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In the four years since Picture Maker and her loved ones were driven north, many changes have come to a people and a land. The long, arduous journey that took Picture Maker from a young Indian separated from her tribe to a bride of Halvard has come to an end. It falls to Halvard and their daughter, Ingrid, an emerging woman, to return to Greenland and reclaim their home. Here, their Norse traditions are rejected by the newly Christian community, where an infestation of beautiful rare butterflies has resulted in plunder and bloodshed. Forced to wander once more, the family takes refuge with the Inuits, who have proven to be allies in the past. But Ingrid, answering the powerful call of her mothers blood, soon embarks on another journey—one that takes her to a far-off land, where her true destiny awaits.
Breathtaking in scope and historical detail, this is a sprawling adventure in the grand tradition of Jean M. Auel and Jane Smiley by a gifted author who writes unique and remarkable stories (Anna Lee Waldo, author of Circle of Stones and Sacajawea).

My Personal Review:
I was very surprised reading the other reviews of Picture Maker and Dream Weaver, there were so many critical of what I found to be a very good book. However, I would advise reading BOTH books together as I found them to be really one long story. Dream Weaver is actually the end of the story. While similar in ways to the Clan of the Cave Bear as mentioned in another review, I did not find the similarities annoying and the setting and outcome were certainly different.
I found the clash of cultures encountered by the young women in the story very well described and you cannot help but empathize and relate to the characters, who I felt were very well-developed. While I do not personally know how accurate the history is in these pages, I think it opens the mind to what life was truly like centuries ago and is a great read.

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