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This is book 1 in the Paxton Park Cozy Mystery series by USA TODAY Bestselling Author, J. A. Whiting.

After surviving a terrible car crash in Boston, twenty-eight-year old Shelly Taylor accepts a part-time job as a baker at a mountain resort in western Massachusetts. While on a hike one morning, she and a new friend make a terrible discovery that pulls them into peril and death.

Will Shelly's new ability help the police solve the crimes or will another murder be committed in Paxton Park?

This story has some mild paranormal elements.

Peril in Paxton Park Details

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Jeannie and Louis Rigod says

In this series we find a young woman recovering from a tragic loss, an accident, and just trying to get on with her life. Baker, Michelle (Shelly) Taylor has moved to Paxton Park. An area that is filled with tourists and adventurers. There is skiing, white water rafting, archery, bike riding, and more offered as daily events in this town. Of course depending upon the seasons.

Shelly loves her new home town, excepting the fact that a young woman was murdered. Then, when Shelly and her friend find another young woman under the crooked trees, she has to wonder if her move was wrong.

With the entire town nervous, Shelly has to keep a vigilant stance. Someone seems to be targeting her...or is it her imagination from dreams she is having?

A good start to a new series.

Krystyna says

Fatal Attraction

I love nearly all of J A Whiting's series but this one really didn't catch my interest. Maybe I need to read another in the series? A serious accident has left her still recovering months later and also with a brand new psychic ability. That is why the job of part time baker at Paxton Park is so welcome. However her new found peace is soon broken when she and a new BFF find the body of a young woman. Unable to help themselves, the two new friends start to investigate. Romance and unrequited attraction make this a decent plot but the characters just didn't gel with me. They seemed to be a bit two dimensional and the culprit was really just to easy to spot.

Patrizia says

3 stelle e mezza

Confesso che sono stata attratta dalla copertina... Infatti, l'ambientazione è davvero interessante (mi piacerebbe vivere in un posto simile), i personaggi non sono male e la storia è buona, solo c'è qualcosa, non so bene cosa, che non mi ha convinta del tutto...

Anitajt says

I've missed reading a good easy to read mystery story. The writer has a knack of inviting you in as though you are the main character. Love the background stories Very well written and kept me guessing.

Cheryl says

This is the first in the series. The main character is Shelley and she moves to Paxton Parks after she was in an accident that killed her sister and her sister's boyfriend. Shortly after she moves in, she with her new friend Juliet find a body in the woods. This is the second girl murdered in that town and no one knows who did it. With Juliet's help, they do manage to figure everything out before it is too late. Loved this book.

Maya says

Occasionally the sentence structure and point of view can be a bit clunky and pull the reader out of the story, but in general this is an angst ridden page turner and an enjoyable read. I was particularly pleased by the unusual crowd of outdoorsy, fit characters. I wish the author had branched out in the use of names as the majority fall into M or J including both Juliet and Juile which made it a tad confusing at times.

Beverly says

Loved this book. It was the first in the series and is one I will be keeping up with. Shelley Taylor moved to Paxton Park to get a fresh start. She was critically injured in a car accident that cost the life of her twin sister and her sister's boyfriend. She works as a part time assistant baker in the resort town and is loving every minute of her time there. Well, almost. She could do without the murders, and the unwanted attention of the local idiot who thinks he's God's gift to everyone, especially females new to the town, and the super jealous female resort worker who is obsessed with another new to town resort worker who has no idea she has made him her property. It's kind of like a popular soap opera meets M.C. Beaton.

Susan Pierce says

Meh

While the storyline was good, as others have said it's a common storyline. That didn't bother me so much as the style of writing. It just did not flow well. I was often distracted by the way she phrased things and the way she told the story rather than the story itself. I'm a retired teacher, so maybe I'm more critical than some, but it felt like a persons' first writing attempt. I just did not enjoy this book.

Sandee says

This was a good story. The plot was familiar but the characters were unique and interesting. They reside in a recreational tourist town so the story includes sports and activities that were fun to explore in the context of murder and suspense. The murderer was too obvious and the story dragged in a few areas but overall it was an enjoyable read.

Beth says

4 books in this series, i am new to JA Whiting writing, love this cover! love a good mystery. Justice the cat steal the show. critters always do that, don't they??! i look forward to more from JA ...soon enough ... must read. well written. great characters.

Alayne says

A quick, cosy read with a mystery that I couldn't solve till almost the end. In fact, like the characters in the story, I suspected everyone! And the kitten with guard dog instincts was lovely! Very good.

Ryan says

I bought this book solely because of its free status in Bookbub.. I was not enthused, but I already paid for book 2. I liked the character, even though I have serious questions about renting a house on a part time bakers salary in a resort town , not to mention all those "in resort" adventures she takes advantage of. But it could develop well as the author gains some experience so I am going to continue to read.

linda says

If you are looking to a easy quick read and you like a mystery then this book is for you. It's another 'who dun it' book by a couple of newly formed friends rather than the police side of the investigation. The details of the scenery and the tourist activities that are available in this small town are outstanding, it's makes you want to believe that it is somewhere to go on holiday but without the murders of course.

Maureen Hetzel says

A pleasant read but uncomplicated and rather stock characters. I prefer more complicated plots, less repetition and more intriguing characters populating the story.

Denise Sparks says**An Easy Quick Read**

Mixing blooming relationships and murder can be a satisfying read. The scenery is enjoyable for those with good imaginations of who have been to a year round ski/swim, fun resort. A simple believable story made a relaxing read.

