

Murder At The Roadside Cafe

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It's an ordinary day at Sam's roadside diner, with the usual mix of customers. But when the lights fail a gunshot rings out - and one of them lies dead. Detective Chief Inspector Jim Sheehan must unravel a string of coincidences to determine who is the murderer.

Murder at the Roadside Cafe

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Murder Is Broadcast

Krissy Hancock and her pals are taking a coffee break—leaving their bookstore-café in Pine Hills, Ohio, and heading to a convention. But this road trip will be more dangerous than they expected ... Coffee lovers are gathering from far and wide at the hotel, and Krissy, Rita, and Vicki are excited. But some of the attendees may need to switch to decaf, as a public argument breaks out soon after they check in and then a flavor competition leads to bitter feelings. When the winner of the contest is beamed with a carafe full of café mocha, suspicions swirl—along with accusations of bribery. Was the dead man offering perks to the judges—or was something sinister going on in his personal life? This case is going to keep Krissy up all night long ...

Death by Café Mocha

The wickedly entertaining new Fethering mystery featuring chalk-and-cheese detective duo Carole and Jude Polly's Cake Shop has been a feature of the shopping parade for many years, but when its owner announces her retirement, the Fethering residents start to worry about the loss of this popular amenity. Alarmed by rumours that the café might become a Starbucks, a group clubs together to form the Save Polly's Cake Shop Action Committee. The plan is that Polly's should become a community venture, managed and run by volunteers from the village. Roped in to help, Jude finds the committee meetings fraught with petty power struggles, clashing personalities and monstrous egos. Matters take a turn for the worse when she and Carole come across a badly-decomposed body on Fethering beach – and uncover a link to Polly's. Not only do the two neighbours have to find out whodunit, they are also faced with the thorny question: is it possible to run a business on that most volatile of commodities - goodwill?

The Killing in the Café

A Blue Plate Caf©m Mystery. (Book One)When twin sisters Kate and Donna inherit their grandmother's restaurant, the Blue Plate Caf©m in Wheeler, Texas, there's immediate conflict. Donna wants to sell and use her money to establish a B & B; Kate wants to keep the Caf©m. Thirty-two-year-old Kate leaves a Dallas career as a paralegal and a married lover to move back to Wheeler and run the caf©m, while Donna plans her B & B and complicates her life by having an affair with her sole investor. Kate soon learns that Wheeler is not the idyllic small town she thought it was fourteen years ago. The mayor, a woman, is power-mad and listens to no one, and the chief of the police department, newly come from Dallas, doesn't understand small-town ways. Worst of all, blunt, outspoken Donna is not well liked by some town folk. The mayor of Wheeler becomes seriously ill after eating food from the caf©m, delivered by Donna's husband, and the death of another patron makes Kate even more suspicious of her grandmother's sudden death. When Donna's investor is shot, all signs point to Donna, and she is arrested. Kate must defend her sister and solve the murders to keep her business open, but even Kate begins to wonder about the sister with whom she has a love-hate relationship. Gram guides Kate through it all, though Kate's never quite sure she's hearing Gram's guidance is really off the wall.

Murder at the Blue Plate Café

Murder is brewing at the bookstore—in the first of this cozy small-town series by the national bestselling author. When Krissy Hancock and her best friend Vicki decide to open a bookstore café in their new town of Pine Hills, Ohio, they decide to call it Death by Coffee, after Krissy's father's most famous mystery novel. Little do they know how well the name fits. On their very first day of business, Brendon Lawyer huffily takes his coffee...to the grave. It seems he had a severe allergy to peanuts—but how could there have been nuts in his coffee? And who stole his emergency allergy medication? Fortunately, Krissy's love of puzzles and mysteries leads her not only to Officer Paul Dalton, but also to many of her new neighbors, who aren't terribly upset that the book is closed on Brendon. But one of them is a killer, and Krissy needs to read between the lies if she wants to save her new store—and live to see how this story ends...

Death by Coffee

A sleuthing bookseller has her hands full with a hyperactive wedding planner, a meddlesome mother-of-the-bride—and murder... Bookstore-café owner Krissy Hancock has plenty to keep her occupied outside business hours, like preparing for her best friend's wedding. She's meeting Vicki's parents at the Pine Hills, Ohio, airport—it's the least she can do as maid of honor, even if her relationship with Mr. and

Mrs. Patterson is a bit strained. Besides, her own dad is coming in on the same flight. But there are a few additional arrivals, too. Her father's brought a date—and the Pattersons, both actors, seem to have an entire entourage trailing behind them. Uninvited guests are a headache—especially when one turns out to be, allegedly at least, the most important wedding planner in all the world. Though Vicki and Krissy have already made arrangements for a small, simple party, Vicki's snobby drama queen mother has her own ideas. Cathy the wedding planner is raring to go, possibly energized by the chocolate-covered espresso beans she compulsively munches. But while the caffeine keeps her awake, it doesn't keep her alive—and after Cathy chokes on an espresso bean after being hit in the head, Krissy has to find out who ended her supposedly stellar career...

cafe murder

It's 1953 and Willard Carlisle retires to his small hometown in Iowa. He's promised his second, much younger, wife he'll turn an old movie theater into a community playhouse for her. Finally, her dream of becoming a star is about to happen. But after the first dress rehearsal, she is murdered. The Rounders, six friends who meet weekly for coffee at a roadside cafe, hunt for the killer. Was he the victim's blackmailing ex-husband? Was he the theater director she planned to fire? Or was she killed by two brothers who were furious when she stole the lead role in the play from their sister? Using their diverse backgrounds and quirky personalities, the Rounders try to sort it out. But not until the dead woman's husband is viciously attacked, and a second person is murdered. Before it's over, one Rounder is held at gunpoint by the murderer, and a second unsuccessfully tries to rescue him. In the end, there's more bloodshed.

Death by Espresso

It is 1953 and Willard Carlisle retires to his small hometown in Iowa. He promises his second, much younger wife he will turn an old movie theater into a community playhouse for her. Just as her dream of being a star is about to come true, she is murdered after the first dress rehearsal. The Rounders, six friends who meet weekly for coffee at a roadside cafe, hunt for the killer. Before it's over Carlisle is viciously attacked, and a second person is murdered. On the trail of the killer, one Rounder is held at gunpoint, but when a second is unable to save him, there is more bloodshed.

Murder in Three Acts

Hollywood collides with New Jersey when legendary actress Charlotte Graham investigates an art-world murder in this charming cozy mystery. It's been fifty years since Charlotte Graham began her reign as the queen of Hollywood, and the legendary actress shows no signs of slowing down. To keep herself young, she crisscrosses the country with her friend Tom Plummer, an author devoted to the quest to find the perfect diner. From Maine to Pennsylvania, Charlotte and Tom have sampled omelets, pies, and enough hot coffee to fill the Great Lakes. But when they venture to a famous roadside eatery in Paterson, New Jersey, their search will turn deadly. The Fall View Diner is perched atop a stunning waterfall, a perfect backdrop for a short-order lunch. But the meal is spoiled when a hot young artist dives headlong off the cliffs, forcing Charlotte to slip back into her most famous role: crime-solving sleuth. On the silver screen, Charlotte Graham brings grace to every part she's ever taken; on the page, Stefanie Matteson's mysteries are every bit as elegant. Readers seeking murder with a touch of class will adore the Charlotte Graham series. *Murder at the Falls* is the 5th book in the Charlotte Graham Mysteries, but you may enjoy reading the series in any order.

Murder in Three Acts

A book club meeting turns murderous in this mystery in the national bestselling series... Mystery lovers have descended on Pine Hills for this year's book club competition, to be held at Krissy Hancock's bookstore café. But the killer in their midst seems determined to outwit all the armchair sleuths—and send Krissy to the remainder bin forever. Just before two dueling book clubs are set to square off, one of the competitors turns up dead—bludgeoned with the silver teapot that was to serve as the prize. Suspicion immediately falls on Krissy, who was seen skulking around town in dark clothes on the night of the murder. To clear her name and find the real killer, Krissy turns to an old flame, Officer Paul Dalton. But even Paul can't ignore the trail of evidence that seems to point in her direction. And with Krissy's personal nemesis, Officer John Buchannan, working overtime to pin the murder on her, it will take an amazing feat of detective work to close the book for good on an elusive killer...

Murder at the Falls

Krissy Hancock runs a bookstore-café in Pine Hills, Ohio, but she'll be setting up shop as a sleuth when she discovers a long-unsolved murder . . . Krissy's helping a friend clean out her late mother's house when she learns that although the deceased died peacefully at an advanced age, her brother did not. In fact, Wade was killed more than thirty years ago, and the case was never closed. What surprises Krissy even more is that she has a personal connection to the story—her friend Rita was seeing Wade at the time, scandalizing the town with the couple's large age difference. With an older Rita now part of Krissy's writing group—and another member with police experience—she starts digging up gossip, talking to the victim's local coffee klatsch, and trying to find real clues amid the old rumors. But things just seem to grow muddier as she fights to identify whodunit . . .

Death by Tea

Rosalie Hart returns to the Chesapeake Bay in this delightful mystery series filled with to-die-for-recipes and small-town charm. Longer version: Rosalie Hart has finally opened the café of her dreams. Decked out with ochre-tinted walls and stocked with delicious farm-to-table organic fare, the Day Lily Café is everything she could have hoped for. But not five minutes into the grand opening, Doris Bird, a dear and trusted friend, cashes in on a favor-to help clear her little sister, Lori, of a first-degree murder charge.

Death by French Roast

Delightfully entertaining." - Readers' Favorite Recently widowed Agnes Lockwood is spending a few days on Tyneside in Northeast England, catching up with her past. When expensive jewelry is stolen at the hotel, Chief Inspector Alan Johnson gets on the case. After Alan recognizes Agnes as a friend from schooldays, they rekindle their friendship and Agnes bombards him with questions about the case. But after dinner one evening, they find a body lying on the roadside. Fearing for her safety, Alan warns Agnes to stay away from the case. But being an inquisitive woman, Agnes cannot resist getting involved... too involved.

Death at the Day Lily Cafe

"Coffee-lovers, this book is for you...I foresee many enjoyable Ground Rules mysteries to come." —Criminal Element Master barista Sage Caplin is opening a new coffee cart in Portland, Oregon, but a killer is brewing up a world of trouble. . . . Portland is famous for its rain, hipsters, craft beers . . . and coffee. Sage Caplin has high hopes for her coffee cart, Ground Rules, which she runs with her business partner, Harley—a genius at roasting beans and devising new blends. That's essential in a city where locals have intensely strong opinions about cappuccino versus macchiato—especially in the case of one of Sage's very first customers. . . . Sage finds the man's body in front of her cart, a fatal slash across his neck. There's been plenty of anger in the air, from longtime vendors annoyed at Ground Rules taking a coveted spot in the food truck lot, to protesters demonstrating against a new high-rise. But who was mad enough to commit murder? Sage is already fending off trouble in the form of her estranged, con-artist mother, who's trying to trickle back into her life. But when Sage's very own box cutter is discovered to be the murder weapon, she needs to focus on finding the killer fast—before her business, and her life, come to a bitter end. . . . "Lively characters help propel the intricate plot. Cozy fans will hope to see a lot more of Sage and friends." —Publishers Weekly

Murder on Tyneside

It's 1952 and John Truesdale is found murdered on his own farm. Six amateur sleuths are on the case. Calling themselves the Rounders, they're friends who meet for coffee every Thursday morning at a roadside cafe on the Lincoln Highway. They're together when the radio announces the untimely death of Truesdale. With strikingly different backgrounds and personalities, the Rounders have one thing in common: a nose for crime. They discover Truesdale had a lot of folks who wanted him dead. Rumor has it he impregnated a local girl and left her to fend for herself. Then, there's the uncle who claims Truesdale stole the family inheritance. When a second man is found shot, no one can identify him. The deeper the Rounders delve into the two murders, the more perilous their investigation becomes. The sluggishness of the sheriff doesn't help. And the problem is compounded by a seemingly unrelated theft of Indian artifacts and an antique store break-in. The lives of the Rounders are threatened as they unravel the clues.

Fresh Brewed Murder

As the owner of Mystery Cup Café in Wilton, Missouri, a town made famous by a string of long-ago murders, Blake Harper is used to the mysterious. When her barista is found strangled in a mound of coffee beans, Blake vows to find the killer, even though her sister, the town's lead police detective, tells her to stay out of it. Blake finds plenty of suspects, like the owners of a rival coffee shop and the handsome new bookstore owner. But when new threats are made, she soon realizes the danger is centered around Mystery Cup and someone is targeting her personally. Will Blake be able to solve the murder, find a new barista, and perfect her recipe for espresso brownies before she becomes the next victim?

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Brewing Up Murder

Down South Cafe owner, Amy Flowers is in over her head. Between running the cafe and dealing with the chaos of the farmers' market, Amy is squeezing in a murder investigation, a run-in with her boyfriend's mom, and her own mother's quirky life decisions. Life can't get any worse...or can it?

Murder at the Blue Plate Cafe

Superintendent Mike Yeadings and his team return to investigate the disappearance of a couple who live in Fords Green, a seemingly placid Thames River Valley community, but Yeadings soon realizes that appearances are deceiving

Apples and Alibis: A Down South Cafe Mystery

When Ellison Russell is nearly killed at a benefactors' party, she brushes the incident aside as an unhappy accident. But when her house is fire-bombed, she's shot at, and the person sitting next to her at a gala is poisoned, she must face facts. Someone wants her dead. But why? And can Ellison find the killer before he strikes again? Add in an estranged sister, a visiting aunt with a shocking secret, and a handsome detective staying in her guesthouse, and Ellison might need more than cream in her coffee.

Nice People

'While Oxford had Morse, Whitstable, famous for its oysters, has Pearl' Daily Mail Murder Fest is the sixth book in Julie Wassmer's popular crime series - now a major Acorn TV drama, Whitstable Pearl, starring Kerry Godliman as private detective and restaurateur, Pearl Nolan. Pearl's detective agency takes a back seat as she prepares to offer a warm welcome to a group of special visitors. A local Arts Festival is being held to honour a cultural exchange visit from representatives of Borken - Whitstable's Twin Town in Germany. Yet very soon, personality clashes surface among the participants; local politicians try to use the festival for their own ends while others jostle for improved billing on the festival programme. Tempers flare, old feuds re-surface and on the eve of the first event, a cryptic message - Murder Fest - is received by the local police. Before DCI Mike McGuire has a chance to investigate, the festival commences with an unscheduled event when a celebrated author is found brutally murdered . . . Soon the only 'Arts' on display are dark ones, as Whitstable's celebration of local culture transforms into a real-life murder fest - offering Whitstable's Pearl Nolan another mystery to solve. Praise for Julie Wassmer's Whitstable Pearl Mysteries... 'While Oxford had Morse, Whitstable, famous for its oysters, has Pearl . . . True to the tradition of classic crime, [Julie Wassmer] weaves a strong story into a setting that has more to offer than murder and mayhem' Daily Mail 'As light as a Mary Berry Victoria sponge, this Middle-England romp is packed with vivid characters' Myles McWeeney, Irish Independent 'All of the thrills without any of the gore' The Sun 'This is a quality title...a very entertaining read' The Puzzle Doctor 'My new favourite author in the genre' George Galloway 'A

wonderful way to explore Whitstable . . . if you love cosy mysteries, then get acquainted with Pearl (and her mum and her cats!) and enjoy a trip to Whitstable through the eyes of this very convincing author' Trip Fiction 'Proves she's mistress of her craft' John McGhie, author of White Highlands 'Thoroughly enjoyable with a host of wonderful characters - I adore Dolly! - and evocative descriptions of Whitstable. Perfect for foodies too. Pearl is great and the ongoing will they/won't they love story with McGuire is compelling. Comforting, cosy and entertaining with excellent Agatha Christie-style reveals. I love these books!' Jane Wenham-Jones, author of Mum in the Middle 'If you enjoy cosy crime fiction and you still haven't picked this series, then you are missing out' Alba in Bookland 'Julie Wassmer really knows how to tell a story' -- Victoria Best, Shiny New Books 'Good, solid whodunits, without gruesome details or gratuitous violence, Murder on Sea may be just your cup of tea' -- Bec Stafford 'Come to Whitstable without actually coming to Whitstable. A good read!' Anthony Jemmett Praise for the TV series 'Scandi noir meets the English seaside in Whitstable Pearl, a murder mystery series based on Julie Wassmer's novels...' Drama Quarterly '...explores all the murder and debauchery in the seemingly perfect English seaside town of Whitstable...' Washington Post '...you never know what might turn up, either on the menu or alongside an oyster boat.' Wall Street Journal

Clouds in My Coffee

An art gallery cafe, a dream, and.....murder. Lola, Poly and Tetley are at it again. Lola is busy running the Gallery Cafe' that she inherited from her Uncle Iggy. With the encouragement of Polly she reluctantly agrees to take part in a town wide cafe competition and a win would be great for business. However, it will be very hard to win when a dead body is found in her Cafe'. Lola's photo is found on the dead man's phone and now she is a suspect. But she has never seen that man before in her life. The cause of death seems to be poison. Lola has no idea where this dangerous substance might have come from, but she needs to figure it out. Was the poison still in the cafe? It could be in the coffee or the flour used for baking. There doesn't seem to be a way to win that competition now.

Murder Fest

In her twelfth adventure, the Hon. Phryne Fisher must unravel a mystery that began way back in 1918 when seven Australian soldiers unknowingly witness a murder in Paris. Ten years later and two of them are dead... The divine Phryne Fisher returns to lead another dance of intrigue. Seven Australian soldiers, carousing in Paris in 1918, unknowingly witness a murder and their presence has devastating consequences. Ten years later, two are dead ... under very suspicious circumstances. Phryne's wharfie mates, Bert and Cec, appeal to her for help. They were part of this group of soldiers in 1918 and they fear for their lives and for those of the other three men. It's only as Phryne delves into the investigation that she, too, remembers being in Montparnasse on that very same day. While Phryne is occupied with memories of Montparnasse past and the race to outpace the murderer, she finds troubles of a different kind at home. Her lover, Lin Chung, is about to be married. And the effect this is having on her own usually peaceful household is disastrous.

Murder at the Café

Maggie's estranged half-sister suddenly arrives in town. Angel has lived in a hippie commune for years. Now she's escaped for mysterious reasons. Echo, Angel's boyfriend, comes to Fair Haven looking for her. But shortly after, his dead body is found at the base of a bridge. The last time Echo was seen was with Angel. Maggie knows Angel came home that night full of scuffs and scratches. Could she have killed Echo? In the meantime, the rest of the commune, The Great Society of Atonement, descends into town during the hundredth anniversary of the establishment of Fair Haven. These criminals in hippie clothing steal from small businesses, clash with the locals, and cause chaos wherever they go. The cult leader wants Angel back and will do whatever it takes to get her. Trouble seems to follow Angel wherever she goes, but she is still Maggie's little sister. Maggie must save Angel from being thrown in jail, getting kidnapped by a dangerous cult, or becoming another murder victim... Read the third book in a new cozy mystery series by 3x USA Today bestselling author Harper Lin.

Murder in Montparnasse

'While Oxford had Morse, Whitstable, famous for its oysters, has Pearl' Daily Mail Murder on the Pilgrims Way is the fourth book in Julie Wassmer's popular crime series - now a major Acorn TV drama, Whitstable Pearl, starring Kerry Godliman as private detective and restaurateur, Pearl Nolan. Pearl receives a surprise present from her mother, Dolly - an early summer break at a riverside manor

house that has been recently transformed into an exclusive hotel - the newly named Villa Pellegrini. Pellegrini - the Italian word for pilgrims - reflects the fact that the building lies on the old Pilgrims Way into Canterbury, and Pearl is looking forward to the break, not least because DCI Mike McGuire has been neglecting her due to his work. But when she discovers that she's actually booked in for a cookery course from the Italian celebrity chef, Nico Caruso, she begins to think again . . . Pearl doesn't welcome instruction on cookery at the best of times, and certainly not from an arrogant chef like Caruso. She goes along, intent on challenging Caruso's egotism - and a long tradition of men dominating gastronomy - but soon finds herself distracted, not only by her enchanting surroundings but by the disparate selection of guests. She even begins to enjoy Caruso's attentions - and his cookery - until one of the guests goes missing and it becomes clear that murder is on the menu. Praise for Julie Wassmer's Whitstable Pearl Mysteries... 'While Oxford had Morse, Whitstable, famous for its oysters, has Pearl . . . True to the tradition of classic crime, [Julie Wassmer] weaves a strong story into a setting that has more to offer than murder and mayhem' Daily Mail 'As light as a Mary Berry Victoria sponge, this Middle-England romp is packed with vivid characters' Myles McWeeney, Irish Independent 'All of the thrills without any of the gore' The Sun 'This is a quality title...a very entertaining read' The Puzzle Doctor 'My new favourite author in the genre' George Galloway 'A wonderful way to explore Whitstable . . . if you love cosy mysteries, then get acquainted with Pearl (and her mum and her cats!) and enjoy a trip to Whitstable through the eyes of this very convincing author' Trip Fiction 'Proves she's mistress of her craft' John McGhie, author of White Highlands 'Thoroughly enjoyable with a host of wonderful characters - I adore Dolly! - and evocative descriptions of Whitstable. Perfect for foodies too. Pearl is great and the ongoing will they/won't they love story with McGuire is compelling. Comforting, cosy and entertaining with excellent Agatha Christie-style reveals. I love these books!' Jane Wenham-Jones, author of Mum in the Middle 'If you enjoy cosy crime fiction and you still haven't picked this series, then you are missing out' Alba in Bookland 'Julie Wassmer really knows how to tell a story' Victoria Best, Shiny New Books 'Good, solid whodunits, without gruesome details or gratuitous violence, Murder on Sea may be just your cup of tea' Bec Stafford 'Come to Whitstable without actually coming to Whitstable. A good read!' Anthony Jemmett Praise for the TV series 'Scandi noir meets the English seaside in Whitstable Pearl, a murder mystery series based on Julie Wassmer's novels...' Drama Quarterly '...explores all the murder and debauchery in the seemingly perfect English seaside town of Whitstable...' Washington Post '...you never know what might turn up, either on the menu or alongside an oyster boat.' Wall Street Journal

Story of a Murder

When Rosewood Community College Professor Stephanie Purder is found dead in Dean's arms, Nicole is thrust into a dizzying murder case, with her beau identified as the prime murder suspect. Stephanie Purder had a mysterious history, one that curiously overlapped Dean's former FBI career-before she changed her name, scrubbed her history from the internet, and became a low profile instructor at the college. As Nicole sets out to prove Dean's innocence and reconcile the odd circumstances of the murder discovery, she begins to unravel a deep web of deception on the part of the murder victim and unknowingly places herself in harm's way, all while the town shuns Dean and accuses Nicole of bias along the way. Join Nicole, her warm and spunky friend Lia, and her lovable dog Ringo, as they once again embark on a clean cozy sleuthing adventure. This is the fifth book in the Cannoli Cafe Mystery Series by Lizzie Benton, set in a small town in New Jersey, in close proximity to New York City and its gorgeous skyline. Author's Note: This book can be read as a stand-alone!

Murder on the Pilgrims Way

Ruby Ellis, the much younger wife of roadside cafe owner Walter Ellis, is shot to death in her own bedroom in the middle of the night. Walter is the one who discovers her body - making him the prime suspect. Much to the dismay of the village and that of his grown children, Iris and Matthew, Walter is charged with the murder. Determined to prove their father's innocence, and find the true criminal, Iris and Matt enlist the professional services of ex-Scotland Yard detective Jack Bradford...

Murder, Purder

Twenty years ago, her brother was murdered. Tonight, she's found his killer. Thessaly Hanlon is four hours into a long drive home through the night when she pulls into a 24-hour roadside diner to take a break. She's exhausted, but when she hears a chillingly familiar voice from the next booth, she wonders if he'll ever sleep again. The voice is unmistakable. It belongs to Casper Sturgis, the man who murdered Thessaly's brother two decades before, and then disappeared without a trace. Thessaly makes the

decision to follow the killer. As Thessaly begins to unravel the second life of Casper Sturgis, she finds that digging into the past can have deadly consequences...

The Nice Quiet Girl

Compares *Once Were Warriors* with other films that have similar themes.

Darkness Falls

A racing crime novel based on the doping of racehorses with the anabolic steroid trenbolone, to build muscle, stamina and speed, to gain the winners share of stakemoney by Australian trainersbut this story is mostly fiction. ANOTHER BLOCK BUSTER STORY By Trevor L White

Realism and Popular Cinema

Strap yourselves in, make sure the doors are locked, blow out the candles, and prepare to embrace the world of British horror films. A world of rural folk horror, megalithic stones, vampires, werewolves, escaped lunatics, nuclear war, Cenobites, zombies, spooky children, serial killers, cannibals, stone tapes, ghosts, elementals, killer cults, droogs, time loops, misty moors, nutty ventriloquists, graverobbers, rare and unusual objects of the occult, alien spaceships in the London Underground, Shakespeare inspired murders, and an archly eyebrowed Vanessa Howard.

Death at the Post

A charming, relatable small-town setting and a cast of complex characters sets Alex Erickson's Bookstore Café Mystery series apart from the cozy pack—and this time the stakes are higher than ever, as bookstore owner Krissy Hancock becomes the target of escalating attacks. Smart and masterfully plotted, will appeal to fans of Leslie Meier, Cleo Coyle, and Carolyn Hart. Since Krissy Hancock opened her bookstore-café in the charming small town of Pine Hills, Ohio, she's discovered that murders don't just happen between the pages. This time, she's both suspect and target... In a small town like Pine Hills, reputation counts for a lot. And for reasons that Krissy Hancock can't figure out, someone is trashing hers. Cockroaches in the bookstore's coffee, spiteful reviews, vandalism—Krissy is being framed for every bit of bad news around. Her boyfriend, local cop Paul Dalton, is on the case, but before they can source the saboteur, Krissy is in the frame for murder, too. The murder weapon was a teapot full of Krissy's favorite spiced chai, and all the local gossips are spilling the tea about her supposed involvement. But the real culprit has a grudge that's been simmering for years. And unless Krissy can uncover the truth before the killer's rage boils over again, it won't just be her business in hot water—her life will be on the line too . . .

British Horror Films You Must Watch Before You Get Axed to Death

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Recently widowed Agnes Lockwood is spending a few days on Tyneside in Northeast England, catching up with her past. When expensive jewelry is stolen at the hotel, Chief Inspector Alan Johnson gets on the case. After Alan recognizes Agnes as a friend from schooldays, they rekindle their friendship and Agnes bombards him with questions about the case. But after dinner one evening, they find a body lying on the roadside. Fearing for her safety, Alan warns Agnes to stay away from the case. But being an inquisitive woman, Agnes cannot resist getting involved - too involved.

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Clare Cosi's new friend, millionaire David Mintzer, has an offer no New York barista could turn down: an all-expenses-paid summer away from the sticky city. At his Hamptons mansion, she'll relax, soak up the sun, and, oh yes, train the staff of his new restaurant. So Clare packs up her daughter, her former mother-in-law, and her special recipe for iced coffee—for what she hopes will be one de-latte-ful summer... Soon, Clare tends the coffee bar at her first Hamptons gala. But the festivities come to a bitter end when an employee turns up dead in David's bathroom—a botched attempt on the millionaire's life. Thanks to the Fourth of July fireworks no one heard any gunshots, and the police are stuck in holiday traffic. Concerned for everyone's safety, Clare begins to investigate. What she finds will keep her up at night—and it's not the java jitters....

Death by Spiced Chai

Agatha Raisin: Beating About the Bush