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Weddings can be murder

Romance is in the air for the delightful Reverend Oliver Hill. Unfortunately, the choir rehearsal for the wedding ends abruptly with the sudden and disturbing appearance of a body.

War widow fashionista Ginger Gold is determined to find the killer even if it means working with the dashing, yet exasperating Chief Inspector Basil Reed, but only in her professional capacity as a private investigator. Like they say: once burnt, twice shy.

Basil has his work cut out for him if he wants to solve this case *and* win back Ginger's heart.

He's up for the challenge.

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Eric says

There are lots of changes in the air for Lady Ginger Gold and her friends and family in the pacily-written, seventh instalment of this 1920's- inspired detective series.

The author is back on form here, and there is plenty to be enjoyed- murder, jealousy, affairs and intrigue all figure. The setting-London in 1924- is well-realised and issues such as mental health and contraception (or rather the lack of it) are realistically handled.

There is sadness but also a lot of happiness. Ginger and Basil engage in a lot of verbal fencing, but there is a resolution to their awkward situation. Haley moves on- to her own series- and the vicar finds love.

I really enjoyed this novel. It is light reading, but many of the characters have depth and reality. The plot, centred on an investigation of the murder of the philandering choirmaster, Theo Edwards, is interesting and the solution, while not difficult to fathom, is quite satisfactory. There is enough period detail to keep historical fans happy, without it overwhelming everything else.

3.5 stars.

Thank you to the author for the digital ARC.

QNPoohBear says

2.5 stars

Ginger's friend Rev. Oliver Hill is about to be married at long last! Ginger senses there is something not quite right and both the bride and groom have cold feet. Yet, they are both determined to go through with it, even after the choirmaster falls over the railing dead. Ginger has a murder to solve and a romance to make right. Her own love life is starting to pick up. Ginger is stepping out with Canadian naval captain William Beale, but her heart doesn't flutter the way it does with Basil. Basil has been in self-imposed exile but returns to solve the murder mystery with out without Ginger's help. Ginger is in-all in!

This story started off light enough but got really dark. I absolutely can not stand abusers or men who claim to be "weak" and "allowed" women to seduce them, especially in a situation like the one presented in the book. I dropped my rating because of this. I figured out who the murderer was by process of elimination. I thought it was someone else because I had guessed their secret early on. The end of the novel is SUPER rushed! I would have liked more courtship and romance with the focus on Oliver's wedding and not Ginger's love life.

The murder victim, Mr. Theodore Edwards, is a nasty man who will not be missed by most of the congregation. He was hard on his wife and everyone else. I couldn't believe his appalling treatment of his wife in public no less. I feel very sorry for her because she stays with him presumably because there is no other option and it would cause a scandal to divorce him. Esme is not the nicest of women or easiest to get along with but she and her husband bring out the worst in each other. A divorce, scandalous as it may be, may have been a better option. Of course there's always murder, which she claims she didn't do, but the

motive is strong. Her sister-in-law Catherine is a nervous sort of woman who wants everyone to get along. She blindly worships her brother. Other ladies in the choir include Miss Marjorie Bertram, a singularly naive and silly young woman and Miss Anna Howard, another silly young woman. Mary Blythe, a quiet dentist's receptionist, the bride to be, is mysterious and keeps her feelings to herself. She is shy and dislikes being the center of attention. I can relate but why is she marrying a vicar if she would rather elope? Mary has secrets which I found obvious. One male suspect, Mr. Piper, is a bit cantankerous and doesn't seem to like Mr. Edwards very much.

Oliver is such a sweetheart. He loves his congregation and is kind and chivalrous. His chivalry gets him into trouble sometimes because he must play rescuer. We finally meet Ginger's sister Louisa, who is even more immature and obnoxious than Felicia. Louisa's brash American speech, blatant flirtation and rudeness to everyone "beneath" her is enough to drive even Ginger crazy! Louisa makes Felicia look mature! Felicia has learned her lesson and decided to embrace the flapper lifestyle once and for all. Armed with newfound knowledge, she is ready for fun. I still find her vastly irritating and don't agree with her lifestyle choices. She still butts heads with her grandmother who is trying to put one tiny toe into the modern age while the rest of her is stuck in the Victorian era. Felicia needs to be sent to be a companion to some elderly relative even more annoying than her grandmother and that will cure her of her behavior. Matilda Hanson returns and shows that she's not just a pretty face. She's very kind and sweet but I disagree with the decision she makes in the end.

I was very disappointed Haley exits the story early on after receiving shocking news from Boston. The news didn't surprise me and I'm not sure she warrants her own spin-off series. It sounds too dark for me.

Ginger has two suitors in this novel. Captain William Beale, Ginger's new gentleman friend, is not right for her. He's too old-fashioned and snobby, not to mention very jealous. I didn't like his behavior when drinking. Basil returns with a personality transplant. He's no longer brooding but openly ready to declare his feelings for Ginger. She isn't sure how she feels. I didn't like how fast Basil moves. The resolution to their love story happens too quickly with too easy an out. One minute he loves his wife and she's still mourning Daniel and now all of a sudden the sparks have turned into love? Not my cup of tea.

One more murder mystery and one novella left to go in this series.

Deb says

Lady Gold is helping to decorate St. George's for the marriage of the vicar to a shy young woman. It all comes to a screeching halt, however, when the body of the choir director hurtles from the organ loft to the floor of the nave. Of course Goldy is drawn in to the investigation. 1920s high fashion, luxury cars and social life continue to add interest to the proceedings as does Goldy's love life, which currently includes a Canadian military officer as well as her erstwhile beau from Scotland Yard. Unwanted pregnancies, widows and slightly addled sisters clutter up the proceedings and add just the right amount of confusion to the suspect list. Bossy the Boston terrier is still Goldy's faithful companion.

Susan Stokell says

book 7 in the Ginger Gold series is a delightful cozy mystery. it is set in the 1920s with Lady Ginger Gold eagerly solving a murder with some help from her friend Haley and more help from inspector Basil Reed.

will Basil win Ginger's heart from her new beau William.? who is the minister marrying and who killed the choir director?

These are all questions that will be answered in Book 7.

Lee does a great job of describing the ballroom at the ritz hotel and the swanky uppercrust event held there. Her descriptions of the clothing worn by Lady Gold are amazing.

this book involves a mental institution and more information about the life of women in the 1920s.

an overall enjoyable read

Heather Belleguelle says

After Murder at Kensington Gardens left Ginger and Basil's relationship at a very low point, I was really looking forward to this next mystery. Would this book see their "will they-won't they" romance move away from the "won't" to the "will"? To answer that question would be a spoiler, but, suffice it to say that seeing Ginger and Basil working together to solve another murder case was entertaining and had its ups and downs.

I thoroughly enjoyed the mystery story of this book, largely, I think, because it was about ordinary people. With the murder taking place in the lovely Oliver Hill's church building on the eve of his wedding, church members become embroiled in the affair and, of course, secrets and underlying dramas are brought out into the open.

As ever, Mrs Strauss has created a wonderful and varied cast of characters to be involved in the case, and we, of course, get to catch up to a greater or lesser extent with all the regulars. All in all, I found Murder at St George's Church to be one of the most enjoyable books of the series and can highly recommend you read it yourself.

A review copy of this book was sent to me by the author. All of the above opinions are my own.

Helen Drake says

I love this Series! I usually end up reading Lee Strauss's new books in this series in one sitting, even if I stay up late to finish it. What I really enjoyed in this one was the new characters, such as the ones involved in St George's Church that we hadn't met before, and Ginger's sister, Louisa. After reading about her in other books, it was time to meet her. It really help me appreciate Felicia.

I also enjoyed having another man show serious interest in Ginger, especially with Basil Reed returning.

As usual there were some twists to the story. I'm happy when Lee discusses important issues of the day. The social stigma of unwed mothers and the effect of mental illness were discussed in a sensitive manner. One or the other of these issues affected several of the characters.

I wish these books were illustrated as I would really love to see the beautiful fashions described.

I appreciate receiving an ARC of this book in exchange for a fair review.

Teri Donaldson says

This is my absolute favorite series. I wish I could go back in time and meet Ginger and Haley, shop at Feathers and Flair, attend the parties and dances and help Ginger solve the mysteries.

I loved this book. The mystery was interesting with many story lines and plots twists. It kept me guessing until the end and what a wonderful ending it was! I won't say more as don't want to spoil it for anyone.

While this is part of a wonderful series, the book can easily be read as a standalone. If you do, I would encourage you to go back and read the books in order. Each book is as marvelous as the next.

I received an ARC of this book. The choice to read and review it was all mine.

Tex says

The Pipes Did It!

(Disclaimer: I was provided a copy of the book and decided to read it and provide my honest review, which I have.) It's been a while since I have read a Ginger Gold book, so reading Murder at St. George's Church: a cozy historical mystery, A Ginger Gold Mystery Book 7 by Lee Strauss was like visiting a friend you haven't seen in a while. It was also clear that I had some catching up to do – fast. As I got comfortable to dig in, the “whodunit?” happened. I was so excited because now I had the opportunity to become involved in the storyline. I use the word involved because the author is very good at welcoming readers into the story. To become part of the action versus a remaining passive reader. In addition, the storyline has an understory of feelings, emotions, and flirtations between the main two characters that make the plot even more interesting. Overall, Murder at St. Georges Church is a pleasant read with two surprise endings. Two. My RECOMMENDATION: –Tex. If you are a Ginger Gold Fan, then do not miss Murder at St. George's Church: a cozy historical mystery, A Ginger Gold Mystery Book 7 by Lee Strauss.

Linda Sharp says

I like this author and enjoy her books. Her characters are very similar to Phriney Fisher series.

Merry Chapman says

A fantastic edition to the Ginger Gold Series! The books in this series gets more and more involved while not only giving us a wonderful description of the times including fashion, food and attitudes. Reverend Oliver and Mary are getting married and while at the rehearsal the choral director gets murdered, Ginger of course must get involved, especially since one of the suspects hires her PI services. With lots of twists and turns and a new character vying for Ginger's attentions, this story moves fast with lots of sub-themes that keep you guessing as well as red-herrings and left turns! To add to that, Inspector Basil Reed has returned from his quick trip away to get his head back on straight and now, although Ginger must work with him, she feels the need not to let herself go beyond professional with him since he broke her heart. With wonderful supporting characters like, Haley, Ambrosia, Louisa and Felicity, we once again are treated to a wonderful mystery with

a little romance and a lot of drama. Lee Strauss' books are not only very descriptive, but the descriptions are so detailed you read her book with a movie in your mind as you can visualize all the wonderful locales, fashions and food! I received an ARC from the author, but the opinions expressed here are strictly my own.

Bonnie Clevenger says

Ginger Gold always seems to get mixed up with murder!

This book takes place nearby London, in the 1920's.

Reverend Hill is betrothed to the wrong girl, but he is honorable and will go through with it. She is with child, by a married man, and wants to elope to speed things along. The Reverend is clueless, and thinks her sickness is due to nerves before

the wedding.

During rehearsal, the choir director, also the father of the baby, falls from the balcony, after being hit on the head and pushed over.

Ginger and her American friend, who is studying to be a pathologist, Haley, put their heads together and solve the mystery of the killer.

this is one of the Ginger Gold series, and all are a great read.

I highly recommend these books.

Cher says

Love the continuing saga of Ginger, Haley, and Inspector Reed. I look forward to reading more in this series by this delightful author. Her research is very well done giving the reader a screen shot of what life was like in the 20's.

Some spoilers here:

Although Ginger has her hands full with an unexpected marriage proposal and a rather haughty half sister she handles it all with grace. The romance between Ginger and Inspector Reed appears to finally be put to bed. Poor Haley must return to American because her brother has been murdered! Ginger is torn between wanting to go with Haley but she has already been hired to solve a murder. What's a friend to do?

Brigitte says

Murder at St George's Church, the seventh book in Lee Strauss's Ginger Gold series is a delightful, fast-paced read which I devoured in a weekend. The mystery is intriguing and at the end heartbreaking in its reflection of how women were seen and treated in the 1920s. Ginger's driving is still atrocious and her taste in fashion is still impeccable. The addition of her half-sister Louisa provides another strong female personality at Hartigan House. Ginger balances the affections of several suitors throughout the story but the ending is sure to provide deep satisfaction for those like me who were concerned at the conclusion of the previous book. I felt sad to read of the departure of a main character but I am excited to see where their journey may take them. I also can't wait for the next book in the series to see what Ginger will get up to next.

JoAn says

Murder at St. George's Church by Lee Strauss continues Lady Ginger Gold's life in London. She is helping her friend Reverend Oliver Hill to ready the church for his wedding. Since Basil Reed left, she has kept herself busy and begun to date again. Then a suspicious death at the church during choir practice brings in Scotland Yard and Basil has returned. The quickly paced plot with complex relationships within the congregation as well as Ginger's life kept me turning the pages. I'm on to the next one. I truly enjoy this series and I'm so glad that I found Ms. Strauss and her historical cozy series.

Catherine says

The things that can happen in a church may surprise you.

This historical cosy series just keeps getting better. Both men and incidental recurring characters are being angrily developed. I look forward to more books in the series.

Check Inspector Basil Reed is back & determined to woo Ginger. Problem is, Ginger is being required by a friend of Oliver, vicar of St. George Church.

When the choirmaster is felled by a loose organ pipe then pushed off the organ loft,

who in the choir wanted him dead? Basil is delighted to work closely with Ginger but she's not so sure.

Several interesting subplots include Oliver's impending nuptials which only he seems happy about taking place quickly. A few surprises take place as well. A thoroughly enjoyable read.
