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Her Royal Spyness 2015-12-17

the author of the molly murphy mysteries now turns her attentions to the mischief mishaps and musings of minor english royalty my ridiculously long name is lady victoria georgiana charlotte eugenie thirty fourth in line for the throne i am as they say flat broke when my brother binky cut off my meager allowance i bolted from scotland and my engagement to fish face i mean prince siegfried for london where i have a built a fire in the hearth entirely on my own thank you very much b fallen for an absolutely unsuitable irish peer c made a few quid housekeeping incognito and d been summoned by the queen herself to spy on her playboy son less than thrilled with this last bit i m wondering what to do when an arrogant frenchman who was trying to swipe our family estate winds up dead in my bathtub now my new job is to clear that very long family name

On Her Majesty's Frightfully Secret Service 2023-07-13

lady georgiana rannoch juggles secret missions from the queen her beau and her mother in this mystery in the royal spyness series when royal sleuth georgie rannoch receives a letter from her dearest friend belinda who s in an italian villa awaiting the birth of her illegitimate baby she yearns to run to her side if only she could find a way to get there but then opportunity presents itself in a most unexpected way her cousin the queen asks her to attend a house party in the italian lake country the prince of wales and the dreadful mrs simpson have been invited and her majesty is anxious to thwart a possible secret wedding what luck a chance to see belinda even if it is under the guise of stopping unwanted nuptials only that s as far as georgie s fortune takes her she soon discovers that she attended finishing school with the hostess of the party and the hatred they had for each other then has barely dimmed plus she needs to hide belinda s delicate condition from the other quests and her dashing beau darcy s naturally working undercover on a dangerous mission then her actress mother shows up with a not so little task to perform with all this subterfuge it seems something is bound to go horribly wrong and georgie will no doubt be left to pick up the pieces when it does

Crowned and Dangerous 2023-07-13

lady georgiana rannoch knows nothing is simple when you re thirty fifth in line for the british crown but her upcoming marriage proves to be the ultimate complication in the tenth mystery in the new york times bestselling royal spyness series as lady georgiana s beloved darcy drives her out of london she soon discovers that he isn t planning to introduce her to the pleasures of sinning in secret as she had hoped but to make her his wife of course she ll need special permission from the king to marry a roman catholic though he will inherit a title darcy is as broke as georgie even his family s irish castle has been sold to a rich american who now employs his father nothing will deter them from their mission except perhaps the news

that georgie s future father in law has just been arrested for murdering the rich american with the elopement postponed they head for ireland where the suspect insists he s innocent and it s up to them to prove it for better or worse

Heirs and Graces 2015-12-17

as thirty fifth in line for the throne lady georgiana rannoch may not be the most sophisticated young woman but she knows her table manners it s forks on the left knives on the right not in his majesty s back here i am thinking the education i received at my posh swiss finishing school would never come in handy and while it hasn t landed me a job or a husband it has convinced her majesty the queen and the dowager duchess to enlist my help i have been entrusted with grooming jack altringham the duke s newly discovered heir fresh from the outback of australia for high society the upside is i am to live in luxury at one of england s most gorgeous stately homes but upon arrival at kingsdowne place my dearest darcy has been sent to fetch jack leaving me stuck in a manor full of miscreants none of whom are too pleased with the discovery of my new ward and no sooner has the lad been retrieved than the duke announces he wants to choose his own heir with the house in a hubbub over the news jack s hunting knife somehow finds its way into the duke s back eyes fall backs turn and fingers point to the young heir as if the rascal wasn t enough of a handful now he s suspected of murder jack may be wild but i d bet the crown jewels it wasn t he who killed the duke

Queen of Hearts 2015-12-17

lady georgiana rannoch thirty fifth in line for the british throne knows how to play the part of an almost royal but now she s off to hollywood where she must reprise her role as sleuth or risk starring in an all too convincing death scene my mother the glamorous and much married actress is hearing wedding bells once again which is why she must hop across the pond for a quickie divorce in reno to offer my moral support and since all expenses are paid by her new hubby to be max i agree to make the voyage with her crossing the atlantic with adventure in the air and wealthy men aboard mother all but forgets about max and matrimony especially when movie mogul cy goldman insists on casting her in his next picture meanwhile i find myself caught up in the secret investigation of a suspected jewel thief lucky for me the lead investigator happens to be my dashing beau darcy mother s movie and darcy s larceny lead everyone to cy s hollywood home where the likes of charlie chaplin are hanging about and there s enough romantic intrique to fill a double feature but we hardly get a chance to work out the sleeping arrangements before cy turns up dead as if there wasn t enough drama already

Royal Flush 2015-12-17

in her third royal spyness whodunit rhys bowen returns with lady georgiana thirty fourth in line to the throne everyone s favorite penniless heiress with its posh clientele gone to the country my

fledgling housecleaning business has fizzled now to make a living i must rely on my other talents as a dinner and theatre companion but on my first and only assignment the not so gentle man seems to have quite the wrong idea and darcy my on again but usually off again beau must come to my rescue to avoid further scandal i m shipped home like a naughty schoolgirl to castle rannoch where i am required to keep the entirely unsuitable mrs simpson from seducing the prince of wales oh and i ve also been coerced into helping scotland yard by keeping an eye on the members of the shooting party at balmoral and preventing someone from shooting the prince of wales instead of quails and manage all this without strangling my odious sister in law fig or my spineless brother binky

God Rest Ye, Royal Gentlemen 2021-10-12

georgie is back and hanging the stockings with care when a murder interrupts her christmas cheer in this all new installment in the new york times bestselling royal spyness series from rhys bowen georgie is excited for her first christmas as a married woman in her lovely new home she suggests to her dashing husband darcy that they have a little house party but when darcy receives a letter from his aunt ermintrude there is an abrupt change in plans she has moved to a house on the edge of the sandringham estate near the royal family and wants to invite darcy and his new bride for christmas aunt ermintrude hints that the queen would like georgie nearby georgie had not known that aunt ermintrude was a former lady in waiting and close confidante of her royal highness the letter is therefore almost a royal request so georgie darcy and their christmas guests mummy grandad fig and binky all head to sandringham georgie soon learns that the notorious mrs simpson mistress to the prince of wales will also be in attendance it is now crystal clear to georgie that the queen expects her to do a bit of spying there is tension in the air from the get go and when georgie pays a visit to the queen she learns that there is more to her request than just some simple eavesdropping there have been a couple of strange accidents at the estate recently two gentlemen of the royal household have died in mysterious circumstances and another has been shot by mistake during a hunt georgie begins to suspect that a member of the royal family is the real target but her investigation will put her new husband and love of her life darcy in the crosshairs of a killer

The Twelve Clues of Christmas 2015-12-17

she may be thirty fifth in line for the throne but lady georgiana rannoch cannot wait to ring in the new year before a christmas killer wrings another neck on the first day of christmas my true love gave to me well actually my true love darcy o mara is spending a feliz navidad tramping around south america meanwhile mummy is holed up in a tiny village called tiddleton under lovey with that droll noel coward and i m snowed in at castle rannoch with my bumbling brother binky and sourpuss sister in law fig so it s a miracle when i contrive to land a position as hostess to a posh holiday party in tiddleton the village is like something out of a christmas carol but then there are three

deaths so called accidents perhaps a recent prison break could have something to do with it that or a long standing witch s curse but after darcy shows up beneath the mistletoe anything could be possible in this wicked wonderland

Naughty in Nice 2015-12-17

royalty has its privileges even when you re thirty fourth in line to the throne as lady georgiana rannoch discovers on the glamorous and dangerous french riviera why should my clueless brother binky and his decidedly disagreeable wife fig be the only ones to enjoy the fun and sun of the french riviera thankfully her majesty the queen has once again come to my rescue she is sending me off to nice with a secret assignment recover her priceless stolen snuff box from the disreputable sir toby groper her majesty s trust is an honour but an even greater honour is bestowed upon me in nice none other than coco chanel herself asks me to model her latest fashion unfortunately things go disastrously wrong on the catwalk and before i can snatch the snuff box someone s life is snuffed out in a very dastardly way with a murderer on the loose and my dearest darcy seen in the company of another woman how s a girl to find any time to go to the casino

A Royal Threesome 2014-02-04

now in one volume the first three charming and lighthearted kirkus reviews royal spyness mysteries from new york times bestselling author rhys bowen featuring the elegant titled and stony broke sleuth lady georgiana rannoch her royal spyness georgie is forced to earn her keep as a housekeeper in london when the queen summons her to spy on the playboy prince but when a frenchman winds up dead in georgie s bathtub it s her job to clear her very long family name a royal pain while entertaining a bavarian princess at the queen s behest georgie finds herself investigating the rather more worrisome matter of the dead body in the bookshop as well as her royal guest s unwitting involvement in the communist party royal flush after being saved from scandal by her on again but mostly off again beau darcy o mara georgie is shipped home where queen mary wants her to keep wallis simpson from seducing the prince of wales and scotland yard wants her to stop one of the members of the shooting party at balmoral from turning their sights from the quails to his royal highness

Royal Blood 2015-12-17

thirty fourth in line to the throne and england s poorest heiress lady georgiana finds herself in a truly draining state of affairs with my hateful brother binky in town i ve been desperately seeking an escape to my delight it comes in the form of an invitation from the queen to represent the royals at a wedding in transylvania legendary home of vampires i soon realise why i was the one honoured with such an invitation the bride princess maria theresa happens to be my old school chum matty but my stay in her macabre looking castle turns unnerving when i find dear matty with blood running down her chin then during the ceremony a prominent wedding guest is poisoned something

must be done lest the nuptial festivities go to ruin or worse yet the couple s vows become to love and to cherish till undeath do us part

Peril in Paris 2022-11-08

lady georgiana rannoch and her dashing husband darcy are awaiting a bundle of joy but an unexpected trip to paris will thrust them straight into a tangled web of international intrigue in this all new mystery in the new york times bestselling royal spyness series from rhys bowen what a delight it is to finally be able to enjoy a simple meal again i have been in the throes of morning sickness for the last few months as darcy and i prepare to welcome a brand new addition to our little family now that i am feeling better i have realized i am dreadfully bored it seems that all my nearest and dearest are off leading their own busy lives while i sit at home and attempt to train our two adorably naughty puppies fun as it may be it is hard not to long for a little adventure a change of pace before my true confinement begins when the baby comes happily it seems that darcy has read my mind when i receive a letter from my glamorous best friend belinda darcy suggests we take a trip to paris to visit her it seems he also has a spot of business of which to take care so i will be staying in belinda s flat as she works feverishly on coco chanel s fall collection i happen to know coco from a disastrous encounter in nice years ago and i am hoping this visit will go much more smoothly but i soon learn that nothing about my time in paris is going to be simple or safe for that matter darcy has asked me to take on a small chore as a part of his latest assignment i am to covertly retrieve something from an attendee of coco s show it seems easy enough but i discover that this little errand could have terrifying consequences for a world on the brink of war when things go horribly wrong i am left to find a killer all while trying to fend off a french policeman who is certain that i am a criminal mastermind but i have no plans to deliver my darling little one in a prison cell and so i will muster every ounce of my courage to save the day and quite possibly the world

Masked Ball at Broxley Manor 2015-12-17

a delectable prequel to the national bestselling royal spyness mysteries featuring lady georgiana rannoch thirty forth in line to the throne and england s poorest heiress at the end of her first unsuccessful season out in society lady georgiana has all but given up on attracting a suitable man until she receives an invitation to a masked halloween ball at broxley manor georgie is uncertain why she was invited until she learns that the royal family intends to marry her off to a foreign prince one reputed to be mad when the prince dressed as the devil rescues her from an embarrassing situation at the ball georgie is surprised to find her unwanted suitor to be a dashing charming man especially when he pulls her aside and gives her the kiss of a lifetime but as the time comes for the unmasking georgie s rescuer vanishes and the party is thrown into chaos making it clear that everything at broxley manor is not as it appears

A Royal Pain 2015-12-17

it s 1930s london and lady georgiana thirty fourth in line to the throne has a lot on her plate but little in her cupboards in this national bestseller baked beans and boiled eggs that s what my houseguest the bavarian princess will have to eat if i don t get help posthaste the queen of england has requested i entertain said princess placing her in the playboy prince s path in hopes he might finally marry but queens never consider money of which i have little and which is why i moonlight as a maid in disguise my plans 1 clean house in manner of palace 2 blackmail brother binky into sending a few quid 3 un teach princess hanni english from gangster movies lest she address queen as old broad and 4 keep eye on princess at parties where she drinks like fish then there s the matter of the body in the bookshop and hanni s unwitting involvement with the communist party it s enough to drive a girl mad

The Last Mrs Summers 2023-12-07

lady georgiana rannoch is just back from her honeymoon with dashing darcy o mara when a friend in need pulls her into a twisted gothic tale of betrayal deception and most definitely murder i am a bit at loose ends at the moment my cook queenie is making my new role as mistress of eynsleigh something akin to constant torture as darcy is off on another one of his top secret jaunts and grandad is busy helping wayward youths avoid lives of crime so when my dearest friend belinda inherits an old cottage in cornwall and begs me to go with her to inspect the property i jump at the chance after a heart stopping journey in belinda s beast of a motorcar we arrive at the creaky old cottage called white sails and quickly realize that it is completely uninhabitable just when i m starting to wonder if i would have been better off trying to get queenie to cook a roast that hasn t been burnt beyond all recognition we meet rose summers a woman belinda knew as a child when she spent time in cornwall rose invites us to stay at trewoma hall the lovely estate now owned by her husband tony belinda confesses that she never liked rose and had a fling with tony years ago so staying with them is far from ideal but beggars can t be choosers as they say trewoma is not the idyllic house belinda remembers there s something claustrophobic and foreboding about the place matters aren t helped by the oppressively efficient housekeeper mrs mannering or by the fact that tony seems to want to rekindle whatever he and belinda once had right under his wife s nose our increasingly awkward visit soon turns deadly when a member of the household is found murdered and all clues point to belinda as the prime suspect i soon learn that some long buried secrets have come back to haunt those in residence at trewoma hall and i ll need to sift through the ruins of their past so belinda doesn t lose her chance at freedom in the present

Malice at the Palace 2015-08-04

thirty fifth in line for the british throne lady georgiana rannoch becomes embroiled in royal wrongdoing in the ninth mystery from the

new york times bestselling author of crowned and dangerous caught between her high birth and empty purse georgie is relieved to receive a new assignment from the queen the king s youngest son george is to wed princess marina of greece and the queen wants georgie to be her companion showing her the best of london and dispelling any rumors about george s libertine history the prince is known for his many affairs with women as well as men including the great songwriter noel coward but things truly get complicated when one of his supposed mistresses is murdered the queen wants the whole matter hushed but as the case unfolds and georgie s beau darcy as always turns up in the most unlikely of places their investigation brings them precariously close to the prince himself

Four Funerals and Maybe a Wedding 2023-09-14

in the days leading up to her wedding to darcy o mara lady georgiana rannoch takes on the responsibilities of a grand estate but proving she can run a household just may be the death of her if only darcy and i had eloped what i thought would be a simple wedding has been transformed into a grand affair thanks to the attendance of the queen who has offered up the princesses as bridesmaids silly me i thought that withdrawing from the royal line of succession would simplify my life but before darcy and i tie the knot in front of queen and country we have to find a place to live as man and wife house hunting turns out to be a pretty grim affair just as we start to lose hope my globe trotting godfather offers us his fully staffed country estate mistress of eynsleigh i shall be with darcy off in parts unknown i head to eynsleigh alone only to have my hopes dashed the grounds are in disarray and the small staff is suspiciously incompetent not to mention the gas tap leak in my bedroom which i can only imagine was an attempt on my life something rotten is afoot and bringing the place up to snuff may put me six feet under before i even get a chance to walk down the aisle

We Three Queens 2024-11-19

new mother lady georgiana georgie rannoch finds herself trying to separate fact from fiction when a murder occurs while a film is being made on the grounds of her estate in a new royal spyness mystery from beloved bestselling author rhys bowen it s late 1936 and king edward is in turmoil having fallen in love with the scandalously divorced and even more scandalously american wallis simpson he wants to marry her but knows that doing so will jeopardize his crown edward confides in his dear friend darcy georgie s husband and the couple agree to hide wallis in their home while edward figures out what to do but unbeknownst to georgie and darcy sir hubert the owner of the estate has given a film crew permission to shoot a motion picture about henry the eighth and anne boleyn on the grounds trying to keep mrs simpson hidden while raising a newborn baby seems like it couldn t be any more stressful for the rannochs until one of the stars of the film is found murdered on set georgie must solve the murder for king and country before scandal threatens to envelop them all

The Face in the Mirror 2016-02-16

molly murphy molly sullivan now that she and daniel are finally married is bored having given up her detective agency when she married she now finds that her life is much less exciting her days an endless stretch of housekeeping and chores but when molly secretly attends a suffragist meeting with her friends sid and gus and meets a shy distracted woman who claims to live in a haunted house everything is about to change rhys bowen s short story the face in the mirror offers just the taste of mystery and mayhem fans will need to tide them over until the next molly murphy novel

In Like Flynn 2015-10-01

delightful as ever bowen does a splendid job of capturing the flavour of early twentieth century new york and bringing to life its warm and human inhabitants publishers weekly molly s sixth sense is warning her danger and death lie ahead a woman private eye in a man s world molly murphy is having a hard time succeeding in running her detective agency in new york that s why she agrees to go undercover for the nypd to expose a pair of spiritualist sisters as con artists even though the offer of work has come from police captain daniel sullivan sullivan had once won molly s heart until she discovered he has a socialite fiancée and an upcoming society wedding still needs must and so molly finds herself posing as an irish cousin at the uptown mansion of senator barney flynn flynn s invalid wife hopes the psychic sisters can contact her dead son kidnapped and lost in a sensational crime and after a spooky séance molly isn t so sure the sisters are fake but she s certain the police bungled the kidnapping case all too soon her questions are leading her to danger and it doesn t take a psychic to tell molly that if she continues she may very well end up dead an evocative trip through old new york in the company of irish immigrant molly murphy a spirited and appealing guide sj rozan author of winter and night irish humour and gritty determination with charm and optimism anne perry molly grows ever more engaging against a vibrant background of new york s dark side at the turn of the century kirkus reviews

Love and Death among the Cheetahs 2023-09-14

georgie and darcy are finally on their honeymoon in kenya s happy valley but murder crashes the party in this all new installment in the new york times bestselling series i was so excited when darcy announced out of the blue that we were flying to kenya for our extended honeymoon now that we are here i suspect he has actually been sent to fulfill another secret mission i am trying very hard not to pick a fight about it because after all we are in paradise darcy finally confides that there have been robberies in london and paris it seems the thief was a member of the aristocracy and may have fled to kenya since we are staying in the happy valley the center of upper class english life we are well positioned to hunt for clues and ferret out possible suspects now that i am a sophisticated married woman i am doing my best to sound like one but crikey these aristocrats are a

thoroughly loathsome sort enjoying a completely decadent lifestyle filled with wild parties and rampant infidelity and one of the leading lights in the community lord cheriton has the nerve to make a play for me while i am on my honeymoon of course i put an end to that right off when he is found bloodied and lifeless along a lonely stretch of road it appears he fell victim to a lion but it seems that the happy valley community wants to close the case a bit too quickly darcy and i soon discover that there is much more than a simple robbery and an animal attack to contend with here in kenya nearly everyone has a motive to want lord cheriton dead and some will go to great lengths to silence anyone who asks too many questions the hunt is on i just hope i can survive my honeymoon long enough to catch a killer

Bless the Bride 2016-02-16

with molly murphy s wedding to nypd captain daniel sullivan quickly approaching the irish sleuth heads to the westchester county countryside where his mother can lend her a hand and advise her on a bride s proper place and shockingly molly seems to be agreeing she has already promised that she ll close up her pi business and settle down after marrying but she isn t a married woman yet so when she gets word of a possible case she sneaks back into the city to squeeze in a little more sleuthing before the wedding bells can ring a wealthy chinese immigrant wants her to find his missing bride and molly sure she isn t getting the whole story suspects that his bride ran off but where could she go the only chinese women in early twentieth century new york are kept under lock and key and molly can t help but wonder if she s saving the woman from the streets or helping to lock her away for good rhys bowen s deft touch and charming wit make bless the bride another stellar addition to her anthony and agatha award winning historical series

Away in a Manger 2016-02-16

in this christmas installment of rhys bowen s new york times bestselling historical mystery series molly murphy sullivan s generosity to a beggar draws her into a dangerous investigation it s christmastime in 1905 new york city and for once molly murphy sullivan is looking forward to the approaching holidays she has a family of her own now she and daniel have a baby son and 12 year old bridie is living with them as their ward as molly and the children listen to carolers in the street they hear a lovely little voice and see a beggar girl huddled in a doorway singing away in a manger bridie is touched by the girl s ragged clothes and wants to help her out if they can they give her a quarter only to watch a bigger boy take it from her but it turns out he is the girl s brother and they we come from england and are living with an aunt who mistreats them terribly when the young boy is accused of stealing a purse molly intervenes on his behalf these children are clearly not the usual city waifs they are well spoken and used to better things so who are they and what has happened to their mother as molly looks for the answers to these questions she gets drawn into an investigation that will take her up to the highest levels of new york society

Tell Me Pretty Maiden 2016-01-12

it s wintertime in new york and for the first time since irish immigrant molly murphy started her early twentieth century detective agency she is completely snowed in with work while she s proving to be quite the entrepreneur and is very much in demand by some of broadway s brightest stars and fifth avenue s richest families she has to grudgingly admit that if she s going to work more than one case at a time then she s going to need some help molly s beau the recently and wrongly suspended police captain daniel sullivan would make an ideal associate but before they can agree on the terms of his employment they stumble upon a young woman lying unconscious in the middle of a snow covered central park when the woman wakes up she is disorientated and has and lost her ability to speak the authorities are about to pack her off to an insane asylum when molly can t help but step in and take on yet another case lively and colorful full of absorbing historical detail and delightful characters tell me pretty maiden is another gem in rhys bowen s multiple award winning series delightful as ever bowen does a splendid job of capturing the flavour of early twentieth century new york and bringing to life its warm and human inhabitants publishers weekly molly grows ever more engaging against a vibrant background of new york s dark side at the turn of the century kirkus reviews

For the Love of Mike 2014-02-20

delightful as ever bowen does a splendid job of capturing the flavour of early twentieth century new york and bringing to life its warm and human inhabitants publishers weekly no job for a lady fashion can be murder for molly murphy having inherited the cases of her deceased mentor paddy reilly private investigator molly murphy is following philandering husbands tracking down runaway debutantes and working in a sweatshop to discover who is purloining dress designs none of these jobs seem very dangerous at first but when a woman s body is fished out of the east river molly fears it is the missing society girl everyone is talking about then molly s sometime beau police captain daniel sullivan reveals that another corpse may be the girl s cheating lover mike kelly as the threads of passion and greed weave a vivid tapestry of violence molly must descend into the underworld of the gangs of new york only to realise that she may need more than her street smart to get to the truth and get out alive an evocative trip through old new york in the company of irish immigrant molly murphy a spirited and appealing guide sj rozan author of winter and night irish humour and gritty determination with charm and optimism anne perry molly grows ever more engaging against a vibrant background of new york s dark side at the turn of the century kirkus reviews

The Amersham Rubies 2015-01-08

before molly murphy crossed the atlantic or even had an inkling that she might someday become a much sought after private investigator in new york city young molly lived in ireland in a small cottage with her father brothers and little else while keeping herself and her home

together molly receives a request from lady hartley the lady of the country estate where molly lives and the family that employs molly s father and brothers the hartleys are hosting a ball at their manor house and there will be so many fine gentlemen and ladies in attendance that lady hartley needs molly to help some of her guests prepare for the ball beautiful debutantes dresses of the finest fabrics and sparkling chandeliers are all on display as are heirloom jewels like the amersham rubies a stunning and priceless ruby necklace that has been in the amersham family for generations when the rubies go inexplicably missing from lady amersham s neck in the middle of the party the high spirited molly must rely on her wits to solve her first case in rhys bowen s charming prequel to her beloved anthony and agatha award winning historical mystery series

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Reading the Cozy Mystery 2021-02-23

with their intimate settings subdued action and likeable characters cozy mysteries are rarely seen as anything more than light entertainment the cozy a subgenre of crime fiction has been historically misunderstood and often overlooked as the subject of serious study this anthology brings together a groundbreaking collection of essays that examine the cozy mystery from a range of critical viewpoints the authors engage with the standard classification of a cozy the characters who appear in its pages the environment where the crime occurs and how these elements reveal the cozy story s complexity in surprising ways essays analyze cozy mysteries to argue that agatha christie is actually not a cozy writer that columbo fits the mold of the cozy detective and that the stories portrayals of settings like the quaint english village reveal a more complicated society than meets the eye

The Proof of the Pudding 2023-11-07

lady georgiana rannoch is looking forward to her first ever turn as hostess for her very own house party when the festivities lead to murder georgie back home at her estate in eynsleigh impatiently awaits the birth of her baby but she has plenty to occupy her her new chef pierre has arrived from paris and sir hubert who owns eynsleigh is

back from his latest expedition it s time for georgie to throw her first house party to celebrate his return and show off her new chef the dinner party is a smashing success sir mortimer mordred famous author of creepy gothic horror novels is one of the guests he recently purchased a nearby elizabethan manor nearby because it has a famous poison garden after the dinner sir mortimer approaches georgie and asks to borrow her new chef for his upcoming party and georgie and darcy her dashing husband are invited the tour of the poison garden is fascinating as is sir mortimer s laboratory shockingly just after the banquet several of the guests become sick and one dies apparently poisoned by berries from the garden but how could this be when they all ate the same meal and the same delectable dessert georgie has to find the culprit to save her new chef and her own reputation all before her bundle of joy arrives

Murphy's Law 2014-02-20

murphy s law is the captivating first novel in rhys bowen s new york times bestselling molly murphy series molly murphy always knew she d end up in trouble just as her mother had predicted after committing a murder in self defense molly is forced to flee her cherished ireland for the anonymous shores of america arriving in new york and seeing the welcoming promise of freedom in the statue of liberty molly begins to breathe a little easier but when a man is murdered on ellis island a man molly was seen arguing with she becomes a prime suspect in the crime if she can t clear her name molly will be sent back to ireland where the gallows await using her irish charm and sharp wit she escapes ellis island and sets out to find the wily killer on her own pounding the notorious streets of hell s kitchen and the lower east side molly undertakes a desperate mission to clear her name before her deadly past comes back to haunt her new future irish humour and gritty determination with charm and optimism anne perry delightful as ever bowen does a splendid job of capturing the flavour of early twentieth century new york and bringing to life its warm and human inhabitants publishers weekly molly grows ever more engaging against a vibrant background of new york s dark side at the turn of the century kirkus reviews

In Dublin's Fair City 2015-10-01

when new york theatre impresario tommy burke asks molly murphy to help him take care of some family business back in ireland molly is happy to oblige tempted by the prospect of going home for the first time in years and putting her fledging detective agency on firm financial ground molly throws caution to the wind and climbs aboard the white start liner majestic with hopes of sneaking on and off the isle without raising a peep until one passenger who happens to be a famous broadway actress goes missing and another turns up dead so much for smooth sailing

The Family Way 2013-03-05

the family way the twelfth entry in rhys bowen s bestselling molly murphy series will delight fans and win over newcomers with its elegantly plotted mystery atmospheric historical detail and vivid characters molly murphy now molly sullivan is a year into her marriage expecting her first child and confined to the life of a housewife she s restless and irritable in the enforced idleness of pregnancy and the heat of a new york summer in 1905 so when a trip to the post office brings a letter addressed to her old detective agency asking her to locate a missing irish serving maid molly figures it couldn t hurt to at least ask around despite her promise to daniel to give up her old career as a detective on the same day molly learns that five babies have been kidnapped in the past month refusing to let molly help with the kidnapping investigation daniel sends her away to spend the summer with his mother but even in the quiet leafy suburbs molly s own pending motherhood makes her unable to ignore these missing children what she uncovers will lead her on a terrifying journey through all levels of society putting her life and that of her baby in danger

Genreflecting 2019-05-24

librarians who work with readers will find this well loved guide to be a treasure trove of information with descriptive annotations of thousands of genre titles mapped by genre and subgenre this is the readers advisor s go to reference next to author genre is the characteristic that readers use most to select reading material and the most trustworthy consideration for finding books readers will enjoy with its detailed classification and pithy descriptions of titles this book gives users valuable insights into what makes genre fiction appeal to readers it is an invaluable aid for helping readers find books that they will enjoy reading providing a handy roadmap to popular genre literature this guide helps librarians answer the perennial and often confounding question what can i read next herald and stavole carter briefly describe thousands of popular fiction titles classifying them into standard genres such as science fiction fantasy romance historical fiction and mystery within each genre titles are broken down into more specific subgenres and themes detailed author title and subject indexes provide further access as in previous editions the focus of the guide is on recent releases and perennial reader favorites in addition to covering new titles this edition focuses more narrowly on the core genres and includes basic readers advisory principles and techniques

The Edge of Dreams 2017-02-28

molly murphy sullivan s husband daniel a captain in the new york city police force is stumped he s chasing a murderer whose victims have nothing in common nothing except for the taunting notes that are delivered to daniel after each murder and when daniel receives a note immediately after molly and her young son liam are in a terrible train crash daniel and molly both begin to fear that maybe molly herself was the target molly s detective instincts are humming but finding the

time to dig deeper into this case is a challenge she s healing from injuries sustained in the crash and she s refurbishing her house which has only just been rebuilt after burning down she s also sidetracked by her friends sid and gus s most recent hobby dream analysis and when molly herself starts suffering from strange dreams she wonders if they just might hold the key to solving daniel s murder case rhys bowen s characteristic blend of atmospheric turn of the century history clever plotting and sparkling characters will delight readers in the edge of dreams the latest in her bestselling molly murphy series

The Readers' Advisory Guide to Mystery 2012

revision of the mystery readers advisory the librarian s clues to murder and mayhem john charles joanna morrison and candace clark chicago american library association 2002

A Royal Pain 2008-07-01

lady georgiana finds herself in a heap of royal trouble in the second novel in the new york times bestselling royal spyness mystery series london 1932 poor lady georgiana thirty fourth in line to the throne has nothing to serve her bavarian princess houseguest even though the queen of england has requested that she entertain her then there s the matter of the body in the bookshop and the princess s unwitting involvement with the communist party it s enough to drive a girl mad

Crossover Readers' Advisory 2016-10-31

help maximize your existing collection with this browsable volume containing titles that serve double duty with their appeal to both teens and adults and cover genres spanning crime novels romance horror science fiction and more an indispensable reference for libraries this book takes the guesswork out of crossover readers advisory by allowing you to easily guide teens who enjoy reading adult books and adults who enjoy reading teen stories chapters written by genre experts will help you better understand each genre s appeal to teens and adults as well as list dozens of titles that lend themselves to both groups of readers the approach will help you maximize your collection while better serving your patrons the work is divided into two parts the first part covers adult books for teens while the second section delves into teen books for adults chapters include a definition of the genre appealing features unique to the category the factors that make the works suitable for crossover a listing of relevant titles and annotations and trends on the horizon genres covered include urban fantasy mainstream historical fiction graphic novels and nonfiction

Royal Flush 2009-07-07

lady georgiana must outwit two clever hunters who are after the prince of wales in the third novel in the new york times bestselling royal spyness mystery series scotland 1932 back home until a little london scandal blows over minor royal lady georgiana rannoch has two equally important objectives queen mary wants georgie to keep the divorced

american and entirely unsuitable wallis simpson from seducing the prince of wales while scotland yard wants her to stop one of the members of the shooting party at balmoral from turning their sights from the quails to his royal highness

Evan Help Us 1998-08-15

from the author of in farleigh field evan evans is settling into his role as constable of llanfair a small town nestled in the mountains of north wales here he has been a mediator of the minor disputes of the locals between competing ministers country merchants and seemingly every welch eccentric throughout the region but an unusual series of events brings unseen hostilities to light and evan realizes just how deep the townsfolk s passions and hostilities lie while the village of llanfair has always been at odds with the neighboring town of beddgelert an intriguing archeological find in the nearby hills brings that rivalry to dangerous extremes and creates a circus of local enthusiasm and gossip the circus quickly turns deadly however when llanfair s prodigal son ted morgan announces plans to erect an amusement park over the site s excavation soon constable evans is drawn into a whirl of cultural pride deception and greed and while he s at it uncovers the town s undaunted ambition to earn the right to the longest name in the world with the warmth charm and wry sense of humor that won readers hearts in evans above rhys bowen offers a delightful new installment to an already cherished mystery series evan help us

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