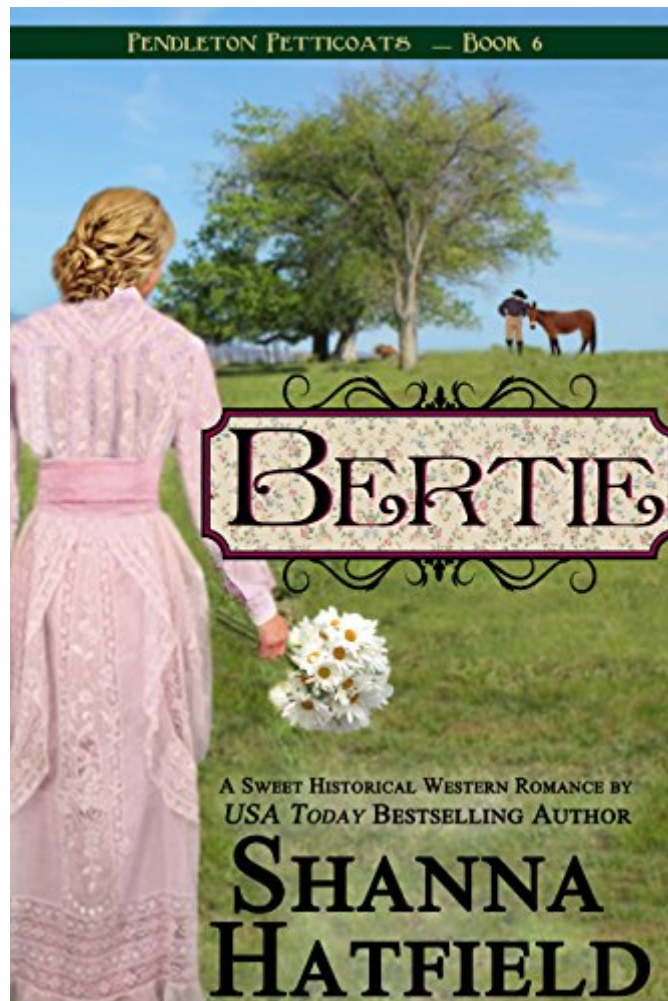


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Bertie: (A Sweet Historical Western Romance) (Pendleton Petticoats Book 6)



Synopsis

A sweet romance from USA Today Bestselling author Shanna Hatfield. She needs an adventure - He needs the warmth of her smile... Bertie Hawkins survived a traumatic ordeal that stripped away her sunny outlook on life and left her afraid of every shadow. Terrorized and tired of reliving the past, she accepts an offer to change her situation. Although she only intends to work through the summer, the peace she finds at Nash's Folly keeps her there every bit as much as her interest in a mysterious new ranch hand. Desperate to escape his memories, Riley Walsh buys a run-down farm in Pendleton, Oregon. To pay for the many necessary repairs, he goes to work for his neighbor, never intending to fall in love with the effervescent girl who helps around the house. Riley isn't the only one enchanted with Bertie. His own crazy mule and the neighbor's son both share his infatuation, driving him past the brink of jealousy. A sweet romance that embraces the trials and triumphs of yesteryear, Bertie blends laugh-out-loud adventures with heartwarming moments. *Read the entire Pendleton Petticoats Series!* Aundy (Book 1) - One stubborn mail-order bride finds the courage to carry on when she's widowed before ever truly becoming a wife, but opening her heart to love again may be more than she can bear. Caterina (Book 2) - Running from a man intent on marrying her, Caterina starts a new life in Pendleton, completely unprepared for the passionate feelings stirred by the town's deputy sheriff. Ilsa (Book 3) - Relying on others to guide and protect her, Ilsa finally finds the strength and courage to take control of her life. Unfortunately, her independence drives a wedge between her and the man she's come to love. Marnie (Book 4) - Giving up on her dreams for a future, Marnie finds her hope rekindled by one caring, compassionate man and the orphans who need her. Lacy (Book 5) - Bound by the past, Lacy dreams of a future full of excitement, adventure, and the love of a good man. Bertie (Book 6) - Riley Walsh only wanted to escape the pain of his past. He never planned on meeting the girl who would heal his heart. Scroll up and order your copy today!

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Customer Reviews

Suffering from PTSD due to a vicious assault, lovely Bertie with the creamy complexion and golden curls, moves out of downtown Pendleton to Nash's Folly, the ranch of Garrett and Aundy, in an effort to heal from her trauma. Who should she meet out there but newcomer Riley who has purchased the farm nearest them and works as a hired hand at Nash's Folly to help pay for renovations to his own property. The handsome young farmer has relocated from Kansas to heal from a secret tragedy of his own and the romantic attraction between these two is undeniable. As Bertie's love for Riley deepens, she is puzzled by the melancholy Riley's stubborn refusal to declare his affection in return. With the help of their many friends, will these two ever get over their damaged hearts? This reader thought he had it figured out but was absolutely blind-sided by a shocking reveal near the climax. Almost every one of the lovable heroes and heroines from the previous six romantic Westerns in the Pendleton Petticoats series are revisited in this beautiful love story and although this latest work is also a stand-alone novel, the author enticingly invites us to read each of the previous installments in order to more fully appreciate the stories of each of her colorful cast of characters. Along the way, meet some sweet children from the orphanage of Lars and Marnie and a few of Pendleton's most colorful barnyard animals for some wild humor along the way. The hilarious antics of these animal characters almost steal the show. The author's attention to the minutiae in her turn-of-the-century details draw the reader into the story in the most entertaining and intimate way. Just when I thought the Pendleton Petticoats series could not possibly get any better it DOES with Bertie.

This is a story about learning to deal with struggles and hardships of their past. Wanting something you know you can't have, starting over, healing and learning to live again. Ms. Hatfield always gives to her readers a wonderful tale of heartbreak, love, romance bring it all together in a well clean read that touches your heart. She gives you a wonderful plot with amazing characters you can relate to. I adore Steve the mule who has a winning personality you don't want to miss. He really made me smile at the things he gets into. I loved the story of mud Riley's horse and how he got his name and how Riley came to own me. These are more than animals they are family. Bertie and Riley are attracted to each other from the start they have wonderful chemistry just from a touch that burns their skin. Each has secrets that have shaped them into the people they are. Riley has a BIG one but he isn't giving any clues. Everyone can see how attracted he is to Bertie and doesn't have a clue why he isn't making a move on her. Riley is very attracted to Bertie but he keeps pushing her to Nik at the same time would like to put his fist in his face. He is torn between his past, his loss and his secrets that he can't have the one thing he wants Bertie. He is a much loved character that will keep you confused and asking what in the world could he be hiding. He works so hard, loves kids and would make a wonderful husband and father what in the world is his problem. Why can't he give Bertie what she wants so badly? Bertie's traumatic past keeps her looking over her shoulders not trusting many people. She doesn't feel safe no matter what she does. When Aundy hurts her arm it is decided Bertie will move out to their home to help her do the cooking which is just what the doctor ordered.

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