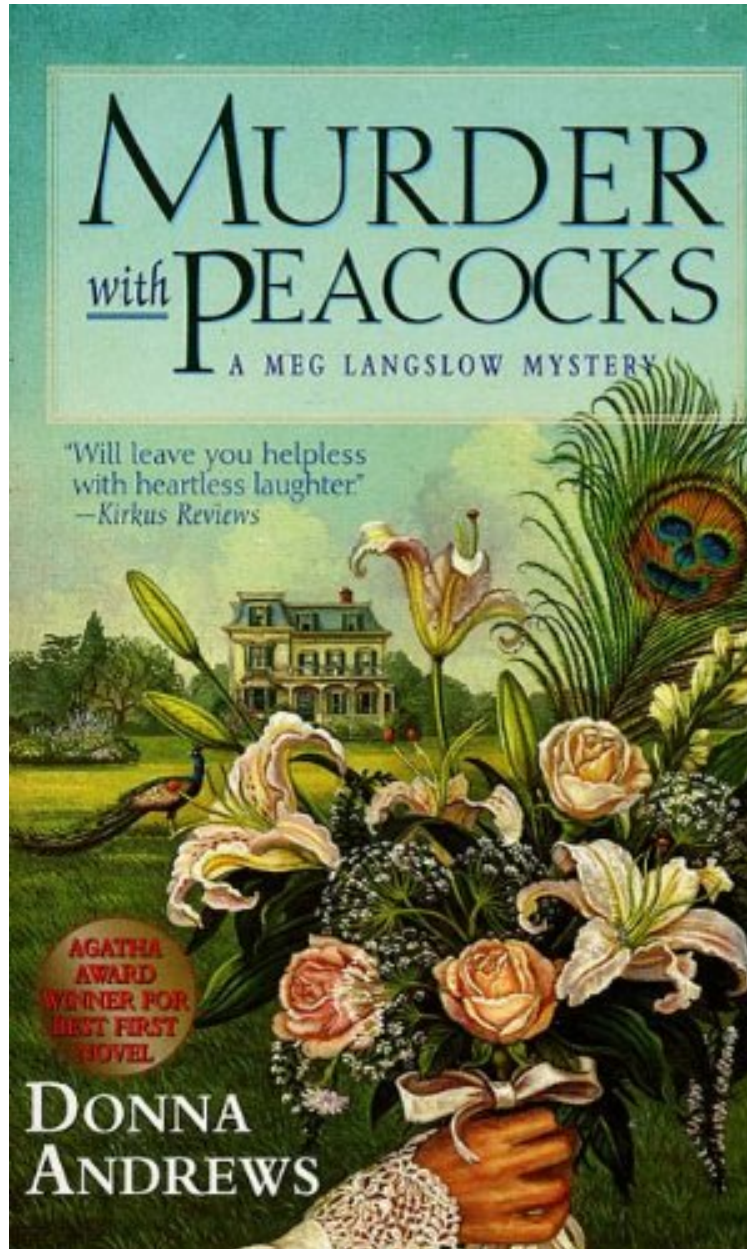


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Von Donna Andrews : Murder With Peacocks (Meg Langslow Mysteries) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Murder With Peacocks (Meg Langslow Mysteries):

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Sympathischer Sdstaaten Flair mit viel Ironie Von Anaconda Zunchst vorneweg: das Buch ist wahrscheinlich nicht wirklich geeignet fr Freunde des harten Krimis, der klar auf Kriminalffle und deren Auflsung fokussiert. Aber hnlich wie bei Evanovich's Stephanie Plum Serie gewinnt das Buch immens durch das Drumherum und den witzig-ironischen Schreibstil. Die Heldin des Buches versucht drei Hochzeiten von Freunden bzw. Familie zu organisieren und wird dabei in Mordffle hineingezogen. Die Krimistory ist verwoben mit den Familiengeschichten und dem Chaos rund um die Hochzeiten. Anfangs fand ich die Anzahl der Charaktere noch ein wenig unbersichtlich, aber man kommt nach und nach rein. Man wird dann von der Ironie der Erzhlweise und dem Charme der Sdstaaten mitgerissen. Dafr nimmt man dann auch die eine oder andere Schwche im Plot gerne mit. Sehr empfehlenswert fr ein gemtliches Wochenende oder den Urlaub. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Definitely Agatha Quality Von Christina Grossman Meet Meg Langslow, blacksmith and bridesmaid extraordinaire. She is spending the summer in her tiny Virginia hometown in order to coordinate three - count 'em, three - weddings. And two of them - her brother's and her mother's - are to feature peacocks, of all things. No peacocks for her best friend, but Meg does have to talk her out of costuming everybody - guests included - in medieval garb. At least there's the hunk minding his mother's dress shop while she recuperates in Florida. No, wait, all the other bridesmaids have tried and quickly determined that Michael is gay. Michael, a drama professor, does prove to be charming company, however, as he assists Meg in averting triple nuptial fiascoes. Some things are simply beyond their control, though. Like her mother's fianc's former sister-in-law making a nuisance of herself and getting killed. And her brother's fiance's insistence on gigantic hoop skirts. And her father narrowly escaping electrocution. And amorous oafs like Barry (her best friend's fianc's brother) and Scotty. Not to mention half of one bridal party eating poisoned salsa. And two - count 'em, two - bomb scares. Of course it helps that Meg's kinfolk are not your run-of-the-mill family. From her nephew who has a pet duck, to her doctor father who still takes care of his ex-wife's house and garden (and, now, peacocks), there is just no telling what might happen next. So Meg is not surprised when her father embroils her and Michael in the investigation, and the body count starts rising. I don't want to ruin the fun for you, so I'll just promise that this book is highly eventful and extremely well paced. Some of the romantic plotting may be a bit predictable, but its farcical nature implies that it's meant to be somewhat transparent to counter the twists in the murder plot line. Andrews is to be commended for marrying (if you'll pardon the pun) a murder mystery and a screwball comedy to form a delightful union. In the end, I cast my Agatha vote for Kris Neri's Revenge of the Gypsy Queen, but it was a tough decision, and this is truly a winner of a book. 3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Hoch erfreulich Von Fuchs Joan Ganz netter Krimi mit sehr sympathischen Charakteren, auch wenn diese leider teilweise nur an der Oberflche dargestellt werden. Auch vom Hintergrund der Hauptdarsteller wird wenig erzht, dafr aber in einem so liebenswerten Stil, dass man das Buch gar nicht weglegen mag. Die Geschichte ist detailgetreu und spannend erzht und macht definitiv Lust auf Mehr. Toll fr einen verregneten Sonntag Nachmittag.

Kurzbeschreibung Three Weddings... And a Murder So far Meg Langslow's summer is not going swimmingly. Down in her small Virginia hometown, she's maid of honor at the nuptials of three loved ones--each of whom has dumped the planning in her capable hands. One bride is set on including a Native American herbal purification ceremony, while another wants live peacocks on the lawn. Only help from the town's drop-dead gorgeous hunk, disappointingly rumored to be gay, keeps Meg afloat in a sea of dotty relatives and outrageous neighbors. And, in whirl of summer parties and picnics, Southern hospitality is strained to the limit by an offensive newcomer who hints at skeletons in the guests' closets. But it seems this lady has offended one too many when she's found dead in suspicious circumstances, followed by a string of accidents--some fatal. Soon, level-headed Meg's to-do list extends from flower arrangements and bridal registries to catching a killer--before the next catered event is her own funeral... From Kirkus s Lucky Meg Langslow. Hardly any decorative blacksmiths get invited to be maid of honor to three brides in three weeks. As Meg knocks herself out to satisfy the whims of her business partner Eileen Donleavy (who wants all 600 guests in Renaissance attire), her brother Rob's fianc Samantha Brewster (who thinks some peacocks might be one of those little touches that would make her wedding special), and her mother Margaret Langslow (who, long divorced from Meg's cheerfully uncomplaining father, a retired physician whose hobby is poisonous plants, now plans to marry a deeply boring widower), newcomer Andrews shows why everybody depends on Meg: she's the only family member who's not out of her mind. Businesslike Meg can enlist her gossipy mother to save the professional reputation of the ailing dressmaker's handsome son, rescue Samantha's rented peafowl from the kitten she's brought home from the tipping calligrapher's, fend off the advances of a pair of loathsome suitors, and deal betweentimes with the odd murder or two (the widower's meddling sister-in-law, a great choice for starters), because she's channeled the Langslow tendency to mania into her deadpan prose, whose unflappable cadences ("The shower was going fine until Samantha vomited into the onion dip") and cutaways from farcical tableaux suggest half Jane Austen, half battery acid. The resulting Three Weddings and Three Funerals, with all due respect to the overshadowed killer, will leave you helpless with heartless laughter, especially when only one of the nuptials goes even remotely as planned. The

perfect wedding gift for those friends and relatives you wish would elope, or take vows of chastity. -- Copyright 1998, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved. From Library Journal Meg Lanslow, maid of honor for three impending weddings, returns to her Virginia small-town home for the summer in order to arrange the details. Amidst the near disasters, truculent brides-to-be, screwball relatives, and minutiae-filled days, someone kills the rudely annoying sister of her mother's fiance. Meg's divorced but amicable father, an insatiable busybody and doctor, begins investigating?with assistance from Meg. Loquacious dialog, persistent humor, and interrupted romance brand the 1997 winner of the publisher's "Malice Domestic" contest. A fun, breezy read. Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.