

CHECK - OUT WHAT CAN BE FOUND ON **EVERGREEN:**

COZY MYSTERY SERIES



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SPICE SHOP MYSTERIES

By: Gail Oust

3 books

Available in BOOK or LARGE PRINT formats

Piper Prescott along with her teenaged daughter relocates to the South to open a spice shop, “Spice it Up!” after her recent divorce from C.J. Prescott, hotshot attorney. This relatively new cozy series has a cast of characters that are fun to get to know, love and hate. Character-driven plots of Oust’s books make the reader feel right at home from the very beginning of each book. There is the chief of police who is also newly returned to Brandywine Creek, Georgia, and the sparks fly between Piper and Chief Wyatt both during investigations and at other times. Reba Mae, Piper’s best friend and side kick during her amateur sleuthing, provides some good old southern common sense when Piper needs it. The townspeople are quirky, and the plots of the books move along quickly to keep the readers interested. The food theme and interesting spice-related trivia are just enough different from other authors in this field to make it fresh and inviting. Lovers of food-related themes, small town goings-on and independently-minded female protagonists will enjoy this newly launched series. Recipes are included with the novels.

Other COOKING Cozies Author/Series:

- ❖ **Josi Kilpack:** *Culinary Mysteries*, 12 books
- ❖ **Daryl Wood Gerber:** *Cookbook Nook Mysteries*, 5 books
- ❖ **Nancy Fairbanks:** *Carolyn Blue (Food Writer) Mysteries*, 11 books
- ❖ **Diane Mott Davidson:** *Goldy Bear (Caterer) Mysteries*, 17 books

HANNA SWENSEN MYSTERIES

By: Joanne Fluke

22 books

Available in BOOK, LARGE PRINT, E-BOOK, AUDIOBOOK and PLAYAWAY formats

After the death of her father, Hanna Swenson decides to return to her hometown and open a cookie and coffee/bake shop, “The Cookie Jar.” The coziness of this series lies in the small town feel of all of the mysteries, although one might scratch their heads wondering how much crime a small town can contain over the course of all 22 books. Still everyone knows everyone, and the setting will worm its way into the heart. Readers will find themselves nodding their heads as this series has elements that are familiar to all even for those living in big cities. Hanna Swenson is a wonderful character to get to know and Fluke does an excellent job of portraying her and her life as something very accessible if not familiar. The murders solved and the on-again-off-again love interests of Swenson add a touch both intrigue and romance to this well-loved series. Fast-paced and not always predictable, fans of realistically drawn characters, flaws and all, and those who like a good old fashioned “who done it”

will flock to Fluke's books. The recipes (included) will have the reader reaching for not just the next cookie, but the next Hanna Swensen mystery.

Other BAKING Cozies Authors/Series:

- ❖ **Livia Washburn:** *Fresh Baked Mysteries*, 10 books
- ❖ **Isis Crawford:** *Mystery With Recipes*, 12 books
- ❖ **Nancy Parra:** *Baker's Treat Mysteries*, 3 books

TEA SHOP MYSTERIES

By: [Laura Childs](#)

17 books

Available in BOOK, E-BOOK or AUDIOBOOK

In historic Charleston, SC, Theodosia Browning has opened the Indigo Tea Shop, living above the shop with her dog, Earl Grey, in order to get away from the fast-paced career as an advertiser. This cozy series excellently explains the intricacies of tea to the reader while an intriguing mystery is always at its core. The cast of characters are very vividly drawn in each of the books and the setting makes for an interesting backdrop to the twist and turns, albeit sometimes predictable, of Theodosia's amateur sleuthing. The books offer secondary plots that revolve around interesting topics such as fine wine tasting and charming characters that add depth to each book of this series. Tea lovers will be particularly drawn to this series with its tea making tips and tricks and food lovers will enjoy the complimentary recipes. Fast-pacing and easy reading make this a enjoyable series for any cozy mystery fan.

Other TEA & COFFEE Author/Series:

- ❖ **Cleo Coyle:** *Coffeehouse Mysteries*, 9 books
- ❖ **Ali Brandon:** *Black Cat Bookshop Mysteries*, 6 books
- ❖ **Amanda Cooper:** *Teapot Collector Mysteries*,

FLAVIA DE LUCE MYSTERIES

By: [Alan Bradley](#)

9 books

Available in BOOK, E-BOOK or AUDIOBOOK

In this quirky and unusual cozy set in the 1950's, small English hamlet of Bishop's Lacey, a crackerjack sleuth, 11 year old Flavia de Luce is also already an accomplished chemist. She is smart and sassy, but at 11 years old still has to deal with older sisters, a distant father, and a mother who went missing in a hiking expedition. Often going unnoticed due to her age, though, she manages to learn about various clues in each of this series' books and manages to put it all together. The series always brings interesting and historically factual bits into play with an assortment of characters that make this an excellent read. The main character, Flavia, is at the heart of Mr. Bradley's books and those who enjoy books that a quick and witty sleuth which is set in interesting and cozy locations will find this right up their alley.

Other INTRIGUING FEMALE SLEUTH Author/Series:

- ❖ **Louise Penny:** *Armand Gamache Mysteries*, 12 books
- ❖ **Charlaine Harris:** *Aurora Teagarden Mysteries*, 9 books
- ❖ **Jacqueline Winspear:** *Maise Dobbs Mysteries*, 12 books

AUNT DIMITY'S MYSTERIES

By: [Nancy Atherton](#)

20 books

Available in BOOK, E-BOOK or E-AUDIOBOOK

This extensive series opens with a young American woman who grew up hearing stories from her now deceased mother about the adventures of “Aunt Dimity.” It turns out that Aunt Dimity was real and has left Lori Shepherd an intriguing legacy which she learns about from the law firm of Willis & Willis. Lori travels to the Cotswolds area of England, and her late aunt’s cottage, the very epitome of “cozy.” Lori soon falls in love and make the move to England permanent. Throughout the series, it turns out that Aunt Dimity is not as “gone” as originally thought, as her ghost helps Lori in each book to solve a problem or mystery by communicating with each other through a book (ghost writing??)! Part romance, part cozy English countryside living, and part mystery, this series will appeal to Anglophiles and those looking for a quick read that highlights interesting characters and quaint, picturesque settings.

Other BRITISH COUNTRYSIDE Author/Series:

- ❖ **Rebecca Tope:** *Cotswolds Mysteries*, 11 books
- ❖ **M.C.Beaton:** *Agatha Raisin Mysteries*, 26 books
- ❖ **Kate Kingsbury:** *WWII Manor House Mysteries*, 9 books

LIBRARY LOVERS MYSTERIES

By: [Jenn McKinlay](#)

6 books

Available in BOOK or E-BOOK

Lindsey Norris has left her job as academic librarian to become the director of the small Briar Creek Connecticut Public Library. This series about librarians written by a librarian is a dialog-driven cozy that book lovers and librarians alike can enjoy and relate to. With an eccentric group of women who meet for the weekly “craftnooners” program, Lindsey works her way through a series of mysteries that involve a solid cast of characters in each book. While some of the characters may seem stereotypical, readers who are familiar with libraries will be nodding their heads as various references are made about the daily “doings” in a small and rural public library. Lindsey is a protagonist that readers will enjoy learning about and some of the details of small town living will feel familiar, making one want to snuggle up with a warm cup of cocoa, a fuzzy blanket and a Jenn McKinlay mystery. Recipes, craft directions and reader’s guides to novels are also included.

Other LIBRARIAN Author/Series:

- ❖ **Mary Lou Kirwin:** *Librarian Mysteries*, 2 books

- ❖ **Jess Lourey:** *Murder by Month*, 10 books
- ❖ **Jeanne Glidewell:** *Lexie Starr Mysteries*, 6 books

WISHCRAFT MYSTERIES

By: [Heather Blake](#)

6 books

Available in BOOK, E-BOOK or AUDIOBOOK

Synopsis:

This fun and yes, magical, series introduces the reader to Darcy Merriweather. Upon learning her true heritage as a witch, she and her sister return to enchanted Salem, Massachusetts. Darcy's gift is that she can grant the wishes of others (but unfortunately for this eternally single gal not wishes for herself). This fast-paced cozy series stirs together a little bit of magic, a little bit of romance and a lot of murder, which Darcy manages to solve again and again. With a great supporting cast of characters including witchy relatives, this series will enchant any lover of cozy mysteries.

Other MAGICAL Author/Series:

- ❖ **Ellery Adams:** *Charmed Pie Shoppe Mysteries*, 5 books
- ❖ **Bailey Cates:** *Magical Bakery Mysteries*, 5 books
- ❖ **Madelyn Alt:** *Bewitching Mysteries*, 9 books

ELM CREEK QUILTS MYSTERIES

By: [Jennifer Chiaverini](#)

5 books

Available in BOOK, E-BOOK, and AUDIOBOOK

In this enduring series, family, hope, love and faith are threaded together to by the main character, Sarah McClure who has moved to Pennsylvania with her husband to start a new life. She soon discovers the art of quilting from an elderly woman who belongs to an interesting quilting circle. Sarah faces different mysterious issues that she must solve to keep her family and friends together. Full of quilting tips and tricks, quilters will love this series, but the characters, setting, and quick pace will want any cozy mystery lover return to this series again and again.

Other QUILTING Author/Series Read-a-Likes:

- ❖ **Vanetta Chapman:** *Shipshewana Amish Quilt Shop Mysteries*, 3 books
- ❖ **Isabella Alan:** *Amish Quilt Shop Mysteries*, 5 books
- ❖ **Elizabeth Spann Craig:** *Southern Quilting Mysteries*, 5 books

BROTHER CADFAEL MYSTERIES

By: [Ellis Peters](#)

21 books

Available in **BOOK, E-BOOK, E-AUDIOBOOK or AUDIOBOOK**

During the tumultuous years of medieval England when King Stephen is struggling to retain his crown, this series was perhaps one of the first and most popular cozy mysteries that are also historical fiction. Brother Cadfael enters the cloisters late in life with a lifetime of experience that makes him a talented herbalist, a scholar, and amateur sleuth, but also gets him into occasional trouble with the Abbot. Many of the characters and events throughout the series are rooted in actual historical events and the pace of the books keeps the reader on the edge of his/her seat, so to speak. Located in Shrewsbury, only a stone's throw from Wales, the political atmosphere is also charged with the difficult diplomacy of the 12th century. With a varied and interesting cast from the witty, funny, even fanciful at times Cadfael to the rest of the monks and townspeople, these books will take the reader back in time to understand how mysteries were solved not with modern science but with good old fashioned sense.

Other HISTORICAL MYSTERY Authors/Series:

- ❖ [Michael Jecks](#): *The Templar Mysteries*, 32 books
- ❖ [Margaret Frazer](#): *Dame Frevisse Mysteries*, 17 books
- ❖ [Candace Robb](#): *Owen Archer Mysteries*, 10 books

THE CAT WHO... MYSTERIES

By: [Lillian Jackson Braun](#)

30 books

Available in **BOOK, E-BOOK or AUDIOBOOK**

In this eclectic series, the main characters make the books and set the mood in these classic cozy who-done-its. The main human character is indeed a character in every sense of the word. Qwilleran (Qwill) is a man that had a misguided youth but has reformed and seen the error of his ways. As the inheritor of a vast fortune (that comes with some conditions), he settles into small-town life with his cat, Koko, a Siamese that not only is of show-quality but also possesses a sixth sense for crime. This daring duo, spends their luxury time traveling between two residences and solving crime. Pet lovers of all types will appreciate the bond between human and animal and cat lovers will relate to the special and cozy connection that a cat has for its loving owner.

Other CAT LOVERS Authors/Series Read-a-Likes:

- ❖ [Miranda James](#): *The Cat in the Stacks Mysteries*, 7 books
- ❖ [Rita Mae Brown](#): *Mrs. Murphy Mysteries*, 25 books
- ❖ [Rebecca Hale](#): *The Cats and Curios Mysteries*, 6 books

PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH MYSTERIES

By: [Tamar Myers](#)

19 books

Available in BOOK, E-BOOK or AUDIOBOOK

Synopsis:

This series folds many aspects of the cozy mystery into the fun and inviting setting of Magdalena Yoder's Mennonite PennDutch Inn. The setting of the series brings together an often eclectic and sometimes dangerous combination of people. Magdalena always has her very down-to-earth common sense to keep her head straight, but somehow always ends up involved with some mystery or another that usually involves murder. Very light-hearted with quick pacing and equally quick wit from the protagonist, this is a series that will appeal to many different types of cozy mystery lovers... a small town feel, with good cooking (recipes included!) and a cast of characters that come and go throughout the series that keeps the reader interested and on his or her toes.

Other Countryside and Homespun Cooking series

Authors/Series:

- ❖ **Mary Daheim:** *Bed & Breakfast Mysteries*, 29 books
- ❖ **Claudia Bishop:** *Hemlock Falls Mysteries*, 18 books
- ❖ **Charlaine Harris:** *Sookie Stackhouse Mysteries*, 13 books