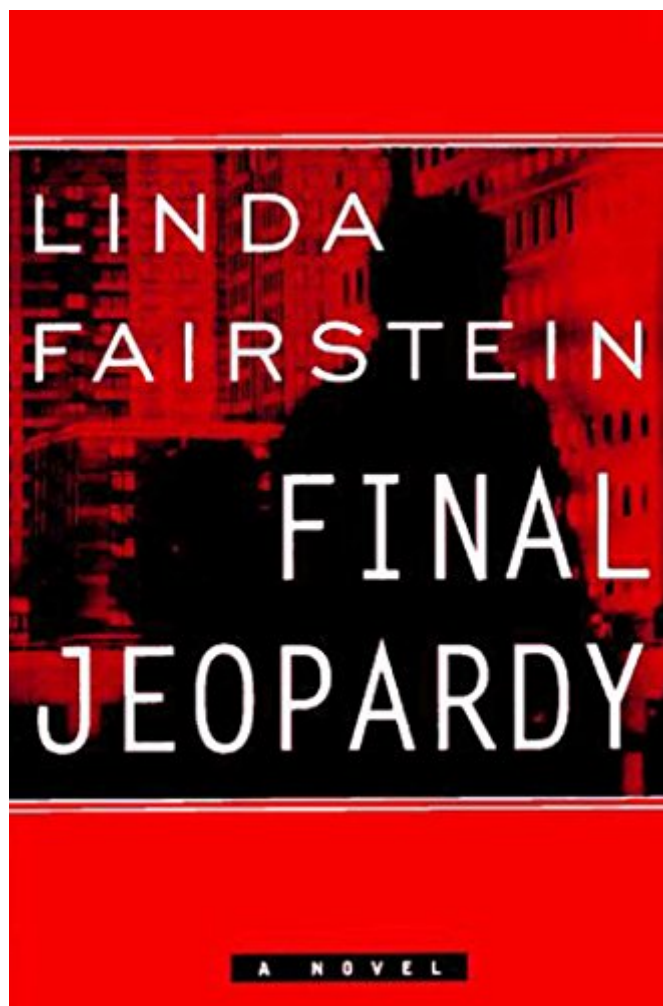


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Synopsis

This critically acclaimed, explosive thriller is a book only prosecutor Linda Fairstein could write. Patricia Cornwall knows the morgue; John Grisham knows the courtroom; but no one knows the inner workings of the D.A.'s office like Linda Fairstein, renowned for two decades as head of Manhattan Sex Crimes Unit. Now that world comes vividly to life in a brilliant debut novel of shocking realism, powerful insight, and searing suspense. Alexandra Cooper, Manhattan's top sex crimes prosecutor, awakens one morning to shocking news: a tabloid headline announcing her own brutal murder. But the actual victim was Isabella Lascar, the Hollywood film star who sought refuge at Alex's Martha's Vineyard retreat. Was Isabella targeted by a stalker or -- mistaken for Alex -- was she in the wrong place at the wrong time? In an investigation that twists from the back alleys of lower Manhattan to the chic salons of the Upper East Side. Alex knows she's in final jeopardy...and time is running out. She has to get into the killer's head before the killer gets to her.

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Customer Reviews

Thought I'd give this author a try after hearing her speak on a morning show...BIG disappointment for me. Found it, as usual, filled with predictable characters, run of the mill, wordy, ridiculous and downright unbelievable, gibberish. The female character is more interested in telling the reader the designer of each and every piece of clothing she is wearing (the costume changes are numerous and boring) and how she is able to luxuriate in the rich and famous lifestyle, whilst being incredibly committed to being a public prosecutor of sexual crimes. Seriously??? Not even a 'fun' read in my estimation. When I find myself skimming two or three pages - to pick back up on the storyline, I know I have wasted my money and time. Probably the last book I will buy by a female author, because I have not found one yet that doesn't disappoint. (except for Janet Evanovich) two or three years ago with one of her quirky series that were AT LEAST fun to read.

I found a later book in this series in a library, and enjoyed it so much that I've started on the entire series. The details in Fairstein's books seem to be very accurate (at least to a layman in the investigative and prosecution fields), and the characters are well-developed and engaging. As has been noted by other reviewers, the ebook version contains a number of typos, mostly typical of books that are converted from print to ebook by OCR with little or no proofreading (for example, the name of one character, "Jed," often appears as "led"). This book was copyrighted in 1996 so this is likely what happened, but if a book is good enough to republish as an ebook and sell for more than a nominal price, it should be worth proofreading, and an author who has pride in his or her work should insist on it! (I have started reading *Likely to Die*, second in the series, and so far it seems to have been proofread much better.) Some readers may be troubled by the sex-crime aspect of the plots, based on Fairstein's actual experiences with the Manhattan DA's office, but this is well worth a read by anyone else who enjoys technically-accurate mysteries.

This book gives great information on the workings of the New York prosecutors and the law enforcement officials they work with. Alex Cooper, however, is a little more difficult to relate to. Because she is rich and beautiful, I would have found her more appealing if she had struggled a little more, in some aspect of her life. The plotting, though, is really good and the ancillary characters are well drawn. I will continue to read the books in this series.

I thought the book was very well put together and the ending was extremely well crafted. My only hang up was the many times that words were misspelled, especially the name of a principal character, (Jed was very frequently spelled Led). Overall, I liked the book and intend to read others

by this author.

Excellent fictional novel. Killer was not exposed until the end. Suspenseful, funny at times and one of those books that you don't want to put down.

I liked the book and would read more of her books but was a little annoyed that I found some typo's. One character's name is Jed and several times the book had it as led. I read it on my Kindle, I don't know if that's why maybe the hard cover book didn't have those. Anyway for the most part it was good, kept my interest and had a bit of a surprise ending.

It was good enough to hold my interest, however, I could not understand why the NYPD was involved in a murder investigation that occurred on Martha's Vineyard. Perhaps because the crime somewhat involved a NYC assistant district attorney. Just didn't seem realistic.

it was okay, Don know if I should read the second one right now. Maybe i will give it other try and read the second one at a later time.

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