



## MYSTERY Staff Picks

YA F Alphin ***Counterfeit Son***  
When serial killer Hank Miller is killed in a shoot-out with police, his abused son Cameron adopts the identity of one of his father's victims in order to find a better life.  
By Elaine Marie Alphin \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Atherton  
***Aunt Dimity's Death***  
Lori Shepherd learns that she will inherit a sizeable estate from her recently deceased Aunt Dimity, but there is a catch—Lori must first discover the secret hidden in the letters in Dimity's cottage.  
By Nancy Atherton \*\*\*

MYSTERY Barr ***Blind Descent***  
Park Ranger Anna Pigeon embarks on a subterranean rescue mission, confronting personal demons and many life-threatening dangers as she tries to save a fellow ranger.  
By Nevada Barr \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Block ***Burglars Can't Be Choosers***  
Burglar-turned-sleuth, Bernie Rhodenbarr, enters the world of crime-solving after he accepts an apparently simple job in Greenwich Village and suddenly realizes that he has been set up for a murder.  
By Lawrence Block \*\*\*

MYSTERY Braun ***The Cat Who Could Read Backwards***  
While covering the art beat for the Daily Fluxion, Jim discovers a murder in an art gallery. It's up to Quilleran and his newly found partner, Koko, the brilliant Siamese, to sniff out the clues.  
By Lilian Jackson Braun \*\*\*\*

F Brown ***The Da Vinci Code***  
Harvard symbologist Robert Langdon and French cryptologist Sophie Neveu work to solve the murder of an elderly curator of the Louvre, a case which leads to clues hidden in the works of Da Vinci and a centuries-old secret society. By Dan Brown \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Churchill  
***Grime and Punishment***  
When an unpopular cleaning lady is strangled to death with a vacuum cleaner cord, Jane Jeffrey, a single mom with an eye for mysteries, finds time between PTA meetings and car pools to do some sleuthing.  
By Jill Churchill \*\*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Clark ***You Belong to Me***  
A young psychoanalyst is terrified to discover that her beloved sister is determined to marry one of her former patients, a man who conceals a dangerously obsessive nature behind his charming and wealthy facade. By Mary Higgins Clark \*\*\*\*\*

F Cook *Toxin*

When his daughter, Becky, becomes ill from bacterial poisoning, Dr. Kim Reggis, a cardiac surgeon, is determined to track down the cause, no matter what the cost.

By Robin Cook \*\*\*

MYSTERY Cornwell

*Postmortem*

Medical examiner Kay Scarpetta is introduced in this story of a psychopath who is brutally murdering women. Scarpetta must find out why—before she becomes the next victim. By Patricia Cornwell \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Davidson

*Dying for Chocolate*

Fleeing an abusive ex, caterer Goldy Bear moves herself, her son, and her business to the Aspen Meadow Country Club area, where she becomes enmeshed in a murder mystery involving a handsome local shrink.

By Diane Mott Davidson \*\*\*

MYSTERY Evanovich

*One for the Money*

Out of work and out of money, Stephanie Plum becomes a bounty hunter. Her first assignment is to track down a former vice cop on the run for murder.

By Janet Evanovich \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Francis

*Come to Grief*

After suicide disrupts the trial of a beloved horse racing figure accused of corruption, ex-jockey Sid Halley investigates the death.

By Dick Francis \*\*\*\*

F Grippando *Under Cover of Darkness*

When the wife of Gus Wheatley, the head of Seattle's leading law firm, mysteriously vanishes, it is believed that she has fallen victim to a serial killer stalking Seattle, until it is discovered that she has hidden ties to a charismatic cult leader.

By James Grippando \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Hart *Death on Demand*

Annie Laurance, the lovely, young owner of the "Death on Demand" bookstore, and her wealthy lover, Max Darling, search for a killer after author Elliot Morgan is murdered during a meeting of famous mystery writers.

By Carolyn G. Hart \*\*\*\*

F Ludlum *The Bourne Identity*

A shooting victim, suffering from amnesia, finds himself with a Swiss bank account in the name of Jason Bourne, a professional assassin being manipulated by a top-secret American government organization to kill his arch rival, the dreaded Carlos.

By Robert Ludlum \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Peters

*Borrower of the Night*

A treasure hunt in an old German castle leads Vicky Bliss on a dangerous search for a long-lost Gothic shrine carved by the great German sculptor Tilman Riemenschneider.

By Elizabeth Peters \*\*\*\*

MYSTERY Perry *The Cater Street Hangman*

Careless of both murder and manners, two determinedly unconventional young sisters ignore Victorian mores and actively join the police investigation into the murder of their servant girl. By Anne Perry \*\*\*

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