**James Carter,** age 26, arrives in San Francisco with his sea-captain father. He stays and strikes it rich in the gold fields. He buys a ranch 2 years later.



1848 1849

Elizabeth Johnson, age 21, arrives in the gold fields with her family. Her father dies, mother and other children return East, but Elizabeth stays in San Francisco.

**James & Elizabeth** marry (Feb. 14), settle on the new Circle C ranch.

1851

Justin Thomas born (March) 12. 1852

**1853** Chad Aaron born (April 7).



Katherine Grace 1855 born (February 9).

**1858** Mitchell James born (April 30).

**1859** Scarlet fever epidemic. Chad nearly dies (October).

Melinda Jane born (January 12). 1863



Daniel Paul Carter (cousin) 1865 born (November 2).

Sid McCoy 1864 comes to work for the Circle C ranch.



Riley Jared Prescott born 1866 (January 18).



Andrea Rose 1868 born (May 26).



#### The Beginnings and Stepping Stones Years

Katherine, age 15, runs away 1870 and marries Troy Swanson (June).

**Justin** leaves for law school at Harvard for 3 years (September)

**Levi** born (January 21). **1871** 

Riley, age 7, comes to stay with Uncle Sid on the Circle C ranch (September).

**Justin** graduates and **1873** returns home (June).

> James Carter dies **1874** in a freak roundup accident, when he is thrown from his horse. (March 14).



May **Andi** gets Taffy for her 6th birthday.

**Betsy** born (March 12).

July Andi and Riley meet the Yokut Indians.

**Andi** goes to the State Fair. *August* 

**September** Andi begins school (age 6).

Justin searches for Kate, but October . **Taffy** is weaned. all trace has been lost.



**Riley** leaves the ranch (December).

**December** Aunt Rebecca visits.

Hannah born July (July 17).

**Andi & Taffy** become a horseand-rider pair. Andi meets Sadie Hollister.

May



**Andi** goes to the circus. *August* 

September The Circle C ranch hosts its first rodeo competition.

Andi & Mother are November kidnapped.

> March Andi & Cory search for gold and find fool's gold and a hermit.

Andi is sent to Aunt Rebecca's in May San Francisco because of a scarlet fever outbreak in the valley.

**Andi & her brothers December** are stranded in a blizzard in the High Sierra.



**1876** 

**1878** 



### Circle C Timeline The Adventure Years



1878 -

Andi comes down with scarlet fever. (December)

Long Ride Home.

1880

**Andi** meets the Garduño family. *April* Becomes best friends with Rosa. Has a run-in with Felicity Livingston.

July 4 Andi wins the Fourth of July





September -

Vangerous Vecision

A new teacher. Andi saves Virginia Foster's life. She meets Jed Hatton.

Andi gives Virginia a horseback riding lesson.

October

### Family Secret

Katherine returns to the Circle C ranch with her 3 children: Levi, Betsy, and Hannah. T.J. Silver is revealed to be Kate's husband, Trov Swanson. Andi nearly drowns.

October & November



1881

San Francisco Smugglers

A flood sends Andi to a girls' school in San Francisco. She meets Jenny Grant and rescues a little girl, Lin Mei, from the Chinese slave trade.



Trouble with Treasure

Andi, Cory, Jenny, and Mitch go to the high country. Mitch is shot. Andi and her friends save his life.

June



August-

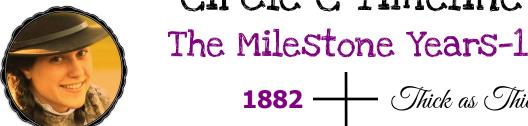
July Andi visits Jenny in Tacoma, Washington.

Price of Truth

Andi witnesses a back-alley crime. A family friend is the suspect. Taffy is stolen. Andi testifies in court. She buys her mother a music box.







**1882** — Thick as Thieves

January — **Taffy** gives birth to twin foals, Shasta & Sunny.

**Andi** meets Macy Walker. Cattle rustling breaks out in the valley.

—— May July ——

Macy's brothers hold Andi and Macy captive. Macy goes back to Arkansas.

September

**Justin** marries Lucy Hawkins.

Heartbreak Trail: 1883

Andi goes along on her first cattle drive from the Circle C ranch to Los Angeles.

- March





November -- **Samuel James** is born (November 18).

The Last Ride 1884

**Chad** hires Riley Prescott to be *March* his new wrangler/horse trainer.

**Daniel** comes to stay on the Circle C. Aunt Rebecca has heart problems.

**Andi** has a life-threatening accident. **Taffy** dies. Daniel is sent home.

May

July -

Andi overcomes her bitterness. Shasta becomes her new horse.

**Mitch** goes away to college at Berkeley.

- September

Courageous Love

1885

**Chad** is engaged to **Ellie Coulter**. The Circle C barn burns. Andi, Lucy, and Samuel are kidnapped by a vengeful "Procopio." They are eventually rescued.

April Riley officially begins to court Andi.



Andrea Grace is born -(November 24).

November



#### The Milestone Years-2



Yosemite at Last

1885 — Andi & Riley court.

January \_\_\_

**Aunt Rebecca** passes away.

**Andi** tries to teach Riley how to dance, but it is a fail.

May 20 \_\_\_\_

**Andi & Riley** marry. They head for Yosemite for a honeymoon. The stage is robbed. Later, Andi and Riley get lost during a mountain storm. They finally come home to their new Memory Creek ranch.

September -

October

Andi & Riley head for the high country to cut down a Christmas tree. Riley is injured when a mother cougar attack.

**1887** 

Susiana Mae born (Jan. 15). *January* 

Cousin Daniel returns. ——

**Riley** gives in and allows Andi to May keep the lamb Sadie Hollister gave her as a gift.

July 4 **Jared Riley** is born to Andi and Riley.

**Andi** gives in and substitute teaches for

one month while Virginia Foster is ill.

April

- March

- April

- 1886

**Riley** surprises Andi for her 18th birthday with a waltz. Chad taught him.

June 12—22



**Riley** shows Andi the secret glade he told her about three years. (*The Last Ride*)

**Riley** gives Andi a shooting lesson so she can protect herself on the ranch.

December Andi tells Riley they are going to have a baby.

> Andi and **Riley** inherit a cougar cub.







# Circle C Timeline The Milestone Years-3





Stranger in the Glade

1887

October

**Cory Blake** returns to Fresno after a twoyear absence, bringing his wife and child.

1888

March

**Andi** is reacquainted with her old enemy, Felicity Livingston.

- April

**Jed Hatton** reappears with a warning while Riley is away on a cattle drive.

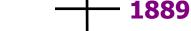


July

**Andi** stalks and kills a rattlesnake before it can hurt Jared.

**Andi and Riley** take Jared to the secret glade and get a surprise.

October



January

**Andi and Riley** join Chad and Ellie ice harvesting on Mirror Lake

**Nanny" Riley** babysits so Andi and her sisters can give their mother an early birthday getaway.

October

**William John** (Melinda and Peter's baby) born October 6.

November

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**1890** 

**Andi** tells Riley they are having another baby. Riley is thrown from his horse and almost dies.

January

**Troy** is released from prison and reunites with his family in San Francisco

**Thomas Andrew** Carter (Chad and Ellie's baby) born (April 25).

April

**Lillian and Charlotte** are born three weeks early in San Francisco, during a devastating earthquake.

- June 10

