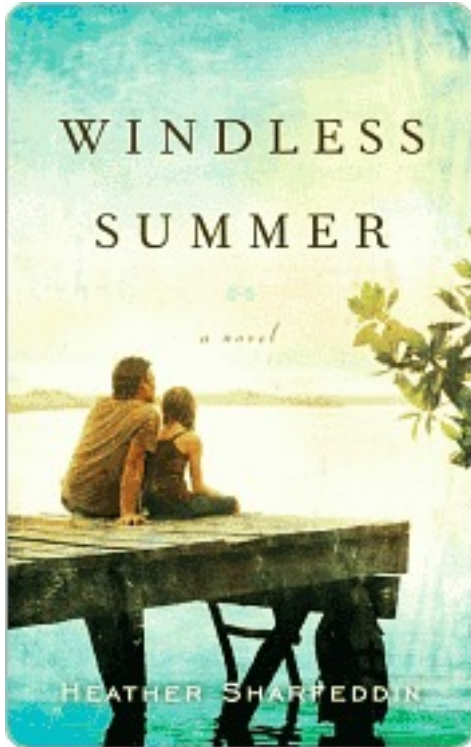

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Description

A father's love. A shattering secret. A summer that will change lives forever. In the town of Rocket, Washington--a summer playground for windsurfers and tourists--a windless summer ignites fear as businesses and residents move away. Rocket's motel, run by a lonely widower named Tom Jemmet, is hard hit. And Tom has demons of his own: memories of a beautiful wife that still haunt him, and a troubled young daughter whose retreat into a silent world confounds her father and sparks whispers in town.

Swirling around Tom are lives much like his own, townspeople yearning for wind but also for hope, even love. Charlene, a mail clerk, helps care for Tom's daughter while a secret gnaws at her heart...Lauren, the town vet, has fallen for Tom, who barely notices...and newspaper editor Hap is hatching a foolish plan to save his town.

That's when a miracle--or something like it--strikes Tom's run-down motel. Guests who stay in Room 6 begin experiencing sudden acts of fate, both terrible and great. But while tourists descend on Rocket and the town shows new signs of life, the truth about Tom's motel and the death of his wife--as well as the secret hopes and fears of everyone around him--are exposed in ways that are both surprising and inevitable....

"From the Trade Paperback edition."

Insightful reviews

Robin: A widower is trying to raise his severely autistic daughter and keep a failing motel business alive. Then strange coincidences begin to occur to patrons of Room # 6. The story gets national recognition and the town has to deal with the fall out. What is really behind #6 ? Great story with interesting characterization, twisting plot and some suspense. Must warn that it is somewhat depressing. Keeps the reader guessing as to what is REALLY going.

Dob: If you like stories that take you away while keeping it real, Windless Summer does it. Sharfeddin's novel is both anti-smarmy and anti-epic -- one of those rare tales that's taut and real and just plain satisfying. Sharfeddin does an incredible job of getting out of the way of her writing -- and here she did it by putting me in the middle of a small town along the Columbia River Gorge and bringing to life all kinds of people who simply want to live, love and survive life's most basic worries: a secure future and the unromantic depths of love. Sure, there's despair, ego, pride, darkness, and even a few weirdos, but that's exactly what enriches and sweetens the whole story. It might sound like a cliché, but I'll always be rooting for Sienna and her dad Tom (while watching for old motels with pools out back). It's all in Windless Summer; therefore, it's real. I also should add a full disclosure (with pride): Heather is a good friend.

Christy: Ugh. Nowhere on the back of this book are we led to believe that this story is going to delve into the paranormal or that it will get as violent as it does.

I feel so juvenile saying this in this way, but it's the only way to describe it - it's just stupid. The ending leaves everything to be desired and the story, as a whole, shows no growth on the part of the characters.

So mad I spent my money on this!!!

Darlene Schuh: Oh my. I am signing on simply to say that I loved studying this book, reflected many attainable endings all to be left putting in the course of a climactic event. It simply ended. I want I hadn't spent my time interpreting it...

Margi: a superb read. such a lot of secrets and techniques during this small town. A father struggles to make it at his failing inn whereas facing his critically autistic daughter. A newspaper guy writes a narrative to save lots of the lodge and the town; it does usher in money, yet there's extra at stake. A city vet attempts to determine a few truths yet in her seek she reveals loneliness. a stunning tale that would continue you turning pages. The characters are wonderful, the experience of position within the small city of Rocket is wonderful, the tale is wonderful. Many lives can be replaced perpetually in this summer season within the city of Rocket, Washington.

Melanie: This e-book had loads of tales interwoven and an engaging idea even though the finishing used to be abrupt and taken little closure for the most personality and his daughter. we all know not anything of what is going to come of his critically autistic daughter or the folks of the town. every little thing is left greatly up within the air, asking the analyzing to come back up with their very own endings.

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