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Couper, Washington, nestled on the banks of the Columbia River, is a lovely place to visit, but living there can be killer.

When Matty Cruz's career ends prematurely due to hard economic times, she pulls up stakes and relocates to the tree-filled Pacific Northwest. She's hoping the natural beauty there will lift her spirits. But soon she discovers that her impulsive move lands her in a city with one of the highest violent-crime rates in the region.

Astray in Couper introduces you to this cozy mystery series with a criminal edge, but the story is told with a dash of humor and fun. If you like a smart, brave heroine who must quickly reinvent herself—or else, quirky, colorful characters, and dark villains, you'll love R. Marquez's slightly skewed version of the Pacific Northwest.

Buy Astray in Couper today, and get a taste of how Matty learns to survive a city that too many psychopaths love to call home.

Astray in Couper Details

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From Reader Review Astray in Couper for online ebook

Robin Resch says

Wasn't bad. Ok plot.

J M Banicki says

Just ok

Good story but not well developed. Dog is center of story, not mystery. Needs to be completed. Good first draft. Talented writer.

Allison Kohn says

A good mystery

This is a thrilling mystery and a bit of a character study to boot. I will gladly recommend it to all mystery lovers.

Rebecca says

Overly short. Murder but no mystery. Liked MC okay but disappointed by book. Author probably intended teaser to series but just left me disappointed that I wasted my time instead.

Theresa Sivelle says

I liked this one. It is set in a town in the Pacific Northwest, which is where I live so I loved that part. I also liked the main character. I could see myself in her position. I've already got the 2nd one on my kindle. Looking forward to getting to know Matty a little better.

Paula says

Would read another by this author

Elaine says

A woman decides to buy a house in the town of Couper, in the state of Washington. She had taken care of her mother until she died but in doing so had to give up her career. Her new home in the town proved to bring with it a surprise...a stray dog wanders into her life. Along with it a hidden mystery regarding a neighborhood woman who died when her home caught fire.

Enjoyable captivating read with twists to keep the reader interested.

Stephanie Collie says

Good thing I didn't pay for this. This is more like a story you might find in a mystery magazine. Good story, just short.

Sally says

This is more like a short story. I read it on my kindle, so maybe that's why they included the first chapter of the book that follows it in the series at the very end of the book. I hate it when they do that.

Anyway, this wasn't my favorite mystery I've ever read. I kept thinking I missed some details somewhere, and it seemed to hop right over the climax. I will not be reading the next story in this series. This one didn't hold my interest well.

Mary Mullane says

This was a quick read. It begins with the crime. Best part of the story was the little dog. I got this in a boxed set of 3 novels, so now I'll begin reading Killer in Couper for more Mattie Cruz adventures.

Nola Arganbright says

A new sleuth in the neighborhood.

I enjoyed the first book in this new series. Matty is new in Couper and is all alone until a homeless little dog chooses her after losing its owner in a suspicious fire.

I am looking forward to more adventures from Mattie and her new housemate.

Sandra Olson says

Cute story

Although only a novella, this was a good story. I like Matty and want to read more about this character. Unique mystery

Mary says

Spoiler Alert

Astray in Couper was a nice short shorty. A newcomer to the Pacific Northwest, Matty Cruz has chosen to retire in Couper, Washington. Her neighbors are not so welcoming to outsiders, and they show their disapproval at every opportunity provided. One day, Matty returns home from grocery shopping to find a stray dog on her front porch. The dog, it turns out, belongs to Agnes Whitshaw, who had been a victim of arson. Agnes died in that fire, but not before she had managed to get her dog out of the home. While Matty Cruz spends her time trying to find the identity of who owns the dog, but also the dog's name, she comes across Agnes' two daughters who absolutely detest their mother. It turns out that Agnes had stored a key to her safety deposit box in the dog's collar, and after a few turn of events, the daughters are charged with murder and arson. An easy, short read.

Liz Terek says

Matty Cruz is an unlikely heroine. She never intended to be one. Perhaps that's her appeal. Her back story of losing her job and all she knew just makes her more endearing to readers. The dog in the story has to be considered a character, too. I loved the various names that Matty calls her before she discovers its real name. I have to admit that I'd have probably done the same thing.

I can also see myself abruptly uprooting and moving into a town I know nothing about just because it's pretty. I can't fault her there, either. Needless to say, I related to Matty!

The plot was quite original and for a cozy mystery, there's a great story packed into the pages. I enjoyed it and would definitely keep going with her adventures. I give it 4 stars.

Ann says

Short mystery -- first in a series. Definitely holds promise . . . well written though I will look forward, in future volumes, to a bit more character development and interaction.
