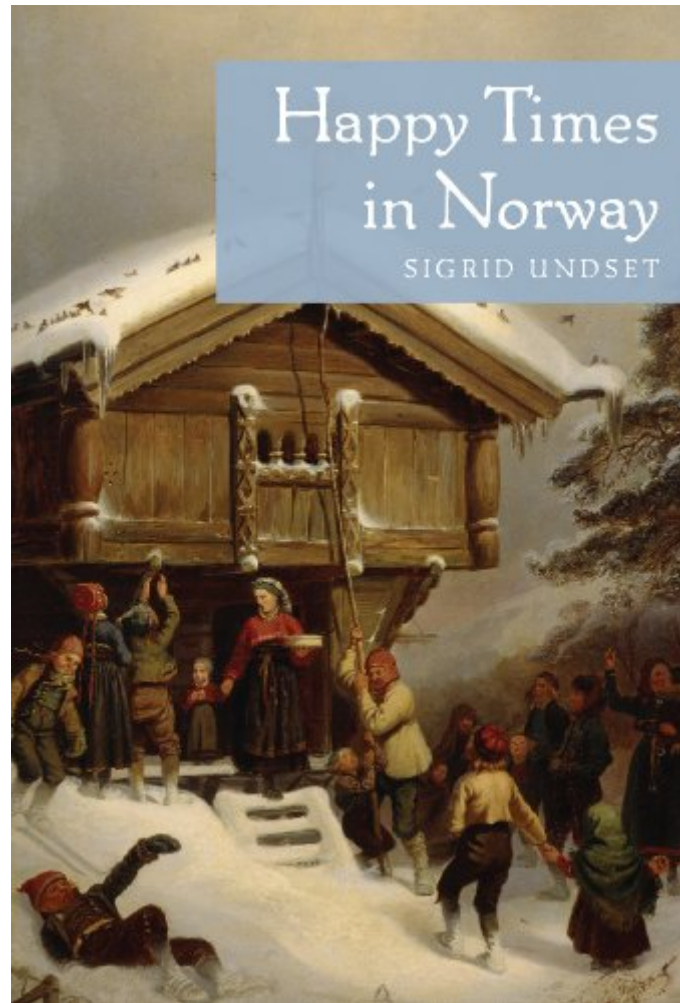




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Synopsis

Happy Times in Norway is a moving and delicately humorous picture of Undset's own blissful home life before her nation fell to the Nazi occupation. Captured here is the excitement of a Norwegian Christmas, the Seventeenth of May, and summer in the idyllic mountains, as well as the chaotic adventure of raising two energetic boys. With vivid detail and illuminating descriptions of the landscape, Happy Times in Norway is infused with the wish that those cherished days could come again.

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Customer Reviews

"Happy Times in Norway" was a well written, thoroughly enjoyable book. My husband's grandparents on his Mom's side of the family came from Trondheim, Norway. This book causes you to fall in love with the beauty of Norway, it's people and their traditions. The book is divided into three sections. The first section shares about a traditional Norwegian Christmas, the second section tells about Norway's May 17th celebration, and the last section talks about summer in the mountains. All three sections were enjoyable, but having grown up in the country with a love for the

outdoors, the last section was my favorite.

I guess I primarily loved this book because I was born in Norway and lived there for 26 years. Sigrid Undset died around the time I was born but customs and festivities in Norway were the same as when I grew up. Also I spent every summer holiday at a seter in the mountains above Ringebru in Gudbrandsdalen so I am well acquainted with the life of a seter and the buende or milking maid who runs it. All the things she writes about are very dear to me and will always live in my memory.

I liked this book better than her other ones. It was a great story that gave insights into the way of life in Norway in the early to mid 1900's. It was a great pre-read to visiting Norway.

Beautiful true story, written in a simple style, infused with warmth and love about memorable days in Norway before the Nazi invasion.

Light reading with a true life experience interwoven. The wholesomeness of country living is felt and yet the safety and freedom of earlier times is to be appreciated.

This was a "nice" read. I think this would be good for fourth graders studying various cultures.

This was recommended by a friend, but I was terribly disappointed. This is a child's book. I have been to Norway and have loved it. This is not what an adult would want to see in Norway, although the meadows would have been great. There is too much of the meadow life and not enough of what Norway can be to a visitor. There are too many other things to see.

I was looking for something with a more theological-philosophical bent. Would not recommend it as it does not get into the meat of Undset's thinking.

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