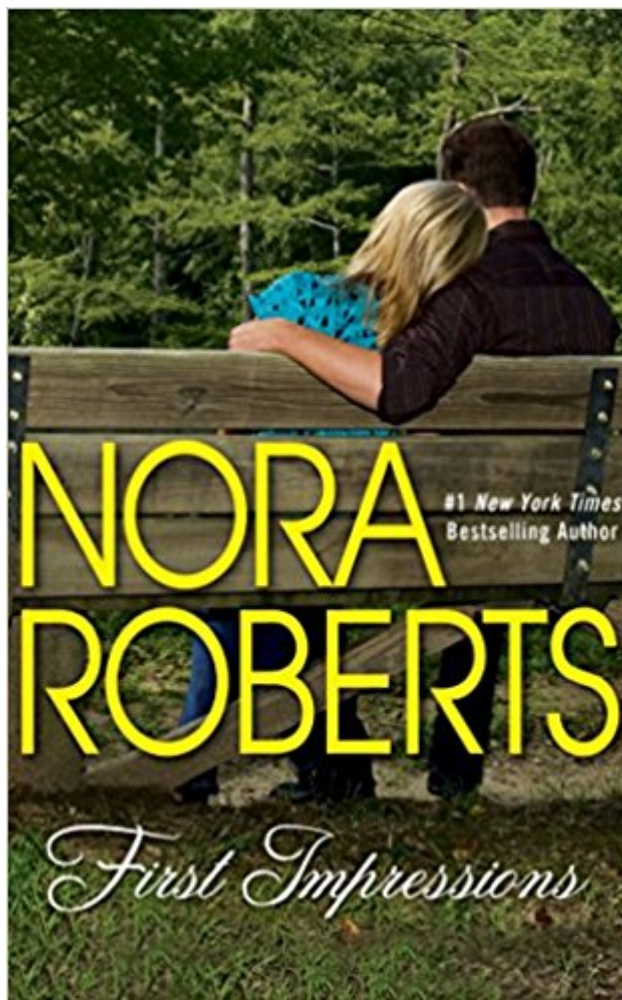




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Escaping the rat race and the lure of gold-digging women, wealthy businessman Vance Banning moves to a small, rural retreat, telling the townsfolk that he's an out-of-work carpenter. All he wants is peace, quiet, and to keep away from women. So the last thing he needs is a charitable neighbor, especially a beautiful, gracious, and persistent neighbor of the female persuasion, but there's something about Shane Abbott he just can't ignore. Vance is certain his cover story will stop his lovely neighbor from getting too friendly, but Shane is determined to break down his resistance. He has no idea how relentless Shane Abbott can be when it comes to giving a helping hand...or a loving heart.

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"Roberts has a warm feel for her characters and an eye for the evocative detail." -- Chicago Tribune
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Nora Roberts is the number-one New York Times-bestselling author of more than 190 novels, including *The Search*, *Black Hills*, *Tribute*, *High Noon*, and many more. She is also the author of the bestselling futuristic suspense series written under the pen name J.D. Robb. Roberts has more than 400 million copies of her books in print.

This was a reread for me. I do not believe that Nora writes bad books, just some are better than others. This is not one of them. The story is of a small town girl, Shane Abbott. She teaches in the big city for 4 years and then comes home to her small town after her grandmother passes away. Her grandmother leaves her the house. Shane decides to convert it into a civil war museum and antique store. Along a path and through the woods is the Old Farley place. A shack of a house that is currently being converted by the new guy in town. No one knows much about Vance Banning, but it is rumored that he is an out of work carpenter. After a brief introduction Vance is rude and standoffish to Shane. They come to a truce of sorts and Shane offers him a job working on the repairs on her house. He accepts. The thing is he is not quite an unemployed carpenter. This book is entertaining. But for me it showed its age a bit, it was written in 1984. Nora has definitely written a lot better stories. It has some funny moments. And some cheesy ones. If you are a die hard Nora fan, of course you have to buy it and read it at least once. Otherwise I recommend reading a friend's copy or visiting your local library.

I love Nora Roberts' books because she has a great story line and adventure, not just a romance. Ms. Roberts skillfully weaves a story line with intimacy. It gets to the real heart of her characters. There's more to the characters' feelings than infatuation. They are drawn to each other in how they respond to everyday situations in life. The attraction of the characters is there because of the match of their souls, and their similar outlook on life, love, people and work...as it should be. Well done, Nora!

First Impressions. Ever wonder if the person you are attracted to is who they seem to be? First Impressions portray the idea very well. Shane is an antique store owner and Vance is a carpenter or are they? Good story by a great romance writer. Nora Roberts offers a much detailed story of the emotions one might experience in such a setting. This book would make a good read when you want to explore your feelings.

I have been reading Nora Roberts for years and have yet to find anything less than great in her writing style. She truly takes you into the period, place and characters she is writing about. Love her!

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Everyone that enjoys a light read, full of Everyday emotions, fears we've all shared In one way or another, & pure fun & happiness with friends & family, will enjoy this Read. I love her books. But not so much the T.V. Movies or the Audio books. They don't pick the right people to act out the stories. And the voices for Peabody, Roarke & Dallas are way unbelievable. Disappointing.

I like most of Nora Roberts books. I think she is a great author. Her stories holds your interest all through the book. I have read a lot but she still has a lot more to read. I am on The Right Path now and have not read Search for love yet. That will be my next read. I would recommend all of her books to any one that likes to read and likes love stories with a twist of excitement. One of the books I just read talks about West Virginia and that is my home state.

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