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Tears will fall, hearts will pound, and bullets will fly in Greed in Paradise...

Just when Madison and Fab think it's safe to dip their sexy bodies into the cool tropical waters of paradise, they get the shock of their lives when a friend and business partner turns up dead and they discover they've been written into his will. But nothing is what it seems, as the women find out. There are deadly secrets brewing beneath the surface of Tarpon Cove. Come along on a steamy, thrilling adventure as the two try to find out why their friend suddenly died--seemingly, without cause.

The fifth book in the series finds our sleuths waist deep in sexual tension, flinging barbs, and dodging bullets.

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Debbie Denny says

Don't you just LOVE book series. Each new Paradise escapade surrounds you, and the characters... they unwittingly become your extended family. Our favorite sleuths, Madison and Fab, are in the fray of a mystery once more. After the death of a friend (somewhat shady dude), The gals are shocked to be listed in his will. It becomes clear pretty that they inherited a bunch of trouble including some old debts. Also clear is the fact that something is very fishy about their friends death. We now have women on the hunt for answers, with a bit of their usual sarcasm – which translates to some quirky dangerous situations. Then what about the romance... Will Madison finally be done with the ex and start that romance with another person of interest? Hmmmmm! Deborah Brown is spot-on with another delightful and compelling addition to the series.

Lola Fow says

Number five in Deborah Brown's Paradise series, Greed in Paradise is another sparkling, slightly sweaty Florida-gothic crime/adventure novel that will keep a summer reader happy and titillated! This is the second Paradise novel I've read, and the adventure-prone hero, Madison Westin, is fun to be around again. She's a ballsy, firework of a woman who was (in the previous novel) a private investigator, but now has no license, but this time she is the new owner of a bar, putting her in the path of even more shady characters. The novel opens with a robbery going wrong in her bar and doesn't slow down from there. In between being set up on blind dates by her clueless mother (who, by the way, dates the head of a crime syndicate!), running her bar and seaside motel, and trying to decide whether to finally bed an extremely handsome family friend, Madison also benefits from the untimely death of a friend who has mysteriously named her in his will. Madison has to investigate, and inevitably this leads to adventure, danger, and lots of sweaty tension. If you enjoy female heroes who drive big cars and feel comfortable strapping a holster under their skirts, or are just needing a fun beach read with characters you will want to spend more time with, dive into Greed in Paradise, or any other of the series - you'll be thoroughly entertained.

Jack says

I gave this four stars, but I really would have rated it a solid 3.5 if possible.

Gus Ivers dies soon after his daughter has been hinting that maybe he's losing his faculties and has been looking at places to put him for his own good. I do not need my math degree to add up where this is probably going.

There are lots of things going on in this book besides Gus Ivers' murder investigation. In fact, it seems like it's not even a major part of the book with so much other stuff going on. Maybe it's the obvious culprit that allows this to happen. (view spoiler)

I hope the level of chaos does not increase. It's borderline too much for me to follow or enjoy (though being male, perhaps that's to be expected?). I've enjoyed these books immensely so far, at least the first four (I've used these as my monthly free Kindle Owner's Lending Library selections.) We'll see how it goes.

Leila says

I have a lot to say about this one.

Greed in Paradise is the 5th book in the Paradise Series... where to start.

I didn't feel the mystery was a 'big' mystery this time. I felt like maybe the previous books had a 'better, bigger' mystery, but I enjoyed it all the same. How can you not when Madison and Fabiana are together?

I will say that there were a couple parts where the suspense was high.

There were a few stories in one which is the usual for the Paradise Series and it definitely keeps you on your toes.

As usual, there were your typical shady characters and plenty of laughs to go along with it.

We still have Madison's mom who always makes me giggle. Not to mention Didier. I truly adore him and his little attitude.

I love the characters that we have met in the past, the characters we have grown to know well and of course, the characters we have fallen in love with.

When you read a Paradise series book, you feel like your family.

I love that the series has a little side bit of romance added in as well.

In the beginning, I was totally team Zach. And then Creole showed up and I was just as torn as Madison. They both sound delectable.

Unfortunately, as time has gone on, I have found a hatred for Zach and frankly, never wish to 'hear' (or read) his name again. Creole, however, is welcome any time! Unfortunately, I don't think there are men around here in the real world that can fit his description.

I do have to say, I was quite angered when this book ended. I felt it just – ended. To be honest, I'm not sure if I was mad that it felt like it just ended or if I was mad because I didn't want it to end.

Either way, I was not happy when it ended and I cannot wait to start the next book!

Shecki B says

Unlike some series that fall apart after a few books, this one is still going strong. Madison and Fabiana find new adventures, meet new friends (and interact with old, familiar characters, of course) and have narrow escapes.

One of the pair's new not friends is Violet, Gus Iver's daughter, who ends up being responsible for a very nasty swim the girls take in a swamp.

From being held at gunpoint in the very first chapter to bringing Creole home from the hospital in the last chapter, Madison's escapades kept me entertained.

While this is book 5 in the series, each book stands alone. I'd absolutely suggest reading through the series from book 1, Crazy In Paradise, but you can start with this one and not feel "lost."

Veritas Vincit says

When it comes to tropical paradise books that are ideal for reading whilst lounging next to a pool on a Caribbean cruise, I must admit that Deborah Brown come close to the top of my list. I'm sure her books are enjoyed by plenty of other people as well, but ever since my wife first tossed a Deborah Brown eBook my way, I haven't been able to stop reading them. While some people may consider this "chick lit", I don't think that's completely true. Having strong female protagonists with various romantic endeavors and adventures does not a "chick lit" book make. Greed in Paradise is a well-constructed novel with a legitimate plot, engaging action, and enough sporadic comedy and ridiculous hijinks to make the entire thing have a lighthearted, yet worthwhile feel. It isn't simplistic or condescending to readers and there is some real value in the story that you'll appreciate. It certainly isn't deep philosophy, but writing anything that draws readers from page-to-page in that "holding the bottom corner so you can turn the page faster" type of way means that an author is on to something. Fab is my absolute favorite part of these books, as she reminds me of a good friend of mine who loves living the high life and letting the world carry her along from one adventure/lover/mishap to another. All in all, Greed in Paradise is another hit from Deborah Brown that begins in a simple, easy way, but soon expands and swells into a legitimate mystery thriller that deserves just as much praise as other top names in the genre. Well done once again!

John says

This is the third Deborah Brown novel I've torn through in a matter of days, and I doubt it will be the last. The first time I picked up one of her books, it was for a leisurely distraction for a long flight to a tropical destination, so it seemed appropriate. The last two that I read were simply because they're funny, quirky, well-written, suspenseful, and packed with memorable characters that continue to improve with every book I read. Obviously, it's hard not to love Fab and Madison, but every book brings new foils as well, including new love interests for both these women. Although the premise of this novel initially made me feel that it might be a bit too similar to Murder in Paradise for my taste, it was a unique and completely original adventure for these two sexy sleuths.

I particularly appreciate how Brown never condescends to the characters or patronizes readers by writing the two women as airheaded in any way. They may be beautiful beach-loving women, but they are also clever, brave, insightful, and interesting to read about. Brown loves these characters, and that closeness makes it feel as though the reader has become "one of the gang". We laugh right along with the characters and get just as nervous as they get closer and closer to the truth - even if it brings them closer to danger! I'm sure that I'll end up reading Revenge in Paradise - Brown hasn't disappointed me yet!

Don Rich says

Just when you think you know the direction this series is heading, Deborah Brown 'pulls a u-turn.' So, don't

get too comfortable, and fasten your seatbelts, because there are changes and bumps in the road ahead! Like all the installments leading up to this one, this is a fun and enjoyable read.

Teresa Kander says

This is the fifth installment in the series, and I love it more with every book. Madison and Fabiana are in fine form once again, bumbling their way through solving cases.

Madison is between boyfriends, so the coziness of Fab and Didier sometimes makes her sick to her stomach-but that's before things start to heat up with Creole. I look forward to seeing how THAT relationship progresses in the next book.

The girls interact with many of the characters from previous books, including Tolbert, Harder, Kevin, Johnson, and Mac. The residents of The Cottages provide plenty of action, especially a shady new couple, Ron and Kathy Stone.

The major mystery this time around surrounds the death of Gus Ivers, the fact that both girls are mentioned in his will, and the attitude of his daughter, Violet, regarding that news.

As always, the story is very well written, with a mix of humor, suspense and action. The main characters are becoming even more well-developed, especially Madison. It was great to see her becoming more self-confident, standing up to her mother and to Fabiana in this book. Hope we'll see her continue to grow in the future.

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Nickie says

So suspenseful

Cliffhangers around every corner. Great story and amazing ending, can't wait to read the next. Couldn't put this one down.

Kieran says

From simply looking at the front cover of "Greed in Paradise," many may assume that this is a simple light-hearted mystery with airs of comedy and romance. While these things are all true, this description fails to capture just how risqué the writing can truly be at times. The character descriptions allow the reader to picture the sorts of above-average-looking people who might feature in a movie of a similar premise.

Speaking of the premise, this book delivers fairly well in the mystery department. An associate of the main characters, Madison and Fabiana, turns up dead under bizarre circumstances. Shortly thereafter, the two find that they were remembered in his last will and testament. Rather than simply accepting the circumstances for

what they are, their curiosity gets the better of them and they begin to dig deeper.

Though this book is not particularly long (it can be read in one day, depending on the pace of the reader), there are numerous characters inhabiting the setting of Tarpon Cove. Needless to say, some of them are more important than others. The great number of characters can be both good and bad, depending on the reader's opinion. While they are all interesting in their own ways, it seems as if they could have been given deeper explorations. Of course, many of these characters have also been introduced in earlier novels, so readers may get to know them easier by starting the series from the beginning.

All in all, "Greed in Paradise" is a fun mystery with enough comedic moments to keep it relatively light-hearted. It is also sometimes a little bit raunchy, for the benefit of readers who enjoy some steamy romance with their mystery. It may not be a long read, but it's not a forgettable one, either.

Carole Harris says

When I was younger, a much younger girl, I loved Nancy Drew!!! Who didn't love a good sleuth and a woman, or young girl at that. Bring your margaritas and swim suits and join Madison and Fabiana on a chase for the bad guy or guys. Run into trouble while your at it, as these two surely do! You'll love the meddlesome mom, (don't we all) and love Creole, the protective sort...really, or does he just want Madison? Find out with this trouble seeking, sleuthing twosome. Debroah Brown definitely sets the scene for the reader to pack her swim suit, sunglasses and flip flops to join these two for some drinks and then some! I enjoyed this book.

Until next time.

carole

Kelli Guilbeau says

I'm telling you now, this series is my guilty little pleasure. I love this series and all of the quirky characters that will keep you guessing at what will happen next. Of course, I also love this one because Creole is more involved in this book, and I can just imagine how sexy he is. I don't know why Madison is hesitating on a relationship with him. Maybe this time something will happen.

Whether or not you're still stuck in the house with winter weather (in spring), this book is the perfect book to cozy up with inside or outside on a beach somewhere. Of course, if you are in a cold climate the book will remind you of what warm weather is like since the book takes place in the Florida Keys. I love the setting and everything else in the book. The characters are great and always changing. You never know who you will run into or what will happen next.

I give this book 5 stars. I read this book in probably a day. I had a really hard time putting the book down. While I don't see anything wrong with high school students reading this book, I still encourage parents to read it first to make sure they feel comfortable with their child reading it. There are some sexual references but it isn't thrown in your face. This book can be read as a stand alone book, but I strongly encourage you to read the whole series.

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Louise Pass says

Continuing crazy Florida keys fun

Repossession and recovery, what could go wrong? Are the good guys gangsters or hero's, is the car wash clean or naughty? Will our hero's survive their exploits?

Julie says

Greed in Paradise by Deborah Brown is a 2014 Paradise Books, LLC publication. I was provided a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

The dynamic duo of Madison and Fab are back for another adventure in Paradise. Naturally, these two manage to attract trouble so I couldn't wait to see what they have up to. Of course I was also on pins and needles about Madison's personal life, which left me wondering if what had happened in the last installment was real or if maybe it was all just a misunderstanding.

From the first page until the last, the pace is fast and furious, as usual. Madison has taken over "Jake's", a bar and grill, but it seems some of Jake's creditors didn't get the memo and show up looking for the money Jake owed them, holding Madison responsible, or trying to. But, that's just for starters. Fab and Madison find out an old friend, who kind of walked on the dark side, has passed away suddenly, and the ladies are surprisingly remembered in the will, which stirs up all kinds of controversy since the death was perhaps a suspicious one.

What about Madison's personal life? Well, for now it looks like Madison is between boyfriends, but Creole is awfully determined to win Madison over, despite her mother's very strong disapproval.

Once more the ladies are in rare form, but this time around I think I may have noticed a tiny change in Madison. She has always been funny, a little offbeat, struggles to find her niche, and has had to battle her boyfriend, mother, and best friend to in order to achieve her goals or dreams. Make no mistake, Madison is still smarting over Eric. She is not ready to date, not even Creole, who tempts her sorely. But, in this installment I saw Madison start to take up for herself a little more. She even challenged Fab, perhaps losing some of her hero worship and coming into her own. Although she didn't win every time, at least she did put up a good fight. This led to some pretty sharp dialogue and hilarity.

As always there were some sexual innuendos, suggestive dialogue, plus the trademark mad cap situations. On a few occasions, Fab's new boyfriend stole the show, so I do hope he sticks around for a while.

This was another highly entertaining book in this series, which has become one of my favorites. I am so happy to see that as we progress the characters continue to grow and learn, but stay true to themselves as well. Great job! 4.5 rounded to 5
