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A mystery cat takes talented actress-turned-sleuth Alice Nestleton behind the scenes—for murder...

Beautiful Off-Off Broadway actress-sleuth Alice Nestleton gasps as a sinister shadow looms at the top of her apartment house stairs. But it's only a moonstruck student from her acting class who comes bearing a gift—a gorgeous white Abyssinian-like cat. That is strange enough, but stranger still, just days later the young Lothario is killed in a Manhattan bar...and the exotic kitty is cat-napped!

Alice's own two cats, the regal Bushy and the harum-scarum Pancho, have helped her catch criminals before. But the trap she devises to corner the perpetrator of the cat theft may entangle her instead in a dead actor's secrets and murderous drama—of love and revenge...

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Monty says

This is the second in a series of light mystery novels whose main character, Alice Nestleton, is a mostly unemployed actress living in New York whose day job is to cat sit. Somehow she winds up solving murders. She has two cats of her own, and cats play a prominent role in the stories. This is a fun change of pace book-brain candy.

Phillis says

An Alice solves another mystery!

Katie Bee says

This is an odd, quirky mystery. I deliberately didn't read the summary blurb, so I was uncertain until relatively late in the book whether this was a cozy mystery or a fantasy mystery. What can I say, the mysterious disappearing oddly-colored cats could have been aliens, or gods, or ghosts of murdered actors! Turns out they were just cats. Ah well. I think the other way would have been more interesting. There were possessed fireplaces and hypnotized neighbors and everything!

I liked Risa, the dead boy's lover, and would have enjoyed her role being larger.

Super not into the tired subplot of (view spoiler)

Trish says

15.3 - Letters of the Season. BOOK 1 - Read a book written by an author with a name (first, middle, or last) that includes the letters SON sequentially. Ex: Bill Bryson, Sarah Addison Allen, Susan Sontag

Michelle says

better than April 24, good plot & clues, twist

Ann says

Alice Nestleton is teaching an acting class. One of her students shows up at her apartment expressing his love for her and bringing her the gift of a white Abyssinian cat. When the cat is catnapped and the student is

murdered, Alice searches for the cat and for answers. This was a cute book and a quick read. I enjoyed it very much.

Kristin says

easy read, and enjoyable since i work in the theatre world and have cats

Dharia Scarab says

Since I don't normally write reviews unless I have something specific to say, here's the break down of how I rate my books...

1 star... This book was bad, so bad I may have given up and skipped to the end. I will avoid this author like the plague in the future.

2 stars... This book was not very good, and I won't be reading any more from the author.

3 stars... This book was ok, but I won't go out of my way to read more, But if I find another book by the author for under a dollar I'd pick it up.

4 stars... I really enjoyed this book and will definitely be on the look out to pick up more from the series/author.

5 stars... I loved this book! It had earned a permanent home in my collection and I'll be picking up the rest of the series and other books from the author ASAP.

Sandra Strange says

I really enjoy this series, all revolving in some way or another around cats. The "sleuth" is an actress who is semi successful, but who needs a day job to stay afloat financially, so she "cat sits" for various cat loving owners who much leave their pampered kitties. It's her "day job" that brings the murders to her attention. Her love life sometimes intrudes (a bit PG 13, but not explicit) with its casual attitude towards extra marital sex, but the stories are charmingly told with eccentric and real feeling characters and cares.

Kathleen Dixon says

Quit amusing. Alice is an actress who makes most of her income ca-sitting. She also is an amateur sleuth. A student gives her a white cat which is stolen. The student is murdered.

Carolyn Jenkins says

Tail of a Pied Cat

Most of the time I do not enjoy mysteries, but the Alice Nestleton stories are different. There is murder and mayhem, but the reader learns about them after the fact. As a reader I do not want to be involved when the actual murder happens. The plot had a good twist that gave me an unexpected ending.

Allison Rude says

I was really meh about this book. My Step-dad surprised me with it, thinking it was a book I had been pining for, it wasn't. It was OK, I like my cozy murder mysteries and this was close but it wasn't there for me to be excited about it.

Rage says

the writing is not stellar and the mystery is obscure and bizarre. I think I actually really enjoy reading these because adamson has done such a wonderful job in creating the character alice nestleton. as I was reading, I didn't feel like the other characters were thin or poorly developed because the writing was not strong enough, I felt that all we were getting was what alice saw and thought, what alice was able to perceive. and she's a flighty, melodramatic, fantastical kind of person. she pursues her interests unapologetically, whether it's avant garde theatre or strange cat abductions, and she doesn't care about looking crazy as long as she's doing what she cares about. sometimes she has to run out of a building in the middle of a conversation because she discovers something or feels upset ... lots of ellipses, probably at least one on every page. I have no idea if this was even the intention, but I think it's really cool to inhabit this character so fully.

Karen GoatKeeper says

Alice Nestleton is an off off Broadway actress who supports herself cat sitting in New York City. The cats seem to attract mysteries which she attempts to solve in her own quirky fashion aided by her Bohemian friends.

Alice is teaching an acting class. One of the students shows up at her apartment leaving her with a love letter and a cat that looks like an Abyssinian but is white with black markings on head and rump. The student is murdered. The cat is stolen. Alice smells a mystery.

This series is very New York City. The characters are all quirky in interesting ways. The books are fun and easy to read.
