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When the wealthy Goodman family assembles for its gloomy annual holiday reunion in their divorced mother's crumbling mansion outside New York City, Holly Singletary is pressed into service by her own domineering mother to help cater the Goodman's elegant Christmas Eve dinner.

What begins as a single evening turns into a three-day nightmare as "the storm of the century", the heaviest blizzard ever to hit New York City, causes both families to be snowed in together for the holidays with no electricity or cell-phone connections to the outside world.

But someone - or something, perhaps the ghost reputed to live in the sealed-off East Wing - has chosen this Christmas to kill off the Goodman family one by one.

Trapped with the killer, Holly and Ivy find themselves irresistibly drawn to each other. Against a background of violence and tragedy, their passion ignites, and only Holly, who reluctantly comes to realize how deeply she cares for Ivy, can solve the mystery of the murderer's identity before Ivy becomes the final victim...

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Karen says

What do you do when you are stranded in a crumbling down mansion with your dysfunctional to the max family, caterers (one you are in love with) and people keep turning up dead? That is what happens when William Ivers comes home for Christmas. Trying to keep from freezing to death, starving or being killed occupies the holidays in this well written mystery.

ChrisGA says

Very story of two families trapped together in a snowstorm, without power or communication with the outside world. The one family is the AA caterers--a mother and grown children. The other is a totally disfunctional wealthy family that own the house. People start dying and maneuvering for power in the family business begins. My biggest complaint is the use of Jesus and God as casual cuss words. It was so unnecessary and spoiled my enjoyment of the book.

Robbie says

This book was slow-going and the characters pretty much impossible to relate to. I can't imagine a family more suited to being a poster-child for Disfunctional Family. Difficult to imagine anyone with the kind of wealth they have to allow their property to literally fall down around them. Sorry - I'm giving this one 2.5 stars.

Cindi (cheesygiraffe) says

Strange Christmas mystery and romance.

Nina Post says

Family Cursemas is an enjoyable and engrossing read. The cover is misleading and doesn't do the book justice. A screwed-up family of billionaires hire a tight-knit African-American family to cater Christmas dinner at the Rye, NY estate. A nor'easter rolls in, everyone has to stay at the house, and the bodies pile up.

The central relationship is between Holly, the daughter of the caterer and an Army sergeant, and Ivy, insecure family scion. Their dynamic is sweet but tense, fraught with conflict. Kierkegaard has a sure hand with description, and illustrates the setting with sharp detail. A few quotes I liked (of many):

"Something dark and huge, looming up from out of the fog like a siege engine from the Lord of the Rings

movies."

"There, in a Sargasso of ornate headboards and antique night-tables, slept Alicia Goodman."

"Lacking any place to sit nearby or hold a private conversation with his mother, he was crouching beside her armchair like a Roman slave or pet monkey."

"Someone to act as a giant HEPA filter in his life."

Angie says

Lots going on in this story and I loved it . Not your typical Christmas tale , but a well written mystery . Couldn't put it down and hated to see it end !

L.T. Fawkes says

FREE **** Think your family's messed up? The Goodmans, the wealthy family featured here, will make you feel like your folks are the Cleavers.

A hateful wealthy family gathers together for the annual Christmas ordeal in the slowly-deteriorating family manse and a family of caterers prepares to serve them Christmas dinner. Meanwhile, a blizzard is bearing down on them. What could possibly go wrong?

The roads are closed by snow, the power goes off, the roof begins to collapse, and none of the phones have reception. Completely cut off from civilization, one after another of the not-really-all-that-Goodmans begin to be picked off. The youngest male heir, nicknamed Ivy, and Holly, the caterer's Army reservist daughter, try to cope.

There are some editing problems with this book but it's very entertaining. I liked the characters, especially Ivy (he's pretty funny), and the plot's fun. Plus, it's FREE. And you know I like that!

L.T. Fawkes

Julie says

Kindle

Mary Davis says

Gothic romance set in current times.

Haunted house, rags to riches, who dunnit? Reminds me of Mary Stewart, Victoria Holt and Daphne Du Maurier. Only more modern.

Allison says

Took awhile to really start enjoying it, then it seemed like it ended all at once. The story took a long while to even get started. At on point I almost gave up, the book seemed to go on for ever but then it got more interesting and much more enjoyable to me.

Kandy says

Very enjoyable.

Barbre says

The first few chapters had way too many characters introduced too quickly so was hard to keep track of who was who. This made it a difficult read. The story would have been better without all of the sub stories also. I also didn't understand all the prologue at the start of each chapter. Eventually I did start to enjoy the storyline and was surprised at the end of the "who done it" mystery.
