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**A lonely woman returns to her Amish community to solve a murder. Will she find love along the way?**

Suzanne Hosteller has struggled to find a place where she fits in ever since leaving the Amish faith to pursue a career as a police officer. An orphan, Suzanne had hoped to find some peace after her father was murdered. But separating herself from what she believes in has only made her more and more lonely.

Until she is put on a case that brings her back to the Amish community she grew up in. Charity is the same as it always has been, except for one thing. A man has been found murdered in the woods. The case might have links to unlocking Suzanne's own father's murder.

Luckily, she can turn to her Aunt Milly, who agrees to let her stay with her... as well as conspiring to match her with her childhood sweetheart, Gideon Brunstetter. Gideon's a widower and has made it clear that he doesn't want to pick things up where they left. His heart, however, has other thoughts and he finds himself drawn deeper into the web of murder than he ever wanted to be.

Stuck between love and murder, can Suzanne find a way to satisfy both the law and her heart?

AUTHOR'S NOTE: This is a 68-page stand-alone story with an HEA, so no cliff-hangers.

## The Amish Widower Details

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## **From Reader Review The Amish Widower for online ebook**

### **ANNETTE says**

Good mystery and surprise ending.

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### **Maureen Aronson says**

#### **The Amish Widower**

This story was well written. I truly enjoyed this well written story very much. I will follow the author on the future. I highly recommend this book for anyone who likes good clean stories.

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### **Ginger says**

#### **Another great story**

I enjoy reading the stories by this author, but this book surprised me with ten short stories after the main story. I would recommend this book.

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### **June says**

#### **So Many Wonderful Stories in one Book**

Leading the simple life of the Amish people brings it share of trouble but I love how well this author is able to create the story that expresses their faith in God to work things out for good despite the challenges they have. This is a great collection of short stories as well as a full length novel. Each one shows God's faithfulness to His people. It is full of encouragement for those who love God and try to follow His will.

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### **Elissa Mahler says**

I was blessed with a free copy of this book, and I have chosen of my own volition to share this review with you.

Returning home, when home is within the Amish heartland, and your family and friends are following the Amish traditions; can be difficult for a young woman, who has pursued a career in law enforcement. She has broken ties with many, and now she is returning with the goal of solving a local murder. Can she do this? Will she have help? What will be discovered? So many questions, which are aptly answered within this text.

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### **Stina Andersen says**

The Amish Widower, by Katie Fisher.

Suzanne Hosteller, a young police officer, felt lonely after she left the Amish faith. Doesn't feel like she belongs anywhere.

She goes back home to help solve a mystery murder. Where she meets her childhood sweetheart Gideon Brunstetter. A widower who don't want to start where they left things. But his heart is telling him something completely different.

Does Suzanne find a place to call home? Can she solve the mystery of the murder and the death of her father? Read to find out.

I thank the author for providing a copy to voluntarily review.

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### **Nancy Hammons says**

It was a short sweet story, I liked it pretty well.

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### **Patricia Myers says**

I enjoyed this story. It was a good mystery story with a surprise ending. I received a ARC of this book.

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### **Lynda says**

#### **Poorly Titled; No Research!!!!**

The plot concept was okay. **But if you write an Amish book then RESEARCH THE AMISH!!!**

I dislike writing negative reviews. But if you are taking the time to come up with a decent plot, pay for a nice cover, why neglect another CRITICAL aspect of writing. RESEARCH!

Scenes showing lack of research of the Amish:

1) At the beginning Chapter Two, Gideon who is a widower (his bride dies soon after their marriage) resists "the urge to scratch at his **fresh-shaved face**. The LAST shave a married man does of his whole face occurs on the morning of his marriage. He never shaves again. I researched this before I wrote this section of the review. I could not find one reference where the widower returned to having a clean-shaven face.

2) Also in Chapter Two, Aunt Milly says, "*Come to the dining room. Everything is ready.*" DINING ROOM!!! The Amish do NOT have a dining room in their homes. Aunt Milly was not running a bed & breakfast. This was her home. The Amish ate in the kitchen at the family table. They still do. There are sites showing the inside of Amish homes. Find one with a 'dining room'.

3) In Chapter Four, Suzanne who was raised Amish but left & is now a policewoman asks Herr Zook if he

reported his missing gun. He replies, "No." She says, "I see." The implication is she expected him to do so. There is no follow-up to go see the Bishop. Why? The Amish do NOT involve the *Englisch* unless absolutely necessary. But Zook might have reported it to the Bishop.

4) In Chapter Six, Gideon his beating himself up thinking he has lost Suzanne. *His pride -- and it was pride, wounded by the fact that she would ever leave him -- was too strong.* [The bolding is mine.] What SHOULD follow is recrimination & remorse for having **pride**. Amish are to strive for not having pride. Gideon's feeling fits with the story but not without him knowing he must STOP feeling prideful.

Minor error: *a glutton as punishment* should be *a glutton for punishment* ~ in Chapter 1.

By the time I got to Chapter Six I was an unhappy reader. I wasn't surprised to find the ending rushed & uneven.

ANY of these errors made concerning the Amish culture is NOT hard to research. These facts are not "hidden". Again, I state **if you write an Amish book then RESEARCH THE AMISH!!!**

Am I Amish? No. But I grew up in the same farming community of Jamesport, Missouri now the largest Amish settlement in the state of Missouri. They began to move to that area during my childhood. My first one-room schoolhouse became THEIR first schoolhouse as ours was closed. When I visited my doctor, I would see the Amish there as well. I became fascinated and have followed them ever since.

If you want to write about a culture, Amish or any other -- RESEARCH!

And the final nail in this publication -- "This book" -- The Amish Widower ends at 11%.

I did not bother to read any of the rest and always wonder -- if you are publishing a Novella -- then SAY so. Don't try to pass them off as a book which then you "gift" us with a bunch of other Stuff. My rating does not reflect this -- the writer gets only one star because she chose NOT to research her subject. I am deleting this book.

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### **Barbara Thompson says**

The Amish Widower is a fabulous romance/mystery book. I was so mesmerized by the mystery, I forgot anything else was happening. The author did a superb job with her characters and their romance. This is my first book to read by Author Katie Fisher and will not be my last. I highly recommend reading this book, The Amish Widower.

I voluntarily reviewed an ARC of this book. This review is one hundred percent my opinion.

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