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What is a cozy mystery?

- The crime solver is usually a woman who is an amateur sleuth
- Usually takes place in a small town or village
- Although the cozy mystery sleuth is usually not a medical examiner, detective, or police officer, a lot of times her best friend, husband or significant other is
- Cozy mysteries are considered “gentle” books – no graphic violence, no profanity and no explicit sex. Most often, the crime takes place “off stage” and death is usually very quick
- Tend to be fast-paced with several twists and turns throughout the book
- Puts emphasis on plots and character development