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Laura says

Loved it. An old fashioned detective story read on audio by Penelope Keith. A lazy day not wasted.

Ray Campbell says

Very charming, very light. Agatha retires to the countryside where her first attempt to get involved in the community gets her involved with a murder mystery. This isn't very deep or dark, but it is nicely written and charming. The most intense the action gets is riding the train to London or perhaps wondering if the couple at the next table at the pub suspects... Lots of dark English humor, irony and so forth.

Agatha enters a quiche competition and the judge dies after eating her left over quiche. While she is never suspected of murder, Agatha is driven to find the murderer and solve the crime. Our author leaves plenty of reason to believe that this is the first of many such books involving Agatha and her friends. Again, easy to read and fun with no real violence, outside of the murder and no adult situations, outside of admiring the attractive new neighbor.

Mary Corbal says

Es una lectura amena que te hace pasar un muy buen rato.

Tamara says

If you like mysteries, then you will love this book. MC Beaton has a history of creating fun British and Scottish characters. Agatha Raisin is nothing less than a unique individual with her own take on life and how to attack a problem. When this 53 year old executive decides to retire and move away from the big city, it becomes a bumble and stumble life in the country. Of course there is a murder that is discounted as an accident which Agatha just can't let alone.

Fun read.

Claire says

I do enjoy these, quick light read, think the main character is great - such a characture of a person.

Christina says

New to the series, loved the quirky, interesting writing style, with the quirky, interesting, snarky main character.

Julie Young says

Firstly, this book was only 'The Quiche of Death', not the trilogy as I loaded into here!! This was a great little book, given to me by a friend. Not the sort of thing I would normally read as I thought it might be a little 'light' for me but it was actually quite charming!! Reminded me of 'Midsomer Murders' which I love!! Set in the lovely country setting of the Cotswolds with small sections in London, this book was easy reading with a simple, non-gory murder mystery going on. However, the real treasure here was Agatha Raisin herself!! A gutsy lady, not afraid to speak her mind with a great sense of humour who behaved like a 'fish out of water' in her new cottage but who managed to win over the village residents and integrate into her new life. There are some fantastic, memorable characters in this book and anyone who likes an old-fashioned murder mystery with modern people in it will love it! I will definitely read some more Agatha Raisin and look forward to catching up with her adventures soon! Thanks Lynn for passing this on to me x

Bookmuseuk says

I have been a closet MC Beaton fan for many years, all of her writing is quirky, clever and entertaining, but I particularly enjoy her Agatha Raisin series. As a treat, I have decided to go back to book one of the series, The Quiche of Death, and listen to each one on an audiobook format, as I particularly enjoy Penelope Keith's narration. I believe it's also a popular new series on Sky TV now but I've yet to catch up with that format.

In The Quiche of Death we are introduced to Agatha Raisin, a businesswoman who has decided to take early retirement, and walk away from her successful company, and life in London, and settle down in an idyllic Cotswold village. This has been Agatha's life long dream, since she was raised in a poor area of Birmingham ... and of course, nothing at all could go wrong because dreams always live up to our expectations. Right?

Of course, being new to village life comes as a shock to Agatha. Joining the ladies' society of Carsley seems one good way of integrating into her new life. However, when Agatha makes a decision to cheat the local baking competition, her life is turned upside down and she suddenly finds herself number one suspect in a murder enquiry.

I'm so glad I've gone back to the first book in the series, as it's delightful to meet all of the characters, like Detective Bill Wong, and the vicar's wife, Mrs Bloxby, for the first time.

Make no mistake this isn't gritty, dark, high-action crime fiction, but it's appeal for me is a calming, funny and yet intensely clever story, written by a hugely gifted writer. If you've yet to open a MC Beaton novel, I seriously recommend you try one as soon as you can!

Paola Castro says

Fue un libro entretenid, con un misterio más bien sencillito, aunque eso no quiere decir malo necesariamente. Lo que me sigue tocando las narices es el cambio de la protagonista, que les digo, a mi me gusta que sean malas leches y rudas

Sharon Buxton says

C. fiction, mystery, English, series, (Agatha Raisin, #1)

Lianne says

I read this as part of a book club. Although it wouldn't have been something that attracted me from the cover and the blurb, I did enjoy reading "The quiche of death". The main character isn't particularly likeable at the beginning of the story, but you soon learn that this is deliberate and the character recognises this herself. She embarks on a scheme to get the villagers to notice her. There is lots of fairly unbelievable stuff, but it all makes for an easy amusing read.

Sometimes the writing is a bit sloppy, using the same phrases twice, or using cliches. It triggered my "stereotype" alarm a couple of times too, which was a little disappointing. The stereotyping could have so easily been avoided.

Patti Raney says

I listened to the audio version! The English accents made the book even better! A light, kind of funny read.

Tori Montes says

This cozy mystery contained a lack of tension. The characterization was great with the protagonist Agatha and she was so deliciously wicked. There is even a character arch and she does make a dramatic change. That said, the pacing was such that it didn't lend itself to any tension no build up just one thing after another.

Christy says

I love this series, it is a quick respite to just sit and read about Agatha and her little village.

Holly says

This is a classic beach read. No frills, lots of interesting English countryside characters, and murders that are easily solved. The Vicious Vet had some laugh out loud moments. I enjoyed listening to the audio book, as each character had their own personality come to life.
