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What's a girl to do when she falls in love with the man whose mission it is to bring her down?

With the murder of her only sister, Sara, just a few months past, Lily Valier, a woman of beauty and substance, tops the sheriff's list of suspects in small town Maine, and for a very good reason — dear old Dad had willed his fortune to Sara and only Sara, leaving Lily to fend for herself. However, with no murder weapon or witnesses, the evidence against Lily is circumstantial.

Enter P.I. Aiden O'Rourke, black-haired and blue-eyed, charged with gaining Lily's trust and learning her secrets, all to finally get the goods on her. Things move fast and feelings run deep, but when Lily discovers the truth about Aiden, the downward spiral begins.

Aiden's torn. Despite his feelings for her, Lily is the most logical suspect. Except, something's not quite right. Aiden trusts his instincts and they're screaming at him to have a look at a former suspect with more to hide than at first glance. With little left to lose, Lily stands her ground, but staying put has its consequences when the murder weapon finally turns up, and it's her gun.

What happens to love, when trust is betrayed?

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angela says

This book was not what I was expecting, however it was a great read. It was written excellently, the characters were likable and easy to relate to. You get it all love, hate, jealousy, murder, friendship, betrayal and forgiveness. The whole mystery was excellent, reading as it all unfolded before my eyes, as love was blossoming it was awesome. Sometimes, it just seems like all the bad stuff happens to the nice, good people, yet in the end everyone gets what they deserve. Be ready to run the gauntlet of emotions. Really good book, I highly recommend it.

Cathy says

I received a free copy of this book from the author. I had the opportunity to review or not.

I was immediately captivated by this book and finished it in one day. Lily Valier owns and runs the local diner in the small town where she grew up. She is a murder suspect in the death of her own sister. But Lily insists she is innocent and stays right where she is as the investigation into the first murder in 26 years drags on around her. The sheriff and his deputy are convinced she is guilty of the murder, or is that really what's going on?

Aiden O'Rourke, a private investigator, ex-detective, is hired by the sheriff to help him solve the mystery. In his attempt to do his job, Aiden meets with Lily and helps her thwart an attempted robbery. This sets the stage for Aiden as he pursues his investigation. But all is not as it seems. Is Lily guilty of a heinous crime, is the sheriff an honest man, what about his deputy? What is really going on in Higgstown?

Tamara says

This was a great book that grabbed my attention from the first chapter. Lily is struggling with being the only one in her family left after her sister was murdered. To make matters worse, the local cops suspect her of the murder but can't prove it and call in a PI to help. Enter Aiden. The ex-cop sent to find proof of her guilt. But the more he gets to know her, the less he suspects her. Despite not trusting each other, together they solve the mystery. This is a was a great romantic suspense with twists and turns, lots of emotion, and a great ending!

Jennie says

Sorry, didn't really like it.

Thanks by the way... for the subtle fat-shaming. Lost connection when the main character seemed to think someone was the fattest deputy in the east. I guess she must have checked every police station to get those facts... if that is the way the author wants to describe a larger person then I don't really feel like my fat ass

should bother finishing this story...

Never thought I would ask, but can I give this giveaway back?

Susan Stec says

Nowhere to Run, Jeanne Bannon

Romance with a twist

Getting to know the person you think you're falling in love with can be a challenge, but finding out the guy you've been swooning over is out to get you arrested for your sister's murder is certainly a catastrophic hurdle to overcome in a budding relationship. And with plot twists and turns in just about every chapter, this reader didn't know whether to root for handsome guy who is a great kisser, or the law enforcement guy who knows how to do his job.

Lily is beautiful, independent, a business owner, a proud woman who loves her sister, but... then, she owns the business because her sister is dead, she's independent because she has to be in a town where whispers follow her everywhere she treads. Yet she's also lonely, and kind, and giving. Still...

...did Lily kill her sister? Does the new guy in town really love her? This reader knows the answer, and for Lily, there's nowhere to run.

Susan Stec, author of The Grateful Undead series

Cynthia says

There is nothing like falling in love, getting to know someone, thinking you will have a future with that person only to find out they aren't as they seem. Oh the heart breaks just when you need someone in your corner you find you are in it alone. This is a very fast moving exciting thriller full of mystery as the author twists an amazing story that keeps you spellbound. The who did it grows as new people come to light but what about the person who said they saw Sarah pull the gun? Just when you think you may have a handle on the killer the author throws another tail spin your way. No one was more surprised than I to find out who the killer is but the author isn't giving anything away she is holding her cards close just in case anyone decides to look over her shoulder she wants everyone to be surprised as I was.

Aiden is getting in deeper when he starts to have feelings for the would be killer. He is thinking things aren't adding up but will he find his answers before the women he is falling in love with finds out what he is up to? Lily is a sweet woman who my heart went out to but everyone else thinks she killed her sister. The cops believe it so much they are bring in someone from outside to get close and get her to tell all. He is her knight in shining armor when he saves her from an attack. Slowly he builds her trust sucking her in and letting her lean on him. You can guess how well she took this when she finds out the man she might love is against her and trying to prove she is the killer. I was torn between liking Aiden and wanting to slap him for even thinking Lily could be the killer. He really is a wonderful guy just doing his job but still there were times I didn't care for him much and other times when he was the man of my dreams.

It is a slow start but it doesn't take long for the reader to be pulled in to the mystery as the author throws first one twist and then spins it around in a turn you don't see coming. The plot is wonderful, the suspense even better and the thrills are just chilling. There are some surprises you won't see coming as well as a delightful romance that really touches you. I was so very hooked that I can't wait for the next book from this author.

Diana says

Its hard to open your heart

And let someone in and when you do and you feel betrayed it is the worst feeling ever. Lilly has had a hard life yet she is the strongest most giving person. I liked the suspense. And you will be surprised at who the killer is. Well written and very gripping. Fast read and great story.

Peggy says

~Received For Honest Review~

Who says you know everything there is to know about the one you're starting to fall in love with? Who says the one you're falling for isn't trying to get you in trouble? A sure thrill to keep you planted for the evening with your reader. Intriguing and fast paced. You don't want to miss out on this one!

Jill says

Great read with lots of suspense and romance. Lily is accused of murdering her sister and Aiden is there to find out the truth. At first he gets close to her without telling her his motives and she finds out. So of course, we get the drama from that. Plus, we have to see who the killer is and if Aiden will choose his job or his heart.

Pamela says

What a piece of crap! One of the worst suspense/romance novel I've come across. I didn't like one damn thing about it. The story was beyond ridiculous. A poorly executed plot that was not only boring, it was obvious who the killer was right from the start. The twists and turns to make this story suspenseful was laughable. For a town where every resident knows everything about everyone, to not even once think this person a suspect is beyond asinine. One sheriff and one deputy are the only two cops in town and they are the stupidest, laziest, fucked up idiots. In a matter of days we have a PI who's been hired by the lazy cops to help them convict Lily who they absolutely believe killed her sister. Just from meeting her he's taken with her. The next day they sleep together. He believes she's innocent. She's betrayed by him in the worst way.

She takes him back. They fall in love. There's talk of marriage. All of this in a matter of days. Give me a fucking break! Absolutely no character development whatsoever. And the romance? Pathetic. Absolutely zero, zilch, nada chemistry between the two. I swear Lily reminded me of a teenage girl who would laugh at everything the boy she's interested in would say. It was that corny. Every time I think of this stupid novel that I wasted my time and money on, one word keeps popping up in my head. DUMB! DUMB! DUMB! Yes, juvenile but it's the truth. And don't even get me started on the number of times I rolled my eyes. So why did I continue reading? It's like a car accident. It's so bad you just can't look away. If I could, I'd give this a big, fat ZERO.

Sheila says

I read a review copy of this book before it went to publication, and I truly enjoyed it. The characters are varied and interesting, and the romance quite touching. I confess I'm not a big romance reader, but this one was well put-together. The thriller-mystery aspects were cleverly done, and kept my interest. I had a quibble or two about the denouement, but nothing serious. I recommend this to anyone as a good, light read. I enjoyed the play-by-play between the romantic leads - it's not mushy or overdone. I found Lily, the main character, credible and easy to relate to. I was never bored. The plot is fast-paced, the descriptions are excellent, some turns of phrase really stood out. I think Jeanne Bannon is a talented writer. I also liked her other book, *Invisible*, very much. She seems able to write in different genres with skill and aplomb.

Liesbeth says

I don't normally read this kind of books, but this one I enjoyed very much. Love the unexpected plot twists and the romance. Here and there I was surprisingly surprised of how it turned out. It is really a must to read this book.

Nina Mary says

This was an entertaining read and interesting. Well written. The characters have depth and were likeable. Great plot and great twist.

Patricia says

Sarah Valier is dead. Her sister Lily is the number one suspect. The police are determined to solve the case, but they don't have enough proof to arrest Lily. They try to prove their case by using an out-of-town private detective, Aiden. Aiden conveniently moves into the picture as a knight in shining armor. Lily's diner is broken into, and he comes to the rescue just in time. Lily is immediately attracted to this handsome hero. Aiden's "job" is to get Lily interested enough in him so she will let down her guard and confess. She doesn't. Aiden persists, but the more he is around Lily the more he believes her. So, who shot Sarah? Lily's father currently has a second family: a wife and one grown daughter. The couple fight a lot and Natalie isn't

exactly on stable ground. Her father means everything to her. She has no world without him. When her father also becomes a suspect in the murder, Natalie takes matters into her own hands and attacks Lily. As the family dynamics grow more and more intense and convoluted, Aiden once more comes to the rescue just in the nick of time. Natalie shoots him, knocks out Lily, and sets the cabin on fire. Lily's instincts are right all along. The police solve the murder as Lily and Aiden find comfort in each other.

Nowhere to Run is an exciting romance, mystery thriller. Sarah Valier, 5 months pregnant, is dead. Her sister Lily is the number one suspect. A witness saw her pull a gun on Sarah. Lily insists upon proving her innocence and solving the murder. When a handsome new guy sweeps into her diner and rescues her from physical attack, Lily falls in love and starts spending a lot of time with Aiden. When she discovers this young, retired stockbroker is really a private detective trying to get her to confess, she feels betrayed and alone. But, Aiden is her knight in shining armor. He falls in love with her and together they explore a dangerous world in their quest to discover who shot Sarah.

Well written. The plot unfolds slowly but picks up to the point where the reader can't turn the pages fast enough.

A beautiful love story with so much suspense you can't put it down.

Rosemarie Umbac says

This book reminded me so much of the premise of the TV show Riverdale. Like the town not having much to talk about until a tragedy happened and awaken the whole town.

The whole story is written beautifully and the dialogues are well thought of. I love how every chapter has this cliff hanger that would make you question who killed who and who was responsible for the murder.

It's amazing and totally worth the read. You should read this if you love Riverdale and mystery. You'll definitely enjoy it!
