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Family secrets and hidden lives come to haunt Madison Castelli, the sexy, vivacious, and talented writer last seen in Jackie Collins's *Lethal Seduction*. As she digs into her father's past, trying to resolve the mystery that surrounds her mother's death many years before, Madison finds herself falling into a vortex of lust, greed, and deception, as eventually her quest of discovery turns into a race for her life. Fast-paced, sexy, and full of the glamour that pervades Jackie Collins's novels, *Deadly Embrace* is sure to please her fans and earn her many more.

## **Deadly Embrace Details**

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# From Reader Review *Deadly Embrace* for online ebook

## Jennifer Susan Antony says

I bought this book nearly few year ago but prolong reading it, mainly because the font size that was used, way too small. Just thought of reading it week ago, and once I started it kept me hooked, managed to finish reading it within three days' time. The few chapter was kind of confusing because it had many character and I can't remember who is who. But the more I read, I was manage to connect all of them together as they revolves around the same main character. Full of suspense and thriller. I just loved all the character and the storyline is amazingly written.

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## Donna says

Basically, this is the story of Michael Castelli's life, along with his parents and his children as some of the main characters too. We learn of his loves and the lives of his three children Madison, Vincent, and Sofia. The story tells in several different points of view and from 1945 to current times. Parts of the story occur in Los Angeles, Las Vegas, New York and Spain. I particularly liked the parts in Las Vegas. Having a large group of main characters means non-stop action and author Jackie Collins kept me intrigued throughout the entire book.

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## Carrie Kellenberger says

Family secrets and revenge can rip a family apart, especially when it's a secret involving murder. When Michael Castelli is charged with murder for the second time, his family comes together to rally behind him. Collins spins a story that whirls us through the lives of a number of different characters spread out through New York, California and Nevada. We learn about each character from a slightly different perspective and by the end of the story, they have all been connected with one another.

The story starts in the present day with a beautiful and brilliant journalist named Madison Castelli being held captive in a coffee shop when three armed robbers take the shop by force. Madison does her best to keep the situation from spinning out of control, but it soon becomes clear that the robbery has something to do with her past. As the situation turns from bad to volatile, we start learning about the other people in Madison's life. Madison's father, Michael, is a primary character in the novel, and the story of his life and how Madison's mother is murdered is eventually revealed. We also learn about Michael's 'other' family and how they come to play a role in Madison's already confusing life.

A masterful storyteller, Jackie Collins can always be counted on to deliver a fast-paced and action packed story that always involves sex, lust and scandal. I've read better books by Collins, which is why I'm only giving *Deadly Embrace* three stars. I found all the storylines a little confusing and I would've liked to see her spend a bit more time on certain characters. With that said, *Deadly Embrace* is a relaxing read that is sure to keep you entertained.

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### **Stacy says**

Wow. I'm not sure where to start. So I liked this book to start with. I wasn't sure what to expect but it had some interesting characters, some interesting plot lines and I was enjoying it for the trash candy that it is. Then things started to go downhill. In the present day chapters there was just too much going on. There were too many different plot lines and they got way too dramatic with too much gratuitous sex and I just was losing interest. There were some seriously problematic and unhealthy relationships in this book. Seriously. I wanted to like Michael but at the same time he strung Dani along for over 30 years and I don't know why she waited for him and just forgave him for everything. And Dean who was supposed to be the "nice" guy was a possessive asshole. At one point he tells her if she doesn't put out he's going to lose interest so she feels obligated to sleep with him. Seriously? Then the end was just a mess. Everything wraps up way too quickly and there are some things that were never really fully seen through that I was very confused about. Probably my first and last Jackie Collins.

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### **Marlene Lim says**

Umm.....why does everyone have to be described as extremely beautiful/sexy/handsome...?

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### **Ruby Hernandez says**

Oh.my.god. This book was the first Jackie Collins book I ever read and I got a great impression. You would think in the begining its just about as girl whose going through a terrifying situation, but little did we know there was more to it than that. It goes into depth not sparing a single detail. Everything from her father and his life, the killers, the villians, everything. A must read I tell you.

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### **Nicole says**

This was about 4.5 to 5 stars. I don't know if it's just because I've been pretty sick today while reading it. It seemed like a slower read compared to her other books that I've read. Again can't tell if it's because of the book or because I'm sick. Overall I did enjoy it just like any of Jackie's other novels.

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### **Supratim Dhar says**

Good book, nice, fast reading and obviously relaxing. The only thing was Emily. That part stayed mysterious. The part where Madison was included could have been shorter. It was unnecessarily lengthy and the end was a little shaky. But overall it's a good read for a relaxing weekend.

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### **Cheryl says**

I finished my last book earlier than expected. This book was at work, so I started reading it. I have to laugh because I have never read a Jackie Collins book before but I have read a few chapters and the plot is as I expected. We'll see.

An adequate book to read but all too predictable outcomes.

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### **Brooklyn Tayla says**

What a book! Jackie Collins never disappoints! It feels like ages since I read "Lethal Seduction", the book before this - but when I picked up this book it didn't feel like I'd been away from these characters. I recommend this book to anyone, even if they haven't read "Lethal Seduction." This follow up is a roller coaster of page turning glamour, sex, action and shock. The ending was sudden but perfect :)

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### **Mercedes Lomeli says**

Deadly Embrace is a thrilling suspenseful book. Madison Castelli is the main character, a strong will beautiful journalist for Madhattan Style, in the book she goes through a robbery conflict at a local coffee shop with two of her friends. There are about three gun men holding up the coffee shop and threatening to kill everyone inside, Madison as the strong will person she is, tries to keep everyone calm and try to her best ability to get the gun men what they want so they will leave. While this is all happening there are flashbacks to Madisons dad ,Michael, life when he was growing up, to showcase how he is the man he is and to reveal the long events leading up to Madisons "Mom" murder, of which Michael is being accused of. Not only dos the book show Michaels history but also his mistresses past as well. Dani is a girl Michael met on his job in Las Vegas, he instantly felt an attraction to her along with an overwhelming amount of feelings. He tried his hardest to get at her and, he did, that one faithful night with her ended in love forming. Michael had to leave as soon as possible but he delayed it for Dani, the delay didn't suit his boss, the high power mafia man Giovanni. So on his return he was told that he may never do a job in Las Vegas because of that delay. Dani never heard from Michael since then and she had a resentment for that...also she became pregnant.

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### **Tiana says**

The book The Deadly Embrace is about a lady who finds out the most appalling story about her father. The setting starts off in New York then shifts to California, and then Nevada, and Madison Castelli is the main character. Madison's father has been accused for two murderous crimes and he has vanished, out to kill more, to get revenge on his worst enemies. Meanwhile everything else is in a disaster in Madison's life, he boyfriend is missing, her step-mom friend gets shot and Madison is going crazy. Madison's biggest external conflict is being affected by all of this stress, with her work, etc. Madison's biggest internal conflict thinking about staying in L.A. with her best friend Natalie and forget all about helping her father, or got to Las Vegas to stop her father.

During this book I made a text-to-text connection. Madison's Father's past remind me of a book called I'll Be Seeing You by Mary Higgins Clark. Just like Madison, Meghan is trying to find her father, and to see if he really did murder someone. In both text, both characters learn about their parents past.

I'd rate this book five stars. It was very suspenseful, action packed. I liked how I always kept me reading. I'd

recommend this book to people that love suspense and action together.

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### **Anne Marie says**

This is another Jackie Collins book that I really enjoyed. I liked how we got to know the characters in the present and the past, with everything coming together in the end. This book again had a little bit of everything that made it hard to put down... Suspense, romance, murder, and the story of a family with their complications.

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### **Noelle says**

I love Jackie Collins books oh so much. They're always fun to read and you get easily hooked. Her character development is perfect. This book didn't end the greatest (seemed a tad rushed); BUT, I still really enjoyed it.

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### **Rasool Sarang says**

A very interesting novel indeed; full of suspense and drama. I liked Michael's character very much. However, I do not agree with Jackie Collins the way Pakistan has been portrayed: "Marnie had plans for Madison. As soon as Serge, her guard, alerted her that Madison was on the premises, the girl would be drugged, and tomorrow she'd be shipped off to a brothel in Pakistan. They paid top dollar for white girls".

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### **Shawn Byrnes says**

This book serves as both a prequel and a sequel to Lethal Seduction. Having read Lethal before hand, I had huge expectations for this book. However, this book only delivered half of what I expected. Notice the word prequel. This book is way more of a prequel then a sequel. However, the way this book is written really kept me guessing as to what was going to happen next.

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### **pruann says**

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### **Sabrina Bellesbach says**

Well that was interesting. But if Dani would of gone through with that little decision at the end there. 0 stars. A 0 star rating, you hear me :). Because honestly, goodreads, there should be that option. Anyway, it didn't go down that way, Go Micheal riding in on your white stallion at the right time for once, so I'm happy but Vincent should divorced Jenna if you ask me, and big thumbs up to him not sleeping with his best friends wife,Jolie ,even though that's where they were head.

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### **Rosie says**

I am a huge fan of Jackie Collins so I knew before I even picked up this book that I would love it. I love how she writes from different perspectives yet they all connect by the end of the book. The story line was also gripping and humorous, it is also a quick read. I highly recommend this book I loved it.

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### **Christine D says**

I read almost one hundred pages of this book. I enjoyed her writing style and the story and characters were being well developed so I understand the appeal of Jackie Collins and can appreciate her as an author. But, this book wasn't really for me and I had other things to read so I was okay returning it to the library unfinished. Maybe I'll try another one of her books later.

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