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Lily Bilbury is about to be fabulously happy, because she has a theory: economic independence = divorce = happiness! To this end she takes a job at Villa Buschi, a lavish estate that harbors more than a few secrets. But when she can't make ends meet or obtain a divorce or acquire the object of her affection, she briefly contemplates running around ranting drivels and frightening the whole reserved population of Arona, Italy.

Only when a friend falls on hard times will Lily forget her own problems and align herself with a self-proclaimed psychic to mount a search of Villa Buschi for one of the most famous diamonds ever known - the French Blue.

Bridget Jones meets Nancy Drew with a dash of Indiana Jones-style archeological mystery (no whips, though). Sweet Delicious Madness readers want more!

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# **From Reader Review Sweet Delicious Madness and the Many Mysterious Deaths of Silvio Berlusconi for online ebook**

## **Luisa says**

What a lovely little story..Being bilingual and having lived in Australia and Italy, I suppose I am able to appreciate the book more than other people - for example, the statement about Italians believing that foreigners have no idea about housekeeping is so true!! (and what a coincidence- I told two Australian friends about it just a couple of days before reading the book!)

The story was engaging and not in the least predicatble.. The only bad comment I want to make about the book are the many spelling mistakes when using Italian words - an aspect that is easy to rectify!

Thank you Mrs Sarff for the enjoyable read.

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## **Michele says**

This book was hilarious. It was a great read...it had a plot, it had lots of humor, lots of drama, the characters were quirky yet believable....the ending was pretty funny...I sort of thought that was how it was going to end, but the extra details, twists and turns were unexpected. If you want a great, fun read...I strongly recommend this book. Am definitely going to be searching for more by this author.

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## **Christine M Miller says**

Lily Bilbury has taken a job as a housekeeper at Villa Buschi in Italy to take care of her twin boys, and herself. Much to her surprise the beautiful villa that she had seen in postcards is not what she sees. The villas gardens are overgrown with plants because it seems the seemingly creepy gardener is not doing his job. But if she is to have economic dependence so she can force her husband to give her a divorce, she must do her job no matter how boring it gets.

Things start to look up when her boss hires a co-worker to help her around the villa that seems a bit off her rocker. Francesca claims she can talk to the dead. Her major claims seem to be that the Italian Prime Minister is going to kick the bucket, and Lily is wondering if Francesca is even more off her rocker now, but quite entertaining.

Who would think that a taking a job as a house keeper for a well-known man would turn her world upside down within the span of three months?

Love, mystery, and comedy will keep you on your toes with this great novel. The author keeps you on the edge of your seat with this great book. The characters are well-rounded and make you feel like you are right there in the story with them. The plot is well written and thought out keeping you interested in the story. You won't want to put it down, a real page-turner, and a fun read. I will definitely be suggesting this one to my friends and readers.

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### **Frances Kelley says**

Wonderfully funny.

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### **Linda says**

This was a Kindle freebie for me, but it would have been worth paying for. This book is a sweet chick-lit novel set in Northern Italy, following our ex-pat big-hearted American heroine as she goes through a divorce as a mother of young twins and gets a job working as a maid for a big Hollywood star. You can probably guess how it works out, but it's still fun getting there. This novel, read on a back-lit Kindle, got me through the days of power outages from Hurricane Sandy.

The style reminds me vaguely of Sophie Kinsella's writing. If you like her work, you should enjoy this book very much.

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### **Stacy says**

This is a cute, sweet story. It would be great for reading while traveling (especially to Italy!), hanging out on the beach, or in the bathtub. It's light reading, the story of a young woman as she adjusts to life as "almost-divorced" mother, and all that brings. I am looking forward to reading a sequel.  
Full disclosure: I read this for free. Thank you!

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### **Sara says**

When was the last time you laughed aloud? For me, it was throughout the reading of Sweet Delicious Madness and The Many Mysterious Deaths of Silvio Berlusconi -the dialog throughout was engaging and entertaining, especially that of Lily. She was easy to love, right from the beginning. Most women can relate to her situation either through personal experience or from that of a friend. The antics of her children during the Valentine's dinner scene were memorable and foreshadowed what was to come in the remaining chapters – more laughter and unpredictable moments. While the novel was great as a stand-alone, I was happy to find out there was another book coming in 2013 – I look forward to its release.

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### **Priyanka says**

One of my favourite books.

Lily is an amazing woman with a sense of humour such that it kept me smiling throughout the book. I read it one go, even putting away my sleep aside!  
Awesome!

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### **Ashley says**

We are all fools in love. Jane Austin said it best. Continuing in this theme is a little unknown book I read and love. Lily Bilbury is a maid in the house of a wealthy, but never home Hollywood star in Arona, Italy. Working as a maid she encounters a bunch of crazy and loveable characters, but perhaps none are as crazy as she is. Witty social commentary, well-written. A character that is full of flaws and optimism. One of my favorite reads.

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### **Jane Bee says**

The Valentine's Scene caused my heart to stop beating.

This book is full of so many vibrant scenes that even though I read it six months ago I still chuckle about them from time to time. Without giving too much away I loved the Christmas scene, the Valentine's scene when it seems that Lily is completely out of luck in the love department, the fake wedding scene, everything that had to do with the kittens and lastly the final scene. Yes, the final scene put a smile on my face that lasted for days.

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### **Bobbie Hirsch says**

Lots of fun. Got sucked in more and more as I read. Lot of little things that happen up front that seem unimportant but end up being a major part of the plot. I liked the characters - some sad moments for the main character. Made me root for her. Made me smile long after I put it down. Had a very memorable Valentine's Day dinner scene. I would recommend for mother's, older single gals. Probably not for the teenage/early 20's set. They will not identify. Recommend for fans of Bridget Jones/Rebecca Bloomwood. For anybody who enjoys a good laugh. Younger woman may not identify with all the little hilarious and heartbreaking moments a mother goes through. Liked the romance too!

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### **Christina says**

Hilarious, but the plot was completely unrealistic. I guess that is what makes it a lovely Italian FAIRY tale. The author, by way of character development, did a great job of portraying the clash, as well as nuances of American and Italian cultures.  
I think this story would make a great chick flick....but of course I LOVE ALL THINGS ITALIAN.  
Ciao

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## **Laura says**

such an amazing book, had the heart strings tugged in all the right places and certainly put a smile on my face!

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## **Marnie Piazza says**

Great fun! A little bit chick lit, a little bit mystery and a lot of lovable characters, this is one of my favorite reads for a long time. The main character, Lily, reminds me of some classic chick lit characters, while at the same time being unique and unpredictable in a good way. With a romantic hopefulness and good nature that remains intact even while struggling with raising young twins, a bathroom full of cats, and a new and somewhat strange job, she's an easy one to root for. Another truly funny character, Francesca, reminds me of Luna Lovegood from the Harry Potter books – talking to dead people and barely making sense, but at some points, making more sense than anyone else – and she is always good for a solid laugh out loud!

And if you've ever been to Italy or want to go to Italy, it's a bit of a love letter to the northern part of the country. It made me want to pack up and go on a vacation there asap, even if I would need to bring an umbrella and sturdy boots.

All in all, a fun read by an author who I hope keeps on writing. And such a bargain on the kindle!

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## **Laura says**

This novel was such a fun story it was hard to put down! As a reader, I got lost in the plot – Lily was someone any woman could identify with, and her personality was definitely entertaining and funny. This book transports the reader to Italy, and the descriptions of locations allowed me to live vicariously through Lily as she went to Villa Buschi to work as a housekeeper.

This story has everything – romance, drama, mystery, adventure – and the different characters, such as Alice, Rupa and Francesca kept the plot interesting and fun to read. I would recommend this book to anyone! It is an enjoyable book and makes a great story to take with you on vacation or just read by the pool.

I am looking forward to more stories by the author; it was so refreshing to be hooked into a story right away!

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