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Targeted (Callahan & McLane Book 4)



Synopsis

A Wall Street Journal bestseller All Detective Mason Callahan wanted was a quiet fishing trip with the guys—a chance to get away and unwind before Halloween. Until he finds the body of his boss, Denny Scheffe, near their remote Oregon cabin. Now all he wants is to catch the sadist who slit Denny's throat and covered his face with a mask. Mason was the last person to see him alive and will stop at nothing to find his friend's murderer. When the FBI learns of the mask left at the scene, they realize they have a serial killer on their hands—one who is targeting cops. They assign the case to Special Agent Ava McLane, despite her engagement to Mason. Barely recovered from her own nearly fatal injury and her sister's attempted suicide, Ava hopes she is ready to chase another killer. But as she delves into the increasingly disturbing case, the killer may be closer than expected—dangerously close.

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Customer Reviews

I may be wrong but I am of the opinion that this series is about suspense with some romance and

family issues (his son, her sister) thrown in. After all, the main characters are a member of the Oregon State Police Violent Crimes Unit and a special agent of the FBI. The premise behind this book was great. It begins with the murder of Mason Callahan's departmental superior. From there, it moves to the death of an FBI agent, that occurred earlier, which was ruled a suicide by the medical examiner. Both are discovered wearing horror film character masks. Then there are two more OSP officers murdered. Who is targeting police officers and why? Who else is targeted for death? What is the reason for the masks? Since Ava has recently returned from medical leave, her "plate" is not too full. Therefore, she and her partner are assigned to investigate for the FBI. The investigator for the OSP has to monitor Mason's participation since he is the last person to see with his "boss" alive and he discovered the body, making him a witness and a possible suspect. Of course, any novel worth its salt, has side issues that seem to create diversions for the main character(s). Ava can't seem to avoid her twin sister's mental issues. Although Ava is paying for Jayne to be treated in an excellent institution, they even have her painting again. Still, Ava has serious questions about whether Jayne has figured out how to con the professionals into believing she really has improved more than she actually has. Enter David. Ava meets him in a store "showing" Jayne's watercolors and he keeps turning up everywhere Ava goes, asking questions about Jayne. Who is he and why does he seem to be so interested in Jayne? Then, as Mason and Ava expected - and even warned the professionals at the institution about - Jayne proves she is "slicker" than the psychiatrists and therapists. Who is David and what is his interest in Jayne? While all of this is going on, Ava has engaged a wedding planner. She is, however, having a difficult time finalizing the plans for their wedding. This book is about the solving of the killing of four (almost five) law enforcement officers and it is attention grabbing and interest holding. You will enjoy this book if you like suspense with a side order of romance.

Sister Jayne's mental problems have become a drag to read about! Just let Callahan and MacLane have their own adventures without so much of a book devoted to Jayne. The ending was really good and unexpected, though.

Another outstanding romantic suspense by author Kendra Elliot, featuring two infamous characters as the saga continues, in book 4 of Callahan and McLane. All four books are must-reads!....After planning a get-away for so long with his fellow detectives and close friends, homicide detective Mason Callahan, is still in shock after discovering the body of his boss lying behind their cabin, wearing a grotesque mask covering his face completely. What started out as a fishing trip, ended up

with murder when someone decided to kill Capt. Denny Scheffe, by a blow to the head and cutting his throat. Even more disturbing was the creepy mask, or was it symbolic because it just happened to be Halloween weekend? What does it all mean? Who would want to kill Denny? A sworn enemy? Or one of his own? And who called Denny at 1:00 a.m., causing him to step outside to take the call? The killer? Was Denny being targeted? After several months, FBI special agent Ava McLane, was looking forward to returning to work, and although she was recently convalescing from a gunshot wound, plus a deadly infection from a previous case, she never thought her next case would be so close to home. Notified by her boss that her fiancé, homicide detective Mason Callahan had discovered his boss's body on his fishing trip along with his other friends, Ava was assigned the case and she found herself working side-by-side with Mason again. Refusing to take orders to step away from the case, Mason is more determined than ever to solve Denny's murder, and it didn't take long for Ava and Mason to figure out that they were dealing with a psychopath. As the investigation continued, more cops were suddenly turning up dead and for the first time since Denny died, they both soon realized that they had a serial killer on their hands, and more frighteningly, was the cold reality that all law enforcement were being targeted, including the FBI. While still recovering from a near death experience and the attempted suicide of her twin sister Jayne, Ava is led to crucial information and a frightening revelation that danger is closer than she ever thought possible, forcing her to race against the clock, as a cunning, ruthless, and cold-blooded killer is carrying out his next move to make someone very close to her, his next victim!..I loved all 4 books and their all must-reads!..thank you..

I have been reading Kendra since her first book, Hidden. She just keeps getting better! Mason and some of his detective friends have gone on a vacation together. One of the detectives is brutally murdered at the remote cabin where they are staying. His body is found with a Halloween mask on his face. Mason's fiancée Ava is brought in to help with the investigation. When another law enforcement officer is found murdered, also with a Halloween mask on, they realize they have a killer targeting law enforcement officers. Kendra does an excellent job of keeping the suspense throughout the book and the characters are people you care about. She lets us hear the voice of the killer without revealing who it is. The book is extremely well written. You won't be able to stop turning the pages to see what will happen next. I can't wait for her next book. Thank you to net galley for an advanced reading copy for a fair and honest review.

I thought I would give this author one more shot in this series at sewing up loose ends. Didn't

happen. Instead of leaving me wanting more it left me feeling cheated out of eight plus hours of my time. This series could have been wrapped up nicely with an extended epilogue. Who knows what the heck finally happened with some of the main characters including Ava's twin as well as their new found father if he even was their father. I think this was the last book in the series so we'll never know and even if there is another book coming I'm done!

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