









## **Outdoorsy Rescue and Cozy Mysteries**

This patron was a big fan of both cozy mysteries and mysteries/suspense novels with a rescue or Alaska focus. She liked books by Karen Harper, Susan May Warner, Miranda James, and MC Beaton but did not like mysteries with historical settings. She's also an avid crafter.

- Paige Shelton's Alaska Wild series and other books. Bestselling novelist Beth Rivers escapes to a remote small town in Alaska after surviving being kidnapped by an obsessed fan. In her new home, she keeps finding herself drawn into solving mysteries. Not quite cozy but definitely have an Alaska setting. Some of the author's other work is also much more cozy.
  - **The Scottish Bookshop Mysteries** follow the adventures of an American who lives in Scotland, works in a rare manuscripts bookstore, and constantly finds herself solving book-related mysteries.
  - The Dangerous Type Mystery trilogy is set in a ski town in Utah at a shop for restoring typewriters and books. The shop is co-run by a father/daughter team.
  - **The Country Cooking School series** is set in a homey cooking school in Southern Missouri. The proprietor inherited her grandma's recipes and ability to see ghosts, and she ends up being drawn into mysteries with a supernatural spin.
- Elizabeth Lynn Casey's Southern Sewing Circle Mysteries. Highly recommended for Miranda James fans, these books follow a librarian who relocates to South Carolina and becomes active in the local sewing circle and in solving crimes.













- Margaret Mizushima's Timber Creek K-9 series. Features cop Mattie Cobb, who works mysteries in small towns and their surrounding wildernesses with her dog. Mainly set in Colorado. Lots of outdoor action. Not quite cozy or set in Alaska but may be a good fit all the same.
- Charlaine Harris's Aurora Teagarden series. About a small-town Georgia librarian and amateur detective.
- **Jenn McKinlay books**. Highly recommended for Miranda James fans.
  - Library Lover's series. This series follows Lindsey Norris, a library director in small-town
     Connecticut, who also has a penchant for sleuthing murders when she's not running the library.
  - **Cupcake Bakery Mystery series**. These books feature business partners who run a cupcake shop in Scottsdale, Arizona, and also get involved in solving mysteries amidst the baking.
  - Hat Shop Mystery series. They're about two cousins who run a hat shop in England and also investigate crimes.
- **Elizabeth Goddard's books**. Christian suspense recommended for Susan May Warren readers. Her series all are set up in such a way that you can read the individual books as standalones.
  - The Uncommon Justice series. All set in Wyoming, these Christian romantic suspense stories feature characters being drawn into intense investigations.
  - The Missing in Alaska trilogy. Follows missing persons cases in the Alaskan bush.
  - The Rocky Mountain Courage series. Follows characters as they investigate cold or current cases in the Rockies.













- **Gilbert Morris's Jacques and Cleo series.** Though Morris is better known for his Christian historical fiction, these books are contemporary Christian cozy mysteries set in coastal Alabama. They star two cats and their humans as they solve crimes.
- Lynette Eason's Lake City Heroes series. Fast-paced Christian suspense novels recommended for Susan May Warren fans. Each book follows a different character, including a female SWAT team member and a former Army ranger who teams up with an attack victim who fears her assailant isn't really dead.
- Sally Goldenbaum's books. Cozy mysteries centered around needlecraft.
  - Seaside Knitters Mystery series and Seaside Knitters Society series. These are sometimes billed as two different series, but the second one follows the other sequentially, so they really function as a series together. The name changed when the author changed publishers, and that's the only difference. The books are about a knitting club in coastal Massachusetts who also solve crimes.
  - Queen Bees Quilt Mystery series. This cozy trilogy is set in Kansas and focuses on quilters who become involved in solving crimes.
- Rebecca Hale's Cats and Curios series. These books follow Rebecca, who inherits her quirky
  uncle's antique shop in San Francisco. She and her two cats are soon pursuing leads related to
  treasures and murders.













- Monica Ferris's Needlecraft Mysteries. Suggested for M.C. Beaton readers, these Minnesota-set cozies take place in a needlecraft store.
- **Simon Brett's Fethering mysteries.** Cozies about two neighbors in an English village solving crimes and highly recommended for fans of M.C. Beaton.
- Lilian Jackson Braun's Cat Who books. These books follow a reporter and his two Siamese cats as they investigate crimes.
- Rita Mae Brown's Mrs. Murphy series. These books are about a postmistress and her cat in Virginia who becomes entangled in mysteries.

