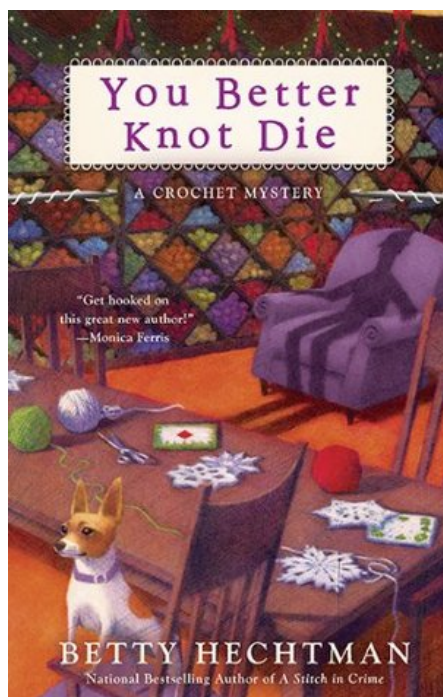




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Nora-adrienne says

Molly Pink is very busy this holiday season. As the Event Coordinator for Shedd and Royal Books she thought up and executed book signings, and readings. She was also in charge of the newly instituted yarn department. Because of that new job she and Adele were out of town for a few days to see about acquiring the stock of a shop in San Diego that was going out of business.

As the two co-workers drove down Molly's street they see police cars pulled up in front of her house and her boyfriend Barry (a police detective) getting out of his Crown Vic and running up to the responding officers. Someone's in trouble Pink Adele chided her.

The two women watched as the police broke down her front door under the misguided belief that she was in the house and in trouble. AGAIN!!

Finally straightening that out and the problem and realizing that a cell phone is only as good as the charger that keeps it running, she apologized to everyone. Molly needs to finalize the plans for a late night book release party for an author who is a total mystery person. On top of that her neighbor husband has disappeared and she's been asked to help find him..... It's just one thing after another in the quirky life of this middle aged widow with the big heart.

Molly is a wonderful person, helpful to a fault and because of this she ends up in the middle of one police investigation after another.

"You Better Knot Die" is the fifth book in the Crochet Mystery series.

This book was a gift from a friend which I've chosen to do a review of.

Connie Marx says

Very good read. Didn't even see who the killer was coming.

EDLundy-Veo says

Different twist at the end, but I won't be a spoiler.

Once again our heroine is responsible for solving a murder mystery. All's well that ends well. Join the Tarzana Hookers for another Crochet Mystery.

Beverly says

I love to crochet. So when I first discovered this series that featured crocheting I was ecstatic. It's a pretty darn good mystery series as well. And I'm pleased to see that the series has broken into hardback fairly quickly. Of course since this is a series I collect, that means my book expenses have gone up, but that's OK.

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I find Pink to be a fairly grounded character considering all the crazy things that happen to her. She's caught between two love interests. Her two adult sons treat her with a great deal of condescension. Craziest of all is that she has to put up with Adelle, a knitting hating, over confident co-worker who horns in on everything. (I guess we all have an Adelle in our lives and that's just one of the aspects of this series that makes it easy for the reader to connect.)

In this latest installment, Hechtman taps into the vampire craze by featuring a secretive author who writes books about a vampire who controls his blood lust by crocheting. I'm not sure you would find a real series about a crocheting vampire, but it makes this book a fun read. Hechtman has even included a crochet pattern for a "vampire" scarf.

There were a few twists and turns in this installment that makes this my favorite of the series so far. If you enjoy cozy mysteries with a dash of comedy, this is a series for you.

Kathy says

Decent story line. A bit slow and the crochet thing is dull. She needs a better editor who knows grammar. "Me and my friends solved the crime.". Really?

Laura says

Since I'd already read the first four books in the series, the next time I went to the library, I picked up the next three books.

Book 4 was my favorite in the series. This book wasn't so much a let down (my expectations aren't really high) as much as I'm getting exasperated by Molly and her love life. Barry is a jerk. Mason is a nice guy who wants to get laid but he also genuinely likes Molly. If a woman is having that much of a problem settling between two guys, then she doesn't really want either of them.

A third guy needs to enter the series, a man whom she can really get into.

Leslie says

A clever storyline: Crocheting being the main underlying theme. An easy read, but the mystery only comes to light in the last few pages. Anyone who likes the British show "Rosemary & Thyme" is likely to enjoy this book!

Mary Drummond says

This was the first book that I read in the series and I thought it was a cute mystery, started and finished it the same day. It kept my attention. Since I love to crochet as well, this was right up my alley.

Alice says

This is a cute, fun, cozy mystery with likable characters and a fun Christmas setting. Unfortunately, there are some technical problems that are relatively easy to overlook in a quick Holiday read, but could be troublesome to longtime readers of this series. I have never read anything by this author and don't know if repeated sentences and continuity problems are habitual. Overall, a cute, fun Christmas mystery, but not great writing. I enjoy the characters, but not the mistakes.

Dorothy A. says

Another fun episode of the Tarzana Hookers. I look forward to reading more.

Rachel says

I read the ninth novel in this series first, and now, I'm going through the series from the beginning. This fifth novel of the series was just as interesting and entertaining as the other books of the series I've read. As was also the case with the other novels in the series, I found the writing style to be good, and the plot was fun. I really enjoyed the novel and am looking forward to reading the rest of the series.

Diane Norstad says

Fabulous fun read

I looked the character development as well as the background. The ending was a wonderful twist. A good read on a rainy day.

Joy Gerbode says

This one was a bit slow getting started but by the end I couldn't put it down.

Jenn says

This book reminded me too much of the Joanne Fluke food mysteries except it was about crocheting instead of cooking. Too many similarities between the books.

I do enjoy reading craft fiction books and it was nice to read one about crochet.

A decent read but nothing to really write home about.

Jennifer says

It was almost cute, but oh so poorly written.
