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Morgan Dane's new client has blood on her hands—and no recollection of what happened—as the #1 Amazon Charts bestselling series continues.

Haley Powell wakes up covered in blood, with no memory of the night before. When she sees a man lying in the backyard, stabbed to death, she has only one terrified thought: *What have I done?*

Agreeing to take the case as a favor to her PI friend Lincoln Sharp, Morgan must scale a mountain of damning circumstantial and forensic evidence to prove her client innocent. Haley couldn't appear more guilty: her bloodstained fingerprints are on the murder weapon, and she has no alibi. But Morgan can't shake the feeling that this shocked young woman has been framed.

Someone out there is hell-bent on sabotaging her defense, targeting Morgan, her partner, and especially Haley. Someone who will stop at nothing—and whose next move will be deadly.

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Angela says

Move over Slaughter, Jackson, and Castillo, for Melinda Leigh just moved to one of my favorite suspense writers who also flirts with a little romance.

This was my first book by the author, so thanks goes out to Netgalley for the advanced copy.

This is book four in the Morgan Dane series, so at first, I was slightly concerned about jumping in so far into the series. However, after the first twenty-five pages or so, the characters are outlined well, and it is easy to follow.

The love affair between Lance and Morgan heats up, and I'm curious to see if a certain reporter can snag the old, grouchy Sharp in future books.

I can't say much about Eliza and Haley, for I'm not sure their parts in other novels. But, in this one, they added deeply to the plot. And, as a mother, I felt Eliza's determination and helplessness of the situation. Even without knowing their full history, the two were emotionally invested in the plot and the emotions of the reader are raw and addicted.

The plot had several twists and turns, and I didn't suspect the killer(s) until the end. But, my realization seemed at the appropriate time, for it left some time in the novel for the author to tidy things up....but, not to neuter with all the characters.

I have already requested book one in the series, *Say You're Sorry*, from the library. I want to go back and experience the history that leads up to this spectacular mystery!

Anita says

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Absolutely, totally fantastic. Taunt, edge of your seat suspense with a plot that has you going in all the wrong directions. "What I've Done" is all I could ever want in a mystery-suspense, and then some. I love Melinda Leigh. I've not read a bad book by her and they just keep getting better and better. This book can be read as a standalone, but the whole series and especially this book has my highest recommendation.

When Haley wakes up, disoriented, sick, naked and covered in blood, she soon discovers the body of a man she knows and liked. "What have I done?" Since Haley has no memory, only flashes, of the night before, could she have killed Noah? Haley is the child of Lincoln Sharp's partner who was killed in the line of duty 25 years ago. Morgan Dane takes the case and she and Lance Kruger set out to build a defense in a case that looks really, really bad for their client

With Morgan and Lance gathering information and developing an alternative theory of the murder the real killer is on a rampage to stop them and the only thing that will stop this murderer is eternity in the fires of

Hell.

??Trea says

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I've been reading the Morgan Dane books for a while now, and I've enjoyed every one of them. They just keep building on one another and getting better and better with each installment. This one though, has to be my favorite to date, it was that good!

The biggest complaint I have was with the client in the beginning of the book. I couldn't figure out what he had to do with the overall story, and wound up classifying him as a red herring. That didn't mar my enjoyment of the book, however! The case was very interesting, and had lots of twists and turns in it. I loved the bits of romance thrown in as well! It was the perfect thing to read after finishing the latest *In Death* novel, which left me craving more!

I highly recommend this series!

Carrie says

What I've Done by Melinda Leigh is the fourth installment of the thrilling romantic suspense Morgan Dane series. Each book in the series features a new case to solve so they could be read as standalone novels if choosing to do so. However, there is character development that carries over book to book so it's always best to read the series as a whole. This series is also a spin off of another of the author's but I have not read the first and never noticed anything missing from these novels or felt as if I had missed anything.

Morgan Dane is the lead character in the series, a mother of three that had returned to her home town after the loss of her husband. Morgan was a former prosecutor but she is now on the other side of the courtroom taking on cases as a defense attorney. With every new case Morgan works with her former high school boyfriend turned P.I., Lance Kruger.

Morgan's new case comes to her via Lance's P.I. partner, Lincoln Sharp. Years ago Sharp's partner was killed in the line of duty and now his widow seeks him out to help her daughter who had been accused of murder. Haley had awakened in a strange house with no memory of the night before covered in blood. She finds the man she had been flirting with at the bar stabbed multiple time and thinks what did I do??

Having followed this series from the beginning I've become a huge fan of these characters and the cases they take on. Morgan is a tough as nails lead who is backed by her P.I. partners who are also very likable. The romance has been a slow build in the background of some intense cases with plenty of action in the investigations. There's just the right amount of questioning suspects, following clues and forensics to give it a realistic feel with some great twists and turns along the way. Definitely recommend checking out the entire series.

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Melanie says

What I've Done was a fantastic read with an intriguing case for Morgan and Co. to solve and some great development for the characters.

As a favor to her friend Lincoln Sharp, Morgan Dane agrees to take the case of Haley Powell, a woman accused of stabbing a man to death. The case against Haley is solid, she was covered in the victim's blood, her fingerprints are on the murder weapon, and she has no memory of the night of the attack. Despite all of the evidence, Morgan can't help but feel Haley is being framed. As Morgan, Lance, and Lincoln dig into the case it becomes clear someone is determined to stop their investigation at all costs.

Haley's case was an interesting one from the start as you're as much in the dark about what happened as Haley is. It was great learning the details as she did and she was a character that was easy to empathize with. I did guess the direction the case ended up going but there were still plenty of surprises along the way. One of my favorite things about this series is how well the author delivers on the motives behind the crimes. She has a great way of getting you invested in the cases and includes enough twists to keep you guessing.

At the start of the book, Morgan is involved in an incident with a client she was defending from an attempted murder charge. After the incident, Morgan's confidence in herself is shaken and she's left wondering if she made the right choice by changing sides from prosecutor to defense attorney. Due to her doubts, Morgan relies more heavily on Lance in this book as she's physically and mentally not up to doing everything. One of my favorite aspects of Morgan and Lance's relationship is how incredibly supportive he is of her and how much they obviously trust and care about each other. There is some great development in their relationship in this book and I'm excited to see where things go for them.

We learn more about Sharp's past in this book which was great to finally get as we don't know too much about him until this point. I enjoyed learning more about him as it definitely helped me have a better idea of who he is. Lance's mother returns to help with the technological side of the case and I was happy to see her and learn how she was dealing with the events of the last book. Morgan's family makes numerous appearances and I really do love their family dynamic. I particularly enjoy Lance's interactions with Morgan's daughters.

What I've Done is my favorite book of the series so far and I can't wait to see what's in store for these characters in the next book, *Secrets Never Die*, out in March 2019.

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Under the Covers Book Blog says

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When police find Hayley Powell, she's covered in blood and next to the body of a man whose been stabbed to death. She's clearly traumatised and all she keeps repeating is "What have I done?". As a favour for a friend Morgan Dane and Lance Kruger takes on Hayley's defence, but despite the overwhelming evidence something isn't quite right. And, when Morgan and Lance's lives are repeatedly threatened and attempts are made on their lives it makes them even more certain of Hayley's innocence.

Melinda Leigh has yet again done a fabulous job of penning an engaging and fast paced mystery with plenty of twists and turns. But, it isn't just the interesting mystery that keeps you reading it is also the characters that you have grown to know and love over the last 4 books.

What I've Done immediately grabs you attention by starting from Hayley's POV as she wakes up not remembering what happened the night before and realising she is covered in blood. From there the story quickly progresses and you quickly get caught up in the investigation. As Morgan, Lance and Sharp dig up more leads and more possible suspects the story just gets more intriguing and I had many theories about the who and why circling in my mind as I was reading.

However, as I said above, it isn't just the mystery that gets you hooked into this series. The characters of Morgan and Lance, Sharp and Morgan's family also draw you in. The romance between Morgan and Lance, and the father-son type relationship between Lance and Sharp give this book a warmth that shines through even as you delve into a mystery involving rape and murder.

This is another great instalment in the series and I can't wait to see what Leigh has in store next for Morgan and Lance. If you like a good mystery with a hint of romance, then this is the series for you.

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Jacquie says

This book got my attention right from the first page!

A young woman wakes disorientated, naked and covered in blood. Horrified she stumbles down the hall of a strange house and finds a gruesome murder scene in the kitchen. Murky memories leave her wondering if she was a victim, or was it possible she'd committed murder?

Defense lawyer, Morgan Dane has more than enough on her plate right now, including a slight concussion thanks to an ungrateful client, but when friend and P.I Lincoln Sharp asks for her help she can't refuse.

The evidence against Haley Powell was overwhelming and newsworthy, Morgan had no idea how she was going to get her newest client a fair trial, but she had to try. Something inside told her the girl was innocent.

The author adds just the right amount of romance to give quiet moments in between the action that gains momentum like a speeding bullet with every page. There are so many red herrings I could have made soup!

Thanks to Melinda Leigh and NetGalley for the opportunity to read this fast-paced mystery.

I give What I've Done 5 lovely kisses- A Thrilling Read!

Mariya says

Thank you to Netgalley for the early copy of this book.

This is my second book by the author, the first being Say You're Sorry, book #1 of the Morgan Dane series.

I enjoyed What I've Done very much. It kept me on my toes the entire time. It was fast paced, a lot of action, lots of unexpected turns. I love Lance, Sharp and Morgan. They are a great team. Everyone brings something to the table. Lance's mom is a helpful asset to the team. Morgan's family brings the tender and sweet side to the book. There were a few tensed moments where I was scared for the characters. I had to keep reading to find out what happens to everyone.

Morgan and Lance are so good together. I liked how they had loving moments but that did not take over the story.

I will have to go back and read book #2 and #3 in the series. If you love murder solving books, with interesting twists and turns, and a well skilled investigating team, this is a book for you.

Cindy ~ SnS Reviews says

Morgan has a messy case land in her lap in this 4th outing of the series. A person from Lincoln Sharp past begs for his help after her daughter is accused of a viscous murder. He in turn asks Morgan to represent her and she and Lance are in a race against time to prove her innocence even though all evidence points to her guilt. But the deeper they dig into things it becomes obvious that someone doesn't want them proving her innocence and everyone's life is suddenly becomes in danger.

Full of suspense and harrowing moments. Also lots of character development in this one – one from a staple of the series and another from a surprising secondary character. This series gets better with each book. Can't wait to see what's next.

Lou says

'What I've Done' is the fourth novel to feature former prosecutor Morgan Dane by No. 1 Amazon charts bestseller Melinda Leigh. Having thoroughly enjoyed the preceding three books, I decided to go ahead and read a copy of this. I am so glad I did! This series just keeps getting better and better. I didn't think Leigh could possibly outdo herself but she most certainly has. Knowing there are at least another two books to come, I will be keeping an eye out for them that's for sure. I would recommend that you read the previous books before embarking on this one as I don't feel it works particularly well as a standalone, and if you're about to join the series through this book you may be pretty perplexed as you have none of the essential background needed to properly appreciate the novel.

Romantic suspense is not a genre I usually read, so this is one of a few forays I have had and actually enjoyed. I normally read crime thrillers as I don't particularly like romance. This is a riveting, action-packed series, and this book is no exception. In fact, I would go as far as to say that it is very close to having too much happening. There are twists and surprises aplenty, and the focus on forensics, and the slow reveal of clues added an authenticity to the whole story. There is just the right amount of suspects to keep the reader guessing right up until you turn the final pages. One of the most enjoyable aspects is the relationship between Morgan and Private Investigator Lance. They work really well together, and you can see the mutual respect they have for each other emanating from the pages. Morgan, Lance and second P. I. Lincoln Sharp are each likeable and affable characters, so it is easy to connect with them and get behind them in whatever case they are looking to solve. I look forward to seeing how their relationship evolves in the upcoming books. Highly recommended.

Many thanks to Montlake Romance for an ARC. I was not required to post a review, and all thoughts and opinions expressed are my own.

Jennifer says

3.5 stars.

Melinda Leigh's books are like a cup of warm apple cider on a chilly autumn day. I almost always enjoy her books and this one is no different. There's just something about her storytelling that is engaging and compelling; it's easy to read without feeling dumbed down. The mystery itself wasn't totally hard to figure out, but the ending was still somewhat surprising. And my favourite aspect of her stories, the relationships, continued to be beautiful in this installment of the Morgan Dane series. Lance and Morgan are just so adult and honest that I want to weep with how refreshing their relationship is. I'm glad that there are more books coming featuring these two. Keep them coming, Ms. Leigh.

Carla Johnson-Hicks says

In this fourth Morgan Dane romantic thriller, we once again find Morgan and her boyfriend, P.I. Lance, working a case that has a connection to someone they know. The book opens with a young woman, Haley Powell, waking up with blood on her hands and feet, and a blood trail from the bedroom she is sleeping in through the hallway and to a dead body. She remembers nothing that happened after leaving a bar with the victim. We also learn about the death of Lincoln Sharp's partner years earlier when he was a cop. He promised his dying partner that he would take care of his family. Haley, is his daughter.

Morgan was a former prosecutor but she is now on the other side of the courtroom taking on cases as a defense attorney. This book actually has her in court defending a man who has some issues with anger management, much to Morgan's detriment. Morgan is a tough as nails lead who is backed by her P.I. partners who are also very likable. She is also extremely smart, which balances the brawn from the men. The romance between Morgan and Lance has been a slow build over the previous books, kept in the background of some intense cases with plenty of action in the investigations. There's just the right amount of questioning suspects, following clues and forensics to give it a realistic feel with some great twists and turns along the way. With every new case Morgan works with her former high school boyfriend turned P.I., Lance Kruger.

What I've Done by Melinda Leigh is a great addition to the romantic suspenseful Morgan Dane series. Each book in the series features a new case to solve so they could be read as standalone however, there is a lot of character development and background that carries over book to book so I would recommend reading it in order. This is a wonderful series that I have breezed through as I can't wait to see what is next for this trio. I recommend it to lovers of mystery, crime, and romantic suspense.

Dísir says

Melinda Leigh's 'Morgan Dane' juggernaut of a series goes on strong with no sign of abating and I for one, am glad for it. With little of the unnecessary (and sometimes over-exaggerated) drama as her stalwart, arse-kicking protagonists who go from strength to strength, 'What I've Done' is another solid offering in which I was happy to get lost.

There're slight developments in Morgan's and Lance's relationship which are always nice to read about, but by and large, they are an established couple, which frees Leigh to concentrate on the suspense. We're plunged straight in, like any police procedural show: an establishing mystery which eventually turns out to be the complicated case that Morgan and Lance get involved in. The stakes are high; the evidence mounts against them in a near-indefensible case, but Leigh quite masterfully twirls the mess until it makes coherent sense with a satisfying resolution.

It isn't often that I like the suspense overshadowing the romance—a hearty mix of heat and action is typically what I look for—but this series is one that I can't help but want more and more of. In short, I was nonetheless riveted and engaged—when the case unravels to show that no one is truly innocent and the degree of debauched behaviour is just skewed towards who's the worse guy.

Admittedly, the romance is subdued, the heat much less pronounced with a new kind of conflict brewing but Morgan/Lance's chemistry and affection for each other—borne of months working seamlessly together—are obvious despite the very few scenes that concentrate solely on them. 'What I've Done' is nonetheless solid and well-written, closing with the sense that this growing partnership in more ways than one, is far from over.

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Megan says

Thank you, NetGalley, for providing me with this ARC!

What I've Done is the fourth book in the Morgan Dane series and Leigh comes through with even more suspense and mystery! I love that all four books can be read as standalones. Melinda Leigh does a great job at giving you an overview of previous books without spoiling it for you in case you did want to go back and read it.

Needless to say, I'm OBSESSED with this entire series. If you like mysteries, twists and turns and a ton of suspense, this series was written with you in mind.

I don't know what I'll do when the Morgan Dane series comes to an end.

Debbiebooknerdyoung says

OMG.. I started reading this book, and had to stop to go to work. The kindle went to sleep, and when I got home from work the bottom of the kindle screen wouldn't come on (NOOOOO.. yes I actually yelled that). I dug out an old tablet, and of course it had to be charged (groan.. yes I did groan).

Finally get the tablet charged enough to read with the tablet plugged in, and OMG.. SOOOO much suspense in this book.

I sat up reading through the night and into the morning to finish the book hahaahaha. Have everything you'll need for snacks, drinks etc ready and beside you, because you aren't going to be able to walk away from this book for even a minute.

The amount of things that could go wrong for Morgan and Lance do indeed go wrong. Everything you can think of gets thrown at them throughout this book, and the intensity had me clenching my jaw. A very emotional read as well.. omg.. I went through so many different emotions it was ridiculous.

This is my new favourite book in this series.. yes I say that after each book, but seriously.. A fantastic story, and well worth losing a couple of hours of sleep over.

The book can be read as a standalone, but the whole series is so amazing it is definitely worth reading all of them in order.

Bravo Melinda.. Another outstanding book!
