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# Snow Country (A Copper Island Novel Book 1)



## Synopsis

Shame desperately depends on secrecy for its survival in this multi-generational story of love and loss. **JILTED THREE WEEKS BEFORE HER WEDDING**, Beth Dawson escapes sunny California for the snowy Upper Peninsula of Michigan, where a young State Trooper challenges her to let go of her rules for Christian courtship. Her domineering mother chides her to stay single and wants her to talk her ailing grandmother into moving to Los Angeles. **COPPER ISLAND** averages over 200 inches of snow annually. The fictional towns of Douglass and Quincy mirror the actual towns of Houghton and Hancock, and although the names of businesses and persons are imaginary, the history, landmarks, and spirit of the region described in the novel are real. Reader praise for *Snow Country*: "Her novels and the characters that live in them are endearing and wholesome. But they are also so real, full of healthy grit, humor, flaws and appetites. She creates an authentic Yooper world that I think other readers, including those who don't know anything about life in da UP, will find as fascinating as I do." (Cyndi P.) "Kristin Neva's fiction invites the reader to consider the weightier questions of life and offers wise insights to ponder. It's not just entertainment it's worth your time. *Snow Country* offers a fascinating look into the local culture of an isolated part of the United States. With surprising, yet believable characters and storyline twists, it is at once captivating, suspenseful, funny, and reflective. The light-hearted scenes balance some very intense but real-life drama. (It may be more believable to those of us who have lived in the unique cultural landscape. Outsiders beware: truth IS stranger than fiction!) More than a romance novel, it is a story of life in its many complexities: family loyalties and secrets, faith, vocation, AND love." (Alexandra L.) "Fun book, and with a message or two! The characters and conflicts feel real." (Dan R.) About the Author: KRISTIN NEVA grew up in an old farmhouse on Copper Island in Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula where the hard-working, rugged residents persevere through harsh winter weather, sustained by friendship and family, surrounded by natural beauty. As an adult, she lived in the Chicago and Milwaukee areas for seventeen years before returning to her hometown with her husband and two children. Kristin's first book, *Heavy*, co-authored with her husband, Todd, journeys through the first year after Todd's ALS diagnosis as the Nevas struggle to find meaning, hold on to faith, and discover joy in the midst of pain. It is this life experience that brings authenticity to Kristin's fictional works as she explores themes of love, loss, and faith on Copper Island. Learn more about Kristin and explore Copper Island at [KristinNeva.com](http://KristinNeva.com).

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## Customer Reviews

I just finished this book. It's a story about the application of grace in a messy world. It's characters live in a Finnish community of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. It was fun to read while reminiscing about the quirkiness, humor & Sisu of the people in the area where we raised our kids. Those were good times. I'll always miss the people of Copper Island.

Snow Country is a wonderful, winter-time tale. It perfectly highlights the beauty of this crisp season where deep work is happening in nature and in the heart. Themes include the messiness of family, forgiveness, and the beauty of community. I can't wait to read Neva's next novel!

I liked the characters. They were real people with real flaws and they could still love each other by allowing themselves to be filled first with God's love.

I really enjoyed this book! A romance without the smut. And she gives such a feel for life in the UP!

Makes me want to go visit!! I love the snow!! Now on to the next one, "Copper Country". Then I will patiently wait for the next one!!

I received this book as a Christmas gift and found it hard to stop reading! It was beautifully written and even brought me to tears at the end. I especially loved the character development. I look forward to book 2!

Enjoyed reading Snow Country, as growing up spending summer vacations in the Copper Country, visiting my grandmother, it made reading book a bit more interesting. Anxiously awaiting next book (s) in Copper Island series. Also read Heavy written by Kristen n her husband Todd about their first year after diagnosis of ALS... God Bless you n your family Kristen n your writings!!

Loved this story. Think it will be a treat for young and old alike. The way ALS is handled is interesting and realistic for many victims.

Wonderful love story, with well developed characters. Snow Country gives a great glimpse into life in the UP and into the inner challenges of the heart of a young woman in love. I thoroughly enjoyed the book and look forward to Kristin's next one.

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