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Nine-year-old Lara is the daughter of the r'-the leader of her cattle-raising clan. While she spends her days tending to the cattle, her heart lies with her beloved gray mare. When Lara goes to the highlands to set the cattle out to graze, she finds the mare in the process of a difficult birth. Lara vows to take care of the foal as a dying promise to the gray mare, and with the help of a childless milk-cow, she cares for the spindly-legged filly. But just when she is confident that the foal can survive, a rival clan captures them both, and throws Lara's life into turmoil. When the filly is eventually given to a titled baron in the castle town of Athenry, Lara, determined to stay with the horse no matter what, goes along. Together, she and her beloved horse face seemingly insurmountable challenges, but all along Lara keeps two things in mind. One day, she will manage to flee, and will set off in search of the family that she was taken from. And she will not leave without her silver mare.

## **Lara and the Moon-Colored Filly Details**

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## **From Reader Review Lara and the Moon-Colored Filly for online ebook**

### **Seabreeze says**

First: be honest, I am a 'senior' in age but have loved horse stories since I was a kid. As I was not familiar with the 'Hoof beats" series, I expected this book to be a pony club story. Very refreshing to find it is a story set in ancient Ireland in the world of warring "ri's", horse stealing and horse breeding.

Filled with horse care lore and Irish setting, the characters and the situation of LARA who wants desperately to stay with her filly but also wants to get home to her family after being absconded by horse raiders is a fresh, good read.

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### **Evelyn says**

The filly was really beautiful. I liked the chase scene a lot.

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### **Lara says**

Awesome! Loved it! Her name is Larach but her people called her Lara. She is the chief's daughter. She loves this filly but gets captured by different people and they say the filly is theirs. So sad.

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### **Elizabeth says**

I have read this book eleven times over the last four years if that tells you anything!

Kathleen Duey does a really great job telling the story of a nine-year-old Irish daughter of her clan's ri. When Lara and some of her friends and aunt are on the patures that they use for their dairy, Lara,her aunt, Fallon, and the foal of "Lara's" gray mare, Dannelsair, are kidnapped by some of the Baron of Athenry's men.

Lara must take care of Dannelsair, keep Fallon from getting them killed, convince the Baron that Dannelsair is her's, while she deals with her feeling for the son of her father's enemy, Cormac.

A really great book for a girl you loves horses, and probably between the ages of 8 and 12 ( though I am fourteen and I still read this series all the time.)

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### **Grace says**

Slightly better than the first book, I still felt like it was explaining the same things over and over again.

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