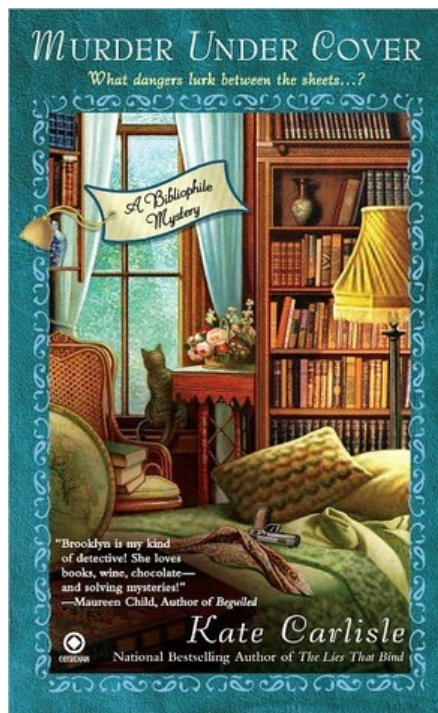




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When she receives an exquisite copy of the 'Kama Sutra' from her best friend, Robin, to appraise and restore, Brooklyn Wainwright anticipates recreating a beautiful book and spicing up her love life. But before Brooklyn can get started, Robin winds up in big trouble; her apartment is ransacked, and the great guy she recently met lies murdered in her bed. Now Robin is the number-one suspect. Luckily Brooklyn's boyfriend, British security expert Derek Stone, has moved to San Francisco and is ready to help ...

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Anne says

This book was on the new book shelf at the library so I picked it up because I enjoy a nice cozy every once in a while. That's exactly what I got: a nice cozy with engaging characters, a good story without a lot of blood and description of gross stuff and violence (I read that too, but you need something light occasionally). When I finished the book, I immediately requested the first three in the series so I could find out how Brooklyn and Derek meet.

I think that's the ultimate positive review: I went out and got the rest of the series.

Michelle says

This is the 3rd one of this series I've read. Somewhere along the line I missed one because this is the 4th in the series. Anyway, I liked this one better than the other two because it was faster paced. If you like murder mysteries with a little intrigue and a little romance, then I recommend this series. Although, if I ran across as many dead bodies as the heroine, I'd have to become a hermit.

Georgette says

First and foremost I must offer my apologies to Kate Carlise..I started the Brooklyn Wainwright, Bibliophile series back in 2010, then became a lapsed reader for no other reason than so many books to read, so little time!! But I have returned with a new love and appreciation for the this multi layered and oh so appealing series with a vengeance, so to speak, and it has less to do with the latest challenge of restoring and old version of the Kama Sutra than the continuing development of the wonderful relationships that have been established in books #1-3. The friends, the neighbors, the parents and very much the relationship between Brooklyn and Derek Stone, secret agent man and debonair if I do say so myself. The tentacles that are brought forth with some rather problematic family connections, good, bad, and whatever, start with a ransacked apt/ a best friend who is compromised by what turns out to be a one night stand, and we are off to the races. Yes indeed. I say, if you have not been introduced to this series, get thee to the first , Homicide in Hardcover and commit to a relationship that will only continue to build upon the appreciation of bookbinding and all the underpinnings of the journey of discovery it takes you from there. You won't I assure you be disappointed.

Sherri F. says

Audio version: 3.5 or 4. This is my first in this Bibliophile Mystery cozy series, and it was better than I expected so I will definitely be back for more (prob starting at #1). The narrator's voice & inflections were slightly irritating but it wasn't horrible either so good thing the books are shorter, quick reads if I'm not in the mood for the audio. Fun, quirky, and enjoyable characters and fairly light and funny considering how many deaths occurred (but that's a cozy). Too bad it wasn't a picture book or DVD instead of audio since she was rebinding a very old Kama Sutra book, oh and Where the Wild Things Are for Tyler, her new 6 or 7 yr old neighbor.

Lesley Looper says

This was the first book of this series that I've read, and I enjoyed it enough for 3.5 stars, but not quite enough for 4 stars. I really enjoyed the book theme, and would've enjoyed reading more of the book-related plot. The main character, Brooklyn, has some interesting friends and neighbors, who added color to the story. I wonder if the romance will last. Should I go back and read 1-3 in the series?

Gerry says

I was seduced into this book by the fact that it stated that it was 'A Bibliophile Mystery' so I thought it would have a good chance of being enjoyable. How wrong I was; yes, there was a bibliophile interest and yes, it was a mystery ... but what that mystery was about remains a mystery to me even after finishing the book.

I did understand that Brooklyn Wainwright was a master at repairing books - she did a wonderful job on a young neighbour's favourite book that was falling apart - and that she had received a copy of the 'Kama Sutra' to overhaul and repair from India via her friend Robin Tully. And it was wrapped up in some old Indian scarf.

From that moment on I was left wondering exactly what was going on as the storyline seemed, to me at least, most convoluted. Robin was sleeping with a guy who ended up being murdered as he lay next to her (she was unaware of this), there was talk of a flash drive being smuggled in with the book - to what purpose I am not too sure - and it turned out that the guy sleeping with Robin could well have been a spy. Again, why and what he was spying on I am not too sure.

Fortunately Brooklyn's boyfriend, Derek Stone, was a British security expert so he was on hand to assist the, seemingly inept police, to solve the problem. Plenty of seemingly inane chat followed between all the interested, and even the not interested parties, relations turned up from India and it all got more and more involved without apparent explanation, or at least without understanding for me.

I do hate to say this but I was delighted when I finished the read - why I continued I am not too sure, perhaps I imagine I was hoping that something understandable would come of it all ... sadly for me it did not and I feel that I will be giving other Bibliophile Mysteries a miss, despite their appealing series name.

So sorry Kate Carlisle but this just wasn't for me.

Curlyhair says

Another in the Bibliophile series and a good little cozy read. Yes a little far fetched, but hey, you know what you're getting into, with likeable characters.

Schnauckl says

It was okay.

I figured out where the thing everyone was searching for was within 30 seconds of it being mentioned for the first time. I was hoping I was wrong because I hate it when that happens, but alas, no. Then it's just waiting (and waiting) for the characters to catch up.

The endearments were also slightly irritating. Way too many "darlings."

And can we please, *please* ditch Minka? She's never been anything but an annoying caricature without a single redeeming quality. She's not interesting enough to be an archenemy. Fortunately she's not in this book much but there's no reason for her to be in it at all.

(view spoiler)

Linda says

I love this series and I love all the series written by Kate Carlisle but for me this book just went too slowly. It didn't pick up until 3/4 of the way through the book. I always find the fact that Brooklyn and her friend Robin grew up in a commune odd. In this book we see more of the commune and we learn more about Robin's most often absent mother.

Brooklyn appraises, repairs, and restores old books- often valuable ones. In this book she is given a very old copy of the Kama Sutra to repair. It comes to her through Robin's mother's friend, a wealthy man from India. Robin has a new boyfriend, a Russian man. He is murdered in her bed while she sleeps and Robin is the obvious suspect. Slowly, Brooklyn and her security expert love, Derek, follow clues. I must say that I did not guess who the perpetrator was and it was rather a shock.

I just cannot give a book in a series by this author less than 3 stars because the rest of the series is top notch.

Jeannie and Louis Rigod says

This is a short review as the only word I can attribute to it is 'Excellent.' I am so eager to read the next book in this series.

This book series keeps moving forward at the speed of light and I, for one, love the direction Ms. Carlisle takes us. I would love to move to Dharma, but since I live in a neighboring county already, I will just appreciate the vineyards around me, like Ceago, and re-read this wonderfully surprising book!

I refuse to give away details as this might prevent you from reading it!

Jennifer Monzon says

To say that this book was great is an understatement. I mean this story completely blew my mind. I was at the edge of my seat the entire time I read the book and I read it in a day! I felt as if I was on a rollercoaster ride and never wanted to come off. The twists and turns that this story took kept me guessing the entire time and once I thought I knew who the killer was or who was responsible, "BAM" something new or a new lead would come up and completely baffle me. I thought everyone was a suspect. The best part was the suspense. I would never have thought that a book would have such immense suspense but this one did. Every time someone knocked on Brooklyn's door, I thought it was a bad guy. While at a visit to her mom's house, her mom yells "Oh my God", "Oh my God" immediately I thought "that's it, something's going to happen" but it wasn't what I thought it was, my heart was beating fast!! I truly am impressed with Kate Carlisle's writing and I am definitely going to purchase some more of her stories. They are intense, intriguing and captivating! Wow and the main character Brooklyn's job is truly unique. I could not begin to tell you how fascinating, rare and impressive her career is. The mystery in this book will leave you guessing the entire time. Oh but wait there's more! Romance. It has a splash of romance that completes this book to receive the 5 stars it deserves. Great Job. I highly recommend this book.

Valerie says

4.5 out of 5 stars rounded up.

This book has it all. The Kama Sutra, a micro flash drive with state secrets on it, spies, murder, and a street fair. What more could you want?! How about the fact that most of the action lies around Robin and her mother, Shiva? It's a wild and twisted ride!

This is one of my favorite books in the series. Derek has moved in with Brooklyn, supposedly temporarily while he finds his own housing. We've got the Kama Sutra that Brooklyn's restoring which leads to the illusion of some very passionate interludes between Brooklyn and Derek. Then we've got this murder involving Robin that's becoming stranger by the day.

When it all finally wraps up in the end, it makes sense, but it still somewhat feels like coming to the end of a whirling dervish. I love it!

Laine The Librarian says

They did it!!!! They finally did it!!! Derek Stone and Brooklyn Wainwright have finally succumbed to those feelings and are now a "them"!!!!!! It is so great, its so grand, its so new, nothing can go wrong now!!! They are in seventh heaven!

Of course, if you overlook the fact that Brooklyn's BFF wakes them up with her screaming at the top of her lungs while she is covered in blood; her "date" is dead in her bed and that everything seems to be falling on top of Brooklyn once AGAIN, then yes Derek and Brooklyn are in seventh heaven.

Brooklyn's BFF Robin finds a real interesting man one night, brings him home and have a grand night. Until

the next morning when she wakes up in his blood and finds him dead in her bed does things get interesting. Brooklyn is trying everything she can to make sure that her friend doesn't end up in jail while she is also trying to refurbish the Kama Sutra, while also trying to understand her new found relationship!

Just another day for the bookbinder in wonderful San Francisco! Where everything happens to you whether you like it or not.

Una Tiers says

Held hostage by the flu I was reduced to audio books from the library. This book was a silly mess.

Jan says

Brooklyn's BFF, Robin has just returned from a trip to India where she spent some time with her mother. She has brought Brooklyn a beautiful copy of the Kama Sutra to restore. And they both have news on the romance front, Brooklyn's boyfriend Derek has moved in with her, at least until he can find a permanent place in San Francisco and Robin met the most wonderful guy from the Ukraine on her way home from the airport. Well, someone did not think he is so wonderful because Robin wakes up a few days later to find in dead in the bed next to her. Turns out he had drugged her and she did not even hear the shots. As Derek and Brooklyn investigate it became more and more obvious that Robin is smack in the middle of a foreign intrigue. As the body count rises, Brooklyn is determined to protect her friend and find the killer.

I think this is my favorite in the series so far. There was plenty of action and romance. And Brooklyn is always fun even at the most dire times. We also see more of her neighbors, and a new family has moved in. Lots of fun.
