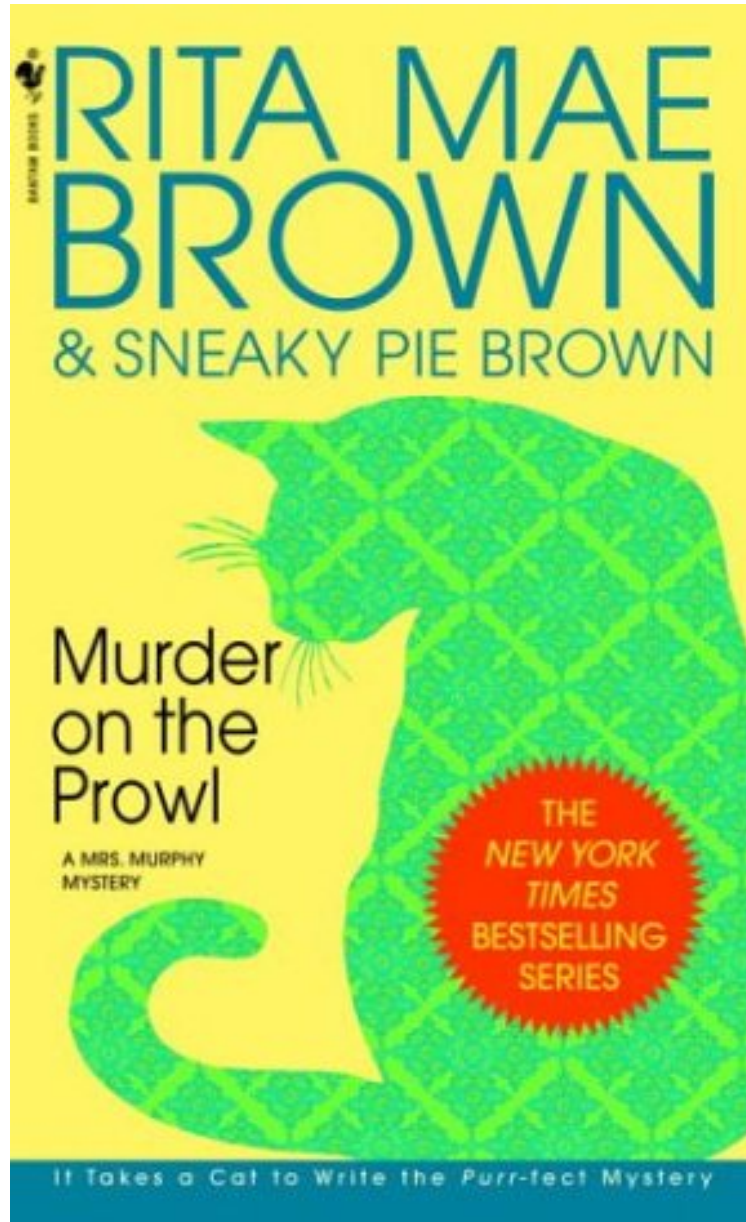


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Von Rita Mae Brown : Murder on the Prowl: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Murder on the Prowl: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A really fun to read mysteryVon Ein KundeIn Cozet, Virginia, the best kept secret is that all the animals fully comprehend English to the point of being able to talk to each other and read the language. Humans are unaware of this ability. When the headmaster of a local school, a film director, and a female assistant are all murdered, Mary Minor "Harry" Harriestein and her two cats (Mrs. Murphy and Pewter) and her dog (Tucker), independently investigate the killings. Rita Mae Brown with the help from her own feline, Sneaky Pie Brown, demonstrates why she is such a popular author. She creates an exciting mystery series that deftly anthropomorphizes animals so that readers believe in the fantasy world she has devised. MURDER ON THE PROWL is a particularly well constructed mystery that is a brilliant blending of The Lady And The Tramp with Ms. Jessica Fletcher.Harriet Klausner0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Tried this series and liked it.Von Ein KundeI'd recently read about the author who collaborates with her cat, so when I saw this book in the new arrivals section, I decided to give the series a try. I thought the illustrations charming and the mystery interesting. I liked the way the authors gave us plenty of warning that the killer is definitely Not Nice (I'm not giving anything away here because several characters turn out to be Not Nice). I approve of the fact that Harry is in no hurry to get back with her ex-husband. I don't care about his reason for the affair. I don't care about his claim that he still loves her. Sexually transmitted diseases are a reality and condoms are not foolproof. Fair didn't just betray Harry, he put her health and life at risk when he chose to commit adultery. Now he's asking for sex before she feels ready to marry him again? The guy may be learning, but he's still putting himself first. Until he loves her more than his pleasure, she should keep him at arm's length. Anyway, I'm looking forward to reading the earlier books. It was a risk buying the hardcover of a series I didn't know, but I think I got my money's worth. [note to the publisher: before you put out the paperback, please check that chapter (don't have my copy with me, sorry) that starts by describing the sheriff's stubble against the original manuscript. The chapter mentions the contrast between the color of his beard and hair, but they're both described as (light?) brown, so that's probably a mistake.]1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. GREAT!!! Very well written, and a joy to read!!!!Von Ein KundeThe Sneaky Pie Brown mysteries series is a pleasure to read. The books are well written, and the historical reseach is accurate and blended into the story line with ease. The characters, are well defined and with each new book become as welcome friends. Also, the descrption of small town life is accurate and to the point!Bravo to Ms Brown on this series... and I am looking forward to many more installments!!!

KurzbeschreibungIt takes a cat to write the purr-fect mystery"People who love cats...have a friend in Rita Mae Brown," declares The New York Times Book . And nowhere is it more obvious than in this, her sixth deliciously witty foray into detective fiction written with the paws-on help of collaborator Sneaky Pie Brown, and starring that irrepressible crime-solving tiger cat, Mrs. Murphy.As the principal of St. Elizabeth's, an exclusive private school that caters to Crozet, Virginia's, best families, Roscoe Fletcher has proven himself to be a highly effective and vastly popular administrator. So when his obituary appears in the local paper, everyone in town is upset. Yet nothing compares to the shock they feel when they discover that Roscoe Fletcher isn't dead at all. Someone has stooped to putting a phony obituary in the newspaper. But is it a sick joke or a sinister warning?Only Mrs. Murphy, the canny tiger cat, senses the pure malice behind the act. And when a second false obit appears, this time of a Hollywood has-been who is Roscoe Fletcher's best friend, Mrs. Murphy invites her friends, the corgi Tee Tucker, and fat cat Pewter, to do a bit of sleuthing. It's obvious to this shrewd puss that two phony death notices add up to deadly trouble. And her theory is borne out when one of the men is fiendishly murdered."Harry" Harriestein, in her position as Crozet's postmistress, is the first to hear all the theories on whodunitstarting with the man's jealous wife. Then a second bloody homicide follows, and a third. People are dropping like flies in Crozet and no one seems to know why.Fearlessly exploring all the places where humans never think to go, Mrs. Murphy manages to untangle the knots of passion, duplicity, and greed that have sent someone into a killing frenzy. Yet knowing the truth isn't enough. Mrs. Murphy must somehow lead Harry, her favorite human, down a trail that is perilous...to a killer who is deadly...and a climax that mystery lovers will relish.From the Paperback edition..deDieser Titel ist in englischer Sprache. "Katzenliebhaber [...] werden in Rita Mae Brown eine Seelenverwandte finden", meint die New York Times Book . Und nirgendwo wird das offensichtlicher als in diesem, ihrem sechsten herrlich witzigen Exkurs in das Krimi-Genre, das unter katzenkundiger Mithilfe ihres samtpfichtigen Mitarbeiters Sneaky Pie Brown entstanden ist, mit jener unerschütterlichen, verbrechenaufklrenden Tigerkatze Mrs. Murphy in der Hauptrolle. Als Rektor von St. Elizabeth's, der exklusiven Privatschule von Crozet, wo die angesehensten Familien Virginias shaft sind, hat sich Roscoe Fletcher als hocheffektiv und sehr populr erwiesen. Als sein Nachruf nun in der Regionalzeitung erscheint, ist jeder in der Stadt bestrzt. Aber der Schock der Brger ist nichts im Vergleich zu dem, der sie berkommt, als sie erfahren, da Roscoe Fletcher gar nicht tot ist. Jemand hat es gewagt, einen falschen Nachruf in die Zeitung zu setzen. Aber handelt es sich nur um einen schlechten Scherz oder um eine unheilverkndende Warnung? Nur Mrs. Murphy, die spitzfindige Tigerkatze, bemerkt die wahre Boshaftigkeit hinter dieser Tat. Und als ein zweiter falscher Nachruf erscheint, diesmal

ber einen verloschenen Hollywood-Star, der Roscoe Fletchers bester Freund ist, schlt Mrs. Murphy ihren Freunden, Corgi Tee Tucker und Fat Cat Pewter, vor, ein bichen Detektiv zu spielen. Fr diese clevere Katze ist es offensichtlich, da zwei falsche Todesanzeigen sich zu einem tdlichen Problem summieren. Und ihre Theorie wird besttigt, als einer der beiden Mnner auf teuflische Weise ermordet wird. "Harry" Haristeen, in ihrer Position als Poststellenleiterin von Crozet, ist die erste, die die ganzen Theorien der Gerchtekche um einen Mrder zu hren bekommt -- beginnend mit der eiferschtigen Ehefrau des Mannes. Dann folgt ein weiterer blutiger Mord, und ein dritter. Die Leute in Crozet sterben wie die Fliegen, und keiner scheint zu wissen, warum. Indem sie furchtlos all die Mglichkeiten untersucht, die Menschen nicht einmal in Betracht ziehen, schafft es Mrs. Murphy, die Verstrickungen der Leidenschaft, Doppeldeutigkeit und Gier zu entwirren, die jemanden zu einer Mord-Raserei gebracht haben. Jedoch, es reicht nicht aus, die Wahrheit zu kennen. Mrs. Murphy mu Harry, ihren Lieblingsmenschen, irgendwie dazu bringen, einer Spur zu folgen, die gefhrlich ist, zu einem Mrder, der tdlich ist, und zu einem Hhepunkt, den Krimiliebhaber genieen werden.

From Booklist
In their sixth collaboration, Brown and her tiger cat Sneaky Pie move locale from historic Virginia sites, such as Monticello and Montpelier, to St. Elizabeth's, the exclusive private school in Crozet where philandering headmaster Roscoe Fletcher hopes to establish a new film department with financial assistance from director Maury McKinchie. When fake obituaries of the two are followed by their actual demise, it's up to Crozet's postmistress Mary Minor ("Harry") Haristeen and her fellow, four-footed amateur detectives--tiger cat Mrs. Murphy, fat cat Pewter, and corgi Tee Tucker--to sniff out what's rotten in St. Elizabeth's. The frailties of the human characters (mostly, who slept with whom) seem less interesting than the perspicacious, amusing, and often irreverent commentary of the talking animals, who also take an active part in affairs. Note: Readers will be pleased with indications that Harry and her ex-husband, veterinarian Fair Haristeen, may get back together again--perhaps in the next Mrs. Murphy mystery? Barbara Duree