

What People Are Saying  
*Nora Bonesteel's Christmas Past*



Praise for *Nora Bonesteel's Christmas Past*

“Read it this morning and I will read it again tonight. I just LOVED it.”

—Judy Cheatham, director, Reading is Fundamental program, Washington D.C.

“I laughed, I cried, I turned each page wondering what would happen next. As I neared the end, I hope to see: To be continued... I always miss my old friends while waiting for Sharyn McCrumb's next release.”

—Pamela Keenon

Praise for Sharyn McCrumb and her previous *New York Times* bestselling novels

“Ms. McCrumb writes with quiet fire and maybe a little mountain magic...She plucks the mysteries from people's lives and works these dark narrative threads into Appalachian legends older than the hills. Like every true storyteller, she has the Sight.”

—*The New York Times Book Review*

“There are few writers today who are able to blend past and present, tradition and law, legends and headlines in a wholly credible fashion...Sharyn McCrumb's widely acclaimed Ballad series is one of the finest being written today.”

—*Bookpage*

“McCrumb provides fresh evidence that there is no one quite like her among present-day writers. No one better, either.”

—*The San Diego Union-Tribune*

“From snippets of rural life, scraps of memories, and fragments of tragedy, [McCrumb] has stitched together a vivid American heirloom.”

—*Newsday*

“Mesmerizing beauty and power.”

—*Richmond Times-Dispatch*

“True to the language and culture of its time and place...the Ballad series could be headed for bestsellerdom.”

—*Library Journal*

“Flat-out brilliant and transcendent. Simply put, novels don't come any better than this.”

—Martin Clark, author of *The Legal Limit*

“With fluid writing and sensitive telling, McCrumb presents her Appalachian series as perfectly as

dogwood in the spring.”  
—*Houston Chronicle*

“What a voice this writer has. She is superb at telling tales as sweet as wild honey and as special as the changing colors of the leaves.”  
—*The Washington Times*

