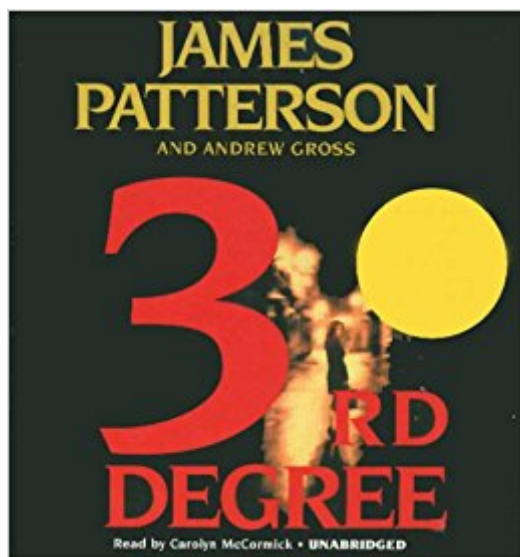


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3rd Degree (The Women's Murder Club)



Synopsis

The #1 bestselling new mystery series of the past decade comes roaring back with 3rd Degree, a shockingly suspenseful thriller featuring the Women's Murder Club. One of James Patterson's best loved heroines is about to die. Detective Lindsay Boxer is jogging along a beautiful San Francisco street when a fiery explosion rips through the neighborhood. A town house owned by an Internet millionaire is immediately engulfed in flames, and when Lindsay plunges inside to search for survivors, she finds three people dead. An infant who lived in the house cannot be found - and a mysterious message at the scene leaves Lindsay and the San Francisco Police Department completely baffled. Then a prominent businessman is found murdered under bizarre circumstances, with another mysterious message left behind by the killer. Lindsay asks her friends Claire Washburn of the medical examiner's office, Assistant D.A. Jill Bernhardt, and Chronicle reporter Cindy Thomas to help her figure out who is committing these murders-and why they are intent on killing someone every three days. Even more terrifying, the killer has targeted one of the four friends who call themselves the Women's Murder Club. Which one will it be? While the investigation rages furiously, Lindsay works very closely with a federal officer assigned to the case. At the same time, she learns that one member of the Women's Murder Club is hiding a secret so dangerous and unbelievable that it could destroy them all.

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Customer Reviews

From the start, Patterson's Women's Murder Club series (1st to Die; Second Chance) has felt like

high-concept TV with a smart edge, featuring an appealing and reliable cast of four female crime busters (a cop, a prosecutor, a medical examiner, a reporter) who race along byzantine plot lines humming with blood and sex, romance and heartbreak. But Patterson is an author who will detonate readers' presumptions for the sake of story, and in the series' third installment, the prolific author, working with frequent collaborator Gross (*The Jester*, etc.), defies expectations in a shocking way. Readers will love him for it. San Francisco Homicide lieutenant Lindsay Boxer, who narrates most of the action, is jogging with assistant DA Jill Barnhardt when Lindsay notices two things: first, bruises on Jill's shoulder; then the explosion of a nearby townhouse, into which Lindsay rushes to save a child. With the juxtaposition of these two plotlines, Patterson jumpstarts this enjoyably convoluted tale. The townhouse, home to a greedy CEO and his family, was destroyed by members of a terrorist group calling itself "August Spies"; Lindsay's chase after the group, which commits further killings, brings her into close proximity to what promises to be a new series regular, Joe Molinari, deputy director of the Office of Homeland Security. Love blooms for Lindsay but, meanwhile, love has curdled at Jill's house, where Jill's husband is abusing her. Then comes the big surprise, and the story's remainder plays out at high emotion and warp speed. There's a calculated feel to all that happens, but clever manipulation of an audience serves Patterson as well as it served Hitchcock: his fans will only clamor for more. Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

'Patterson knows where our deepest fears are buried... There's no stopping his imagination.' -- New York Times Book Review --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I started The Women's Murder Club Series not to long ago, it was my introduction into the writings of James Patterson and I honesty can't believe its taken me this long to pick up one of his worst. Just like the first two in the series 3rd Degree is a page turner in every way. Full of plot twists that keep you guessing with each chapter. The Chapters are short which for whatever reason seems to make the book go much faster. By the third installment of the series you've come to know and love all the main characters which isn't always the case with multi books series. Also, it's nice to see a series with more than three books. These days all authors are doing the trilogy thing. Each book stands on its own as a great work but also ties together seamlessly. For those of you who enjoy the Rizzoli & Isles by Tess Gerassin or The Tracy Crosswhite Series by Robert Dugonj you're guaranteed to love The Women's Murder Club series.

Another excellent book by Mr Patterson. Where he comes up with the stories , and continually keeps you on the edge of your seat, I don't know. This book has a heartbreaker ahead for you so beware. It had me in tears. His characters are so real, it makes you want to join them some day for a Margarita at "Sallys'!".

I was rooting for the bad guys in this novel; they made some very good points. about greedy capitalists. This book didn't move as well as many other James Patterson novels. Lindsey's romance and Jill's death just didn't work for me. I bought the next book in the series, but I won't read beyond that unless the plotting and character development gets a lot better.

I love James Patterson books. I have followed his Women's Murder series from 1 - 9 and getting ready to order the rest. They keep you in suspense.

It doesn't matter if it's people from foreign countries or people right here on American soil, we have to be so cautious these days and that's not how we were raised. I know this is a fiction book, but every writer researches the subject matter before beginning a new book. San Francisco was lucky to have Boxer, with her never giving up attitude and for bringing in Joe Molinari from Homeland Security. This was a very real problem and anything could and did happen to innocent people. Well worth reading.

I purchased the audio book so, for some reason, felt compelled to finish listening to it even though I repeatedly asked myself why I was listening to such an uninteresting, predictable book. Consequently I wasted my time and money. I plan to donate it to the HOA library.

Once I understood the terrorists' purpose, I read this book with excitement. There are sad, happy, angry, romantic feelings while reading twists upon twists evolve to make this a great thriller/mystery.

I wasn't going to get into another of James Patterson series, and I knew this one had a lot of books in the series. But I was antiquing, and stopped at a stand that had new books for great prices. I got the 4th book in this series to read. Well, I couldn't do that, since it was number 4 in the series, so I had to get at least 1, 2 and 3 first before I read number 4. So I ordered the number 3 book from this seller, and it came in perfect condition. Now I have number 5 though I like 13 so far in my car for

later. So I did start another one of his many book series. But he is such a good writer, that I don't care how many books are in the series. If this seller has any of the other books that I have in my cart for later, I will be ordering from this seller again.

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