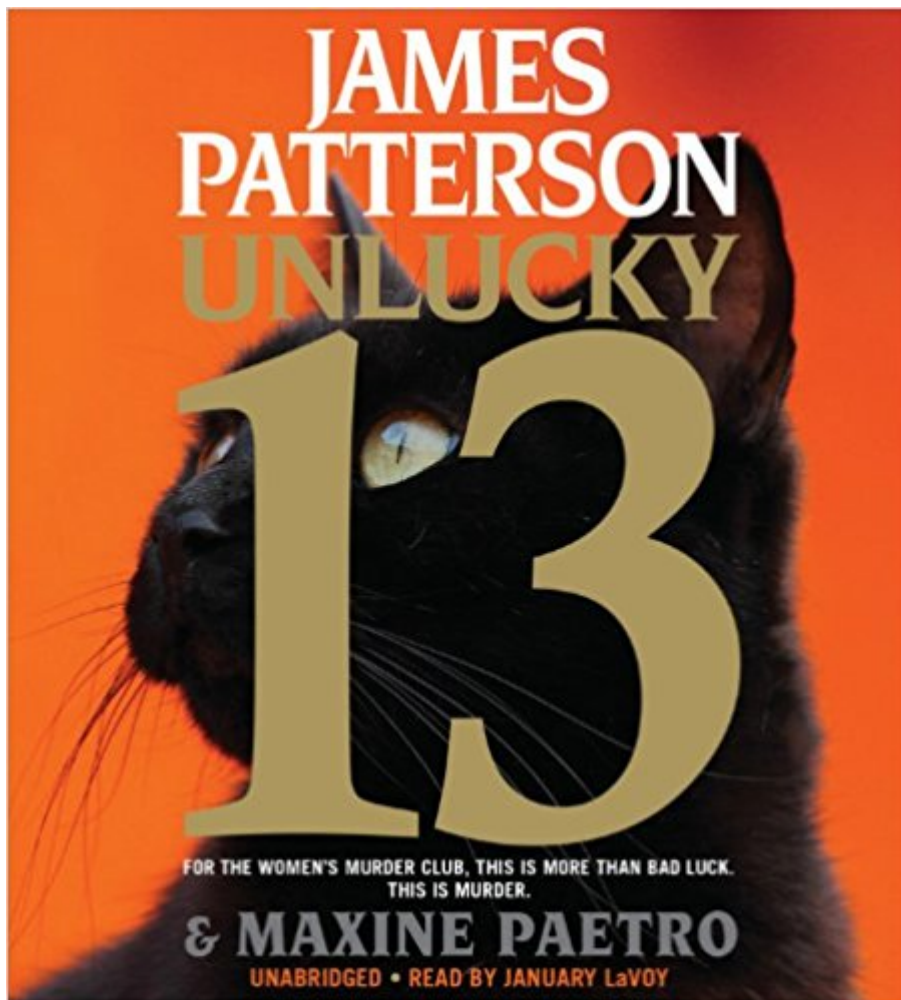


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## Unlucky 13 (Women's Murder Club)



## Synopsis

The Women's Murder Club is stalked by a killer with nothing to lose. San Francisco Detective Lindsay Boxer is loving her life as a new mother. With an attentive husband, a job she loves, plus best friends who can talk about anything from sex to murder, things couldn't be better. Then the FBI sends Lindsay a photo of a killer from her past, and her happy world is shattered. The picture captures a beautiful woman at a stoplight. But all Lindsay sees is the psychopath behind those seductive eyes: Mackie Morales, the most deranged and dangerous mind the Women's Murder Club has ever encountered. In this pulse-racing, emotionally charged novel by James Patterson, the Women's Murder Club must find a killer--before she finds them first.

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## Customer Reviews

FANS LOVE THE WOMEN'S MURDER CLUB!"Those who haven't read any of the novels in the Women's Murder Club series are cheating themselves."[BookReporter.com](#)"I can't believe how good Patterson is, whether he's doing a Washington police yarn or traveling a different road with a female narrator. He is always on the mark. I have never begun a Patterson book and been able to put it down."[Larry King, USA Today](#)

James Patterson has had more New York Times bestsellers than any other writer, ever, according to Guinness World Records. Since his first novel won the Edgar Award in 1977 James Patterson's books have sold more than 300 million copies. He is the author of the Alex Cross novels, the most

popular detective series of the past twenty-five years, including Kiss the Girls and Along Came a Spider. He writes full-time and lives in Florida with his family.

Unfortunately, it appears that Mr. Patterson is no longer concerned about the quality of his novels, but rather in how many he can crank out in the shortest span of time. In Unlucky 13 he throws together three unrelated, basically outrageous plots, one of which is never completely resolved. The Women's Murder Club Series started out with some compelling and exciting stories, and developed four very interesting lead characters. The series is up to #13, but unless something changes, there won't be many more. The caliber of this book is not at the level I have come to expect from this author.

What happened? I was reading along and suddenly it was over. Very unsatisfying. The authors rushed to end it and left their readers hanging. The authors should be ashamed. Great ideas, the storyline is compelling, but totally undeveloped.

Several plots going on here--sometimes not very well connected, and the stories perked along until a rather abrupt ending. I would have liked a little less in the middle and a more well-staged, not abrupt ending.

So I have read the first 12 of this series but took a break for awhile because I felt like the writing was getting continually worse. I don't remember much about book 12, but as for book 13, I feel like James Patterson is writing less and less of his books. The style was confusing - parts were third person, parts were first. It just makes it somewhat hard to read. Also, procedurally, some parts were just epicly wrong. There were also too many stories going on in this one. I think maybe the book wasn't "long" enough so they added in the story of Brady and Yuki's honeymoon which, although intriguing, seemed misplaced. I'll keep reading though, mostly because I want to find out what happens with Cindy.

Actually I'm glad to read some of the negative comments on this book as I thought I may be too picky. I have been a long time fan of James Patterson's books and have read all of the Womens Murder Club. The last couple of books haven't been that great and this one in particular left me a bit "miffed" enough to write a review. I'm starting to feel like the series is a bit of a "puppy mill"...crank them out as fast as you can. But there is no real material. This had 3 story lines going, 2 of which I

felt were unresolved. The belly bombers plot had no real resolution as to what happened to the perps or the last box or burgers. Plus why was Yuki's ship taken over...no explanation as to who Jackhammer was and what his goal was by taking over the ship except to give Yuki a story line. To be honest, I'm not feeling comfortable that Mr Patterson is even writing any of this material but only acting as a liason to the other writer. This book is no near the quality of his earlier works without the co-writers...just sayin.

I loved this series when it first began but Patterson has taken a turn that I really don't care for. The last few books for me have been boring. I found myself able to put the book down and do some cleaning...yes cleaning. I understand that this is fiction but it was a little too unrealistic, stomach bombs? Really? And honeymoon highlights, snooze. It was not romantic enough to be a romance novel and not action packed enough to be an action novel. I almost started jumping for joy when Brady turned Dirk Pitt, but alas it was over all too soon. Cindy was backstabbing her friends and being an idiot and poor Joe gets the short end of the stick, again. Very anti-climatic. If there is a #14 I am not sure if I will read it or not.

Unlucky !3 by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro is the 13th installment in the Women's Murder Club series of books. I've read them all and I must confess that the earlier books written by Mr. Patterson himself were the best, but that old suspense of what's going to happen to Lindsey Boxer, Joe her husband, and baby Julie as well as the rest of the group keeps me reading. In this book, Yuki and her fiance finally take the plunge and get married in a very hurried ceremony that is beautiful. I could imagine Yuki in her beautiful wedding gown and holding a lovely bouquet. She and her new husband were then off to a wonderful honeymoon on an Alaskan cruise ship and they couldn't wait to get away. In the meantime, Lindsay is horrified by what is happening to people in the San Francisco area. Somehow people are ingesting small bombs in hamburgers from a chain of fast food restaurants and are literally blowing up in front of horrified bystanders. The police at first have no clue as to how the perpetrators are doing this, who they are and why they are doing this to innocent people. Claire does the autopsies and finds that is what is causing people to actually explode. In the meantime, Cindy has run across a dangerous and old nemesis who she wants to interview for the "interview and story of her life" for her newspaper job but it is a dangerous undertaking that Cindy doesn't tell the others about. The book is full of suspense, but the ending leaves a bit to be desired. I think it might be because...I hope!...it picks up in the next book, the 14th in the series.

What about the belly bomb people? Last we saw them Boxer was recommending the shutdown of the burger joints. That's it? Very disappointing.

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