

THE ORIGINAL COWGIRL

THE WILD ADVENTURES OF LUCILLE MULHALL



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Lucille wasn't like most girls in the 1890s. Instead of skipping with her mama's clothesline, she twirled it like a lasso. *Whoosh... whoosh...snap!* Lucille could rope a fence post in three seconds flat.



Lucille's papa, Colonel Zack Mulhall, saw right away she could be a mighty fine ranch hand.

Her mama did not. Roping and riding were not ladylike.

Lucille didn't care about sewing or cooking or becoming a lady. Ladies rode sidesaddle, and riding sidesaddle was slower than a snail climbing a greased log.

Lucille wore a split skirt, and she rode astride, just like the cowboys.



By the time she was ten, Lucille was mending fences, training racehorses, and herding cattle.

Lucille swung her lariat at jackrabbits and chickens. The family dogs had to watch their tails when Lucille was around.

During the spring roundup, Lucille asked her papa, "When can I have my own herd?"

"When you're old enough to rope and brand your own cattle," he said.

Colonel Mulhall soon discovered she already could.