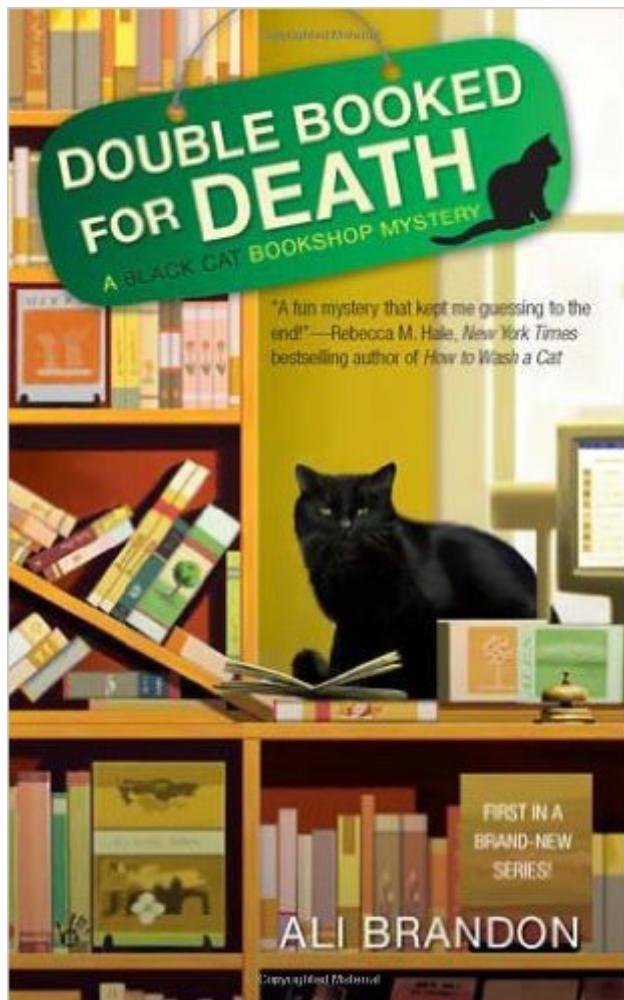


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Synopsis

Darla Pettistone left Texas for New York after unexpectedly inheriting her Great-Aunt Deeâ™s Brooklyn bookstore. She didnâ™t know that the storeâ™s mascotâ™Hamlet, an oversize black cat with a personality to matchâ™was also part of the deal. And he may be more trouble than Darla bargained forâ™. As the new owner of Pettistoneâ™s Fine Books, Darla Pettistone is determined to prove herself a worthy successor to her late great-aunt Deeâ™ and equally determined to outwit Hamlet, the smarter-than-thou cat she inherited along with the shop. Darlaâ™s first store event is a real coupâ™the hottest bestselling author of the moment is holding a signing there, which brings hordes of fans and some protestors. But when the author meets an untimely end during the event, itâ™s hardly good for business, even though itâ™s ruled an accidentâ™ until Hamlet digs up a clue that seems to indicate otherwise. Now Darla fears a killer might be lurking aboutâ™. Can the interfering Hamlet point the paw at the culprit without losing one of his own nine lives?

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Read on August 07, 2014 â™ I own a copy! I loved this cozy mystery! Hamlet reminds me of my big ol' cat, Fidget, who died a few months ago. I laughed until I cried at his shenanigans. Whoever says cats are stupid have never met Hamlet, Figgie, and my back cat Clyde! Hamlet helps solves the mysterious death of a very popular author - Valerie Baylor. Baylor writes a very popular Young Adult series - Haunted High. Baylor is even hotter than the "Boy Wizard" author. And Darla Pettistone is

going to host the famous writer in her bookstore that she inherited from her late great aunt. Before Baylor and her entourage arrive, the lone protestor is still across the street - same garb, but a different sign. The message is similar to the one she carried yesterday. But why is she accusing the bestselling author of plagiarism? Darla's staff aren't too keen on having Baylor at Pettistone Fine Books either. Darla needs sales of the signing - finances are tight at the store right now, and she has her friend and tenant Jake to look after, especially since the older woman is a disabled cop. Jake and her friend Reese - an off duty detective - are providing security for the event, trying to keep everyone in long black capes and a streak of red lipstick in an orderly line. When Baylor and her entourage finally get to the shop, Darla is dismayed with the author's behavior. She is rude to everyone. Hamlet likes her and sits with her in the outdoor court yard. After only an hour Baylor announces that needs another cigarette break and goes out to the court yard. A few minutes later, tires screech. Baylor has been hit by a church van driven by Darla's sister friend, Marnie. Yes, Marnie threatened both Darla and the dead author. Was Baylor pushed or accidentally fell into the van's path?

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