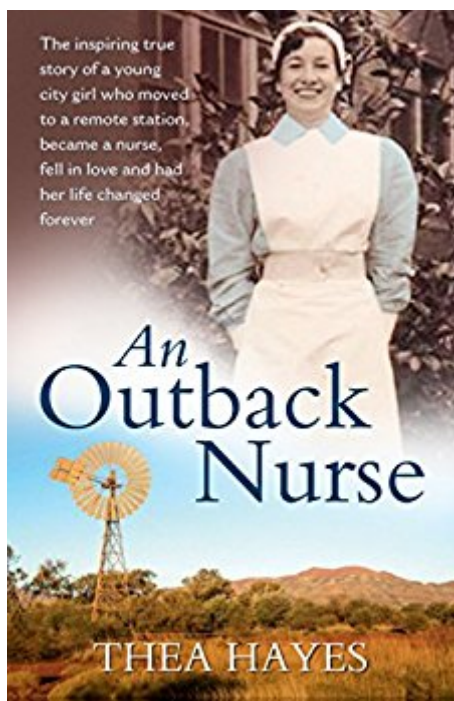


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# An Outback Nurse



## Synopsis

Thea Hayes trained as a Nurse in Sydney in 1959. A year later she was catapulted out of the safety of her city life into the unknown world of the Outback. Thea knew nothing of the place she was soon to call home, Wave Hill Station in the Northern Territory, the second largest property in the world under one management. It covered four million acres! With nervous excitement, Thea accepted the job and flew to the Northern Territory where her life was about to change dramatically. This is a story of growing up, falling in love and finding your home.

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## Customer Reviews

Wow! this book was very hard to put down, Thea Hayes is just a wonderful woman, to go from a city girl to the hardships of the outback and excel in everything she did, to fall in love and marry and to raise her children, the story is just lovely from working with the men of the land and also to help and train the aboriginals, she makes it all sound romantic and fun, the hardships she had to endure, the heat the wet seasons and just the everyday running of a big cattle station. I think I will have to read it again to take it all in. Great job to all women of the outback..

Interesting and well written book about life in a remote part of Australia, the relationships with the

aboriginals and the effects of living some distance from everyday facilities we tend to take for granted.

I was disappointed this book barely touched on her experiences as a nurse. I was hoping to read about her encounters from a medical perspective but the book, whilst interesting, focussed more on the people she was working with on the various stations. It is a good snapshot of the challenges of living in this extreme environment, but for me more of her actual nursing experiences would have been good.

I thoroughly enjoyed Thea's portrayal of both life as an outback nurse and of station life in the NT in the 60's and 70's. The story of Wave Hill was fascinating and appeared to be unbiased.

I really enjoyed this book as I have lived in the Northern Territory so I could relate to the outback ways.. An easy read and also informative , but in a relaxed story telling way.

This was really a tale of the author's life. Though she has had an interesting life, I expected more stories about the nursing side rather than the wife and mother side.

an enjoyable recording of difficulties living in the isolated outback, as well as including indigenous facts; A real life story is much nicer than some novel!

I found this book very interesting and very easy to read. The story flowed easily and was a great account of outback life in the 60's.well worth reading.

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