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Life in a small town can be MURDER.

Professional photographer and part-time bakery employee Carly Keene loves everything about her small hometown, except for the fact that there's a murderer on the loose. When one of Carly's photography clients is murdered just days before his wedding, it's up to Carly to prove that the most likely suspect isn't the culprit at all. With the help of her sassy best friend, Shell, and her clever cop cousin, Carly is determined to get to the truth, no matter what.

Can Carly prove that the police are after the wrong woman? And are her feelings for the dead guy's twin brother more than just friendship and a shared love of their dogs? Find out in this first book of the Carly Keene Cozy Mystery series!

Meet the colorful residents of Parker's Mill in the first-ever Carly Keene cozy mystery.

Includes two mouthwatering recipe straight out of the Sweets & Eats Bakery!

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Nancy Vega says

Bakery, roommates, childhood friends, pets, photography & murder- not necessarily in that order!

Best friend & roommates try to solve a murder mystery in their small town while involved with both working at the best bakery in town , another a photographer, and a goofy old lovable dog who gets a play date

Darcysmom says

Dead Before the Wedding was a delightful cozy mystery! This is the first book in the Carly Keene series. In this book we meet Carly, a photographer, and her best friend, Shell, a baker. They live in the small Georgia town, Parker's Mill. Carly and Shell are roommates and occasional co-workers (Carly helps out in the bakery when it is busy). Carly has the misfortune of discovering the body of one of her potential photography clients after he and his fiancée are no-shows for an appointment. Things heat up quickly and Carly feels honor bound to help solve the murder. The action in Dead Before the Wedding is fast-paced, Carly is a likeable main character, there is plenty of laughter to balance the death, and there are recipes at the end! This was a satisfying read.

SANDYE says

Cozy mystery that will get you craving baked goods!

A great story about two friends running a bakery in a small town, one of them helping out While simultaneously trying to get her photography business off the ground. While trying to track down her client, an old school friend who's late for a walk-through at his wedding venue with his fiancée, his body is discovered fully clothed in his bathtub. Enter a policeman who also is the cousin of the photographer, a single mom, a cute 3-year old boy, the handsome twin of the recently murdered groom-to-be, and the not-so-friendly Bridezilla whose wedding plans were interrupted by soap opera worthy drama.

A good cozy mystery with great characters and a great plotline. The only thing I maybe would've preferred is that it more focus was on the investigation of the murder, and less focus was placed on developing the characters and their subsequent relationships. All in all though, I enjoyed this cozy mystery!

Georgiann Hennelly says

Carly Keene is a professional Photographer and she also works part time at a Bakery in her small Home town. She loves everything about her town except the fact that there is a killer on the loose. Days before his Wedding one of her photography clients is murdered. Can Carly prove the cops after the wrong Women? With the help of her best friend Shell and her cop cousin Carly is determined to find the truth! A well written

cozy mystery read.

Tobyann Aparisi says

Fun and funny with wonderfully warm and down to earth characters. A mystery and a touch of romance make this book a sweet treat to read with your morning coffee!

Annemarie DeClark says

The mystery component of this novel is not overly complex, but the characters are all cute and enjoyable--well, almost all the characters are cute and enjoyable (except for Mona and Larry, of course). Overall, it is a quick read filled with lots of sweet treats.

Patricia says

Story could have been great

I received this book free from one of the book sites. I do not remember which one! This is my honest and voluntary review.

For a quick cozy mystery, this book had potential. The author should have kept track of what name was whose name. I don't know how many times I had to re-read to figure out who was actually speaking or of whom one was speaking. If you can't keep the characters straight, slow down and give everyone distinctive names.

Another problem was technical. When you bail someone out of jail, you only loose the bail money IF they do not show in court or takes off against bail orders. In this book, you have a single, poor mother who couldn't afford to skip bail. She had no money, so this makes no sense in the story.

An uneven read that is full of useless info, not recommended.

Cindy says

Fun, funny cozy - just what I needed after the Holiday week. Very entertaining and humorous.

Neera Sawhney says

Carly, a young photographer and part time baker, gets caught in the middle as she is the one who finds the victim, and she believes that the person the police have taken into custody is actually innocent. Living in a small town you are bound to bump into your school mates and although everyone has grown up and matured they are still intrinsically the same....so understanding them is not so difficult. On the surface a simple story, but that is how life is. An interesting book, i look forward to reading the next in the series.

Audrey says

Not a big mystery as to who the victim is going to be or who the murderer is. It had some funny moments. I got this for free and for that price it was ok. Not my favorite cozy mystery. It was ok for a quick beach read.

Claudia says

Fun and sweet, this is a lovely story about a mystery in a small town, with all that it entails.

The real enjoyment, though, doesn't come from the mystery itself (as it's usually the case in cozy mysteries) but from the cast of characters and their interactions. And the characters are fabulous, and not only that: you'll get some very easy, tasty recipes at the end *laughs*

A delightful read to enjoy while curled- up with a piece of cake =D

Ted Tayler says

"Another sugar rush"

There are lots of reasons not to visit this small town. It's dangerous to your health on many levels and the people are either sugar sweet or downright unpleasant. If you like muffins with your murder, then dig in, I'll pass.

Krystyna says

Electrifying happenings

A great light, easy to read cozy. The two best friends have shared a house for ages and although the photography side was all hers, she still helped her friend in the local bakery. When a cake is ordered for an upcoming wedding and she is hired as the photographer things seem to be looking up. However the groom's womanising leads to problems. Namely a three year one. When the groom is found dead, fingers are pointed at the child's mother. Did she kill the groom and little boy's father? How can the truth be revealed? Nice plot, okay it was obvious who killed him but it still made good reading. Great characters that fit in well with the story.

Andrea Stoeckel says

"Still, she felt that everyone deserved one moment of clarified joy that they could keep and cherish for their whole lives, and that's why she'd decided to become a photographer."

Carley Keene, back from College, lives in her late Aunt's house with her BFF Shelley, who runs her parents' bakery. As much as Carley loves her hometown, the gossip mill could kill you.

Booked as a photographer for a big wedding with a demanding diva and her fiancé, Carley gets in the middle of an all out war between the present and former partners of the groom. Who's telling the truth, and who's out for a payday? Watch and see.

Along with a couple of scrumptious dessert recipes, this new-to-me author serves a delectable cosy full of characters that show their true colors, no matter what's on tap. Highly Recommended

Sandi Ramirez says

Dead Before The Wedding is what I call a Cozy Mystery and a rather good read at that. I've read this book now twice once when I originally purchased it and now again the second time almost a year later. And yes I liked it both times just as much. It is a fun, quirky bit of a mystery with just enough romance thrown in to make it good. Now don't get your panties in a bunch if you have to wait a bit for the mystery to start ...that is the romance part of the book. So I invite you to come along and see if you can figure out this mystery? It's the perfect length for that pumpkin spice latte this weekend. YUM
