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Green with envy

To the newly formed design team of Steve Sullivan and Erin Gilbert, it seemed like a great idea: a competition to design and build the most earth-friendly home in Crestview, Colorado. But who would have dreamed that someone's idea of saving the planet might include murder?

Environmental guru Richard Thayers was Steve Sullivan's architectural mentor and the judge of the contest. Now he is dead—poisoned by some supposedly nontoxic gold paint. Sullivan is certain that Richard's demise was no accident, but Gilbert's not so sure. One thing's clear, though: the mysterious death is quickly poisoning their burgeoning romantic relationship. Suddenly, when another figure in the contest is killed and Sullivan becomes distracted by an attractive divorcee, Erin goes on a mission: not only to find the killer, but to expose the true Steve Sullivan—and the designs he's hiding in his heart....

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Becky says

Sucked.

Ron says

Nancy 4 stars

Ann says

The sixth mystery in the Domestic Bliss series, *Poisoned by Gilt* is another fun, well-crafted summer read by Leslie Caine, a certified interior decorator, as well as author. Once again she serves up a suspenseful mystery with a topping of romance and a side of interior decorating tips. Her writing is well-crafted and moves the story along, denying the answer to "who done it" right up to the end. These stories revolve around the business and personal relationships of Steve Sullivan and Erin Gilbert of Sullivan & Gilbert Design and their clients, set against the backdrop of Crestview, Colorado. My only criticism is that the romantic aspects of Steve and Erin's relationship occasionally seems a bit childish for a couple their age (maybe I've just forgotten what it's like to be that young), but I'm willing to overlook that--no need to throw the baby out with the bathwater.

Janice says

Interesting that this was about a decorator and a contest about Green building. I just heard a story on NPR about Zero Waste. Interesting concept but definitely not easy to do today. But worth trying. Enjoyed the story!

Linda says

I really enjoy the Domestic Bliss series even if there is anything but domestic bliss going on. This time has Sullivan and Gilbert Design helping with the decorating of a house that is up for the top prize for the "greenest" house in Crestview. There is a lot of craziness involved with this contest and a couple of murders too. Erin and Steve's relationship is still in it's eternal turmoil. I'm looking forward to the next book.

Cecelia says

Pretty good if not equally as frustrating as the others:D Just let them get together already!!

Micky Parise says

First time reading Leslie Caine. Really enjoyed this book. Great storyline, characters and the book just flowed. Enjoyable. Recommend.

Lindig says

I've read (or tried to read) six in this series. I should have liked them a lot. After all, I like cozies, more or less. I like interior design and architecture. I like women heroines. So what's not to like? Well, the two main characters, for one. I don't feel the "spark" between them that everybody seems to see, including them. I don't like the snide tone that seems to be constant. I don't like the plots (you can see the author saying, what would make this more convoluted?). I don't like characters who smirk.

Leeankh says

This is the first book I've read in this series and it is okay. I would not say it is poorly written, but I did not fall in love with the main characters. It is almost too realistic at times with Erin's inner thoughts. But, she's much more girly than I am so I did not really connect with her. I don't know that I want to go back and read this series from the beginning. I fear that it's a Stephanie Plum-like scenario where Gilbert and Sullivan are "made for each other" but that their romance has trouble getting off the ground and never really gets anywhere. In fact, that is a strong reason I may have disconnected from the story in the first place. It's just something that doesn't work for me. I'm not really sure what to say about the mystery. It was a little odd and the reveal seemed a little uneven. It felt delayed and rushed all at the same time. Very odd to me. Oh well. The book didn't suck, but I'm not sure I'm going to read any others in this series.

Nancy says

Nancy 4 stars

Karen says

Non-Steve Sullivan part of the story 4 stars. Steve Sullivan's attitude 1 star.

Though I enjoy this series, I didn't particularly care for this book. It wasn't the mystery, which I found interesting and involving. Erin and Audrey's interactions are always fun. It had more to do with the personal part of the story, how Steve Sullivan treated his partner, and maybe girlfriend, Erin Gilbert.

In this entry, Steve's mentor is killed. As she investigates the murder, Steve basically blames Erin for the death, for not understanding his feelings, for not agreeing with him that his mentor walked on water. He

treated Erin like a doormat. He can't hold a conversation with Erin without getting angry about something and walking out. Heartbreaking.
