into a twenty four hour truck stop diner blindfolded and pointed my finger around wildly. None of them have any personality. Well, MacCrea had a little personality, unfortunately the personality was "I'm a man and I know best so come 'ere toots and lay one on me". Just... ew. Not to say the women are perfect, definitely not. But at least they were entertaining. Or at least a little entertaining. Abbie was by far the standout. I felt like at points we were supposed to feel sorry for Rachel but I never did and her naivety at the beginning felt forced even before she became a cold bitch.

It was like a mashup of Dallas and Dynasty. Sometimes in the best of ways, but unfortunately often in the most cliché and eye-roll inducing ways.

I did learn more about Arabian horses than I ever would though, so that's a plus?

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## **Vickie says**

### **Heiress**

Wow Wow Wow! Such a good book. As you are reading, along comes another twist that you didn't see coming. Two women, turned out to be sisters, with the same dad. So many issues but you just kept reading. Highly recommend.

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## **Gerda Laubscher says**

this is a book for horse lovers, for me there was just too much description of the horses and the history. So even though the story line was very interesting, it was spoilt by too much information

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## **rivka says**

I could handle the predictability of many parts of it, since they were at least handled well (at least, after the stilted beginning). But that ending!!! I kept hitting the page down button on my Palm, not believing that was how she was actually ending it!

I was actually shocked at how melodramatic it was. And yeah, the whole book was pretty much a soap opera. But I didn't expect a soap opera ending!

Made me go from wondering if the author's more recent books were any better (it is from 20+ years ago) to never wanting to invest emotionally in any book of hers again. Because it definitely **was** written well enough to get me sucked in -- hence the second star. Until the last chapter, we were looking at 3 stars, and maybe 3.5.

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