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A woman who thought she could run away from her past...

At fourteen, Kate Collins ran away from home. Ten years later, her mother has disappeared without a trace. Faced with no other choice, she returns home. Kate's convinced her stepfather's responsible, but he's a highly decorated police officer. Who will take her accusations seriously?

Banished to a small country town after reporting his city superiors for corruption, Detective Riley Munro is never going to accuse the town's recently retired Police Commander of murder. But Kate's fear and distress seem genuine and her mother does seem to have disappeared. With reluctance, he agrees to investigate.

After making rudimentary enquires, he's told Kate's mother is on a cruise. The information pans out. On the verge of closing the case, Riley is taken by surprise when he receives a subtle threat from his boss, the new Police Commander, to leave Kate's stepfather alone.

Why would the new Commander feel the need to warn him off? With his instincts on alert, Riley digs deeper and discovers not only is Kate's mother in a wheelchair, she also hates the water.

Is Kate telling the truth? Is her stepfather, the former Police Commander, guilty of murder? Or is Riley allowing the sad vulnerability in Kate's beautiful eyes to cloud his judgement?

The Investigator Details

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L D says

raunchy romance with a law enforcement setting. the author's need to drape a mystery around a romance novel is a let down. unprofessional conduct, unrealistic, and the need to write a sex scene seems central in the book. how about writing 50 shades of a wannabe cop?

Sam says

Good storyline as was the last one.... But the climax always seems to be rushed and a bit anticlimactic

Lyn Owen says

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OMG! Are you kidding me with this one? I read this book in a day and a half (Damon interruptions of life, food, nature calls, etc)! I am in love with this author and this series! I would give it 10 stars!!!

Michelle Lukasiewicz says

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A very good suspense romance. This is the second book in the Munro Family series. The entire series is excellent. This is my second time reading the series through. Even knowing the answer to what happened to Kate's mother didn't take away any enjoyment of the book. HEA and no cliffhanger.

Monica Guidroz says

I'm loving the Munro family. Ms. Taylor delivers another story filled with suspense and romantic tension. You definitely won't be disappointed with this read!

Kim Reads (Read Your Writes Book Reviews) says

Reviewed for Read Your Writes Book Reviews
by Gemini

This is the second book in the Munro Family Series. You do not have to read the first book to understand this

one. The Investigator is the story of police detective Riley Munro and art dealer Kate Collins. After 10 years, Kate Collins has returned to the small country town of Watervale, New South Wales. She believes that her missing mother, Rosemary Watson has been murdered by her stepfather, Darryl Watson. Darryl Watson just happens to be a well-respected former Local Area Commander of the Watervale Police Department. To make it more interesting, Riley has only been there for three months because he was exiled from his former position in the DEA in Sydney because he reported corruption within his ranks.

The murder investigation is just the tip of the iceberg. As Kate begins to open up to Riley, he learns that the scars from her childhood run deep. Those scars make it very difficult for Riley to feel comfortable in carrying on the investigation. Riley has to gain Kate's trust and eventually her heart. They have some intense sexual encounters along the way so be prepared to take a cold shower. The mystery surrounding Rosemary's disappearance keeps you guessing until the very end. Darryl is very annoying so you can't help but assume that he is the perpetrator regardless of what happens. He was so arrogant, I just wanted to choke him.

The Investigator addresses many social issues that run rampant through society such as racism, child abuse, and police corruption. Once I started reading, I couldn't put it down. I just had to know how it all ended. There's a lot of depth to this book but I can't get into too much detail because it would take away from your experience. I can't wait to read the next book.

Source: Author

Rating: 4.5

Marisela Chavez says

Amazing. I just loved everything about this book. The more I read the more I wanted to know where things were going with Kate and Riley. I seriously couldn't put this book down. The investigation the secrets it was everything and more.

Debbie says

I read this book within 24 hours.. Would of been less if I didn't have to sleep or work. Loved the characters of Riley and Kate and I just wanted to keep reading to see what happened next. I also loved the way we see the struggle of Riley dealing with his mixed race heritage. Very rare for me to get the edge of your seat suspense in a book but once again Chris Taylor delivered.

Jocelyn says

2nd book in the Munro series & it did not disappoint!!!:) Another fantastic read by Aussie Author Chris Taylor!!!:)

Mandy Brown says

Great follow up in this series from the first book. Again brilliant and suspenseful, keeping you in the edge of your seat for the complete book, but with a great romance blossoming along the way.

Sara Bell says

I love books that aren't a struggle to read. This was definitely one of them. If you're looking for a book for a long-weekend this is perfect. The Investigator, together with a glass of wine, fire crackling and rain drizzling outside, describes my perfect weekend just gone.

Rob says

2nd book on series is just as good as the 1st. Loved the character who was introduced in 1st book has now taken centre stage as the main character . Great attention to detail. Once again a totally believable story.

James Saunders says

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There are definitely cultural differences between Americans and Australians. Kate being molested came through so clearly and he was acting like a dummy was a little frustrating. The book did keep me interested but it was definitely frustrating. I do recommend it.

Trish R. says

An OK read..

I'll tell you one thing: This woman, Kate, was the whiniest and most frightened heroine I've ever read about. She was obviously molested by her stepfather when she was a teenager BUT now she's 24 and still scared spitless of him. At 24 she should have been ready to kick the sh*t out of him. And what was soooo stupid is that she got up her courage to go to his house for her mother's laptop and was so afraid of him he hit her in the back twice to get her to start breathing again, because he didn't want her to die on his front porch, she was that afraid of him. And then after she gets herself together and leaves Darryl is thinking how brave she'd become, how much "steel" she'd gotten in her backbone. OMG, that was the stupidest thing I've ever read. At 50% I wasn't even sure I wanted to finish this. I can't stand heroines that are so weak and wimpy for so long. She never got any better. She whined and cried through the whole book.

I was surprised that the hero was from the Aboriginal Australians. I don't believe I've ever read about them

in any of my romance novels. LOL, he was described as having skin the color of a “latte.” I thought that was kind of a yummy color.

There were some thoughts from Riley about seeing Kate undressed, and thoughts similar to that. And thought's from Kate about how handsome he was, but no real sexual tension, which you wouldn't expect since you know about her childhood, so the amount of sexual tension and sex that was in The Profiler was not anything like that in this book, at least up to 60%.

Of course, there was sex. At about 80%, and then there was 2 or 3 explicit sex scenes during the remainder of the book.

There was swearing and the F-bomb was used 13 times.

I gave it 3 stars for everything about the book except the heroine. Too much whining for me.

As to the narrators: Noah Michael Levine did a great job on the men and Erin deWard did a great job on all the women's voices, except for Kate's. Kate was weak and frightened and Ms. deWard made her sound weaker and even more frightened. Also, I don't understand how these books are based in Australia and the ONLY thing that would make you think that they are is when someone uses the word “mate.” An Australian accent can't be found anywhere in these books. Knowing that these books are about Australia and the narrators are American I don't think I'll continue with this series.

Jenny says

The Investigator is the second book in the series, and like all ten books in the Munro series, I was unable to put the book down! The way Chris entwine the Munroe indigenous heritage by making the Munro twins Clayton and Riley look like one of their parents. Riley is tall, dark, handsome, honest and supportive of others. The way he supports his community and the woman of his dreams is amazing. I recommend this book.
