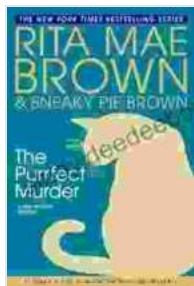


# The Purrfect Murder: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

The Purrfect Murder is the first book in the Mrs. Murphy mystery series by Rita Mae Brown. The book follows Mrs. Murphy, a retired schoolteacher, and her cat, Pewter, as they investigate the murder of a local woman.



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★★★★☆ 4.5 out of 5

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Mrs. Murphy is a sharp and observant woman, and she is always on the lookout for trouble. When her neighbor, Mary Ellen, is found dead, Mrs. Murphy is determined to find out who killed her. With the help of Pewter, who has a knack for finding clues, Mrs. Murphy begins to investigate the murder.

The Purrfect Murder is a well-written and entertaining mystery. Brown does a great job of creating likable characters and a suspenseful plot. The book is also full of humor, thanks to Pewter's antics. Overall, The Purrfect Murder is a great start to a new mystery series.

## Characters

- **Mrs. Murphy:** A retired schoolteacher who is sharp and observant. She is always on the lookout for trouble, and she is determined to find out who killed her neighbor.
- **Pewter:** Mrs. Murphy's cat. He has a knack for finding clues, and he is always there to help Mrs. Murphy solve her cases.
- **Mary Ellen:** Mrs. Murphy's neighbor who is found dead. She was a kind and gentle woman, and her death has shocked the community.
- **Harry Haristeen:** Mary Ellen's husband. He is a wealthy businessman, and he is the prime suspect in her murder.
- **Dolly Haristeen:** Mary Ellen's daughter. She is a beautiful and spoiled young woman, and she is also a suspect in her mother's murder.

## Plot

The Purrfect Murder begins with the discovery of Mary Ellen's body. Mrs. Murphy is shocked by her neighbor's death, and she is determined to find out who killed her. With the help of Pewter, Mrs. Murphy begins to investigate the murder.

Mrs. Murphy quickly learns that Mary Ellen was not as well-liked as she seemed. She had a number of enemies, including her husband, her daughter, and her business partner. As Mrs. Murphy investigates, she uncovers a number of secrets and lies. She also learns that Mary Ellen was involved in a number of shady dealings.

As Mrs. Murphy gets closer to the truth, she puts herself in danger. The killer is desperate to keep their secret, and they will stop at nothing to

silence Mrs. Murphy.

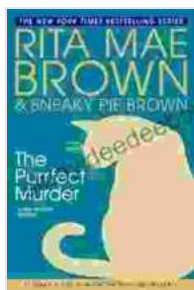
## Themes

The Purrfect Murder is a mystery novel, but it also explores a number of themes, including:

- **The power of observation:** Mrs. Murphy is a keen observer, and she is able to notice things that others miss. This skill helps her to solve the murder.
- **The importance of friendship:** Mrs. Murphy and Pewter are a close-knit team, and they rely on each other to solve the murder.
- **The dangers of secrets:** Mary Ellen's murder was the result of a number of secrets that she had been keeping. Mrs. Murphy learns that it is important to be honest with yourself and with others.

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I highly recommend The Purrfect Murder to fans of mystery novels. I also recommend it to anyone who is looking for a good laugh. Pewter is sure to put a smile on your face.



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