AUTHOR BACKSTORIES

# Craig Johnson

*Reading list*

Every book in order of first publication. Each series is kept together, in reading order, starting where its first book appeared. Tick the box as you finish each one.

26 books · 1 series · List updated November 14, 2026

## Walt Longmire

Series · 22 books · 2004–2026

Numbered as Penguin Random House numbers the novels; the novellas and the story collection are listed separately by year.

- ☐ 2004 — *The Cold Dish*
  Book 1 · Novel
- ☐ 2006 — *Death Without Company*
  Book 2 · Novel
- ☐ 2007 — *Kindness Goes Unpunished*
  Book 3 · Novel
- ☐ 2008 — *Another Man's Moccasins*
  Book 4 · Novel
  Won the 2009 Spur Award for Best Western Short Novel.
- ☐ 2009 — *The Dark Horse*
  Book 5 · Novel
- ☐ 2010 — *Junkyard Dogs*
  Book 6 · Novel
- ☐ 2011 — *Hell Is Empty*
  Book 7 · Novel
- ☐ 2012 — *As the Crow Flies*
  Book 8 · Novel
- ☐ 2013 — *A Serpent's Tooth*
  Book 9 · Novel
- ☐ 2014 — *Any Other Name*
  Book 10 · Novel
- ☐ 2015 — *Dry Bones*
  Book 11 · Novel
- ☐ 2016 — *An Obvious Fact*
  Book 12 · Novel
- ☐ 2017 — *The Western Star*
  Book 13 · Novel
- ☐ 2018 — *Depth of Winter*
  Book 14 · Novel

- ☐ 2019 *Land of Wolves*
  Book 15 · Novel
- ☐ 2020 *Next to Last Stand*
  Book 16 · Novel
- ☐ 2021 *Daughter of the Morning Star*
  Book 17 · Novel
- ☐ 2022 *Hell and Back*
  Book 18 · Novel
- ☐ 2023 *The Longmire Defense*
  Book 19 · Novel
- ☐ 2024 *First Frost*
  Book 20 · Novel
  Set mostly in 1964, before Walt became sheriff.
- ☐ 2025 *Return to Sender*
  Book 21 · Novel
- ☐ 2026 *The Brothers McKay*
  Book 22 · Novel

- ☐ 2013 *Spirit of Steamboat*
  Novella
  A Longmire novella; the first One Book Wyoming selection.
- ☐ 2014 *Wait for Signs*
  Story collection
  Twelve Longmire stories.
- ☐ 2016 *The Highwayman*
  Novella
  A Longmire novella.
- ☐ 2024 *Tooth and Claw*
  Novella
  A Longmire novella.