

***Hankerin' For More Western Fun?
Check Out These Films and CDs:***

Films:

Blazing Saddles
Cannibal: The Musical
The Good, Bad and the Ugly
High Noon
The Last Picture Show
Lonely are the Brave
The Searchers
Shane
Stagecoach
The Unforgiven

Music:

Johnny Cash – “The Essential
Johnny Cash”

Ray Charles – “Modern Sounds of
Country and Western”

Patsy Cline – “The Definitive
Collection”

Loretta Lynn – “Van Lear Rose”

Willie Nelson – “Red Headed
Stranger”

Tex Ritter – “Blood on the Saddle”

Marty Robbins – “Gunfighter
Ballads and Trail Songs”

Sixteen Horsepower – “Sackcloth
'n Ashes”

Slim Cessna's Auto Club – “Always
Say Please and Thank You”

Hank Williams – “40 Greatest Hits”

MORE WESTERN WISDOM

Don't squat with your spurs on.

*Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a
rain dance.*

*If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to
do is stop diggin'.*

*It don't take a genius to spot a goat in a flock
of sheep.*

Always drink upstream from the herd.

*Generally, you ain't learnin' nothing when
your mouth's a-jawin'.*

*Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot
easier than puttin' it back.*

*Courage is being scared to death - and
saddling up anyway.*

Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.

The Wild West



Cowboy Wisdom:

Never approach a bull from
the front, a horse from the
rear, or a fool from any
direction.

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BOOKS ABOUT THE WEST

1. **The Brave Cowboy** by Edward Abbey

Anarchist Cowboy Jack Burnes attempts to bust his draft-resistor friend out of jail.

2. **Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee: An Indian History of the American West** by Dee Brown

The definitive history of the treatment of American Indians as told from the American Indian point of view.

3. **Cowboy Ghost** by Robert Newton Peck

While on a cattle drive during the 1920s, 16 year old Titus learns the law of the land and adopts a guardian angel as his Cowboy Ghost.

4. **Cowboys of the Wild West** by Russell Freedman

Beautiful photos and research about the cowboy lifestyle show the non-fiction journey about teenagers in the Wild West.

5. **Cowgirls** by Candace Savage

A mixture of historical and Hollywood history, this is the story of the cowgirl's influence on both the Wild West and feminism.

6. **Lonesome Dove** by Larry McMurtry

A western classic about two former Texas Rangers on a mission.

7. **Montana 1948** by Larry Watson

Questions about family allegiance and morality shatter a small town in 1948 Montana.

8. **New Cowboy Poetry: A Contemporary Gathering** by Hal Cannon

A book comprised of multiple poets honoring the cowboy lifestyle.

9. **The Perilous Journey of the Donner Party** by Marian Calabro

The true-life tale of the Donner Party's 1846 journey from Illinois to California, including their struggles and their eating habits.

10. **The Road to Many a Wonder** by David Wagoner

A hilarious romance set during the Pike's Peak Gold Rush of the mid 1800s.



11. **The Revolt of Sarah Perkins** by Marian Cockrell

Plain and shy Sarah Perkins is hired to teach school during the 1800s in a small western town, but unbeknownst to them, she has a few tricks up her sleeve.

12. **Shane** by Jack Schaefer

Tormented cowboy Shane, a true romantic hero, rides into town to handle some problems with cattle baron men his own way – the western way.

13. **Sunshine Rider: The First Vegetarian Western** by Ric Lynden Hardman

Wylie, a vegetarian cook, joins a cattle drive in the 1800s in a quirky, funny take on the Western novel.

14. **The Virginian** by Owen Wister

Considered the first western ever written, a loner follows his own set of honor codes fighting enemies in the Wild West.

15. **Welcome to Hard Times** by E.L. Doctorow

The Cowboy with No Name fights for truth and the Western way in this ruthless novel.

16. **West of Everything: The Inner Life of Westerns** by Jane Tompkins

An examination of the West as depicted in books and film.