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**A winter of discontent...**

January 1766. A dangerous mishap brings young widow Charlotte Willett unexpectedly to bleak and marshy Boar Island, a few miles from the village of Bracebridge and home to two eccentric elderly women. Some say that arrogant, unpopular Alexander Godwin — the only villager to regularly call upon the island's two residents — hopes to inherit the cavernous house when its owner finally passes on.

But when Alexander is brutally murdered after the town's annual winter fête, Charlotte and her neighbor Richard Longfellow can't help but wonder who among Alexander's detractors might be responsible. Is his death connected to his activities on Boar Island — or to the unearthly trickery rumored to take place there? Could the rivalry over a beautiful young woman have sparked a more dangerous passion? And will the answers reveal themselves before death strikes Boar Island again?

## A Mischief in the Snow Details

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## **From Reader Review A Mischief in the Snow for online ebook**

### **Merry Lou says**

A very satisfying close to this series. Enjoyed all 4 of this series.

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### **Jane says**

A Mischief in the Snow is a very slow moving mystery set in Massachusetts in 1766. I am guessing it was exhaustively researched, since the author goes to great pains to put in many small details about the time that drag the story down (in my opinion).

I'm not sure where or when I picked this book up - it has been on my bookshelves for years - but I haven't read the first three books in the series. Maybe I would have enjoyed it more if I'd known more about the characters. Two of the characters are dancing around the idea of a romantic relationship and I thought, this is book four and this is as far as they've gotten? There is a touch of the paranormal that seemed entirely out of place. My interest did pick up toward the end, and the series does feature a feisty and resourceful female heroine.

Not great, not terrible.

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### **Edd says**

Great Colonial mystery book. Very light reading.

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### **Julie says**

A good end to this series. I spotted whodunnit, but that doesn't bother me. The specific supernatural touches felt a bit out of place.

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### **Jodi says**

There were parts of this book that were fascinating. The story takes place a decade before the Revolutionary war in a small town west of Boston. The details of life in that period were made real in this book, furnishings, clothing, behavior, food, all felt suitable for the period. The mystery, however, wasn't nearly so interesting. Part of it is that the person who is killed isn't particularly well liked. But even as Charlotte Willett and her neighbor Richard Longfellow try to ferret out the truth, it never captured my attention. Charlotte and Richard are the main protagonists. They obey conventions even while Richard is planning something more. That would have made the book flow faster and drawn us in deeper. Even when all is at last revealed, it

didn't seem particularly novel. Just sad.

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**B says**

3.5 stars

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