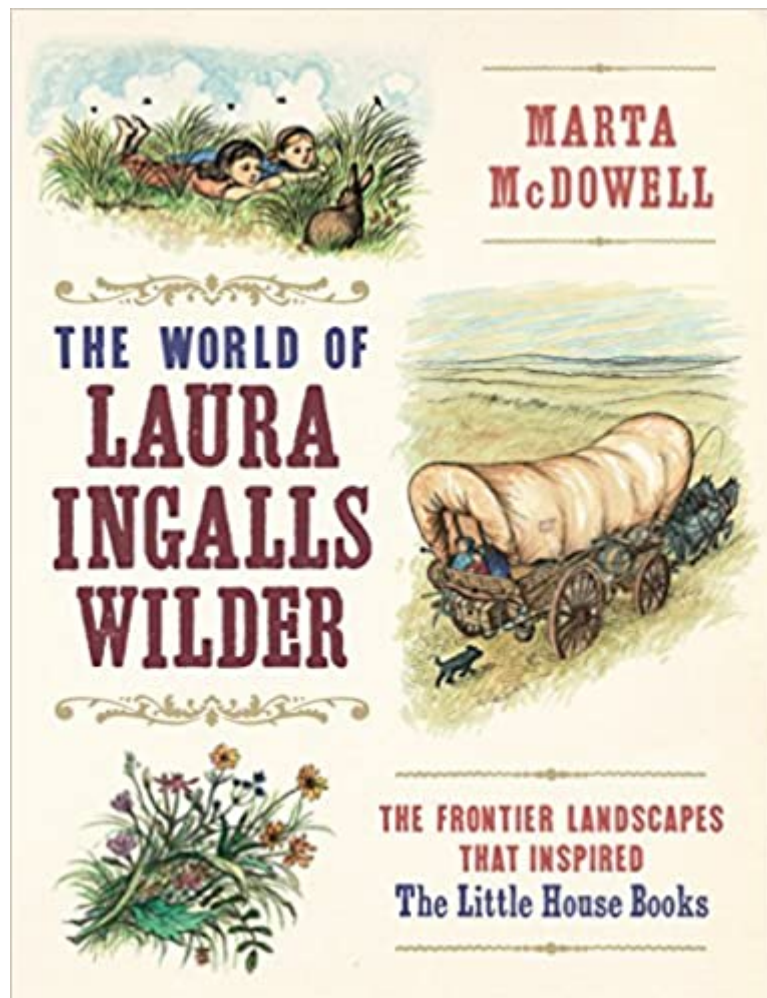




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# The World Of Laura Ingalls Wilder: The Frontier Landscapes That Inspired The Little House Books



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A must-read companion to the Little House books Laura Ingalls Wilder's beloved Little House series is a classic coming-of-age story based on Wilder's own family and the pioneer spirit of the time. Deeply rooted in the natural world, Wilder describes the plants, animals, and landscapes in such detail, they are practically their own characters. *The World of Laura Ingalls Wilder*, by New York Times bestselling author Marta McDowell, explores Wilder's deep relationship with the landscape. Follow the Wilder's wagon trail starting in the Wisconsin setting of Little House in the Big Woods, through the Dakotas, and finally to Missouri. You'll learn details about Wilder's life and inspirations, discover how to visit the real places today, and even learn to grow the plants and vegetables featured in the series. *The World of Laura Ingalls Wilder* is a must-have treasure celebrating the American landscape through Laura Ingalls Wilder's beautiful and wild life with original illustrations by Helen Sewell and Garth Williams and lush historical and contemporary photographs.

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“One morning the whole world was delicately silvered. Every blade of grass was silvery and the path had a thin sheen. . . . When the sun came up, the whole prairie sparkled. Millions of tiny, tiny sparks of color blazed on the grasses.”

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