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#1 *New York Times* bestseller Lisa Gardner returns with an unpredictable thriller that puts fan favorites D. D. Warren and Flora Dane on a shocking new case that begins with a vicious murder and gets darker from there.

A man is dead, shot three times in his home office. But his computer has been shot twelve times, and when the cops arrive, his pregnant wife is holding the gun.

D. D. Warren arrives on the scene and recognizes the woman—Evie Carter—from a case many years back. Evie's father was killed in a shooting that was ruled an accident. But for D.D., two coincidental murders is too many.

Flora Dane sees the murder of Conrad Carter on the TV news and immediately knows his face. She remembers a night when she was still a victim—a hostage—and her captor knew this man. Overcome with guilt that she never tracked him down, Flora is now determined to learn the truth of Conrad's murder.

But D.D. and Flora are about to discover that in this case the truth is a devilishly elusive thing. As layer by layer they peel away the half-truths and outright lies, they wonder: How many secrets can one family have?

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Mackey says

It's #10 in a series and definitely not a stand-alone. It was good, solid writing and some closure for a some characters, but it wasn't the usual quality that I expect from Gardner. There were places that it felt a little flat.

Brenda says

As a fan who's read all the prior books in the series, and because of the quality writing from Lisa Gardner, I feel I know D. D. Warren very well. There's a lot of history between us.

Flora Dane was first introduced in Find Her (2017) and appeared again in Look For Me (2018). I know Flora's history, and I feel I know her character. I acknowledge her toughness, her intelligence, and her desperation. I think I can understand her vigilantism. I also feel she is a great character, and this book brings her some healing.

From the very first pages, we know what Evie did and didn't do, but she is an unknown character. She's quiet, reserved, and broken. This book explains how she's been used all her life.

I have to be honest that initially when I read "Quincy," I thought of SSA Kimberly Quincy's dad. I wonder how he and Rainie are.

I'm looking forward to more D. D., but also to more Flora. Her future interests me very much.

Linda Strong says

It starts with a man found shot to death in his home. When the cops arrive, they find his wife holding the gun that killed him. In a bizarre twist of fate, Warren knows the wife. She accidentally killed her father 16 years earlier ... shooting him with his rifle.

Flora Dane sees the murder reported on the news and immediately knows who he is ..or was. She remembers the night she met him ... she was still a hostage taken by a human monster and held for over a year. Her captor knew this man. And now Flora wants to learn more....

BOOK BLURB: But D.D. and Flora are about to discover that in this case the truth is a devilishly elusive thing. As layer by layer they peel away the half-truths and outright lies, they wonder: How many secrets can one family have?

For fans of this author, you are in for a treat with NEVER TELL. This brings together three of her best loved characters ... D. D. Warren, Flora Dane, and Kimberly Quincy.

As always expected from this author, this is a well-written complex crime thriller with twists and turns that keep the reader riveted to each and every page. It's action-packed with an explosive ending. Each of this author's books just gets better than the last. I always salivate when I see she has a new book out.

Many thanks to the author / PENGUIN GROUP Dutton / Netgalley for the advanced digital copy. Opinions expressed here are unbiased and entirely my own.

Lou says

Never Tell is the tenth book in the Boston based Sergeant D.D. Warren series from the Queen of Thrillers, and what a cracking read it is. It's easy to pick up and oh so difficult to put down. It had me turning the pages feverishly in excitement, and there were all the elements necessary to keep you completely riveted. I've read every one of Gardner's books, and this is her most accomplished to date.

There are many aspects that set this book apart from the rest, but the one I loved the most was that it was told from the perspective of three incredibly strong women - Evie, Flora and D.D - and with each chapter labelled with the characters name there is no room for confusion about who is talking. We get the information and reveals that the investigation uncovers through D.D who is a rational, capable and dogged investigator, whilst Flora and Evie's chapters reveal pure emotion and tell of their suffering in a powerful and heartfelt manner.

I was also completely engrossed in the parts that discuss the mysterious entity known as the dark web. There has long been a fascination and mystique surrounding it, and I found that it worked really well by creating more tension and unpredictability. With fast pacing, plentiful twists, expert plotting, secrets and lies in abundance and an altogether suspenseful narrative, this is a five-star read all the way. Highly recommended.

Many thanks to Century for an ARC.

Elizabeth says

Tl;dr: Never Tell is an outstanding suspense/thriller that starts off fast and then goes even faster all the way to the end *and* while featuring not one, not two, but three fascinating female leads.

I've been reading Lisa Gardner for ages, so I jumped at the chance to read an ARC of Never Tell. Fans of D. D. Warren and Gardner's newest, and imo, fascinating share-the-lead character, Flora Dane, are in for a fast-paced, satisfying read.

One of the things I like best about Ms. Gardner's writing is that even if you are new to her books, they're still a good read. It's no small feat to hand out enough backstory to hook new readers while not boring longtime fans, but she always manages to do so, which is why I've been reading her books since The Perfect Husband (pre-D.D.!!)

Never Tell opens with an anxious, pregnant Evie Carter returning home to face her husband Conrad.

Minutes later, the police arrive. Conrad has been shot three times. His computer has been shot twelve times. And Evie is holding the gun.

Evie is arrested for Conrad's murder and D.D. is on the case--turns out, Evie shot her father about sixteen years ago, but claimed it was an accident. It was one of D. D.'s first cases and she's never been totally convinced that Evie's father died accidentally, making her very suspicious.

Then Flora appears near the crime scene. Turns out, she's pretty sure she's seen the dead husband, Connor, before--and under the worst possible circumstances. In Never Tell, Flora has to go back to memories of a time she doesn't want to revisit even as she can never forget. I won't say more because I think Flora is Ms. Gardner's best character yet, and her story is very much worth reading.

Of course, it's great to read about D.D. again--while motherhood has mellowed her out a little, she's still a no nonsense, incredibly perceptive cop who is willing to examine every angle she needs to-- even if she finds that each angle leads to another. Or three.

Rounding out the cast of main characters is Evie, who is actually--imo--almost as fascinating as Flora. She's so smart, but has spent her entire life living in the shadow of her genius father who died at her hands. (You can guess that twist, but it still works) And it turns out that marriage to Conrad was not easy--but exactly why...well, that's one of the reasons why Never Tell is one of those books you start, vowing to read only X number of chapters only to end up reading way, way more than that.

Longtime fans and new readers are in for a gripping and well done thriller with Never Tell. While it's not perfect--it is very, very obvious who drives the more muder-y (murder-y??) aspects of the plot--it is very, very good. 4.25 rounded up to five because Flora! And also because I would have preordered this about three chapters in--except I've already done that because Ms. Gardner's books are just that good.

Mark says

A new author to me but a quick look on Amazon showed a prolific writer and this is book 10 in the Detective D D Warren series, although book 9 and this book are not published as books 9 and 10, maybe the thinking is that having book 9/10 on a cover for some readers (inc me has to be said) would be maybe too much of a back story to get to grips with (I may be totally on the wrong track there!!) however it has to be said that this is a book in its own right and even though its Book 10 there is only the briefest mentions of any back story in it

13 years ago Evie is found with a gun, her Dad is dead, it was accidental

Now Evie is again found with a gun, this time her husband is dead....she claims she didn't kill him, either!

And so starts a great adventure as told by Evie, Detective DD and Flora (Flora is the 3rd main character in the story, she was held captive for 6 years by an evil predator and her experiences help in hard to 'fathom out' cases) each of the 3 take turns to narrate and tell how the story is progressing from their angle....we are also introduced to a plethora of other cast including a functioning alcoholic Mum of Evie, and a dark web expert/true crime buff and investigator amongst others, all adding vital ingredients to make this a true meal of a book!

Its a busy book, lots happens, quickly and the 'mood' changes rapidly and it can appear slightly chaotic but once you embrace it and get involved the fast paced excitement is contagious and carries you through Its has equal adventure and thriller and crime procedure but this is explained well and doesn't drag on and the information given is relevant and helps you build your own picture as to what could have happened....I didn't have a clue tbh until all was revealed and I liked the book even more for that!

A punchy book written with gusto and read with enjoyment

Maureen says

****4.5**** stars

Three protagonists - Sergeant DD Warren of the Boston Police Department, her Confidential Informant Flora Dane, and pregnant mum to be, Evie Carter. Evie is discovered by the cops holding a shotgun in her husband's home office - her husband lies dead, his life ended by three shots - but what's even more bizarre, his computer has been shot 12 times!

This isn't the first time that Evie has been found in a very similar situation - 16 years earlier as a teenager, she was found holding a shotgun in front of her father, - he too was dead, however it was deemed to be accidental - but was it? Has history repeated itself, or is the truth of it even more puzzling?

Fast paced, and action packed, the characters are so fully fleshed that it's impossible not to believe in them, and with numerous twists in the plot that are not only convincing, but in some cases well disguised and surprising too, 'Never Tell' is a dark and tangled tale of all consuming lies, and deeply hidden truths. Intense and complex, it will require your full attention, but boy is it worth the investment!

*Thank you to Netgalley and Random House UK, Cornerstone for my ARC, for which I have given an honest unbiased review in exchange *

Paromjit says

Lisa Gardner confirms her position as the Queen of Thrillers with this latest stellar addition to the Sergeant DD Warren of Boston PD series, featuring the return of Flora Dane. Flora is a survivor, a vigilante, but suffering from PTSD after her harrowing experiences with the evil Jacob Ness, and no matter how hard she tries, the head space he continues to occupy ensures she is trapped and imprisoned by the past, despite Ness's death. Conrad Carter, a travelling window salesman has been shot 3 times, his computer has been shot 12 times. His pregnant wife, Evie, a school teacher, is arrested for his murder at the scene by police, with gunshot residue on her hands. DD Warren is now supposed to supervise her team of investigators, but her heart is in actively working cases, and she is drawn to the case, because years ago she was part of a team that looked into the accidental shooting of Evie's father, a famous mathematical genius, by a shocked 16 year old Evie. Was she wrong about Evie, surely this latest killing merits a revisit of the past?

Flora is an unpaid confidential informer for DD, she is watching the TV news when she sees a picture of Conrad Carter, to her horror she recognises him as a man connected to Ness, who she met in a bar as part of her traumatic history. DD does not know what to make of this, and whether it has any impact on her present investigation. Flora has stubbornly refused to speak of the past but the once with FBI therapist Samuel, she is now forced to revisit and relive the past, overtaken by guilt as she is confronted with the possibility that she was not the only victim of Ness, it looks increasingly likely that other women were too. Flora goes rogue as she hooks up with true crime enthusiast, the computer analyst Keith Edgar, and contacts FBI SSA Kimberly Quincy, the female agent responsible for tracking down Ness and freeing Flora. Quincy and the FBI have never got far with unearthing information about Ness and his criminally deviant past, with Flora opening up and the additional thread of Conrad to follow, Quincy arrives in Boston to join DD's team, despite initial resistance from DD. DD is overjoyed at getting stuck in a case that proves to be a twisted tangle of a strange mess that tests her mettle, with firebugs, the dark web and more, and where nothing is as it seems, where she is surrounded by, in her own words, by nutjobs with no respect for law enforcement.

The narrative is delivered from the perspective of Evie, Flora and DD, all incredible women in their own

right. What I particularly loved was the development of Flora in whom at long last chinks of light and hope begin to open up as she faces her past by once again immersing herself in it and starts to talk about it. Evie is a fascinating creation, a woman with a dysfunctional family hell bent on keeping dark secrets, as indeed did her husband. DD has a chaotic and loving family with Alex, her 5 year old hyperactive son, Jack, and his dog, Kiko, whilst she chases the bad guys with enthusiastic gusto, its what she lives for. This is a fantastic thriller, with all the exciting elements that guarantee that the reader will be enthralled, turning the pages as fast as possible to find out how it all ends. Gardner makes it clear that she is not finished with these characters which has me eagerly anticipating her next novel. Highly recommended! Many thanks to Random House Cornerstone for an ARC.

Emma says

Switching between D.D., Flora, and new character, Evie, this is a cracking thriller that had me up well past midnight. Even though the whodunnit is not that surprising, it's set up so well that you have a blast regardless. The team is becoming quite the effective dysfunctional family and I'm here for it.

ARC via Netgalley

Susanne Strong says

4.35 Stars* (rounded down)

An Emotional, Heart-Pounding Thriller!!

Three women who are tied together in ways they never imagined.

D.D. Warren and her current murder suspect, Evie Carter. They met once before - when Evie was accused of murdering her father sixteen years ago and whose his death was ruled an accident. Now she is accused of murdering her husband, Conrad. Coincidence?

D.D. Warren and Flora Dane, her confidential informant. D.D. calls Flora in, to help her investigate the murder of Conrad Carter.

Flora Dane and Evie Carter. Turns out, Flora met Conrad Carter, Evie's husband, a few years ago when her captor, Jacob Ness took her to a bar the night he tried to "get rid of her."

Now that she's been arrested for murder again, D.D. can't help but wonder if Evie actually got away with murder sixteen years ago. Evie sure appears to be keeping secrets.

As D.D. and Flora start investigating, they realize that this case goes beyond what happened to Evie and Conrad and reaches back to Flora's past. She is the ultimate survivor - up until now Flora has been extremely tight lipped. This time however, she realizes that she needs to start talking if she wants to save others from the same fate.

"Never Tell" by Lisa Gardner is a taut, tension filled thriller. It was an emotional roller coaster ride that I wanted to stay on. **Lisa Gardner knows how to keep readers invested!! To say that I love the character**

of Flora Dane doesn't begin to describe my feelings. That girl is tough, yet she has a vulnerability that guts me. D.D. and Flora?: I'm in it for the long haul!

This was a buddy read with Kacey which we were waiting anxiously to get our hands on. Kacey, kindly gifted me a copy! Thank you so much Kacey - I loved reading this one with you!

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♥Rachel♥ says

4.5 Stars

D.D. is called into a murder investigation, when they find out the suspect, Evie Carter was investigated sixteen years earlier for the shooting death of her father, ultimately ruled as accidental. D.D. was on the case back then, but now that Evie is suspected in the shooting death of her husband, Conrad Carter, D.D. wonders if they were wrong about the first case. Was the death of Evie's father really an accident?

Flora Dane becomes a key figure in the investigation when she realizes she met the murder victim, Evie's husband, years before when he met up with her kidnapper, Jacob Ness, the man who held her for 472 days. Flora is very much a survivor, six years after her release, and we've got to see her in action with the last couple of books, as sort of a vigilante and self-appointed victims advocate. Flora's come a long way since her ordeal but seeing Conrad's picture brings a lot back. Flora has kept some of those memories locked away tight, refusing to hash and rehash the details over with the FBI, but now she questions if that's deprived other possible victims of their justice. Flora is ready to revisit the past, but the FBI isn't as generous sharing what they know of Jacob with her, so she finds another source: Keith Edgar, a true-crime buff who's been requesting to interview Flora since she got away from Jacob. He's a wealth of information and an expert in searching for more. But Flora's also a bit skeptical about Keith, because what sort of man would devote so much of his free time to this kind of hobby? A groupie, a wannabe serial killer? Flora's prepared for any possibility!

Since Flora's been introduced, I've felt for her! Yes, she's taken her life back, somewhat, but the story after a victim is "saved" makes it very apparent that the nightmare isn't over just because they survived and got away. With the introduction of Keith, I'm so excited for possibilities and the coming stories! In acknowledgments Ms. Gardner states "there's more to come" with Flora and I couldn't be happier at the prospect! Her journey has been equal parts disturbing, moving and captivating!

Evie, our current murder suspect, gets a first-person point of view in this story, a POV I was happy to have since it connected her past with the present in a way that couldn't have been otherwise. Flora also gets a first-person POV. It was tough being in Flora's head at first with all the past coming to the surface again, but there was a more hopeful Flora coming through and I loved it! D.D. gets her usual third person POV, which sounds a little odd, but it works.

I've been a long-time fan of Lisa Gardner's stories! They're a mixture of crime procedural, mystery, and thriller, heavy on character motivations and twists. Even when I've been torn up about the outcome (just a couple of her books) it's always been a memorable experience, one that I think about long after I finish the last page.

I know when a reader sees that this is the 10th book in a series they automatically shy away, but you don't

have to read all nine books before **Never Tell** to enjoy this installment. This *could* be read as a standalone, but I'd recommend starting where Flora Dane is introduced in **Find Her** (book 8), to really enjoy **Never Tell**.

A copy was kindly provided by Dutton via Netgalley in exchange for an honest review.

Carolyn says

I love D.D. Warren - she's such a good cop and it's great to see her happily married to Alex with a delightful little boy. DD is now the Supervisor of a team of detectives but old habits die hard and she still can't help getting out in the field to see things for herself. Especially in her latest case where the woman accused of murdering her husband was also accused of killing her father in one of DD's earliest cases as a detective. The woman, Evie Carter was found by police holding a gun next to her dead husband, shot three times and his computer riddled with bullets. As a teenager, Evie accidentally shot her father, a famous mathematician and has carried that stigma and guilt all her life. Now married and expecting a child, it looks as if history might be repeating itself, except that Flora Dane, a woman who survived a horrendous kidnapping recognises Evie's husband, Conrad as someone she met while in the grips of the kidnapper. To dig deep into Conrad's background and find out what he was up to and if his wife had cause to kill him, DD calls her old FBI friend Kimberley Quincy onto the case.

It's great to see DD and Quincy back together again, working in tandem to solve this case. It's also great to see Flora step over her PTSD to confront her past experience, when she thinks it will help find other girls abused and killed by the monster who took her. Lisa Gardner always writes such well plotted thrillers and this one is no exception.

With thanks to Netgalley and Random House for a digital ARC to read.

Nilufer Yenidogan Ozmekik says

Five cannot put it down, is glued to my hand and possessed my mind stars!!!

I'm embarrassed to admit that is my second book on these series and I didn't enjoy much the previous book.

But this one is absolutely fantastic, twisted, perfectly developed book about three amazon protagonists.

One of them is brilliant, smart, badass police officer, D.D. Warren who tries to lock the other one, Evie, modest, introverted, antisocial math teacher but secret genius, person of interest to kill her husband but she only tried to kill his computer.

And the last one who is my favorite, Flora, survivor, tormented but not broken, tough, vulnerable but fighter, informant of D.D.

I loved these characters and I think on the next books we'll see more of them.

The story needs real focus and concentration because there are too many details that you should not miss it.

It's definitely worth it! You have an amazing, breathtaking ride!

And I also liked supporting characters, especially I'm curious about Keith (he's coming from wealthy family but what's his motive to choose a career as true crime blog writer)!

As a summary: I'm not big fan of classic action/ crime books! But this is more more more than an ordinary crime book! You're gonna love these three amazing woman and I'm sure of that you're gonna enjoy this book!

Laura/Mystery in Minutes says

Lisa Gardner has done it again! *Never Tell* is **an absorbing, twisty, one-sitting, page-turner of a read** with dialogue that snaps and crackles, and **a plot line that accelerates to a roaring, action-packed climax!**

I am one of those rare, crime fiction fans who have read only a few of prolific, American novelist Lisa Gardner's books. *Never Tell* is **my favorite so far, absolutely! From the first page to the last, I was completely gripped and engaged!**

Visit Mystery in Minutes to read the complete review!

Diane S ? says

Another incredible outing by Gardner, another interesting case for D. D. Warren. Plus, the very scarred Flora is back, now looking for answers from her time held captive. Two deaths, sixteen years apart, the common denominator a young pregnant woman. All three will connect in a very unusual way.

Such a good series, and some terrific characters added to keep the series fresh. This is a tangled weave of a case, one that proves dangerous for a few of the characters. Suspenseful, I couldn't figure out where it was going, but avidly followed along. I love the brief looks into D. D. Warren's personal life, her young son, and young puppy. Adds an element of humor.

ARC from Dutton.
