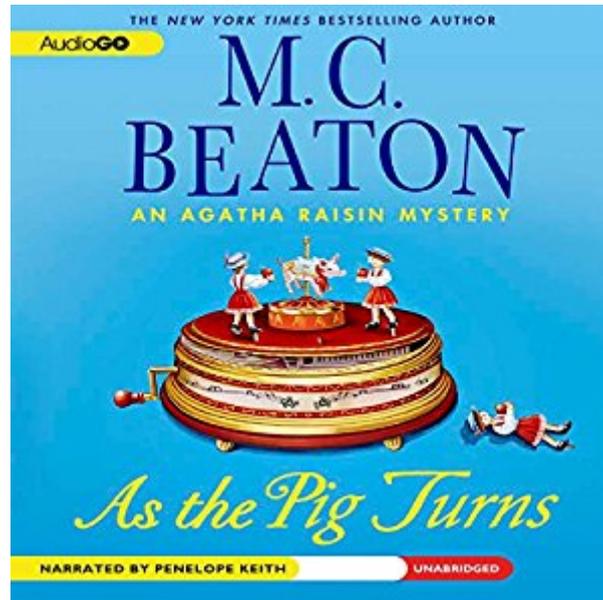


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As The Pig Turns



Synopsis

The picturesque Cotswold village of Winter Parva has decided to warm the post-Christmas season by roasting a pig in the town square. Agatha, always one for a good roasting, organizes an outing to enjoy the merriment. But as the rotary spit is placed over a bed of fiery charcoals and the pig is carried toward its final resting place, Agatha realizes that things are not as they seem... "Stop!" she screams suddenly. The "pig," in fact, is Gary Beech, a policeman not exactly beloved by the good people of the village. Although Agatha has every intention of leaving matters to the police, everything changes when Gary's ex-wife hires Agatha's detective agency to investigate - and then is murdered too. With that provocation, how could any sleuth as vain and competitive (and secretly insecure) as Agatha do anything other than solve the case herself?

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Customer Reviews

Seems like an attempt to mimic Agatha Christie while adding a touch of humor. Unfortunately I found nothing even remotely interesting about this book; the only humor I found was in the attempt for it. Maybe some of the author's other books are better but instead of trying one, I'd probably opt to re-read one of Dame Agatha's originals.

Agatha seems in over her head in this one, beginning with a grizzly murder that would put the fright into any one. Her friends are not safe either, as first Roy, then Simon, then Toni are attacked. She's up against a cold opponent, and no one is safe until she cracks the case.

Not as good as usual. Of course I read several of the books in the series, so maybe I had "Agatha fatigue".

Excellent plot with twists and turns about a very unusual murder. Characters, especially Agatha Raisin are very well developed.

M.C. Beaton, whom I follow avidly, lost me early in the book because I cannot believe that a human corpse could ever be mistaken for that of a pig. I am sorry to have found a book of hers that is so unconvincing. WJW

This is the 22nd book in the delightful Agatha Raisin series about a woman who lives in the Cotswolds and now runs a detective agency. Agatha finds herself investigating the murder of a police officer in the village of Winter Parva. Agatha discovers that part of his body was the "pig" used in the pig roast on the village green. She is hired by his ex-wife to investigate the murder. The police officer, Gary Beech, was not popular with the locals or Agatha. He liked to write tickets even when there was no valid reason. I've always looked forward to the next book in what has been an exceptional British cozy series. This book was a disappointment. It wasn't bad, but it wasn't up to the standards of the others in the series. Previous books were written with a certain amount of humor, but this one provided merely a giggle. The character of Agatha is still uniquely delightful.

Fun to read

Very good balance of suspense, intrigue and comedy. Some A R stories are annoying but this one is very entertaining and well paced, not getting hung up on any element that would get to the point of annoyance. I enjoyed the discipline Agatha has found to keep herself from obsessing over certain men, and tamp down her tendency to meddle in others lives. Her inner dialogue regarding all this is refreshing to hear. I wholeheartedly recommend this one, as a thoroughly enjoyable experience, worthy of your time.

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