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Finally—Donna Stone, as you've never seen her before: through the eyes of those who affected her life the most.

In this full-length prequel to The Housewife Assassin series, Acme Industries black-ops agent Jack Craig is tasked with investigating the mysterious death of his organization's most prolific hit man, Carl Stone, only to fall in love with the dead man's wife, Donna—a woman he must never contact, but who may hold the key to her husband's disappearance. When Acme approaches Donna to join their organization as an assassin, Jack's undercover mission will change both their lives forever.

## **The Housewife Assassin's Deadly Dossier Details**

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## **From Reader Review The Housewife Assassin's Deadly Dossier for online ebook**

### **Brenda says**

This is book 3 in a combo book featuring books one and two and as such it is the perfect backstory explaining in detail the actions of book one.

I enjoyed this but suggest you only read it AFTER you have read book 1 so you don't spoil the novel.

I loved the main characters and the background enhancement and other characters.

I plan to buy the entire series as I am enjoying the quest to root out Quorum, the love affair between Donna & Jack and the fallen character of Carl.

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### **Toni says**

This is definitely my genre! I am hooked on reading and writing about spies. (You could probaby tell that from my Twitter name: tonispewriter.) This is what makes reading for Net Galley a real pleasure. You get introduced to books you might never come across.

It took me a hot minute to figure out who was the star of the narration since so much happened at the beginning of the book. At first I thought it might be Donna's husband Carl but quickly came to realize it was Jack Craig. He is an interesting fellow. And in one part when Carl was acting very un-Carl-like, I thought he was Jack. (Come to find out that little tidbit about Jack and Carl became a bit of a spoiler for me later on. You will just have to read it to know what i mean.)

I enjoyed following Jack as he practically fell in love with the image Donna portrayed to her other suburbanites. Underneath it all, Donna was a bit of a rebel. I don't want to go into too much detail about the plot but it sure kept my interest the entire time. I have already bought book one and book two. (This is the prequel to the Housewife Assassin series.) You should pick up book one for sure. It's FREE!

One little note about reading this sucker. Pay attention to everything. You might need to remember it for later. I read this on my Kindle but wished I had it in paperback just so I could go back and check my memory on certain facts.

This is definitely a great one for sure. Check it out if you like the spy genre that is filled with fun antics.

I received this as an ARC (Advanced Reader Copy) from Net Galley in return for an honest review. I thank the publisher and Net Galley for allowing me to read this book.

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### **Bookmom says**

Prequel to the series told mostly from Jack Craig's point of view beginning with the events that lead to Carl

faking his death and ending with the day Jack takes on Carl's persona in the Stone household.

Those who recall the first book, The Housewife Assassin's Handbook, will recognize a number of different scenes, now told from a different point of view. This story also fills in some gaps with other characters and events. But what struck me most is Jack's feelings for Donna long before they physically met as he'd not only known about her, but had been spying on her and the kids and did the vetting before she was offered a job at Acme. It also makes sense now why he so easily seemed to fit in with the family and everyone's happiness was so important to him.

This is only the second book I've read in this series. The uniqueness of the first book grabbed me; this one, not quite as much. The story starts off rather scattered with a number of different events and characters before Jack starts zeroing his attention of what has become familiar to readers. The tale is often lightened with comments and some situations.

Not a bad way to spend a few hours. 3.5 stars

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### **Tracey Chananie says**

I am so glad I found this prequel to The Housewife Assassin's series. It gives the detailed background information about the characters that feature in The Housewife Assassin's Handbook and in my opinion can stand alone as a short story. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book and finding out the reasons for some of what happens in the 1st book of the series - why does Donna take the "employment" offer made by Acme?

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### **Don says**

#### **Good Read**

This one will keep you up at night. A super woman that could pass for a PTA mom by day is the real deal. Throw in the baddest man on the planet and you have a power couple that is impossible to stop. Get rid of the skinhead plot, which cost the author a five star and has never been a problem in America, and you have the perfect novel. Action, adventure, and first rate characters makes this book a perfect read.

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### **Ted Tayler says**

"Terrific thriller"

This series somehow escaped my attention and I only stumbled upon this 'prequel' to the Donna Stone character by chance. Jack Craig seems like a great character too. This is a superior novel in many ways. The characters, the dialogue the action; everything is handled particularly well. I need to trawl back through some of the earlier books to be on the same page as Ms. Brown's legion of fans. A tremendously good read.

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### **Leslie aka StoreyBook Reviews says**

This may be a prequel but don't let that fool you because it isn't like many that are more like a novella. This is pretty much a full length book but sets up how Donna gets involved with Acme. I had read book 1 but didn't remember a whole lot because it has been awhile (other than I liked the book!). But I don't know that I remembered enough to get the true background or lead-in to book 1. Doesn't matter, still enjoyed the book and will have to pick this series back up again.

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### **Sarah - All The Book Blog Names Are Taken says**

I've got only a couple weeks left to meet my Goodreads challenge, so I've been scooping up "cozy mysteries" like there's no tomorrow that are free to help me meet that goal. This is definitely not a "cozy mystery" so I don't know why it was labeled that way. I was interested though because the premise sounded really interesting. I thought this would be a great place to start since it was the prequel to the series, but I just couldn't get into it.

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### **LaShawnda Brown says**

I loved learning about Donna and Jack back story. What I didn't like is left me with more question about Carl. This book made appear that he was loving husband and father that faked his own death when he got made and the criminal master mine the other books made him into. Anyway, I can't wait to see were Donna and Jack relationship go.

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### **Cats of Ulthar says**

This series is so outrageously funny, wonderful, loving, sarcastic, feminist, that I almost wish it could be "real-life" [sigh!]. But since it isn't, thank the Universe it's an ever- expanding series!

Donna Strong is kind of a quintessential "upscale-housewife-mother-of-3-carpooler-school-volunteer"--if the quintessential includes essential marksmanship, assassination, and interrogation. Donna never knew, until too late, that hubby was a CIA spook. To avenge him, she becomes one. That's where the fun commences.

I am totally in love with series (even though I don't care for the cover designs) and I know I must see the series through to its eventual end.:)

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### **Mrs. Garen L. Herd says**

#### **Good read**

I read Book 1 a long time ago, so I already knew the characters somewhat. Our heroine "lost" her husband who led a double life that she knew nothing about. Our hero worked with him, watched over her and fell in

love with her, all without her knowing. There's a lot of spy intrigue and twists and turns. Highly recommend.

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### **Sherry McWilliams says**

Even though I read the first book before this one, I enjoyed this story just as much. The story was interesting and had some intense moments through out. I love Donna and Jack. If you want to read a cozy mystery with some thriller in it, this is the one.

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### **Paige Bentch-pruitt says**

#### **Awful**

I am glad it was free. I could not even finish this. It is supposedly the prequel to the series which I have not read. I was hoping to start at the beginning with this and then read the others. Characters are flat, story reads like a bad spy movies and, at times like two people are writing it. Amateurish writing style. If I was the author I would be embarrassed to have my name associated with this.

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### **Linda Quick says**

If you are a fan of the Housewife Assassin, this is a must read. And, if you're not already a fan, why not? Josie Brown has a gift for mixing humor with mystery that is totally engaging and laugh out loud funny. I particularly enjoy Brown's humorous intro to each chapter.

I'm really glad that I read this book after the others, as it gave me more of a frame of reference and made so many things make sense. If you are new to the series, you could start with this book, but I would recommend reading them in the order the author wrote them in.

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### **Katarina says**

I'm sad to say, I didn't like it.

I hadn't read any of the books in the series, so I thought starting with this prequel would make sense. Unfortunately, I was wrong. I DNF'd at 20%, because nothing was really making sense, and because I hadn't been grabbed and pulled into it by then. So many reviews rave about this series, but I just didn't get what made other readers love it. To me, this means it's not the book's fault, it's not a bad book, it just wasn't the book for me. I found it confusing and hard to follow.

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