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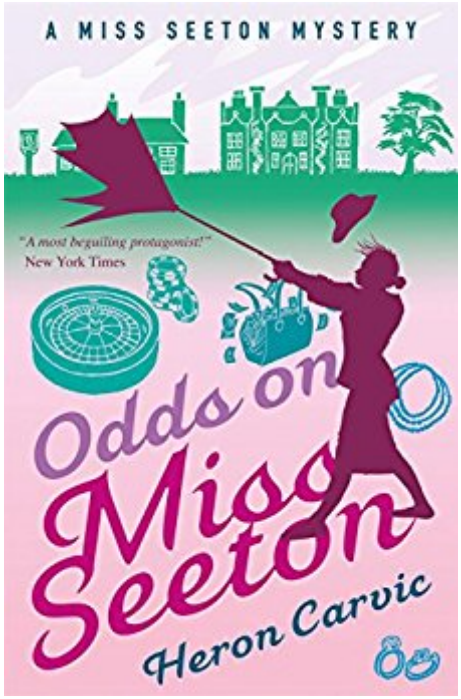

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Synopsis

At the roulette table an elderly, ludicrously made-up woman in dazzling diamonds is making a killing. Who would guess the bejewelled high roller is actually retired art teacher Miss Emily Seeton, in disguise to help capture a mysterious crime boss? Miss S. must get a good look at the crookâ ™s face to produce a sketch for the police, a simple task surely. Itâ ™s not her fault things escalate, and after half-blinding one baddie with the tail of her mink stole and whacking another with her handbag, sheâ ™s soon gambling for the very highest stakes â " her own life.Serene amidst every kind of skullduggery, this eccentric English spinster steps in where Scotland Yard stumbles, armed with nothing more than her sketchpad and umbrella!

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Customer Reviews

Miss Seeton is in disguise at a gambling club in London. She has a mauve wig, a fur and she is dripping in diamonds. The assignment is simple. She needs to get a look at a man, and then draw him for the Fraud Squad. She is accompanied by, Tom Haley, a young policeman who should be unknown to the gangsters who run the club. They meet a young woman, Dierdre Kenharding who has questions about the gangsters as well. The 3 of them strike up a sort of friendship.When there

is a plan to injure Miss Seeton and her escort, it all goes awry. Mr Thatcher, the head of the gang, has underestimated the chaos that surrounds Miss Seeton. But, the chaos arrives in no uncertain terms.This is as funny book.Miss Seeton, Superintendent Delphick, Sgt Bob Ranger, Officer Tom Daley and various other police staff continue to operate as though the disasters which accompany Miss Seeton are perfectly normal. Miss Seeton is basically oblivious to what happens around her. The police simply try very hard to protect her and at the same time to collect the various criminals who fall by the wayside.Mr Carvic wrote wonderful stories. He was a master at describing human beings in all their glory. In a very few words, he allows the reader to understand who a character is and what makes them tick. His characters, whether good or bad, are all entertaining and interesting.This plot is rather like a Laurel and Hardy movie. As the police move inevitably forward, the criminals trip over their own feet. This time, the gang members led by Mr Thatcher are not all amusing. They mean to do severe harm to Miss Seeton and many of the people who surround her.I liked this book very much. Each book in the series can be a stand alone.

I was lucky enough to be given an ARC from NetGalley and the publisher. Having already been a fan of the Miss Seeton books, this one does not disappoint. Miss Seaton is a wonderful character and I am so happy to see that she has so many adventures. At first when I "met" her I compared her to Miss Marple and Jessica Fletcher crossed with Mr. Magoo but I just can’t think of her like that. All of her accidents serve a purpose and help things to work out in her favor. The characters are liveley and interesting as well as the scenerey and the situations Miss Seeton and the other characters find themselves in. This book is no exception. I find myself really attached to certain charaters and I am so glad to see that some of them make it back into books like this one such as the two reporters. Miss Seeton seems to have an endless supply of energy and I just couldn’t imagine people half her age doing things but it just seems natural for her. No two stories have been alike or crossed paths in repeating itself but still, criminals in these stories are well aware of her reputation and think they can get the better of her and it is hilarious to watch them try. These books, this one included are very comical. At the rate Miss Seeton is going, all crime will be wiped out in England. Superwoman crime fighter Miss Seeton also seems to be the best matchmaker as well. Although she seems to be tame quiet elderly retired school art teacher, she is more intune than the people around her and wise beyond what you expect her experience to be. I keep hoping that this series will gain more followers and the notoriety that it deserves. This installment in her adventures had lots to offer.

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