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Maggie Finn travels to South West Florida expecting to find heat, sand, and gangs of old people. What she finds are dead bodies, a kidnapping, the mob and a certain Jewish Cuban detective that she has developed a school girls crush on.

It's not long before she's engulfed in events that will either destroy her or prove to her that it's never too late to begin again and that life isn't over until it is.

This book is filled with fun and unforgettable characters and situations that never leave a dull moment from page one to epilogue.

Engulfed Details

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Carol says

Don't bother. Grammatically odd, silly convoluted plot, and an extraordinarily inept and unlikable heroine. The only thing going for it was that it was a quick read.

Rebecca says

Not bad, but would benefit from polishing.

Angela Trumbo says

This is a great and funny read. The main character, Maggie, is so adorable and oh at the stuff she gets herself in to. She has some great friends who help along the way. I love Zig and his mom, Dorothy - old school enchantress! The underlying attraction between Maggie and Detective Nathan Gonzales is refreshing. Kathleen Cosgrove has done an exceptional job with this story which is both intriguing and entertaining. I look forward to reading the sequel, Entangled.

Vicky says

A perfect mix of humor and suspense. Despite the several typos, the writing was superb.

Marilyn says

Good

the way this involves the whole retirement center and the staff is all about the murder.the moffa and the drugs

Amber Gilchrist says

I really liked this book. I would have rated it a 5 but it had some typos that were incredible easy fixes and really drew me out of the story.

Sharon Hopkins says

Move over Janet Evanovitch. Kathleen Cosgrove's debut novel Engulfed will have you laughing and rooting

for poor beleaguered Maggie Finn as she finds herself neck deep in murder and some really strange characters. All she came to Florida for was to move her parents into a retirement village. Instead she finds herself a murder target. Her characters are well developed, and each is unique. If you enjoy realistic situational humor, and a good plot, this is the book to get.

Rosina says

Just awful. Good ear for dialogue, but this plot was hilariously unlikely to day the least, and I don't mean funny. I did read the whole thing, thinking I must be missing something since amazon.com had the nerve to charge for it. I was wrong. One of the worst pieces of drivel I've ever read. Save yourself; don't waste your time like I did!!

My rating: NEGATIVE stars.

Sally Herman says

Don't expect Nathan to continue in the second book

I enjoyed this book and immediately purchased the next in series (?). Big disappointment. Just read and enjoy this one.

For the second book expect a continuation of a couple of years later that explains nothing.

Kristina Trawick says

This book is funny!

This author and title were mentioned in another book, MAD LIBRARIAN; ENGULFED was touted as funny, and that is no joke. (No pun intended.) I had never read Kathleen Cosgrove before, sure happy I took the chance.

Great characters, a plot so twisted you don't know whodunit until the end, and descriptions of the Gulf weather so spot on you can feel the humidity rolling off the pages. Can't wait to dive into Entangled.

Tom Bradley says

OK, let's get the negative stuff out of the way.

The author would have been well served by hiring a professional editor to comb through this novel before she published it. Almost from the first page, the reader is hit with a torrent of typos, grammatical and punctuation errors, inexplicable use of italics, and other mistakes. These seem to indicate she was in a hurry to upload the book to Amazon before she gave it a thorough scrubbing. These errors also detracted from my enjoyment of the novel, to the point I gave up reading it, for the time being, after seven or eight chapters.

This is a shame, because even though some aspects of the plot were implausible (I didn't quite understand

how the MC could follow police around a crime scene at a nursing home without anyone batting any eye), I found much of it engaging and downright charming. As cozies go--and I am the first to admit I am not a fan of the cozy mystery genre--I did find some scenes and snippets of dialog quite clever.

Based on the mistakes mentioned above, I was prepared to give the book a 1-star rating. However, and even though I have not (yet) finished the novel, there were some redeeming qualities, which nudged me to give a 2-star rating.

I hope the author pulls the book, hires a professional editor to clean up the obvious stuff, then runs it past some beta readers to straighten out plot points, etc. This will make the novel an even better story, and will improve its readability by leaps and bounds. Best of luck, and thank you.

Alison says

Great cast of characters and nice, breezy writing style but, what was with the editing errors? Really detracted from the experience.

Kay Van Slyke says

This was kind of a fun read. I would give it a 3.5 if I could. I particularly enjoyed the scenes with the seagull. It did have some editing errors but I've seen much worse.

Trish says

Attended a local library event where this author was participating so I had to pick it up and just see what it was all about. While there is no doubt editing and formatting would go a long way to helping this book, the errors are a distraction, I laughed and snorted at enough of the story to read another by this author. If this is a first book, then yeah there is promise for improvement in the next book.

Carrie says

This was another bumbling female detective. Sort of like a later in life Janet Evanovich book; when Stephanie gets to mid 50s. Could be very funny at times but lots of editing errors and a general feeling that the main character is somewhat pathetic. I wouldn't want to hang out with her, I'd avoid her.
