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Longshot Into The West (The Longshot Series Book 2)



Synopsis

LONGSHOT INTO THE WEST by the Best-selling author of LONGSHOT in MISSOURI, Keith R. Baker. Joined by the young William Cody and a man named Lonnie Walters, Rob Finn (aka Longshot) struggles Westward to the gold fields of the unsettled territories beyond the States. Union and Confederate sympathizers vie for the yellow metal to sustain their respective governments war efforts. Still recovering from the loss of his wife, (while considering Molly as likely replacement), Rob will need to adjust to the challenges of the West, its wildlife and some questionable people to satisfy his orders. The greater challenge may be dealing with his discoveries about his government.

Readers of the first book in this series, LONGSHOT in MISSOURI, have commented: “Keith R. Baker in Longshot in Missouri tells a Civil War story from a fresh perspective that will leave the reader wanting more.”

James D Best, Best-selling author of the Steve Dancy novels. “The author has a special talent for creating a clear picture, but also allows us to use our imagination and become more personally involved in a way that so few authors do today.”

“I was impressed that the story was told in such a way that I felt like I knew the characters personally. The book was refreshingly without vulgarity or unnecessary sex.”

“I really liked the character of Rob Finn. Not your usual assassin in that he has feelings. He definitely isn’t a cold blooded killer. He has a conscience. And even though he is a farmer by trade, he is smart and learns new things very quickly.”

Though each book is a stand-alone novel, LONGSHOT INTO THE WEST, has its starting point just a few weeks after the first book in the series ends. It is the second book in the series.

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Customer Reviews

Keith Baker's tales featuring Longshot are pleasurable reads. His subtle interpretations of historical events (e.g. the true nature of Lincoln's "Emancipation Proclamation," the political propaganda that kept the war going) are on target. The role of the Pinkerton Agency was interesting. I'm looking forward to the next book in the series.

"Solid Western Leaves Room for a Sequel"Overall 4Performance 5Story 4What made the experience of listening to Longshot into the West the most enjoyable?Interesting characters - Pinkerton, young Bill Cody. Plausible era accurate action. Good representation of life for how it was. Above all, A.W. Miller!What was one of the most memorable moments of Longshot into the West?I'm interested in the life of Allen Pinkerton, so Finn's (Longshot) developing interaction with Pinkerton.What about A.W. Miller's performance did you like?His voice is perfect for the Western genre. I appreciate well done voice acting on audio books. It's a craft that adds so much to my enjoyment. And it is obvious that A.W. Miller prepared for his work here. Pace, character presentation, pronunciation. And that great voice!Who was the most memorable character of Longshot into the West and why?Longshot. As main character, the story revolves around him. Great historical supporting characters too.Any additional comments?As I titled this review - be aware that the ending leaves room for further books. I've also read, listened and reviewed the first in this series "Longshot in Missouri". And I'm a fan.Thanks for the opportunity to review this audio book!This review copy audiobook was provided by the author, narrator, or publisher at no cost

This is our second visit with "Longshot" and it is another quick and fun romp, this time to the goldfields of southwestern Montana. The characters are finely drawn, the dialog is believable, and the settings are great. I'm sure my own enjoyment was enhanced by familiarity with these settings but they are nicely backdated to support the story. It is also fun that improbable historical characters

pop up in very probable ways. Henry Plummer, especially, gets a markedly different treatment than local history would have. Perhaps an enticement into the next tale? These are fun reads. Hurry with the next one Keith, but do so with your proper sense of the history intact!

The first book I read that was written by Keith Baker was the Longshot from Missouri. It was very interesting with accurate history even though it was fiction. I'm glad he continued the saga with Longshot into The West. His manner of writing is interesting and I believe it will keep anyone's attention that is interested in adventure during the period these books were written. I am starting on the third book and looking forward to the history it will bring to life. I'm not sure how many books he has written, but I plan to follow up on other books that he has written. So, Mr. Keith Baker, I hope you continue to relate accounts of history to the waiting public

I really enjoyed this book. I was born and raised in western Montana and when my dad didn't make it back home from WW2 was raised by my grandfather, who had been one of last mountain men. From him, I heard many tales of the early gold camps, not Bannock. But in reading this book I realized that it was the tip of the mountain of gold. Silver and Copper yet to come. Prior to this., I had thought Virginia City was first.

I have read most of longshot series , but I was confused about something. I recall Ose-Asey being in a later book but saw no intro except all of a sudden in chapter 5 page 80 he showed up killing the cat that attacked their horse. In the previous chapter WaHaya was going to guide them in Wills absence. Did I miss something, just confused in Austin....series has been Refreshing over some other westerns I have read.

I've read a lot of books since I've retired. One of the most difficult things that authors have to achieve when writing a book is introducing the characters and setting up the plot. Which stories getting more complex it becomes more difficult to get the setup correctly communicated. While Mr. Baker did OK I did occasionally wonder who this or that character was and how they were connected to the story. That said I enjoyed the travel portions that involved the main character and his associates. Some of their encounters out there in the middle of nowhere were very perilous and kept me reading longer than I should have. All in all I thought that this was a good read.

This is the second of the "Longshot" books that I have read. I enjoy them and they have a nice story

line but at some point, they just end. I like them but I think the author could expand them and not just end them.

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