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Jess Kimball's Impossible Mission: Victim Protection

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Early readers love Fatal Distraction and Jess Kimball!

Fatal Distraction Details

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Hope Gerhardstein says

This book has two strong female protagonists. Good story line that reveals the killer fairly early in the book but then we are learning why he is committing the crimes. Likeable characters. I look forward to reading more of Diane Capri's books.

Andrea Corley says

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Review:

This was a page-turning fast-paced thriller that I just couldn't get enough of! One more chapter was just not enough! Diane Capri chooses to use different writing methods for her mystery that I think were excellent! Rather than writing the mystery as a who done it, you figured out the who pretty early on, leaving you to sit and ponder why in the world would this person be possessed to do the things that he/she is doing! It was a great strategy for an interesting twist!

I really admired the characters in this book, and maybe that is what drew me to the book even more, because the two main characters are two strong, independent, intelligent women. They are both the epitome of outstanding lead characters. All of the characters blended nicely together and provided an interesting array of

personalities.

The story was very engaging and fulfilling and quite easy to just get lost in what is going on. It will take a reader on his/her own, very unique, roller coaster ride, leaving you saying, shew! at the end!

Overall, I wouldn't hesitate to recommend this book to anyone who enjoys a great, twisty ride! This is the first read from this author and certainly won't be my last! I look forward to see more of Jess Kimball and Helen Sullivan in the future!

Disclaimer:

This book was provided to me by the author, Diane Capri, in return for an honest/unbiased review.

Caren ~ the misfit geek says

This was a fast-paced, suspenseful thriller that kept me engrossed start to finish. I was immediately pulled into the story and literally didn't want to stop reading. Although the identity of the killer is revealed early in the book, it does not detract from the overall plot. It was an interesting strategy and it worked very well.

What I truly loved about this book were the characters. The plot centers around two strong, intelligent women. Jess Kimball is an investigative journalist on a crusade for victims rights. Governor Helen Sullivan has strong moral values and a belief in the law. I particularly enjoyed the respect these two women had for each other and how well they worked together.

I would highly recommend this book to anyone who enjoys a good thriller with plenty of twists. This was by no means a who-done-it but a very engaging tale to say the least. It is a most worthy read.

Mella says

Jeez, this was intense. I loved every minute of it. As I said in my review of Fatal Enemy, this series reminds me a lot of Furious. I loved Furious, so it comes as no real surprise that I loved this.

Fatal Distraction has two really strong leads in Jess and Helen. I really liked Jess and her dedication to the innocent. Her compassion and resilience was inspiring. I'll definitely be picking up the rest of her adventures. I loved Helen. I particularly loved that she was the hero of the story, rescuing everyone at the end. Oliver and Helen were so good together and it was nice to see such a supportive and loving couple represented in print for a change. The mystery itself was riveting and while it wasn't particularly surprising, I still really enjoyed how they got there. And Mike was hilarious all energy and just low key knowing everyone.

It was really well written as well and I can't wait to read more of this series. 4.5 stars rounded up to 5.

Martin Pingree says

This book was an awesome action packed fun read. Jess is a journalist who's been looking for a son since he

disappeared years ago. She strives to help parents who are dealing with losses of their children. As the story develops she becomes involved in a huge mystery. Great cast of characters with a great story line makes this a can't put down book.

Alicia says

"Fatal Distraction" (Jess Kimball Book 2) by Diane Capri

An explosive and fast paced novel that grips the reader from word one to the last word of the novel.

With strong, relatable, and dynamic characters and a plot that is multi-faceted and enthralling, Diane Capri takes the reader on a roller coaster ride from beginning to end.

Jess Kimball is a character you will root for, fall in love with, and be inspired by.

Rating: 4.7

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Deb says

Good suspense to allow me to step out of my world and get caught up in searching for the bad guy along with a governor and an investigative journalist. In this story, someone is out to destroy the governor's life. Once she teams up with Jess the investigative journalist, can the 2 of them identify the murderer before they takes them out. Kept me guessing and on edge of my seat

My Book Addiction and More MBA says

This was my first Diane Capri novel and will most certainly not be my last. I must highly recommend "Fatal Distraction" by Diane Capri.

"Fatal Distraction" by Diane Capri is a suspenseful novel that held me enthralled from start to finish. At first, I was a little disappointed when the killer was revealed so early in the story. I quickly realized, however, that by revealing the killer, Capri provides the reader with a sense of intrigue about the killer's motives.

Throughout the story, I was on the edge of my seat seeking answers as to why the killer is committing such crimes. This clever tactic by Capri takes the reader to a whole new level in crime thrillers.

I was also impressed by the characters in "Fatal Distraction." It was refreshing to read about two strong female characters that work together so seamlessly despite differing opinions. Although the plot centers around capital punishment, it doesn't follow the time-worn debates that have become customary regarding the issue. Instead, it provides a new perspective on capital punishment and victims' rights that I had not considered.

I thoroughly enjoyed this fast paced page turner and I will be seeking more novels by Diane Capri.

Rating: 4

Heat Rating: None

Reviewed by: Molly Waters

Courtesy of My Book Addiction and More

Gary Sedivy says

The pacing in the book is fast. The character development is okay, but some the dialogue, or thought balloons are not as well executed. The action in the last couple of climax chapters lacked credibility. Three stories in one! (Three! Three stories! - courtesy of 'The Count' on Sesame Street). O.K. You got your main character looking for her kidnapped son. You second main character presiding over an execution of a convicted killer. And then there's the 'Munchausen syndrome by proxy' bad guy killing people. Add in a tepid debate on the death penalty.

Jill Martin says

An arsonist set Governor Helen Sullivan's country horse stable on fire killing four horses including her dead son's favorite horse, Jake. Concurrently, Tommy Taylor (child killer) is scheduled to die on death row and there are groups of people protesting against it. One of Tommy's victim's families has evidence to clear Tommy of one particular killing, but does not come forward to exonerate him for this murder because they want him to die for their own son's murder which he went free for. The arsonist and killer of some of these kids was Ben Fleming, a grief counselor and the doctor to all these victims' families. I never "got" why Ben was so full of hate towards Helen and her husband, Oliver, who was also his patient. It seemed disconnected and unexplained. I really like the Willa Carson books much better. This is the 2nd Jess Kimball book I read that has also not been as good. 6 Stars (11.24 to 12.13.18)

Sue Zee says

Enjoyed the action in this book

Naznin Azeez says

No wonder Diane gets such amazing reviews for her books. This is my first time reading one of her books and I have to say am a hardcore fan now.

There is so much justice and rightful decisions in this story. Jess Kimball stands for justice even when the legal systems had failed her. She is an investigative reporter. The story has so many surprising twists and turns. Helen Sullivan, a governor & one of the main protagonists of this story is strength personified. I can only wish for that kind of strength and steadfastness. I read it in one sitting. It's unputdownable. I will look out for more of Jess Kimball's stories.

Kevin says

3.5 rounded upto 4*

I enjoyed the fact that the story is led by two strong female leads, but at times feel the story was too rushed, and could have been expanded on, especially the ending of the book seemed inadequate to the story overall. Should it have been better detailed ending I would have increased the rating.

Robert Poats says

Great characters!

Jess Kimball, Helen & Oliver Sullivan's lives are intertwined in this suspenseful read. Who killed a number of people, why & how the mystery is solved. Read the book to find out.

Leslie Hysom says

I love the Jess Kimball books.

The Fatal Distraction was an well written book that kept me up. I really enjoyed it and was surprised with the villain.
