

# Daughters of Northern Shores

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## Synopsis

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**In this stunning sequel to *The Sons of Blackbird Mountain*, Aven and Thor's love story continues and an age-old feud endangers the Norgaard family in ways no one could have ever imagined.**

Aven Norgaard understands courage. Orphaned within an Irish workhouse, then widowed at just nineteen, she voyaged to America where she was wooed and wed by Thor Norgaard, a Deaf man in rural Appalachia. That the Lord saw her along the winding journey and that Aven now carries Thor's child are blessings beyond measure. Yet while Thor holds her heart, it is his younger brother and rival who haunts her memories. Haakon whose selfish choices shattered her trust in him.

Having fled the Norgaard orchard after a terrible mistake, Haakon sails on the North Atlantic ice trade, where his soul is plagued with regrets that distance cannot heal. Not even the beautiful Norwegian woman he pursued can ease the torment. When the winds bear him home after four years away, Haakon finds the family on the brink of tragedy. A decades-old feud with the neighboring farm has wrenched them into the fiercest confrontation on Blackbird Mountain since the Civil War. Haakon's cunning and strength hold the power to seal many fates, including Thor's which is already imperiled due to a grave illness brought to him at the first prick of warfare.

Now Haakon faces the hardest choice of his life. One that shapes a battlefield where pride must be broken enough to be restored, and where a prodigal son may finally know the healing peace of surrender and the boundless gift of forgiveness. And when it comes to the woman he left behind in Norway, he just might discover that while his heart belongs to a daughter of the north, she's been awaiting him on shores more distant than the land he's fighting for.

*This inspirational historical romance can be read as a standalone but is best enjoyed as a follow-up to *The Sons of Blackbird Mountain* by Christy Award-winning author Joanne Bischof. Book length: approximately 109,000 words. Includes a reading group guide and a note from the author.*

*Bischof*'s effortless prose and emotionally driven scenes captivate the reader from beginning to end. Characters so real you begin to believe they are. The Norgaard brothers and their families will steal your heart. Beautifully eloquent, this grace-filled tale is one not to be missed.

• Catherine West, author of *Where Hope Begins*

• Laced with lyrical prose, *Daughters of Northern Shores* is a story of redemption that gripped me from its first moments. I savored every gorgeous detail, and the characters continue to live with me even now. Bischof is a master at enfolding readers in her story world and bringing them along in a journey of the heart.

• Lindsay Harrel, author of *The Secrets of Paper and Ink*

## Reader's comments

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