

Hall, Parnell

Cora Felton, crossword puzzle author
The Sudoku Puzzle Murders
A Puzzle in a Pear Tree

Hart, Carolyn

Annie Laurance Darling, bookseller
Dead by Midnight
Dead Days of Summer (LP)

Jacobs, Kate

Georgia, yarn shop owner
The Friday night Knitting Club
Knit Two

James, P.D.

Adam Dalgliesh, a critically acclaimed poet and Scotland Yard commander, in London, England
A Certain Justice
A Taste for Death

Kahn, Sharon

Ruby Rothman, a rabbi's widow in Eternal, Texas
Hold the Cream Cheese, Kill the Lox
Which Big Giver Stole the Chopped Liver?

Lutz, Lisa

Isabele "Izzy" Spellman, Private Eye
The Spellman Files
The Last Word

Martin, Nancy

The Blackbird Sisters
Have Your Cake and Kill Him Too

Meier, Leslie

Lucy Stone, small town reporter
Star Spangled Murder
Birthday Party Murder

Page, Katherine Hall

Faith Fairchild, caterer and minister's wife
The Body in the Sleigh
The Body in the Gazebo

Pence, Joanne

Angie Amalfi, chef and food writer
Cooks Overboard

Penny, Louise

Armand Gamache, Quebec police
A Fatal Grace
The Brutal Telling

Ripley, Ann

Louise Eldridge, TV gardening show host
Death in the Orchid Garden (LP)
Summer Garden Murder

Truman, Margaret

Mackenzie Smith, a law professor and Annabel Reed, a gallery owner, in Washington DC
Murder at the Kennedy Center
Murder in the House

Winspear, Jacqueline

Maisie Dobbs, London private detective after WWI
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Among the Mad

More Cozy Mysteries



Mount Vernon City library

Cozy mysteries have little graphic violence, concentrating instead on character development, humor, or a specific topic of interest. In most cases the main character of the series is an amateur detective who happens to stumble across the case. The stories are often set in small towns where everyone knows each other.

Listings are in order by author; sample titles appear under the name of the series' central character.

Adamson, Lydia

Alice Nestleton, actress and amateur sleuth

A Cat With No Clue
A Cat on the Bus

Allen, Conrad

George Porter Dillman & Genevieve Masfield, ship's detectives

Murder on the Salsette
Murder on the Oceanic

Andrews, Donna

Turing Hopper, sentient Artificial Intelligence Personality

Access Denied
Delete All Suspects

Ballard, Mignon F.

Miss Dimple Kilpatrick, elementary school teacher/sleuth

Miss Dimple Disappears



Bannister, Jo

Gabriel Ash, a grief-stricken recovering mental patient, and Hazel Best, a young police constable, in Norbold, England

Deadly Virtues
Perfect Sins

Brodie Farrell, running a search service in Dimmock, England

Requiem for a Dealer
Flawed

Childs, Laura

Theodosia Browning, tea shop owner

Oolong Dead
Chamomile Mourning

Clement, Blaize

Dixie Hemingway, professional pet-sitter

Even Cat Sitters Get the Blues
The Cat-sitter's Pajamas

Dams, Jeanne

Dorothy Martin, American widow in Sherebury, England

To Perish in Penzance
Sins out of School

Deere, Dicey

Torrey Tunet, translator, Irish village

The Irish Village murder

Dereske, Jo

Helma Zukas, Bellingham librarian

Miss Zukas and the Library Murders
Bookmarked to Die

Donnelly, Deborah

Carnegie Kincaid, Seattle wedding planner

You May Now Kill the Bride
Bride and Doom

Douglas, Carole Nelson

Midnight Louie, cat, and Temple Barr, Las Vegas P.R. freelancer

Cat in a Topaz Tango
Cat in a Zebra Zoot Suit

Ferris, Monica

Betsy Devonshire, needlecraft shop proprietor

Thai Doe
A Stitch in Time

Goldenbaum, Sally

Isabel "Izzy" Chambers, a lawyer who opens the Seaside Knitting Studio

Moon Spinners
The Wedding Shawl

Greenwood, Kerry

Phryne Fisher, socialite and PI in 1920's Melbourne, Australia

Cocaine Blues
Ruddy Gore

Corinna Chapman, Melbourne baker

Devil's Food
Cooking the Books

Harris, Lee

Christine Bennett, ex-nun

The Silver Anniversary Murder