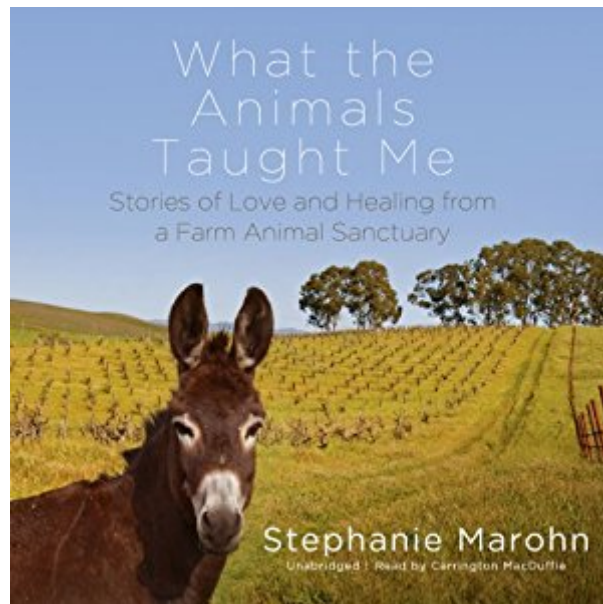


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# What The Animals Taught Me: Stories Of Love And Healing From A Farm Animal Sanctuary



## Synopsis

What the Animals Taught Me is a collection of stories about rescued farm animals in a shelter in Sonoma County, California, and what these animals can teach us. Each story illuminates how animals can help us see and embrace others as they truly are and reconnect us with the natural world. Wishing to escape the urban rat race, freelance writer and editor Stephanie Marohn moved to rural northern California in 1993. Life was sweet. She was a busy freelancer. In return for reduced rent, she fed and cared for two horses and a donkey. Her life was full. Then, more farm animals started to appear: a miniature white horse, a donkey, sheep, chickens, followed by deer and other wildlife. Each one needed sanctuary either from abuse, physical injury, or neglect. Marohn took each animal in and gradually turned her 10-acre spread into an animal sanctuary. Each chapter of What the Animals Taught Me focuses on the story of a particular animal that became part of Marohn's life. She shares what she learned from the sheep she rescued from an animal collector, the abused donkey she helped nurse back to health, and many others to remind us that animals have much to teach us about love, compassion, trust, and many of the qualities we so often try to cultivate in ourselves. A deeply inspiring collection, What the Animals Taught Me awakens our hearts and reminds us that our best life teachers sometimes come covered in fur.

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## Customer Reviews

This book is beautiful. I'm surprised and a little saddened that there aren't a bunch of glowing reviews here! I enjoy animals, but I'm not a crazy animal rights activist and I consider myself too

selfish own any pets (I don't much like fleas or fur). However, I am going to live on a horse ranch in Patagonia next month to assist a woman with Multiple Sclerosis in writing her memoirs. So when I somehow I stumbled across this book (maybe Andrew Harvey's newsletter?) I was captured by Stephanie's story, her tips about horses (I know nothing!!!), her lovely writing, and her incredibly clear wisdom. This book is spirituality and love in practice. I'm finding that her lessons, illustrated by her relationships with animals, are powerful and valuable reminders of how to love the humans in my life.

In a world where eye contact is becoming a thing of the past (not to mention physical contact) this wonderful book tosses you over the fence into a world where animals matter. Stephanie's love and commitment to all creatures wooly and otherwise is a reminder that we are part of a larger family than merely the two-legged relatives with whom we share Thanksgiving. I encourage everyone to put down their iPhones and their iPads long enough to take this vicarious literary journey. Then rush out and hug someone wooly or furry.

I've read many books like this but this one really help me truly understand how to help all animal emotionally heal from mankind mistreatment. The author speaks of love, letting go, trust within & natural healing with plants to assist animals when ill. I did not want the book to end. I wanted more! Truly a must read for all.

Stephanie Marohn has given us a beautiful gift...an invitation to love and appreciate animals at a level that raises consciousness and heals my heart. I bought one copy and kept buying more as gifts. It can be read on small doses as a daily inspirational. I was so moved by Stephanie's writing that I felt compelled to send her an email and she sent me a lovely reply.

I have taken my time reading through this gem of a book and it is one that I will return to time and time again. This is not just a book about an animal sanctuary, although those stories touched me at my core, but is also about being mindful and considering how we are ALL connected. The life lessons are pertinent for all of us and resonated with me. Thank you Stephanie for sharing your insight and wisdom with all of us. I look forward to more of your writing.

This book is beyond insightful. If you love animals and can then translate as the Author does, to the human soul, then need to love each and every day. Not be diswayed by logic and rational thought,

she spends more time healing/saving her animals than we do with our elderly. If you like books that touch your soul you will love this book. It is about life, life's challenges, helping others and yourself heal and a better way to live, all done with the human/animal connection.

I absolutely loved this book! When I read this book I could feel the love and kindness of the author. I felt like I was right by her side. I did not want the book to end. I would read a chapter then read another book to make it last longer.

amazingly talented and loving account of a miniature horse, named Pegasus, and his donkey sidekick, Gabriel. I had the supreme luck to meet those two when a mutual friend ranch-sat for Stephanie Marohn. I cannot tell you how fun, goofy, playful and lovely they were. They were absolutely life changers. xxx

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