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Rediscover this heart-pounding suspense novel featuring the incomparable Lieutenant Taylor Jackson, book 3 in the series from critically acclaimed *New York Times* bestselling author J.T. Ellison

It was a murder made for TV: a trail of tiny bloody footprints. An innocent toddler playing beside her mother's bludgeoned body. Pretty young Corinne Wolff, seven months pregnant, brutally murdered in her own home.

Cameras and questions don't usually faze Nashville homicide lieutenant Taylor Jackson, but the media frenzy surrounding the Wolff case is particularly nasty...and thorough. When the seemingly model mommy is linked to an amateur porn Web site with underage actresses and unwitting players, the sharks begin to circle.

The shock is magnified when an old adversary uses the sexy secret footage to implicate Taylor in a murder—an accusation that threatens her career, her reputation and her relationship.

Both cases hinge on the evidence—real or manufactured—of crimes that go beyond passion, into the realm of obsessive vengeance and shocking betrayal. Just what the networks love.

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J.F. Penn says

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The book starts with a murder as every good mystery does, a brief perspective from the killer and then away. The victim is Corinne Wolff, discovered by her sister with the baby Hayden in the house, covered in her mother's blood where she had tried to wake her.

But the main character is Taylor Jackson, a homicide lieutenant in Nashville. She is the reason to read this book as we see her complexities revealed in this story. We see how she relates to the men on her team, how she deals with the murder scene, the family, the husband. The action all takes place in one week which keeps the pace flowing.

At the same time, we learn that Taylor has been filmed having sex with a previous partner and the tapes used in an internet sex site. She is discredited on TV, suspended pending investigation. We see her deal with these issues, while still trying to solve the open case. She is tenacious and even through her fury, she is hunting the killer.

Sub plot is John Baldwin her fiancée who works for the government profiling killers who are actually government assets or assassins gone off the books. One of them has a personal vendetta against Baldwin and we learn he is coming to Nashville.

It's not too graphic in the death scenes which I like. I don't read the real torture, gruesome detail so this was enough to give the impression of the scene but not enough to make you sick.

I found the story interesting and the character of Taylor compelling, although I did guess the murderer quite early on. The suspense around the killer kept me reading, as did the sub plot of the sex tapes and how it affected Taylor. Her relationship made her more real, the feelings she has and we share. She is tough, but not too tough so we can relate.

This is one in a series of novels with Taylor as the main character and I would definitely recommend trying them out. Judas Kiss is 3rd in the series and I didn't find it hard to jump into the story.

Wendy Hines says

Nashville's homicide Lieutenant Taylor Jackson is back in a third thrilling novel with a murder that will have your head spinning. Her fiancée, FBI profile Baldwin, is hot on the trail of another killer that will connect to the high profile criminal, the Pretender, who we watched like a train-wreck in the previous book, 14.

Just back from a trip to Italy, Lt. Taylor Jackson is soon back on duty in a crime that will break your heart. A suburban housewife is found brutally murdered in her home, the house filled with small red and pink footprints. The victim's toddler had been alone with her mother's body for a few days before found. The victim's sister found the body and doesn't take long before turning the scene into a media circus.

Baldwin is called unexpectedly to headquarters. He is a member of a secret unit that tracks and retrieves assassins from different countries and transports them back to their home country. Unfortunately, one of them was dropped from scrutiny and is back in the states. Baldwin feels he may be tracking himself or Taylor for revenge. Baldwin had killed the assassin's wife years before.

Before long, the two cases speed up and collide into a media frenzy. Taylor soon finds herself on the internet engaging in compromising situations that could jeopardize her reputation, her career, and her relationship with Baldwin. Baldwin soon tracks his escape assassin to his own backyard. But will he be able to stop him before things escalate out of his control?

This is a thrilling roller-coaster ride that you just want to put your hands in the air and enjoy the ride. Very complex but likable characters and a plot that twists and turns, leaving you breathless and stunned at its climax. I read it in one sitting because I couldn't put it down. If you're looking for an edge-of-your-seat thriller, then pick up a copy today. You won't be disappointed! I can't wait for the next installation!!

Victoria says

This third installment in the Taylor Jackson series opens with quite a hook! The pacing slows a bit, bogged down a bit with an overload of police procedural details. But once the pacing picks up - compounded with a rather left-field plot twist - the book quickly becomes impossible to set aside! And, like its predecessor in the series, 14, it too ends on a cliffhanger. This is, overall, a solidly exciting series and definitely a lot of fun to read. And though the main plot is not completely unpredictable, the nature of the side plots certainly adds a lot of excitement and surprise.

I am a bit disappointed that the Pretender did not make more than just a cameo appearance - but I hope that means that he will soon be the focus of a main plot soon. Still, this cliffhanger ending has me quite anxious to see where the fourth book in the series, *The Cold Room*, will go!

Elaine Tomasso says

The plot in this book is way over the top if you stop to review it rationally but you won't until you finish it because it rattles along at a tremendous pace. I can't mention the plot as it would give away too many twists but it is compulsive. I've deducted one star because, although I didn't know why, I guessed the murderer almost straight away.

Sarina Morrhaye says

goed derde deel in deze reeks rond Taylor Jackson.

Lynda Kelly says

I thought this was another very good story in this series, although by the end of it I was sick to death of

reading about Taylor's bloody ponytail and how many times she tied it up, she pulled it free then retied it, etc....really ?? We don't need to know the state of play with her hair before she interviews or arrests somebody, trust me !!

I was more than surprised that Taylor was happy to head off to work leaving a plumber her keys and in the house alone. Her job alone ought to make her more security-aware !! That didn't jibe for me at all.

It wasn't without mistakes, too. For me daycare is usually one word, threeing was used when three-ring was meant, the and not their, tread and not trod, Sherriff's and not Sheriff's, indiscriminant and not indiscriminate, knee not knees....along with the old e-book staple-misplaced apostrophes. This line lost me altogether;

"....rapping her knuckles along the wood for effect, then entered the close room"....probably a misspelling again somewhere in it. This did as well-" He used his gas card to fill up the day before the murder, Sunday, in Crossville. So (he) was definitely in the State of Tennessee at least one day after the murder"...I just read and read that and couldn't make sense of it at all !! I had no idea what Chilhowies were, either, I assumed a weed but even Google can't help me with that one.

I despised the new character of Delores-what a piece of work she is, along with being totally unprofessional. I hope she's not going to split Taylor's team up as she wants to, the witch !! I did like the little passage about the dog walking the train tracks. It made me quite sniffy. There were very shocking moments near the end I certainly hadn't guessed at which were terrific. However, Taylor also did something near the end I wasn't too impressed by as well. Looking forward to the next one.

Gina says

This is another great installment of J.T. Ellison's Taylor Jackson series set in Nashville. It ends on quite a bit of a cliff hanger so I am excited to read the next book, although I'm not sure that I have the actual book right now :(so I might have to wait a bit to continue with the series. 4/5 stars! Ellison is definitely a favorite mystery writer of mine!!

Brenda says

This was an OK book. Main character is a strong female cop who doesn't do what others tell her to, including her fiancé, and declares she doesn't need men protecting her. Meh. A new internal battle began and I imagine will carry into the next book. I found myself skimming over some of the descriptive paragraphs; sometimes less is better.

T says

I kind of figured it out about halfway through, but initially I was thinking I'd read this one before - it was somewhat similar to one of her other books, only the one I'd already read involved twin sisters I think....Maybe I'm hallucinating....

At any rate, I liked it enough to keep reading the rest of JT's books...

Jan says

Young Lt in Nashville investigates a terrible murder. Along the way she is framed, what is worse, her own police department are against her.

Although from the beginning, I knew "who dun it" how the detective finally got there was filled with adventure. I enjoyed this book, and will buy more by this author, as one has to know what happens next. Ends with cliff hanger, and one has to read the next book to find out how our detective fares!

Terri says

JT Ellison takes Taylor on a wild ride through murder, sex tapes, politics and lots of secrets. I liked this book because I like the protagonist a lot. And though a couple times the pace seemed to slow, the twists more than made up for it. I look forward to seeing where she goes in the next book.

Paula Brandon says

It sounds mean, but heavens above, have the people who gave this 4 or 5 stars never read a thriller before? This is terrible! The main plot about who killed Corinne Wolfe is so thin that Taylor Jackson is seemingly given about thirty other antagonists to deal with. Her CIA boyfriend is being stalked by a serial killer. The head of the Office Of Professional Responsibility wants to destroy Taylor's career, presumably just because she can! There's another faceless enemy releasing a sex tape of Taylor, and creating a video that makes it look like Taylor committed a murder. There's also the serial killer from the previous novel (*14*) that is still on the loose!

Seriously? Is there anybody out there who **doesn't** want to kill Taylor Jackson?!?

I like a good, strong mystery with one central storyline. Not fifteen different mini ones!

And the bit where Taylor pulls out a gun and THREATENS A SUSPECT?!? Holy freaking crap, how stupid can she be? She actually seems surprised when she gets in trouble for it.

This was awful. Despite the twenty different story strands, it was totally boring and stupid. It makes me feel like a read a different book to all the people giving it glowing reviews!

Darcia Helle says

This is the third book in Ellison's Taylor Jackson series. Each book is able to stand on its own, though the storyline does follow through from one book to the next. I love Ellison's writing. She keeps my attention throughout the story and tosses in some great twists. The main characters are likable and interesting. The only issue I have is that, in each book, Taylor Jackson has something catastrophic happening to her. (In this book, there is more than one.) It's like she has some giant dark cloud hanging over her. For me, if the pattern continues, the story will get stale and unbelievable. Aside from that, her books are all excellent reads.

Saturnus says

Jag kom faktiskt in i den här serien i denna bok (nr 3) men herre Gud den var ju sjukt bra! Kan inte vänta på att få läsa dom andra böckerna, både föregångna och kommande.

samanfatning:

Härliga poliskommisarien Taylor Jackson får upp ett nytt fall där en mamma är mördad. Hela alltet flippar ut när en massa sexvideor släpps av mamman... och Taylor själv också!

Efter det blir hon sparkad från sin kommisarie roll, hennes team splittras upp, förhållandet knackar och hon får hotbrev från en gammal fiende...

February Four says

Wow. The beginning was depraved--the murder pretty horrific, and the touches with the child poignant and well-done. The middle was great (plausible, logical, horrific) and the end expected but still shocking. JT Ellison does not pull punches, and that's fantastic. I'm going to have to find book #2 (missed it, skipped by accident) to catch up on what I missed, and then get to book #4 as soon as possible.
