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Roberta, Bride of Wisconsin is #30 in the unprecedented 50-book American Mail-Order Brides series.

After a fire which burned the factory where she was manager to the ground, Roberta McDaniel feels responsible for all the women who lost their jobs. She contacts a matchmaker and suggests all of them become mail-order brides—answering an advertisement for a widower in Wisconsin herself. Bobbie worries that her independence will cause problems in her new life.

Jakob knows he will never love again after the death of his beloved wife and the mother of his two sons, but he needs someone to cook and clean for his family, as well as help him raise his two sons. When independent Bobbie arrives, he's unsure whether to throttle her or kiss her. Will this unlikely couple find a way past their differences? Or are they doomed to spend the rest of their lives in a loveless marriage?

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Cindy says

This series was my first experience with multiple authors working together to write a series on a large scale. I enjoyed every book in the series and found several new authors that I hadn't read before.

gary c lehn says

Great book....

I enjoyed this story. The author has done a great job of telling her story, she has done a great job of blending together romance and adventure to make it right.

Jennifer Guffey says

Roberta: Bride of Wisconsin (American Mail-Order Bride #30)

By: Kirsten Osbourne

4/5 stars

Roberta was the manager at Brown's Textile Mill and has felt the burden of responsibility for her workers future welfare. She came up with the idea of becoming a mail-order bride after her sister had already become one. She also chose her future husband that would be in a state somewhere near the state her best friend chose a husband.

Upon marrying Jakob she became an instant mother to two boys. Jakob has sworn that he would never love anyone again after his wife died. But he knew that he needed to remarry because he needed a wife to take care of their home and cooking and to take care of his sons. He wasn't expecting the independent and sassy Bobbie to become his wife & turn his life inside out in the best possible and most frustrating of ways.

Bobbie gets the house in tip top shape, and starts taking on other projects. She just can't sit idly by and relax or be one of the ladies who goes visiting friends for tea, dessert and gossip. Plus she likes to use her brain and is good at paperwork. She eventually does convince Jakob to let her help out more and turns out that she's a great help, not only to her family, but for the community.

Tosin says

Decent story

Very few complaints. Didn't like the written German accent that disappears every other sentence from hero.

Adjustment chapters were classic Osbourne and were most enjoyable. Attempts towards humor were sometimes flat and stale. Dagmar as conflict was funny but unnecessary to propel plot forward. Bobbie is a likeable heroine, her husband was not as likeable. Easy, quick read, good setup for future series.

Diana Gable says

This series is an enjoyable read

Some of the books seem a little too short but getting the basics of the story is okay most of the time.

This particular story was especially enjoyable because there was hardship relationship wise but no danger as some of the previous books have had.

After reading the prequel, this book was the first I wanted to read as it is about the manager who arranged for the copies of the groom's gazette.

It did not disappoint.

Mercedes says

A true HEA sweet romance

This is a part of a series of 50 books that were published in 50 days each book is a stand-alone yet interconnected...

You take a mail order bride, a German widower 2 young boys.. what do you get? You have a frog Mutter a Dog mutter a squirt toss in a busy body and well not going to ruin the story for you, but it is a funny story that will keep you engaged.worthy of reading again and again

Kathy says

Another disappointment. I was so looking forward to reading Roberta's story, but for the first half of the book I didn't even like her. For an independent woman who was capable of managing others, I expected her to be forthright, but patient and understanding. Instead I found her to be rude, intolerant, immature, and unrealistic in her expectations. Would she really expect her husband to fall in love with her after only a week, especially if he is still mourning the death of his first wife? And what woman tries to exert her parental authority in a blended family she has been part of for two days with a spouse she just met. Why in less than a week would Jakob even feel inclined to consider her as a partner and a lover when he doesn't even know her. There was no real time of learning about each other or the sense that attraction was developing. I think that I am most annoyed by the timeline of some of these stories. It is as though the authors think there is no story unless the couple is head over heels in love almost immediately. The stories in this series I've enjoyed the most are the ones where I could see real people emerging, not just some imaginary heroine that is beautiful, can clean an entire house in a couple of days, and be madly in love with a complete stranger by the end of the week. Thanks for the attempt, but unlike Gillian's or Mollie's stories, which had me feeling like the characters were real, this story just didn't do that for me.

Dana Dobias says**Great Story!**

This is the book I was most looking forward to in the American Mail Order Brides and although it is short and skips details that would be included in a longer book it's the parameter of stories in this series that they are short. Roberta was the manager at Brown Textile Factory and she arranged for the former workers to try finding husbands in the Grooms Gazette. Many of the characters in other stories of this series are connected to Roberta. This story moves along smoothly and has normal hickups associated with adjusting to a life together as a family.. There is no added pseudo-drama, just a good family adjusting to the bumps in life. The author has created a believable framework for additional stories and I wish she would write some..

Pat Christie says**Free Ebook**

A mailorder bride for a widower with two boys. He's not ready to be a husband, just wants a housekeeper and cook. Well it starts out that way...

Shirley Ketcham says**As Above**

I never thought I would say this. But I am very disappointed
To have such a Good Story End with a few letters and Drop Off To Nothing. It is hard to believe it.
Shirley Ketcham

Karilyn says**Great read!**

Very good read. Very realistic, warm, loving, and it gives a little glimpse of life back in WI during that time frame

Ginny Lamere says**Loved it**

This book is a wonderful read. Roberts is a strong, independent loving woman when she's becomes a mail

order bride after the factory she was working at burns down. Jakob married Roberta after his wife passed away, he tells her that he isn't looking for love just needs someone to cook, clean and help raise the boys. After a rocky start things begin to change and in comes a nasty ex sister-in-law and it gets even better. You won't be disappointed reading this book

Melissa says

A Great Story

Roberta had nowhere to go so after telling all the ladies about the Gazette for Mail order brides, she chose a husband for herself. She had no idea what she was getting into but she was happy to have a home. Jakob needed a mother for his boys but he would never love another after his wife's death. She was his one true love and he had no space left to love his new wife.

You'll have to read it and see if they will be able to make a good marriage.

Angela_t says

This was sweet but I'm confused about all the 5 star ratings

Am I the only one that thought the heroine had way too much expectations from the moment she met the hero and her sons? It made her seem immature and spoiled. She got angry and started glaring at the hero when one of the boys made a joke that she doesn't look like a frog. I mean seriously, is she that vain that she had to take issue with it? And to start expecting everyone to love her and be accepted fully only after a few days? She knew the first wife died less than a year ago and she expected the hero to fall in love with her already.

This book was rushed and choppy. It would've been a 5 star if the author just took a little more time concentrating on character development. I didn't feel the chemistry here. The timeline affected how realistic this story was, which was not at all. I don't get why so many authors get this wrong. For this book, it wasn't insta-love. So give them just a week to get over the dying wife who he was so in love with and refused to take the new wife to bed.

I loved how the heroine worked hard and that the hero started to appreciate it. I also enjoyed the ending but the book just seemed robotic. It's the first book I've read and I may give one more book to try. I hate doormat heroines though and some reviews point out that this heroine was the strongest. That'll be disappointing.

Hmmmm

Tonileg says

This is part of a huge short story collection about 50 different mail-order-bride books. This story is about the female manager, Miss Roberta McDaniel who marries a lumberjack and mill owner, the German born Jakob who has two sons and needs a wife to feed and care for his family, but isn't interested in a 'real' wife. But that doesn't last long because they start sharing a bed quickly. Bobbie is hyperactive the way she can pump out the knitting and sewing projects! Even I can't knit more than one set of fingerless gloves in an evening!!

Cute clean fluff story with lots of letters from the other mail-order-brides.

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2 stars
