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Embattled former detective Clint Wolf is the newly appointed police chief for Merchant Loup, a small swampy town in southeast Louisiana. Usually a quiet town, the tranquility of the place is shattered when a human arm is found in the jowls of an alligator. Once it's determined the arm belongs to a reputable business owner, the race is on to find the man and figure out what happened to him. Little does Clint know that solving the case could unearth a plot so evil it would go down as the worst event in Louisiana history . . . and he might not live to see it.

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Kelly says

I received this audiobook in return for an honest review. I quite enjoyed the book. J Scott Bennett is a good narrator who I have listened to numerous times.

This book is obviously one of several in a series and I think that could be its only sticking point. The story ends on a cliffhanger, actually two cliffhangers in the overall book.

The plot of this book was interesting and well thought out, definitely kept you guessing until the very end. People are being killed by someone with a crossbow and arrows. Clint and his team have to find out who and why, and who might still be in danger, before the killer strikes again.

Interwoven throughout is several subplots, which is a cause for the cliffhangers. Clint is trying to move on with his life with a new girlfriend after his wife and daughter were murdered. One of his officers is being tried for use of excessive force; so both of those subplots are quite evident in the story.

I puzzled over some of the police procedurals used in the story ... the police themselves processing the crime scenes rather than having crime scene technicians process the scenes, but concluded that due to the fact that the story is set in a small town, can overlook that.

Overall, quite enjoyable, and definitely kept me guessing and listening to find out who was the killer.

Jeff says

There's several things about this story that don't quite add up. It's obviously contrived to conform to a formula for a modern detective novel. It does this well, though, and the mystery is quite suspenseful.

Clint, Susan and Chloe are compelling characters that make this story more than just a trite mystery. I look forward to following these characters in this series.

J. Scott Bennett's performance is quite satisfactory. His character voices are distinctive and his pacing is appropriate.

NOTE: I was given this free review copy audiobook at my request and have voluntarily left this review.

Wendy says

I picked up this book knowing that it was the first part of a three part series and I'm so happy that I did. Great writing and a really great mystery. The first part really sets the pace for the second and third parts. I can't wait to see what happens next.

Latasha says

** I received this audiobook in exchange for a honest review**

The narrator and recording both were good, no problems with either.

ok, I usually don't read mysteries like this but thought this one sounded good. I thought it was just ok. To me, Clint seemed extremely unrealistic BUT! to be fair, I was in an grumpy mood. He sure goes through a lot to only be 30. The story started out like Jaws but with gators & a swamp. I thought that was how the book was going but it doesn't. The story is interesting and kept me engaged but I don't think I will continue this story, it just wasn't my cup of tea.

Ddkmc95 says

Clint is the new sheriff in a small LA town. Two years ago he his wife and daughter during an armed robbery at a restaurant. His 2nd day on the job and he's on the bayou responding to a crocodile attack...that turns out to be quite an adventure! Then a crocodile is killed and an arm is discovered in its stomach...now the hunt is on for the missing man. Throw in a sweet reporter, who seems to care for Clint, former sheriff with a grudge, someone taking potshots, literally...and there isn't a dull moment. Clint is also using alcohol to treat his PTSD. The murder of a high government official casts suspicion on Clint and the suspense really ramps up...you'll never guess the mastermind behind it all. Truly an excellent book.

I received a complimentary copy of this book in exchange for an unbiased review.

Rabid Reader says

This is a great story of a newly appointed police chief with a heart wrenching past. His first day on the job is fraught with difficulty and you are quickly pulled into both his life and the story. Set in a backwater town, this story gives you the feel of the bayou, with three dimensional characters that have flaws, strengths and humour. The narrators smooth voice fits the story perfectly. He gives the characters individual voices and makes you feel the emotions of the characters. The story has romance, intrigue, mystery and great twists. It leaves you wanting to see where his life will lead and to hear more of the great bayou characters.

L.K. Owen says

Loved every word!

Clint wolf's life changed forever two years ago after horrific circumstances. Trying to rebuild his life, he takes a new job as police chief of a small parish. On his first day his opening case is to hunt an alligator, who has taken a dog. The things he discovers that day lead him down a path of deceit and murder.

This is not a genre I usually read and it's the first time reading anything by this author. But I found I enjoyed this book immensely. B.J Bourg had me laughing out loud and then gasping, and that was in chapter one. This author has a real talent for keeping me gripped and wanting to know what was going to happen next. Just when I thought I had figured it out I found out I was wrong. There are so many twists and turns but the plot was not hard to follow. Clint was a great character and I really felt for him. I also really like Susan and I

hope to see more from her. The ending had me gasping again and I was completely shocked by the events. It was left on a cliff-hanger so I will be waiting impatiently for the next instalment. I highly recommend this book and will be reading more by this author in the future.

BookLoversLife says

Two years ago, Clint Wolf's life changed forever. Now, all he wants is a quiet and easy life, so he takes a job in a backwater place expecting nothing more than speeding tickets! But life isn't all roses and Clint's first taste of the job is facing off against an alligator. From then on it's a dark and twisted road of murder and deceit, with Clint trying to figure out what is going on before it's too late.

I thoroughly enjoyed this book!! The plot was intriguing and had a lot of twists and turns and I couldn't figure out who was the killer, or what exactly was going on till near the end! Poor Clint just wanted a quiet life but this little town isn't going to give him that!! The characters were all well written and developed too. Clint is a deeply flawed character. His life changed forever two years ago and it's put a permanent stain on his thoughts, so much so that he needs alcohol to sleep. Despite this, he is willing to do what is needed to get to the bottom of the killings, no matter whose toes he has to step on!

In all, this was a great read. The only real negative I have about it was the romance that seems to be building. I felt like it is was the wrong character for Clint, but hopefully he will realise that before book 2!

J. Scott Bennett definitely knows how to perform a book like this! He gives each character their own personality and knows how to make them stand out. He also does great with the female characters and makes it so easy to follow who is talking at any given time.

I was given this free audiobook at my request and have voluntarily left this review. This in no way affected nor influenced my thoughts.

Lidia says

This is my review of the audio version of the book as posted on Audible:

It's one of those suspense / crime novels that keeps you glued to the pages late at night... It starts with a horrible incident, an unimaginable tragedy which leaves Clint Wolf scarred for life and then goes on a rollercoaster of at first seemingly unexplained and illogical events, with lots of red herrings on the way, to end with a big boom when we finally get to know the solution to all this plotting and machinations. Then it all becomes clear and we wonder why we didn't see it coming...:)

The characters are very well drawn with just a few sentences, their personalities are diverse and definitely not white and black - there are a lot of grays in all of them. We can even understand to some extent why the villains are the villains and feel, well, unwilling compassion for them...

The interpretation of the book is really good - Mr Bennett does equally well both male and female voices, and the pace of his reading is just right.

It is a definite must for all crime/suspense/mystery lovers.

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Scott Bennett says

Such a wonderful book. I have the great privilege to also be narrating the audiobook version of it and thoroughly enjoying myself. Can't wait to make it available to all.

Cheryl says

An offended heart is the breeding ground of deception. - John Bevere

Clint Wolf went through a nightmarish time two years ago. He's just starting to get his feet back under him when he's talked into taking the job of Chief of Police in the small town of Merchant Loup, Louisiana. And his first job there has him tumbling a*s over alligators - literally.

He finds that there are secret meetings going on, people getting killed, and he's starting to think there's a big conspiracy going on behind-the-scenes. Wolf finds out that Merchant Loup isn't the quiet little backwater town he expected.

Great imagery, bigger than life characters, and true sounding law enforcement scenes made this a romp of a read. It was fast moving and kept me guessing up to the very end. It stopped on quite a cliffhanger so I'm already looking forward to the next tale in this exciting series.

NOTE: I received this book from the author in exchange for my honest review.

Norma says

(Format : Audiobook)

"What happened to your face?"

The first day as Chief of Police in the backwater Louisiana town of Merchant Loup wasn't as quiet as Clint Wolf had expected - an oversized alligator had taken a large dog and had to be hunted down. It does not go well and Clint spends the night in a tree, cold, miserable and covered in mosquito bites. Welcome to the new job. Things are going to get far worse.

This superbly written story sucks the reader in like the river mud of the bayou. The characters, especially Wolf himself and his small police team, are completely three dimensional, with realistic dialogue and interaction. The feel of the surrounding land just oozes from the pages. And the story is pretty good, too, with fights and confrontation, murder and conspiracy, jealousy and hatred, crocodiles and a dog called Achilles. Oh, and just a twist of romance. Add in the (always) superb narration of J.Scott Bennett whose deliciously softly accented voice perfectly fits the subject as well as bringing all the other protagonists vocally alive, and this book is as near detection as it can get. O.K. perhaps one or two tiny flaws, but way too

small to matter.

This is not a slick, poster comic detective; Clint Wolf is a fully rounded, if flawed and troubled man trying slowly to regain his life. But he has kindness, loyalty, strength and a good sense of humour. He'll need all of those to get him through his first few days as Police Chief in swampy Merchant Loup.

Highly recommended.

Leslie Fisher says

I picked up this audiobook because I always enjoy a good mystery, and I really like the narrator, J. Scott Bennett. As always, his narration was great - I've never been disappointed by anything he's done. He does a great range of voices, really bringing the characters to life. And the book itself was great. I thought it was a really well-thought-out story that keeps the reader engaged throughout. This is the first book in a trilogy, and I'm already looking forward to the next book.

Boundless Book Reviews says

I liked Clint Wolf, the main character; he's so cool, calm, and mysterious. I appreciated the way the story unfolds; once readers understand one mystery, another twist gives us a new one. I made a lot of predictions throughout the story but was wrong every time. I love that.

This book also reminded me of Longmire, the Netflix series. It took a little bit to get into the book, but once I did, I had to finish it. I highly recommend But Not Forgotten.

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Lisa Harris says

I really love this series and the narrator sounds just like I imagine Clint Wolf would sound if he was a real live person. This book did not disappoint. It has 2 things going on with it. First why is the DA gunning for Suzanne, and secondly an archery killer ! Think you know who the killer is? Guess again. I was surprised when I finally worked out whom it was. I love the small town aspect of these stories having grown up in the country so it really connects me further. A good author and a good narrator equals a cozy book to crawl into. Suzanne plays a bigger role in this story and it's not what you think it is. That was a twist and a surprise for me. Gonna start book 3, yay I'm excited. I was given this free review copy audiobook at my request and have voluntarily left this review. Oh, this is not a cozy mystery in that it's fun to read; it's real life realism. It's got some violence that is very tolerable and a lot of mystery.
