



Laura Ingalls Wilder

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This pathfinder will be useful for younger people in finding information about pioneer and author Laura Ingalls Wilder. Unless otherwise stated, dates are for the original publication. In many cases other editions and revisions have appeared since.

For an introduction to the topic, see:

- *Little House in the Big Woods*
- *Little House on the Prairie*
- *Farmer Boy*
- *On the Banks of Plum Creek*
- *By the Shores of Silver Lake*
- *The Long Winter*
- *Little Town on the Prairie*
- *These Happy Golden Years*
- *The First Four Years*

Key Resources at a Glance:

- *Prairie Girl: the Life of Laura Ingalls Wilder* by William T. Anderson (2004) – A short, under 100 page biography. ISBN 0060289740
- *Laura Ingalls Wilder: A Biography* by William T. Anderson (1992) – A good basic biography at an upper elementary reading level. He's the most well-known Wilder scholar. There are no footnotes. ISBN 0064461033
- *The Little House Guidebook* by William Anderson (1996) – The main resource for Wilder travel information. ISBN 0061255122

Resources

Books

- *Laura Ingalls Wilder Country* by William Anderson (1990) – Photographs and texts of the Wilder sites around the country. ISBN 0060973463
- *The Laura Ingalls Wilder Songbook: Favorite Songs from the "Little House" Books* by Eugenia Garson (1968) – A collection of sheet music of songs used in the Wilder books, including where in the books it was used. ISBN 0439048842
- *The Little House Cookbook: Frontier Foods from Laura Ingalls Wilder's Classic Stories* by Barbara M. Walker (1979) – A collection of historic recipes and where they were used in the books. ISBN 0064460908
- *My Little House Crafts Book: 18 Projects from Laura Ingalls Wilder's Little House Stories* by Carolyn Strom Collins and Mary Collier (1998) – A collection of directions to crafts

Search Aids

Search Terms

(Use for computer searches)

- Laura Ingalls Wilder
- Rose Wilder Lane
- "Little House" books

Subject Headings

(Use in card catalogs and print indexes)

- Wilder, Laura Ingalls 1867-1957
- Lane, Rose Wilder 1886-1968

Call Number

- 813.52 (Dewey Decimal)
- PS3545.I342 (Library of Congress)
- PZ7.W6461 (Library of Congress)

Indexes and Abstracts

- EBSCOhost
- FirstSearch
- Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature

Library catalogs

- Your local library catalog
- SILO - State-wide catalog
- WorldCat - World-wide Catalog

mentioned in the Little House books. Goes beyond the standard go to crafts that are frequently repeated. ISBN 0064462048

- *Searching for Laura Ingalls: A Reader's Journey* by Kathryn Lasky and Meribah Knight (1993) – A photo essay of Meribah, daughter of children's author Kathryn Lasky and professional photographer Chris Knight, visiting the Laura sites with her parents. ISBN 0689820291

Web Pages and Web Portals

- Come Home to Little House <http://www.littlehousebooks.com>
The official Harper Collins website for the series, this is the best place for information on HarperCollins products and includes some background information and teaching resources.

Organizations and Special Collections

Note: There are seven Laura Ingalls Wilder museums. They are listed under organizations below, but they all have museums and most of them have newsletters.

For additional organizations, see the adult level Laura Ingalls Wilder pathfinder.

- Laura Ingalls Wilder Memorial Society, Inc., P.O. Box 269, Pepin WI 54759 (Museum) (715) 513-6383 <http://lauraingallspepin.com/> (Town) (715) 442-3011 <http://www.pepinwisconsin.com> (Laura Days) (715) 255-0718 <http://www.lauradays.org/>
- Little House on the Prairie Museum, 2507 CR 3000, Independence KS 67301 <http://www.littlehouseontheprairiemuseum.com> (620) 289-4238
- Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum, 330 8th St., Walnut Grove MN 56180 1-800-528-7280 lauramuseum@walnutgrove.org <http://www.walnutgrove.org/museum.htm>
- Wilder Pageant Committee, 11505 Crown Avenue P.O. Box 313, Walnut Grove MN 56180 1-888-859-3102 (507) 859-2174 pageant@walnutgrove.org, <http://www.walnutgrove.org/pageant.htm>
- Laura Ingalls Wilder Park and Museum, 3603 236th Avenue, Burr Oak IA 52101 (563) 735-5916 museum@lauraingallswilder.us, <http://www.lauraingallswilder.us/>
- Laura Ingalls Wilder Memorial Society, P.O. Box 426 De Smet SD 57231 1-800-880-3383 or (605) 854-3383 laura@discoverlaura.org, <http://www.liwms.com/>
- Ingalls Homestead, 20812 Homestead Road, De Smet, South Dakota 57231 <http://www.ingallshomestead.com>, 1-800-776-3594
- Laura Ingalls Wilder Pageant Society, P.O. Box 154, De Smet SD 57231 <http://www.desmetpageant.org>, 1-800-880-3383 or 1-800-776-3594
- Laura Ingalls Wilder/ Rose Wilder Lane Home and Museum, 3068 Highway A, Mansfield, MO 65704 liwhome@getgo.in.net, <http://www.lauraingallswilderhome.com>, (417) 924-3626 or 1-877-924-7126
- Almanzo and Laura Ingalls Wilder Association, P.O. Box 283, 177 Stacy Road, Malone, NY 12953-0283 farm@almanzowilderfarm.com, <http://www.almanzowilderfarm.com/>, (518) 483-1207
- Iowa School for the Blind and Sight Saving School/Mary Ingalls Society, P.O. Box 326, Vinton, Iowa 52349 For a tour or questions contact Justin Ruegg at 319-472-5221, Ext. 1226 or jruegg@iowa-braille.k12.ia.us or Pat Barr at 319-472-5221, Ext. 1110 or pbarr@iowa-braille.k12.ia.us http://ibsssalumni.org/html/mary_ingalls_society.htm

Multimedia Resources

- The complete series of books is now available as unabridged audio books from Harper Children's Audio, 2003 – 2006.

See the adult version of the Laura Ingalls Wilder Pathfinder for more information.