# Surviving Wildfire

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Author, researcher and wildfire survivor Linda Masterson offers a wealth of solidly researched, actionable information along with unique lessons that could only come from someone who has lived through losing her home and rebuilding her life in her latest book, **Surviving Wildfire: Get Prepared, Stay Alive, Rebuild Your Life**.

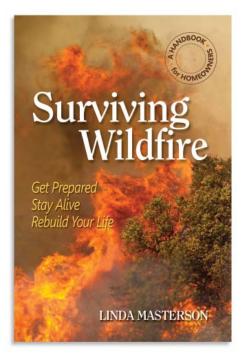
*Surviving Wildfire* and its companion **Pocket Guide** make a

powerful outreach tool for anyone trying to educate, inspire and motivate people living and working in the WUI to do what it takes to give their homes and communities a better chance to survive, and make sure they have the resources they'll need to recover if they have to.

Wholesale discounts start at just 6 books, making this useful handbook an affordable way for educators, fire departments, communities and HOAs to break through the "We didn't think it would happen to us" bubble and move people to action. Custom imprint programs also available.

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Dave Parmley, Fire Chief Lake Dillon Fire Protection District Summit County, Colorado

## **MORE INFO**

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# Are you ready for wildfire?



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"A very compelling read and extremely informative. The combination of the author's real-life experience and her diligent research makes this a very helpful handbook for people living with the risk of wildfire." MICHELE STEINBERG, MANAGER - FIREWISE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM, NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

"The fire research and preparedness information in this book is spot-on, and after 39 years of experience, I found the chapters on insurance and recovery real eye-openers. *Surviving Wildfire* gets through to people in ways that officials just cannot. I'm recommending it to everyone in our district."

CARL SOLLEY, FIRE CHIEF POUDRE CANYON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT E very year wildfire destroys thousands of homes, devastates countless lives and burns millions of acres. And every year people who've lost everything say, **"We didn't think it would happen to us. If only we'd** 

## been better prepared."

Now homeowners have two indispensable tools to help them get prepared, stay alive and rebuild their lives if disaster strikes.

## Surviving Wildfire's

compelling combination of real-life experience and in-depth research makes this handbook a must-read for anyone living with wildfire risk.



## Surviving Wildfire

Get Prepared Stay Alive Rebuild Your Life

## LINDA MASTERSON

The **Get Wildfire Smart Pocket Guide** is packed with preparation and evacuation checklists plus places for you to record your personal information and contacts. When the pressure is on to evacuate and every minute counts, you'll want this information at your fingertips.

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"This small but power-packed book is filled with vital information that could save people hundreds of thousands of dollars and countless hours of heartache." HELEN MCGRANAHAN, FIREWISE BOARD CHAIR SILVER STAR SUBDIVISION, CUSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA

"A wake-up call for anyone who lives with wildfire risk. Solidly researched, easy to read and reference, and full of information that could save homes...and lives." DAVE ZADER, FIRE MANAGER BOULDER, COLORADO

"It should be mandatory reading for anyone living in the WUI. I know I could've benefited greatly by this book in my role as Fire Recovery Manager. I will certainly urge homeowners to read it and get prepared."

GARRY SANFACON, FIRE RECOVERY MANAGER BOULDER COUNTY FOURMILE CANYON, COLORADO

"I will definitely recommend *Surviving Wildfire* to homeowners and insurance professionals; it is a great, comprehensive resource!"

CAROLE WALKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ROCKY MOUNTAIN INSURANCE INFORMATION ASSOCIATION

"...Surviving Wildfire is worthy of the highest recommendation, especially for anyone who lives in or near fire-prone lands; reading it could literally save lives." SMALL PRESS BOOKWATCH



Author and researcher Linda Masterson knows what it is like to flee a wall of flames in the middle of the night. She and her husband escaped with their lives and little else when their Colorado home burned to the ground in 2011.

#### **BOOK OVERVIEW**

- Assessing Your Risk
- Firewise Building & Remodeling
  - Defensible Space You Can Live With
- Advance Planning: A Pound of Prevention Can Save a Ton of Trouble
- Evacuation Essentials: What to Take, When to Leave, How to Escape
- Insurance: How Much You Need, What It Covers, How It Works
- Filing a Claim: Insider Tips & Tactics
- Recovery: Picking Up Your Pieces & Starting Over
- Our Story

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#### **POCKET GUIDE OVERVIEW**

#### Before Wildfire Season checklists:

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- Are You Underinsured?
- Vital Information Kit
- Emergency Evacuation Kit

#### **During Wildfire Season:**

- Create a Family Disaster Plan
- Your Contacts & Other Personal Info
- Stay Alert During Wildfire Season
- Be Ready to Gather

Pocket Guide Sample Pages

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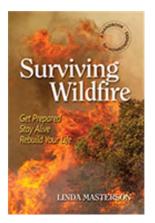
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## **A New Outreach Tool**



Fire Districts and community leaders everywhere are struggling to find ways to reach out to their communities and convince people that making their homes and communities more defensible isn't an option, it's a necessity, whether they live way out in the WUI (Wildland Urban Interface) or close to town. *Surviving Wildfire's* combination of in-depth research, real-life examples and firsthand experience will help motivate homeowners living with wildfire risk to take action now.

## Practical Information, Life-Saving Tips and Advice from Experts:

- Assessing Your Risk
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- Advance Planning: A Pound of Prevention Can Save a Ton of Trouble
- Evacuation Essentials: What to Take, When to Leave, How to Escape
- Insurance: How Much You Need, What It Covers, How It Works
- Filing a Claim: Insider Tips & Tactics
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#### **Discounted Wholesale Prices**

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## **Author Linda Masterson**

Award-winning author and researcher Linda Masterson tackles a subject she knows all too well in *Surviving Wildfire: Get Prepared, Stay Alive, Rebuild Your Life (A Handbook for Homeowners).* Masterson's home and 72-acre tree farm burned to the ground in the Crystal wildfire in 2011, leaving her with little but her laptop and a fierce determination to get back on her feet and share the lessons she learned with others living with wildfire risk.

Masterson is also the author of *Living with Bears: A Practical Guide to Bear Country*, and her articles have appeared in many newspapers and magazines. She's a former creative director and senior vice president of Ketchum Communications. Her business background includes extensive experience in strategic planning, marketing and communications.

### **Contact Info**

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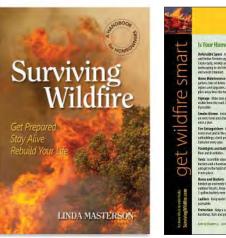
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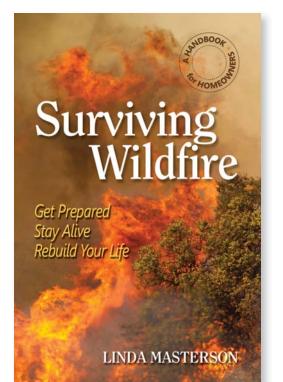
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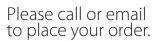


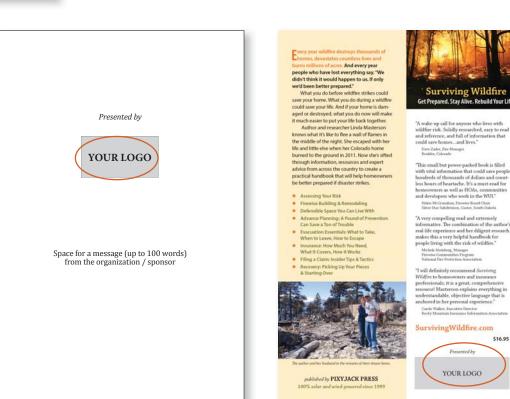
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