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Western Justice Series:

Book 1 - Rosa's Land

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Book 3 - Raina's Choice - Available June 2014

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## Tima says

Sabrina is a spoiled rotten rich girl with nothing to do but spend money and go to parties. But her life changes when her little sister is abducted. Sabrina must find her sister and return her home to her parents. She enlists the help of an ex-conman, Waco, who knows the country. Can she live with the consequences of her actions and be able to find her sister alive?

I'm a fan of this author, but was disappointed with the first book in the series. This book was slightly better than book 1, but still lacked the suspense and character depth that I recall from his earlier books. The plot jumps between the two main characters until they meet about half way through the book. With Sabrina it seems to be mostly filler trying to explain why she's a spoiled princess. Several things seemed a little off to me.

1. The father let his eldest daughter go find her sister. No respectable man would allow his daughter to go unchaperoned out west. Why didn't he join her when she first left instead of almost at the end of the story?
2. The main male character, Waco, seems very shallow in his love for Sabrina. The author portrays him as the grunt and not very smart in the beginning and all of the sudden he is smart enough to plan a capture. It just doesn't come together well.
3. The ending seemed really, really rushed. I would have been very skeptical about everything if I was Sabrina. But she seemed totally ok with the sudden change in feelings. Just too rushed for me.

While it was enjoyable to quickly read through the book, I didn't feel the suspense or romance that I expected to get from this book. Maybe my expectations were too high due to my fond memories of reading the authors books as a child. But I have been disappointed with the series so far.

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## Tonya says

Join Sabrina and Waco on a Wild West ride through Indian Territory. Sabrina's pampered life comes to a screeching halt when a vile conman steals away her younger sister. When her daddy's money can't buy justice, Sabrina takes matters into her own delicate but stubborn hands and heads west to track down the outlaw. To Sabrina's disgust, her solitary hope for saving Marianne seems to be Waco Smith, an only slightly reformed ex-criminal himself. Will these two unlikely allies bond over more than just a shared mission of rescue and revenge?

---My thoughts. This is the second of three books. Read the first one. You can read this one without reading the other one, but do yourself a favor and read the other one first. You will enjoy it more. Sabrina is spoiled but you will enjoy the storyline thoroughly because there is a message here. I love how Morris brings the two together.

Told in four parts, Morris's style of writing always is such a pleasure you will enjoy this book, it goes by so quickly. There are plenty of reviews on it, so I won't go into detail, but I love when they are tracking her sister Marianne and Sabrina is a bit scared and they kiss and Sabrina says it can't happen again, and Waco

says so matter-of-factly that it probably will. This book made me laugh out loud the Waco is so just straightforward. Happy reading!

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### **Stephanie says**

I have been on the prowl for a riveting adventure in the Wild West, and I am pleased to say I found it here in Sabrina's Man. It has everything one would hope for in such a novel; outlaws, Southern belles, a misunderstood hero, gun fights, betrayal, true love...By the end, looking back at the novel as a whole, I think the story was very well put together and had a great cast with different backgrounds.

Another thing I liked is the Christianity in this novel. It did not come across as preachy at all (maybe in one or two instances from a character or two), but mostly, the characters discuss their beliefs, the love of Christ and redemption in a believable way. I really enjoyed that.

When I rate this 3 stars, I'd say it's more appropriate to be 3.5. Often, I felt rushed through scenes, being told what is going on rather than shown. Sometimes, the dialogue felt forced and unnatural, and on occasion, it also seemed unrealistic for the time period. It didn't ruin the book for me at all, but it was something I noticed.

Overall, I enjoyed this novel and wouldn't mind reading it again in the future.

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### **Lisa Johnson says**

This story is the second book in the Western Justice series with the first book being Rosa's Land. It begins in 1864 in Arkansas and continues into 1870 for the biggest portion of the book. The main characters are Waco Smith, a soldier/outlaw/prisoner and Sabrina Warren, a pampered, rich 24-year-old. There are some supporting characters, but they don't really add too much to the plot.

Sabrina is always used to getting her way. Her younger sister, Marianne, falls in love with a shady character and Sabrina tells her to not see him anymore. Her sister refuses and runs away with the guy. Sabrina is convinced she is being held against her will and sets off to rescue her. She learns they are headed for Oklahoma Indian Territory, so that's where she goes. She sees the judge in charge of law enforcement for the area and he has no marshals to spare to help Sabrina rescue her sister. Waco Smith has done a good turn for the prison warden and he is given a conditional pardon for the rest of his jail time if he will help Sabrina retrieve her sister. Waco agrees as he has a personal grudge against the man who has taken Marianne. The journey to rescue Marianne begins, but at what cost?

I didn't like this book at all except for the descriptions of the western scenery. The story was disjointed, the characters flat and unlikable and the plot unrealistic. The main female character is a spoiled brat and I didn't feel her change genuine. I've read other Gilbert Morris books and enjoyed them, but this one for me was not worth reading. There is a third book in the series titled, Raina's Choice, due to be released in June 2014. I will probably give this author another chance to earn my interest by reading this third book because of his other good books. I can't recommend this second book, however.

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## **Jane says**

Waco Smith led a hard life until he became *Sabrina's Man* in the rescue of her younger sister from outlaws in the Oklahoma Territory. Waco left his partner and the woman he wanted to marry when constricted into the last year of the Civil War by the South. He returns to find his partner and the woman betrayed him and left him with nothing.

Sabrina Morgan came from a rich family and never wanted for anything; she was spoiled, selfish and head-strong. Her younger sister left with a stranger using a false name and ended up in Oklahoma Territory as his prisoner. Sabrina and Waco, just released from prison make an unusual pair as romance and rescue mix in an exciting tale of the old West.

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## **Fran says**

This book meet all its necessary requirements. It had a man and a woman (completely unlike), who fought the bad guys, won, and fell in love along the way. And it ended happily ever after. So I'm satisfied. Sometimes you need a simple quick read without depth and soul searching on the part of the reader. All its above objectives were meet and nothing more. It wasn't a complete waste but I'm sure there are thousands of romance novels that would have accomplished this with a more historically accurate plot and characters not written so expected and shallow.

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## **Gillena Cox says**

Set in the Nineteenth Century, war is the thrust, for change in Waco's life. On returning home, betrayal from his bride to be and his best bud/ business partner, drives Waco to whiskey and crime.

Again betrayal, this time from fellow outlaws, kicks him to the curb and he ends up serving a prison, term. Meanwhile the plot shifts to Sabrina and Marianne, two sisters, Southern belles, rich and spoilt. Marianne is the younger and a giddy headed romantic, so that when a mysterious man sweeps her off her feets, she is helpless. Sabrina who she shares everything with, hold off from meeting this man, telling Marianne she will meet him another time [such a crucial aspect of the development of the story].

I must say as i read along, as the adventure thickened, i looked back to this with great admiration for the author's skill in crafting.

This novel turn out to be a Christian tale, a family story, a romance story and a Western historical all so delicately woven, its hard to see where one thread starts or ends; and progresses to a happily ever after for all good souls, [those who died and those who remained alive].

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## **Tamara Tilley says**

SABRINA'S MAN is the second installment in the Western Justice Series.

Sabrina Warren is your typical spoiled southern belle. Used to getting whatever she wants, Sabrina pays little

mind to anyone but herself. But, when her younger sister is romanced by a wicked con-man in disguise and is whisked away to parts unknown, Sabrina's love for her sister fuels her determination to see her sister safely returned home.

Waco Smith hasn't had the easiest life, but things are looking up. As a partner in a successful hardware store and courting the lovely Alice Malone, Waco sees nothing but blue skies ahead. That is until he is forced to rejoin the Confederate Army. While away, his life is changed, turning Waco into a bitter and angry man. Turning to a life of crime, he finds himself serving time in jail when his act of heroism garners him the possibility of a shortened sentence. If he will help Miss Sabrina Warren free her sister from the clutches of the vile Trey LeBeau, he will be pardoned for his crime.

Sabrina hates the fact that she has to rely on a criminal to help her find her sister. But she has no alternatives. Waco Smith is the only person who can work himself into LeBeau's gang and devise a plan to free her sister. Along the way, Sabrina is transformed from spoiled debutante into a gritty and determined woman. Her impression of Waco undergoes a transformation as well, one that has her heart tied in knots.

Gilbert Morris has a very deliberate writing style. Dividing the book into four parts, each section concentrates on a timeframe in each of the lead characters' life, setting up the story for the time that their two paths cross. At first I found this distracting, now I realize it is just the style in which Morris prefers to write. Much like ROSA's LAND, Morris takes a man that is not your typical hero type, and turns him into just that. Waco is quite and solemn, and his feelings for Sabrina grow slowly and without his permission. He sees himself as unchangeable and unworthy of her love, but that doesn't keep him from protecting Sabrina and wanting to see her sister safely home.

The Western Justice series is unique in its delivery, but it grows on you. I have already started RAINA'S CHOICE, and I'm excited to be treated to another fascinating story from Gilbert Morris.

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## **Ibjoy1953 Hannabass says**

### **MY THOUGHTS ON THIS BOOK**

Sabrina wasn't a likeable character because she acted like a spoiled brat, and was always determined to get her way. And her determination lead her on a journey to the Oklahoma Indian Territory to find her sister. A sister who fell in love with an evil man, but he acted sweet as sugar until he looked her, and of course she didn't find out until she ran away with him. Sabrina and her feisty behavior takes off to Oklahoma, trying to find her. She meets up with a cowboy who has been looking for the outlaw for some time, and they hook up together.

I was taken back at some of the negative reviews for this book. I don't think Sabrina's Man is the best work of Gilbert Morris but it is an enjoyable read. For me, Sabrina's actions wasn't realistic, and going after a wanted outlaw like she did seemed immature, but the ending was good. The first book in this series was a much better book, and I am waiting on the third book, because I want to continue the story. Overall, this is a really good historical western read. I encourage you to pick up a copy to read and write your own review! I received this book from the Barbour Books to read and review. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 55

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## Faye says

Waco Smith is a man known for his brawn, when the draft comes up he must answer the call. But when he returns home he finds that his best friend sold their business and married Waco's fiance. Waco takes it hard turning to drink and joining a band of outlaws. During a train robbery he is betrayed and takes the fall, ending up with a 10 year sentence.

Sabrina is a rich Southern Belle, she has always gotten her way, and money has never been a problem for her. But when her sister runs away with an outlaw she is determined to go and get her back, but she can't do it alone. But the man for the job is still imprisoned, but she is able to get a conditional parole for Waco so that he can help her bring back her sister and get her away from the despicable Trey LeBeau.

Probably one of the few books by Gilbert Morris that I can't say that I loved or even really enjoyed. It wasn't terrible, but the plot was somewhat meandering as it took about 1/2 way through until Waco and Sabrina even met each other. There was a lot of back story, and honestly a lot of the plot just didn't seem that believable, and it was hard to really like Sabrina as she is a spoiled belle, who always gets her way.

I did really like Silas the kindly old lawman who goes with them. But for me this book was a fun quick read, and I did keep reading, but looking back it's just hard to look back and say that it was a realistic read. There was a lot of action throughout, and I think that though he played a small part, one of my favorite characters was Frank Morgan.

Overall, an interesting read, slow to start, and Gilbert Morris is as always a skilled storyteller, but this is not his best work. I will always be a fan, but this was not a favorite.

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## Callie says

"Sabrina's Man"

"Sabrina's Man" is written by Gilbert Morris and published by Barbour Publishing. It was published on December 1, 2013. This is the second book in the "Western Justice" series; the first is "Rosa's Land" and the third, expected release in June 2014, and is "Raina's Choice."

"Sabrina's Man" is set during the Civil War, which drew me because I had just finished "Gone with the Wind". In hindsight, I should not have expected this to be anything near that classic, but with "Gone with the Wind" fresh in my mind, it made it hard not to compare. The main characters take past over half of the book to be introduced to each other, which made me do a triple-check to make sure that I even had the right book downloaded! This book struck me as childishly written; perhaps it is this author's first book, but the dialogue,

characters, and pace of the plot all seemed much less than professional to me. Everything seemed so rushed in the beginning, yet the book took a long time to come together.

Thank you to Net Galley and Barbour publishing for providing me with a copy of this book to read and review. I was not required to post a positive review. All opinions are my own.

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### **Larik says**

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I've seen some reviews for this book and was shocked at the negativeness. I loved this book, and the unique way this author takes time to show us-readers- the reason behind all the actions and decisions the characters are making. he shows what makes them - them. I respect that in authors. in some books it is hard to concentrate on the story line because you keep wondering what that person was and what is driving this person, I sometimes tend to go back to first chapters and rereading them thinking I missed something. and even though these reviewers say that Jake - from absolute dummy becomes a genius with a plan - well I'll tell you - you got it wrong. Sabrina is the one who came up with the plan, he just carried it out , with her help too. I enjoyed the example of 3 women in his life. There are so many relationships we confuse for true love. its only after we are hit with it in the head do we realize what fools we were. I enjoy Gilbert Morris' books especially this series, can't wait for the last one to come out.

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### **Darlene Wilson says**

Wealthy, spoiled Sabrina's sister Marianne is stolen away by a conman - the only one she can find to help her search is Waco Smith - an ex-con -- unsavory and untrustworthy (slightly reformed?) . . . Their travels through Indian Territory of 1864 Arkansas of course bring them to a better understanding of one another

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### **Victor Gentile says**

Gilbert Morris in his new book, "Sabrina's Man" Book Two in the Western Justice series published by Barbour Publishing takes us into the life of Sabrina Warren.

From the back cover: No one steals from Sabrina Warren and gets away with it.

Spoiled Southern belle Sabrina Warren has always been given everything she wants. Her daddy's money has provided for her every whim and desire. Her toughest challenge is deciding how much time to spend away from her Memphis home during shopping trips to New Orleans. But her pampered life comes to a halt when a vile conman takes something priceless from her—her younger sister, Marianne.

When her daddy's money can't buy justice or bring Marianne back, Sabrina takes matters into her own delicate but stubborn hands and heads West to track down the evil outlaw, Trey LeBeau.



Sabrina is not so naive, however, to believe she can do this all alone. But to her disgust, her solitary hope for saving Marianne seems to be Waco Smith, an only slightly reformed ex-criminal himself.

As Sabrina and Waco search the wilds of Indian Territory, will these two unlikely allies bond over more than just a shared mission of rescue and revenge?

Before Gilbert Morris became the prolific writer that he is he was a history professor. So teaching us about history in a very entertaining manner is second nature to him. He was also a pastor so teaching us Christian principles is also second nature to him. In “Rosa’s Land” both second natures become one. I think this is historical fiction at its finest.

Gilbert Morris is an incredible storyteller and really knows how to write a Western. If you remember on one of The Magnificent Seven movies the character, Chris, goes to prison to recruit his six men and if they survive they get a pardon. Sabrina needs help to rescue her sister however there are no available Marshalls to help her. The prison warden agrees to pardon Waco if he agrees to help Sabrina. Now we have a story filled with tension, anxiety and revenge. Both Sabrina and Waco both have their issues that only God can change them from. And if they want to work together and survive they also need to learn to trust each other and then they can respond to their budding romance. I have been reading everything by Gilbert Morris for a long time and I have to say that this may be his finest work. He makes you care for all the people involved and takes you along for the journey. This is also just plain fun and exciting as well.

If, like me, you have read everything ever written by Gilbert Morris then you are going to love this book. If this is your first reading of anything by Gilbert Morris you are going to love this book. “Sabrina’s Man” is a very fulfilling read and I am looking forward to the next book in this series.

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### **Vicky Connelly says**

Sabrina and Waco are brave and determined to take Sabrina’s sister from a band of outlaws. When Waco’s friend dies, the feelings of loss causes him to consider his relationship with God. Reading this book reminded me how many plans I make, but without God as my anchor - plans have no meaning.

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