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Teeming with mystery, mayhem, and the trio of cunning sister witches, A Midsummer Night's Mayhem is a paranormal mystery with wicked twists to keep you guessing.

A Midsummer Night's Mayhem is the third novel of the witchy Mayhem sisters, Vivi, Honora, and Clover, and in keeping with an old family curse, trouble has returned and this time it's murder.

In the witching world of Everland, Clover Mayhem lives a quiet life in the Meadowlands, only capturing the attention of her neighbors once a year when she hosts her popular summer solstice party. And that's just the way she likes it.

But there is much more to Clover Mayhem than meets the eye. Thanks to her secret magical persuasion as a word witch, she is also Cassandra Reason, one of Everland's most successful romance novelists. However, when Clover discovers her cantankerous neighbor, Oliver Yearling, has been murdered in her yard during the party, her secret identity is in jeopardy. Even worse, Clover finds herself one of the prime suspects.

To clear her name and keep her persuasion a secret, Clover is on the case, digging up clues and making strange discoveries about the victim. When the validity of Oliver's will comes into question, Clover soon finds herself investigating friends and neighbors alike, all while butting heads with local law enforcement, who are desperate to know what Clover's hiding from them.

Who in Everland wanted Oliver dead? Could it be the local farmers who lost their crops and desperately need more land? Was Oliver's son, Austin, angry enough over the potential loss of his inheritance to kill? And who is Oliver's secret love?

With the help of her trusty assistant, Derek, and her sisters, Vivi and Honora, Clover must navigate a growing list of suspects, one of whom is using black magic to scare her off the case, to find the real murderer and protect her secret.

## **Midsummer Night's Mayhem Details**

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# From Reader Review **Midsummer Night's Mayhem** for online ebook

**Gay Smith says**

**Always enchanting**

Fun and enjoyable story lines. A little mystery with a magical twist. Love each of the characters and always like reading what the Mayhem sisters are up to next. Good reading.

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**Ann Babcock says**

Great!!

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**✳️Emma-Louise Violet says**

- ?★? 3½ Stars -

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**Relina Skye says**

"Midsummer Night's Mayhem" is the third book in "A Sister Witches Mystery" series. Lauren Quick casts Clover Mayhem as the leading sister in this magic filled story. Clover is seen as least successful of the Mayhem sisters by the outside world. She lives in the rural community known as the Meadowlands in the home that belonged to her aunts. Every solstice for the past eight years she's thrown a party for her family, friends, and neighbors. This year is no different. As a word witch, she can weave together great stories that come to life for her audience using advance illusion magic. (Kind of like holograms in Star Trek.) Clover uses this magic to entertain her guests and to hand out prize money to a less well off witch. When Oliver, her neighbor, starts to poke around her home during her party, they exchange words before he storms out to return home. But he never makes it.

Much to Clover's dismay, she finds his body.

Thrown into a formal investigation, the local police department have to search not only her property, but her house as well. Clover has a closet filled with her writing materials associated with her pen name Clarissa Reason, that she doesn't want anyone to know about. Instead of coming clean to the sheriff and his deputy, Clover and her personal assistant, Austin, do everything in their power to solve Oliver's murder. But will it be enough to save her secret identity, or will the world find out what she's really capable of doing.

Overall, I found this novel to be fairly good. I downloaded it as a free copy, and read it first by accident. There was minimal confusion on my part since Quick does a good job going over the basics of her witchy world with her readers in each novel. I didn't agree with the way Clover and Austin handled the situation with the police department. And on the flip side I would of thought that Vivi could have given her sheriff boyfriend a heads up about the whole Clarissa Reason part of Clover's life in an unofficial manner. I know he's a "by the book" kind of guy, but still it was a bit much. And I know that Clover was deathly afraid of anyone finding out her huge secret. But come on, who has a personal assistant unless it has something to do

with their job anyway? In addition, her whole reluctance to share what's in her closet was going to go into public record. So I think that would make everyone distrust her, look down on her, and/or wonder what she's hiding.

Other than that, it was very well written. It kept me reading, and got me interested in the rest of the series.

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### **Christine Vivian says**

#### **Couldn't put it down**

Not something I would normally read but found myself caught up in. Thought I wasn't going to finish but I hung in and it became a real page turner.

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### **Brandi Carr says**

#### **The Mayhem never stops....**

Another great read and a well written story. The Mayhem sisters don't disappoint and they are always ready with a new adventure. Looking forward to the next book in this series

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### **Elisa Hordon says**

Another great Mayhem sisters mystery

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### **Cindy says**

A fast and fun read about a group of sisters who also just so happen to be witches. The stories are fast paced but well written; I read the entire series in just a few days because I just couldn't get enough.

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### **Lisa L says**

A cute, quick read. Honestly, it's not my favorite of the trio. I much prefer books 1&2, 2 being my favorite. Clover is a good character, but I just find her somewhat lacking and even a little clueless at times. I figured out the culprit almost immediately AND the fact her assistant is head over heels for her, but she still doesn't see it! Now that's frustrating. Not the best book, but still an entertaining read. 3 out of 5 stars.

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### **Dharia Scarab says**

I read this book second instead of third in the series and it actually made more sense there after reading the

next two books.

Since I don't normally write reviews unless I have something specific to say, here's the break down of how I rate my books...

1 star... This book was bad, so bad I may have given up and skipped to the end. I will avoid this author like the plague in the future.

2 stars... This book was not very good, and I won't be reading any more from the author.

3 stars... This book was ok, but I won't go out of my way to read more, But if I find another book by the author for under a dollar I'd pick it up.

4 stars... I really enjoyed this book and will definitely be on the look out to pick up more from the series/author.

5 stars... I loved this book! It has earned a permanent home in my collection and I'll be picking up the rest of the series and other books from the author ASAP.

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### **Diane Rapport says**

Third in the Mayhem Sisters series, this was an enjoyable read from start to finish. My biggest issue was that it wasn't longer. Lauren Quick has create an enchanting world of witches, where every witch has a unique "persuasion" or talent. Clover, one of three Mayhem Sisters, is a storyteller who cherishes her peaceful country life. That all changes when one of her neighbors is murdered during her annual Midsummers Night party. In order to protect secrets of her own, Clover finds herself tracking down the killer. The mystery itself is engaging and well done, but even more fun is the unique witch world, and the fascinating people who reside within. Hopefully Ms Quick will find many more Mayhem Sisters stories to tell.

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### **♥ Joy Joy ♥ says**

3.7 but because I'm enjoying the overall series, going to stick with putting it as a 4 star.

Although similar issues with this book mirror those of the second...it did improve a little. Still enjoyable and I hope that the series continues to improve.

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### **Adrienne Testa says**

when you think you are keeping a secret, think again. Clover Mayhem's party is turned into a murder scene. As she tries to unravel the secrets, lies and attempts on her life, one thing is clear. Its time her secret is told. Her persuasion has saved her life and revealed the truth,now its up to Clover to come out of the closet and live life. Its a fun and quirky story to read.

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**Barbara Kreinar says**

Light reading. characters are interesting. basically good book for distraction

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**Barry says****Interesting & Compelling**

I found this third book in the series just as interesting and compelling as the first two and I got to know Clover too!

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