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## **Wind Dancer Details**

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### Anna says

Whew that this book was a whirlwind. I really enjoyed reading this book. It shocked me at how deep it could go at times SPOILER!!! The part when Julian died wrecked me. It was written with such emotion that compels the reader to grieve with Isabelle over the loss of her brother. Samuel was a really strong character and I loved how he and Isabelle supported each other throughout the book. My favorite parts were when Isabelle or Samuel were in the presence of the Lord and felt Him move and speak to them. Those were the parts that really grabbed me. My only quarrel with Wind Dancer is that the end felt a little rushed and unexpected. It felt like it came out of left field. I felt that it was a very moving end but that it didn't feel like it fit 100 percent with the rest of the book. Overall although a little choppy in places I thoroughly enjoyed this book.

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### Allison says

"Wind Dancer" is an amazing story of strong-willed Isabelle Renoir and her journey in finding her true meaning in life. She is raised in a British-held frontier during the American Revolution. Change is all around her, but she doesn't know what her place is in the world. She is unlike other women who cook and sew. She enjoys using her knife, riding and shooting her long rifle (which she sleeps with too!) On a journey with her brother to retrieve books for her priest at another fort, they encounter Samuel Holt. He is a rugged American spy who shows up as their guide disappears. He leads them to safety at the fort, but you can feel the sexual passion between Isabelle and Samuel building. On the return trip home, they are attacked by Indians, held prisoner and have to watch a horrific killing. Isabelle must bring in to play her spirituality to help her get through each day in the Indian camp, until the day she can be free.

This was the first book by Jamie Carie that I have read, but it won't be the last. I was pulled in by the interesting time period of the American Revolution. I love any kind of book based in the frontier, which Ms. Carie brings vividly to life at a time the land and country was changing. Strong-willed, independent Isabelle and rugged and strong Samuel are two characters created that you can actually see having been pulled from history. The story is very spiritually based, which worried me a little that it would be 'overly' so, but it didn't distract from the story at all. From the take-over of forts by the "Americans" to the Shawnee rituals at their camps to the passion and love of Isabelle and Samuel from 2 different worlds, this book will draw you in to a period of our lives that made our country into the amazing place we live today.

I would highly recommend you read this book, along with the Jamie Carie's other books "The Duchess and the Dragon", "Snow Angel" and the soon to be released "Love's First Light". I should have reviews for all of these at some point in the future!!

Thank you to Julie at B&H Publishing for the review copy of this book!!

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### Joelle says

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4 out of 5 stars

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#### My thoughts and Review

This was a nice easy read with a slow romance building between Isabelle and Samuel. Isabelle has a wild spirit of sorts. She and her brother set out to locate some books there Priest has ordered for there village. Things seem to go smoothly for this young couple where they meet Samuel who is a scout for the US Army. Samuel's mission is pretty much secretive. The encounter with a couple who invites them to stay the night without thinking he introduces Isabelle as his wife! This is where things get you laughing with the dialog between Samuel and Isabelle as he never asks her for her cooperation in posing as a wife and she is getting even just a little bit. LOL These two characters have great chemistry and their romance slowly builds but before things can progress they are attacked by Indians and taken prisoner. Samuel will be able to hold his own but, Isabelle is a different matter but this tribe sees her strength in her and thinks she is special and will make one of their tribe members a happy wife and that she is their destiny of hope!

Isabelle and Samuel's ordeal bring them closer and each will do whatever it takes to save one another and hope for a future together. She showed her strength and belief in God that they will prevail and be together. Samuel is rescued and Isabelle left behind but, she never gives up hope she believes in her heart that Samuel her one true love will save her from her fate after all!

Enjoyed the story and the trying times this couple had to endure to be together. To even find a love like this during trying times of war is a miracle. One of the sad points of the story that broke my heart was when the Indians killed Isabelle's brother and she was left to mourn and also survive herself, must have been an enduring task for her. Your heart went out to her for the pain she must feel and not being able to grieve as to show your weakness to your enemy. Isabelle is exactly what Samuel needs she will be the one to heal his old wounds and perhaps soothe his broken heart. These two were made for each other they just need to overcome their many obstacles to find the happiness that they both deserve!

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## **Gail says**

I liked the book, but there were too many episodes in which I felt jarred out of the story by an out-of-context reference that I can't give it more than 3 stars. I was looking forward to living in the past through the book, but the author just hadn't done her research well enough or edited for context well enough to have that effect. It is sad that I am discussing things like the use of the phrase "world class ballerina" that caused me to stop reading and google the term to see if it was in use in the 18th century. But despite several instances like that, there were many things about the book that I liked. It is edgy for Christian fiction, and brings up some issues that many authors don't talk about, while still keeping it clean, which is always great, I think.

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## **Michelle says**

Wind Dancer is a pulse-pounding, heart-engaging novel that is hard to put down. In fact, I read it in less than two days. As the reader, you are in the world the author created, and you are part of the characters' lives. You are attacked when they are attacked. You are captive and feel helpless when they are bound with seemingly no way out.

The most powerful scene is when Isabella's brother is tortured and the heroine, Isabella, has to watch. I cannot understand the intense emotions she went through, but the author did a great job at helping you see how someone could almost become crazy with grief. And forgiveness? I can't imagine a time when it would be more difficult to do.

The author sets up an incredible stage for showing the struggle this creates for someone who loves God and longs to serve him, yet comes face to face with indescribable evil and the need to survive. Wind Dancer was full of passion, just like all of Jamie Carie's novels are. I've come to expect this with her stories and thusfar I've been pleased with everything she writes. I particularly enjoyed the "pretend marriage" scenario the hero put them in and how that all played out. What fun!

Few female authors are able to describe the horrors of living in that time period as well as Carie does and it's an incredible experience to read it. You will not be able to put this book down, and the story will stick with you after you close the book. I SO love stories that make me care. And unlike many "strong heroines," Isabella was more likeable than most. The author did a great job with her characterization. I highly recommend this book.

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## **Emilee says**

I really liked all the crazy adventure in this story! It was a fun read. Sometimes a bit gritty but overall I enjoyed it. Love the time period too!

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## GrammyGail says

"Jane Austen meets Last of the Mohicans" has been said of Jamie Carie's latest offering and it certainly fits. I read this book in two days, and wished it was longer (or that there will be a sequel!)

I found Isabelle Renior to be an exceptional heroine, not only strong of body and heart but with a vibrant faith in God as well. One thing I really loved was the combination of romance, history and ACTION! If you enjoy any of those factors when you read, this is the book for you. What a ride!

As I read Wind Dancer, I was reminded of Ride the Wind: The Story of Cynthia Ann Parker, a fascinating true story of a woman captured as a child by the Comanches. If by chance you have read and enjoyed that book, I can guarantee you will love Wind Dancer.

And check out the author's website

[www.jamiecarie.com](http://www.jamiecarie.com)

for frequent promotions and give aways.

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## Jerry says

A great historical romance with plenty of intensity.

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## Salyna says

I forget how much I love books with Indian culture in them. Their ways, even though I don't believe in them, are so captivating. Their lives draw me in to where I actually feel like I am experiencing the life of the tribe. I liked how even though Isabelle knew the Indians as her enemy she still found a way to enjoy herself at the camp. She was triumphant through everything they did to her and the others. She reminded me of Job from the bible, through all the suffering she still praised God at any point possible. She rebelled against the Gods of the Indians and worshiped Christ through the Indian tribes own ways.

I liked the characters in the story, they all played their parts well. I loved how even the enemy in the story had a likable side to them, showing that some people are misunderstood and giving their full side of the story as well as the main characters. I also liked how Samuel was like 'The Prodigal Son' in the book, it actually was a surprise to me. I wasn't expecting to meet any of his family in the book, but I am so happy that the part with him and his father was added in the story. It definitely portrayed Gods love for us the way I see it.

I did not like how easy it was for both Samuel and Isabelle to scape the Indian camp. I expected more fighting and battle scenes before they found their freedom. However, they got away with barely a nick, if that. I also didn't like how some parts in the book were written, I kept on thinking that I missed a word or phrase on a page, but when I went back I realized I didn't, it was just written weird.

Overall, this was a great book with minor flaws. I would definitely recommend it!

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### **Mitzi says**

This was one of those books I wanted to like more than I actually did. The story itself was pretty good, set in a time period I am interested in, but the characters - well, I'm not really sure what to say about them.

Isabelle was super over the top, to the point where I just couldn't believe her. Samuel was ok, as far as heroes go, but nothing that made me really like him. And their relationship was one of those, "I just met you and we were MADE for each other!" type deals - blah.

The religious element of the book (which is technically labelled as Christian or Inspirational fiction) felt very overdone - rather than feeling natural and appropriate, like in Laura Frantz's books (that are also set in frontier Kentucky), it felt heavy handed and forced. I wasn't reading the book for the religious element of it though, so maybe if you are, it would appeal more to you than it did to me...

All that being said, I did like the story and it did keep me turning the page.

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### **Lena says**

I loved this book sooooo much! It touched my heart and lifted my spirits!

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### **Skeeter Jorgensen says**

I liked this book. It was a historical romance, in the west.....that would be kinda south of Detroit!  
I think the year was 1778.

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### **Ariel says**

Very enjoyable, likeable characters for the most part. SOMetime I wasn't too sure about Isabelle's forwardness, but then I'd realise it would probably add up. I did love her strong free spirit and the idea of the life she lived. I'd like to see a sequel. See what these two do with their life.

Really liked the added in history at the end. I'll have to look into this Clark fellow.

:Spoiler Alert:

Within one page turn of the book it went from being 2 years since Samuel's first wife to 4. People editing these books are really starting to worry me. Even caught up in a story you should catch these things especially within a page of each other.

Jamie Carie you couldn't just kill Julian once? No you had to three times?!?! The cabin, the gauntlet, and

then finally the last, BUT! I still wasn't entirely sure he was gone. Made us love a character who was hardly there, well done.

I had a bit of an issue with the Indians keeping Samuel alive. With his reputation surely they would never believe they could turn him to their side, but I don't truly know.

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### **Virginia Campbell says**

"Wind Dancer" by Jamie Carie took my breath away. Stirring, thrilling, and historically satisfying, this is a story for all lovers of great historical romance. The setting is Colonial America at the conception of the Revolutionary War. The characters are unique and interesting, and the story line is detailed and enthralling. The writing is both lovely and vivid. At times the depicted scenes of capture, torture and physical conflict are quite graphic, but they are appropriate for the era and the rawness of the wild American frontier. An unforgettable tale told by a gifted storyteller!

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### **Highland-dreamer says**

I had to stop myself from staying up all night and finishing this book. I really couldn't put it down! I loved the intrigue and the danger that was the American Frontier. It gave great insight into what the early settlers had to endure, and the strength of their spirit. And I am always grateful for the Author's Notes at the end, which went into even more detail on the history and some of the characters in the book. I loved the heroine, Isabelle, and how she wasn't ashamed of her emotions, or of her God.

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