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Julienne is snow bound in the middle of the Rocky Mountains with a killer striking at will.

Julienne LaMere gets to attend a Resort Management conference at a prestigious ski resort in the Colorado Mountains. What should be an enjoyable getaway attending workshops by day and shopping and enjoying the resort by night comes to a screeching halt when a loud-mouthed guest is murdered plus the roads and town shut down for an epic blizzard.

In addition to attending the conference, dodging a smitten teen boy, and seeking clues among the gossiping - and increasingly tense - guests, her best friend's heart has warmed to an unlikely man and may get broken. As if her mind isn't already fully occupied, Julienne and her new boyfriend Mason are skiing down troubled slopes in their relationship. Will Julienne put the scant clues together and unveil the culprit before a murderer gets away?

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# From Reader Review Nailed for online ebook

# Laura Reading says

Julienne is trying hard to improve her skills in the management business. When she is able to go to a conference in Vail, taking her best friend along, because her boyfriend, Mason, is busy, she is looking forward to learning a lot during the day and best friend fun in the evenings. What she did not count on was a killer storm.

You can read this as a stand alone. Any information or background you need from a previous case is provided. The characters are well developed, the writing fun and nicely paced. There are a few puns included that may make you groan. As all the suspects are snowed in together, this has the feel of horror movie combined with classic house party mystery. I was happy that our main sleuth was not the one paired up romantically with the cop, a tactic which I feel is very overused.

This also allowed for added emotional depth to the story.

The murder mystery is nicely balanced by other things happening during the conference and enforced stay.

# **Dave Measner says**

Interesting mystery with likable characters!

I received a copy in exchange for a review.

This is the second of the series and continues on the personal issues for Julienne and has a very good murder mystery thrown in. The setting of a mountain resort in a blizzard is used to full effect to contain the suspects and give the reader the clues to perhaps solve the mystery along with our heroine. It was good to see Porsche's character more filled out and to see that our characters didn't make unrealistic deductions to jump ahead in the plot. The support characters were interesting and added well into the plot.

I enjoyed the book and would recommend it for cozy readers. I look forward to the next book. Some typos to clear up but they don't detract from the story.

## Shelly says

Julienne is attending a prestigious ski conference in the Rocky Mountains with her best friend when a blizzard descends over the area. An unsavory attendee is murdered, leaving everyone stranded with a murderer with no way out until Mother Nature complies. I liked the interesting characters and the tension of being trapped with a killer. It is a well-woven plot, rife with trepidation and twists. It will keep you hooked from beginning to end.

#### Carol says

Julienne was looking forward to attending a management conference in a prestigious ski resort high in the Colorado Mountains. This was what she had always dreamt of - being able to meet people and work in different resorts around the world. She had her best friend Porshe with her and they were both very excited. On their first evening, they noticed Kara Caine, a realtor from Colorado Springs who was doing the rounds, annoying several people with one foul swoop. Later in the evening, she went on to have arguments and quarrels with other guests in the hotel. Now if there was anyone who was asking to be gotten rid of...... and someone stepped up to the job and murdered her and then pushed her off the balcony.

A blizzard and heavy snows stopped the guests from leaving the hotel and what was supposed to be an enjoyable week of meetings and shopping turns out to be a tense time, trapped at the resort with a cold blooded killer.

I enjoyed this second instalment of the resort to murder series. I could empathise with Julienne over how she felt about Mason and her ex, Brandon, although there was also a part of me that wondered if she was being a little insecure about Mason's job. I always enjoy a mystery with some love interest, not too much, but enough to create some tension between the main characters. I also liked the fact that I did not guess whodunnit.

# Robyn Gaye-Murphy says

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This was a great read that continues on with Julienne who works at a Resort. She has taken a working break with her best friend Porsche. She is also worrying about new boyfriend Mason, who has taken on a job as undercover bodyguard to gorgeous celebrity women while acting as their boyfriend which makes Julienne uneasy.

Being snowed in while attending conferences on Resort management, Julienne is glad to have Porsche with her to fill in the trapped by snow days and nights. Unfortunately there is a murderer to worry about, everyone uneasy about an uncaught killer on the loose.

There are many guests to choose suspects from and the two friends take it on themselves to try to solve the murder for Porsche's new love interest, Detective Johann Larson. Julienne is determined to unmask the killer but has much information to be sifted through as well as gathering more gossip from informants she enlisted. A truly enjoyable murder mystery. I was given this book but the review is entirely my own.

#### **Judy Johnson says**

This book was nothing short of amazing! A great engaging story that keeps you turning the pages from the beginning to end. The story and characters a very well developed and make you feel like you are right there in the thick of things! Fabulous descriptors bring the book alive as you follow along on business trip turned murder investigation with the welcome addition of a little bit of romance, as you would love to see in any cozy mystery. Although this book does well as a standalone, you will also want to read the first book, so why not get them both and read them in order, that way there will be absolutely no unanswered questions...but...that doesn't me you have to read the other book first! This book will keep you guessing till the end, a definite winner right here! One Click NOW!

#### Kathleen says

"Nailed" earns 5/5 Snow-covered Crime Scenes...Murderously Fun!

Once again I was totally engaged in Avery Daniels' clever mystery. Julienne is taking her job seriously, so when instead of her boss she is sent to a resort management conference in Vail, Colorado, she is very eager to sharpen her skills, network, and take lots of notes, but investigating a murder was not on the conference schedule. With her BFF Porsche in tow, they have their lovely evening, along with that of an ex-husband and his girlfriend and a former client, his wife, and son, interrupted. Kara Caine, realtor extraordinaire, comes in forcefully grabbing everyone's attention..no one seems pleased. And the next morning when she is found dead in the snow, Julienne gets roped into the investigation. Ok, maybe roped is not accurate. The lead detective makes her an unofficial official confidential informant/consultant. He recognizes she has a knack and needs her to uncover the truth amidst the gossip, the innuendo, and the evasion.

I was very engaged by her description of the environment, the people, and the very inclement weather making me a bit claustrophobic with all the talk of the snow storm, roads closed, and everyone staying indoors. But she didn't rely on just the narrative including entertaining banter between Julienne and her BFF and the informal interrogations with other witnesses and suspects. The essence of a "page turner." With a plethora of rich characters to support her amateur investigation, not-so-smooth romantic entanglements, and some perilous moments, Julienne is proving to be a favorite "cozy" character: vulnerable, but strong. Fans of Avery's book one Iced will be thrilled, and newbies need not shy away since enough information is provided, no spoilers, on background and character connections to make it easy to join in. Although there are subtle nuisances and some personal events that you may want to experience by reading book one first. But however you join in, my recommendation is to "join in."

#### Patty says

Nailed: A Resort to Murder Mystery by Avery Daniels is the 2nd book in a new series located in Colorado. I really enjoyed this book and am looking forward to reading the next book in the series. I live in Colorado, so I especially enjoy hearing about familiar settings. I found this book to be a quick read, with a well developed plot and characters. If you love fun cozy mysteries, I recommend this book.

I received this book in exchange for a fair and honest review.

## **Katie Thompson says**

A fantastic continuation of the Resort To Murder Mystery series. Julienne manages to go to a luxury ski resort as part of her work. Talk about a job perk! And better still, her bestie Porsche gets to tag along! It certainly should take her mind off of her rocky relationship with Mason. Well, maybe she could be overreacting to the travelling for his work. But, come on, he's fricking gorgeous, so he can't be trusted! The peace of the first night is totally ruined by a loud and rude heifer. A blizzard starts up, and everybody gets stuck at this luxury resort. Which wouldn't be too bad, if the loud and rude heifer's corpse hadn't been discovered. (And, btw, Mason is so Mr. Perfect that he even calls to check up on Julienne. I mean, what is he trying to prove here?!)

There was a good amount of humor, and we definitely face palm at poor Julienne's love life. We laugh with and at this poor woman. Absolutely fabulous.

# **Sue Em says**

Julienne LaMere is off to attend a conference in resort management at a resort at a noted resort in Colorado with her friend Porsche. There is a murder of a disagreeable realtor and a blizzard shuts the roads to the resort. Asked to keep her eyes open by the detective on the case, she starts looking into alibis, But it puts her into peril. Readable cozy, second in the series.

### **Darlene says**

Julienne invites her best friend Porsche to join her while she attends a Resort Management conference. The lovely description of the hotel, the food and the events at the resort helped place the reader in the setting. This fun getaway turns frightening when they are snowed in with a killer who has struck not once but twice. Soon Julienne is gathering information and gossip, enlisting the help of "irregulars" to help the police figure out who the killer is. Ms. Daniels wrote the story in a way that I felt I was part of the investigative team sorting through the many suspects. Although the second book in the series it can definitely be read as a stand alone. A fun read - be prepared to be whisked away to the Colorado mountains.

### Mary says

I read this without reading the first in the series. It can be enjoyed as a stand alone story but I kept wondering about references to some backstory. This is about Julienne who is attending a resort management seminar along with her friend Porsche. The plan is to learn as much as she can and enjoy the beautiful resort. The first night a realtor Kara seems to be making the rounds and irritating everyone she interacts with. No surprise she is the victim and everyone is stranded due to the weather. Story moved along fast and kept me engaged and I need to go back and read the first in the series so I can be ready for the next one!

#### Julia David says

I enjoyed this story. It is a good mystery and am looking forward to reading more. Julienne is going to a conference at a really nice resort and is taking her best friend with her. While they are there, they get snowed in and there is a murder. They can't leave and neither can the murderer. While trying to concentrate on the conference, Julienne and her friends are trying to help the police solve the murder. This is the first book that I have read by this author and I will be looking for her previous books.

# Jane Reads says

NAILED is a fun, exciting follow-up to ICED. The main character in both books of the Resort to Murder

Mystery series is Julienne LaMere, a resort management trainee. NAILED can be read as a standalone; you'll just be missing some backstory on Julie's ex-boyfriend Brandon and absentee boyfriend Mason.

I really like Julienne. She's relatable and easy to root for. The relationship between Julie and her BFF Porsche is well-written, and wonderful to read about. The supporting characters (especially Julie's "Baker Street Irregulars") are engaging and believable.

Julie's skill at getting people to talk and her natural curiosity (which she used in ICED) are put to good use in NAILED by the detective investigating the murder of Kara Caine. Det Larson asks Julie to assist the inquiries as an unofficial "quasi-confidential informant and a kinda-consultant." I enjoyed watching Julie sleuth and come up with several plausible suspects for Larson to investigate.

The fast-moving plot made sense, and drew me in from the start. The detailed descriptions of the blizzard made me feel like I was there in Vail with Julie and Porsche. Author Avery Daniels kept me guessing until the end. I am looking forward to the next Resort to Murder Mystery, SPIKED. I'm eager to learn what happens with Julie and a certain someone.

Note: I received a complimentary copy of NAILED in exchange for my honest review. All opinions shared are 100% my own.

# Sabine says

I had a great time reading ICED, the first mystery in this series. This one was even better! A very well plotted mystery set in a resort in Vail, Colorado.

Thanks to the perfect description of the resort and the characters I felt as if I was right there with Julienne and Porsche investigating the murder. Their way of gossiping to get information was a lot of fun.

The book kept me engaged from the beginning right to the end and surprising reveal. There were no slow or boring times in this story. It kept flowing at a very good pace.

I requested this book from NetGalley and am thankful that Xpresso Book Tours and the author provided me with an advance copy.