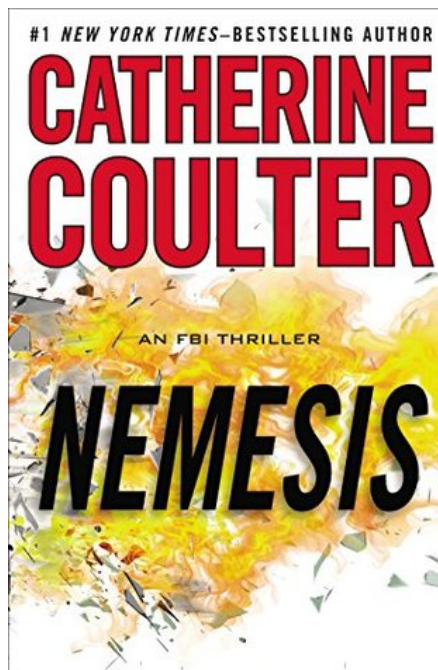




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The next high-octane thriller in the FBI series featuring Dillon Savich and Lacey Sherlock from # 1 New York Times–bestselling author Catherine Coulter.

When Special Agent Lacey Sherlock foils a terrorist attack at JFK airport, she thinks her job is done and turns the reins over to the New York FBI. But stopping the grenade-carrying crazy was only the beginning. Another plot unfolds nearly simultaneously with a bomb at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The terrorist at JFK refuses to speak to anyone but Sherlock. She heads back with counterterrorist Special Agent Cal McLain to try to get him to talk.

Meanwhile, Savich—with the help of Agent Griffin Hammersmith—has his hands full trying to track an elusive murderer who looks like a Hollywood Dracula. When Dracula's attempts to kill Savich collide with Sherlock's terrorist case, very strange things happen.

Who is really behind the bombing attack at St. Patrick's? How does Savich's mysterious killer fit into Sherlock's terrorism investigation? Savich and Sherlock race against the clock, as more lives are in danger with every passing minute.

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Review originally posted at **All Books Considered: TWO AND A HALF STARS**

The FBI Thriller series by Catherine Coulter has been one of my favorites for over ten years; I have anxiously awaited each new book every summer and typically devour them as fast I have them in my hands. Book #18, Power Play, was definitely my least favorite in the series to date but I wrote it off as a fluke since the other 17 books were all 4 or 5 star reads for me. But now I am worried -- not only has the romance completely vanished from the series but the true stars of the series -- Savich and Sherlock (read book 2, The Maze!) -- felt totally staid and boring in this book. It was a struggle to read this one -- the thriller and mystery aspects were overtaken by completely divergent plots of terrorism and witchcraft, neither of which was executed well. I can't give up on this series yet (almost -- I will give it one more book) but I also would say read the beginning of the series not necessarily the latest books if you want some awesome romantic suspense!

I would recommend this to anyone that likes law enforcement thrillers, and must note that this particular book in the series had zero romance (which may be a good thing for some!). I can't recommend the first books in the series -- truly books 1-14-- highly enough, however, if you love romantic suspense.

Anita says

Catherine Coulter is one of my favorite authors. I've read all the books in the FBI series and they deliver a great suspense plot every time. The terrorist plot is chilling and downright scary in that it could so easily be true.

Sherlock spoils a terrorist attack at JFK. Not long after a bomb explodes at St. Patrick's Cathedral, luckily no one is killed and the cathedral was only slightly damaged. Earlier in the day a man is murdered at the Rayburn House Office with a ritual knife used in witches ceremonies. What a day.

The terrorist from JFK will only talk to Sherlock and Savich is assigned to the stabbing death. Sherlock heads back to New York with Cal, an agent Savich wants to cover Sherlock's back while she works this very high profile case. As Sherlock begins to unravel the plot there are some who take it very personal that a red-headed woman would dare muck up their plans.

Savich deals with what appears to be mind control of the killer. He doesn't remember doing the stabbing and it turns out the victim was a very good friend. He swore he couldn't have killed him. Savich uncovers a family with strong powers and someone with a motive for revenge.

Carla Johnson-Hicks says

This series has been one that I have followed since it started. I really enjoyed the first books that centered on Savich and Sherlock and their cases. As the series went on more and more characters have been introduced with Savich and Sherlock often being supporting characters. This book has them back in the limelight with two separate cases. Sherlock, being in the right place at the wrong time, thwarts a terrorist attack and is

pulled in to help with the investigation into the kingpin of the event and another that follows. I enjoyed this storyline and the investigation that went with it. Savich was involved in a separate storyline involving some paranormal activities and mind control. This plotline was not as interesting to me. There has always been some paranormal/supernatural aspects to the stories, but for some reason, this one did not speak to me. I will read the next one I have to see if I enjoy this story as much as others in the past.

Sarah says

Year after year, I continue to follow and read this series. I loved them at the beginning but over the years, they have felt watered down and the dialogue is rather stilted in the book. It's like the characters are constantly speaking in run on sentences. And Savich's foray into the occult and weirdness does nothing for me. It's 100% unrealistic when the other story lines portrayed, terrorism, kidnapping, assassination - all of those are 100% believable. It's weird because it's almost like 2 books smushed into 1. I enjoy Savich and Sherlock's interactions and I do enjoy that the author brings back characters from other books but I often forget who's who and which book they were in. All you really need to know is that Savich trusts that person and they are top notch and a great cop or FBI agent. No one ever does a bad job. This one was ok. I give it 4 stars because of the Sherlock story but I'm all set with what Savich was up to. And how come Sean never ages? :-) And of course, he's the most brilliant and lovable child ever. I'd rather the author talk more about the dog than the kid. Be like me; get this from the library and don't spend actual money on the book or kindle copy.

Amy says

I didn't enjoy this one at all. The plot was just boring in its execution and I was wondering when it would finish.
Not a good read.

Barbara says

An insipid book - I like Coulter and I've enjoyed her FBI Sherlock/Savich books, but this was not good. It was scattered, plot was very ADD, and hard to follow. She had two separate stories running through the book with no connectivity. Psycho wicked Wiccans and megalomaniac terrorists do not add up for me. Really - mental psychic manipulation to commit crimes? Also she tries to incorporate all her characters from the other series which I find distracting. Trying to remember who is what and why and how is too much. Not sure I'll read the "next" one. It seems like maybe she's just churning these out to make a \$\$...Unless you are just a huge huge fan of the series, I'd pass on this one.

Marleen says

Maybe if I had read this series from the start, I might've enjoyed it. Unfortunately I was rather bored by this book. Also the topic of Wiccans and current-days witch-craft really don't interest me.
My eyes glazed over and my impatience and annoyance with the story got the better of me, I'm sorry to say. This was my first Catherine Coulter book, and although I had high hopes, I was disappointed honestly.

Special Agents Savich and Sherlock seem nice enough, but they are a bit too good to be true, a bit cooky-cutter too. Oh, well, I tried.

Diane says

Terrorists, Wiccans, and Witches - oh my! Two separate cases in this book, one for Sherlock to investigate and one for Savich to deal with.

Ordinarily, I really like this series and all the characters - new and old. I am not a fan of paranormal, nor do I intend to change that view.

The terrorist angle that Sherlock investigated was well written and very believable in these times. The paranormal angle that Savich investigated was also well written, but I'm too pragmatic to believe any of it. Although there were a couple of instances that I felt maybe Ms Coulter didn't know which way to run with the story, she managed to tie things up in the end.

2 thumbs up and 4 stars - no 5 stars for this book, sadly.

katwiththehat says

I really enjoy these Savich and Sherlock thrillers by Catherine Coulter. They always have fast-paced adventure, and a great set of mysteries to work out.

In this one, Sherlock is at the airport when someone threatens to set off a grenade. Somewhere else in the city, a bomb is found in a church. Are the two terrorist events related, and are they also related to a set of mysterious killings with Wiccan knives, where the killers seem to have no memory of what they've done?

I appreciate the research and technical precision that must go into writing each of these novels in the series. The detail work and sense of authenticity makes her one of my favorite thriller writers. 4.5/5 stars.

Please excuse typos/name misspellings. Entered on screen reader.

Carol says

Another excellent addition to the FBI series. It was great to have Savich and Sherlock back in the thick of things.

Wendy says

Nemesis

I really do enjoy this series with Savich and Sherlock but the past couple of years with Savich and his dreams and the psychic episodes are just too far fetched for me. If it wasn't for Sherlock and her regular FBI cases

without all the craziness I think I would have stopped reading this series a long time ago. At least the know it all computer program Max was left out of this book, thank goodness.

Michael says

Catherine Coulter is the author of numerous "New York Times" bestselling crime thrillers. She performs her storytelling expertise in "Nemesis" a page turner with pizzazz.

FBI Special Agents Dillon Savich and the gutsy Lacey Sherlock, a husband and wife team, work in two crime scenarios.

Sherlock is in line at JFK airport for the security check. She spots a man acting strangely. He fits the terrorist profile and as soon as the man grabs an unsuspecting woman and threatens to blow everyone up with a hand grenade. With her martial arts training, she disarms the man and saves many lives. However, in so doing, she becomes a target of revenge for the terrorist leader.

Savich is in Virginia where two people are murdered with an athane, a type of Wiccan ceremonial knife.

Savich comes across a group of Wiccans who are out for revenge for two related crimes against them.

There is drama and excellent suspense as the reader follows the likable characters in their investigations.

There are also a number of surprises as the two plots continue to play out. Interestingly, the reader follows the action from Savich and Sherlock's point of view but also from that of the arrogant terrorist leader.

Coulter tells the story in a manner that makes the reader proud of having an organization like the FBI that can foil the terrorists. In so doing, the reader learns the motivation of the terrorist leader.

The contempt that the terrorist has for America and England is explained and we root for Savich and Sherlock to stop the plot.

Some of the story dealt with a bomb at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York and at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. The two structures mean so much to America and England that I would have enjoyed reading more of the descriptions of the two Cathedrals and what it would mean to destroy them.

Overall, an excellent read and captivating story.

? BookAddict La Crimson Femme says

Fast paced non-stop thriller from the talented Ms. Coulter is fabulous. Nemesis starts off with a heart pounding scene. Sherlock is tired and waiting at the airport security line, looking forward to returning home. Instead of the usual mundane TSA frisking, a suicide bomber threatens to blow everyone up with a grenade. Sherlock is not a bleating sheep. She's a sheepdog ready to defend and boy does she take this terrorist down. This kicks off a new case for her with the world watching her every move. For the first time in a long while, Sherlock is flying solo sans her husband Savich.

Ms. Coulter does a great job of pulling in current events into this thriller. Some may find it too provocative and cry racism. I found it to be spot on. The motives behind the terrorist are well detailed in this book. Instead of labeling all Muslims as crazy jihadist who need to be slaughtered, Ms. Coulter shows how it's specific people who are the cause of this madness. Their motives can be blind faith, greed or hubris. Each one is plausible and realistic. It's also sad to see how some are forced into committing crimes in order to save the lives of others.

What I like about this series is how there are always two different cases going on at the same time. Usually they are somehow related. In the last few, Ms. Coulter is moving away from cases which are tied together and creating totally unrelated cases. She still cleverly ties in a central theme to pull it all together and I'm impressed.

The second plot to this story deals with Savich and his increasing cases involving unexplainable psychic phenomenon. His case deals with murder and magic, specifically with Wicca magic which should be "white" magic. This time husband and wife dynamic duo are separated and have to work on their cases independent of each other. Both are targeted by their respective perpetrators. Both cases involve fanatics of a religion. This is what makes the book come together in a cohesive manner. I loved it.

The characters in this book are all well developed. I always love Savich and Sherlock. The antagonists in the story for their respective cases are interesting. Why they commit the crime and their elaborate schemes are what keeps a reader's attention on this book. I could not put it down and ended up reading this book all in one sitting.

The pace of this book is fast as events unfold quickly. I enjoyed this pace and I can see this as a movie. The descriptions of the places as well as incorporating details of sound and smell helped make this book come alive for me. The compassion both Savich and Sherlock show to the ones who were forced to commit an atrocious act is heartwarming. This highly anticipated book delivers and is recommended to suspense lovers who enjoy bouncing between two well developed plots.

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Julie says

Nemesis by Catherine Coulter is a 2015 G.P. Putnam's Sons publication.

Recently, I was invited to review the latest upcoming release in Catherine Coulter's long running FBI series. I was thrilled to sign up, but soon discovered I had the wrong series in mind, having confused this one with the J.T Ellison/Catherine Coulter collaboration.

With a sinking feeling, I realized I had attempted to read through this series a long time ago, but gave up on it pretty quick. However, I still have a few random paperbacks in this series languishing on my bookshelves, so I decided to give it another look. Sadly, the book I chose reminded me of why I abandoned the series in the first place,

But, with the encouragement of a few Goodreads friends, I vowed to forge ahead, determined to find a book that would explain this series' longevity and popularity, However, I decided to try a more recent release to see if that would make a difference.

As it turns out, that seems to have been a pretty good decision.

A diabolical terrorist plot coupled with a creepy and sinister paranormal crime spree is certainly an interesting combination. This story would have made an excellent X Files episode.

Sherlock and Savich are working separately, this time around, as Sherlock becomes a national hero after thwarting a terrorist attack at JFK airport, while Savich is working on a puzzling set of murders where the perpetrator has no memory of committing the crime.

I thought the terrorist plot was chilling, especially as the reader is given insight into the terrorist leader's inner thoughts, plans, and motives. There are plenty of action packed moments and heart-stopping suspense.

The Wiccan plot is of course one in which the reader will have to indulge in some imaginative leeway, but

was actually pretty creepy and downright evil. Savich proves he doesn't only have physical strength, but mental and psychic toughness this time around.

I am buoyed now that I've finally found a book in the series I really like, and am actually looking forward to the new release!

Overall this one gets 4 stars

Nurse Lisa In Ohio (PRN Book Reviews) says

4.5 stars!!! Very very good read!
