



**Short-Straw Bride**

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With a delightful blend of humor and history, *Short-Straw Bride* evokes the fun and romance of *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. Set in 1880s Texas, the novel follows Meredith Hayes as she attempts to repay an old debt, only to find herself more beholden than ever to her childhood hero. When their lives become entangled once again, Travis Archer will discover that he might be in need of rescue as well.

*No one steps on Archer land. Not if they value their life. But when Meredith Hayes overhears a plot to burn the Archer brothers off their ranch, a long-standing debt compels her to take the risk.*

*Years of constant vigilance hardens a man. Yet when Travis Archer comes across a female trespasser with the same vivid blue eyes as the courageous young girl he once aided, he can't bring himself to send her away. And when an act of sacrifice leaves her injured and her reputation in shreds, gratitude and guilt prompt him to attempt to rescue her once again.*

*Four brothers. Four straws. One bride. Despite the fact that Travis is no longer the gallant youth Meredith once dreamed about, she vows to stand by his side. But will love ever be hers? Or will Travis always see her as merely a short-straw bride?*

**"Witemeyer scores again with fresh, strong romance... [She] plots smoothly, writes crisp dialogue, and moves things along briskly."**

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