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In this debut of a uniquely talented novelist, Ian Fleming's real world of spies, love, passion, and danger is brought to life when a young woman inherits Fleming's long-hidden account of spying during World War II and must finish it to find out why people are trying to kill her.

In 1964, James Bond's creator sealed a package containing a manuscript he thought no one would read until fifty years after his death. Ian Fleming was an officer in Britain's Naval Intelligence during World War II, and he had his own adventures to recount. His family ties and his career had taken him to the upper echelons of British and American society and espionage, a world where passionate affairs, exotic locations, and polite cocktail chatter were interlaced with danger, betrayal, and deceit. He'd replicated that world in his famous novels, but this manuscript contained a real spy story that would explode history when its secrets were revealed. He'd chosen the reader, and he'd have to trust she would serve the truth.

In 2005, Amy Greenberg -- a young American academic with a glittering future -- is summoned to Ireland to claim the contents of her grandfather's safe deposit box, in which she finds only one thing: a manuscript by Ian Fleming. The pages detail Fleming's involvement in Allied spycraft and contain information so confidential, so potentially explosive, that Amy soon discovers that people on both sides of the Atlantic are willing to kill to maintain its secrecy. As she journeys back home with her precious cargo, Amy finds herself in a race against time -- she must unlock the manuscript's shocking and fascinating secrets and outwit the unknown assailants who would do anything to bury the truth and protect a traitor's name.

Peopled with characters including Winston Churchill, Princess Diana, the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, Anthony Blunt, and FDR and illustrated with authenticating documents, *In Secret Service* is a historical mystery "inside" a contemporary thriller. The debut of an exciting new writer, this book combines impeccable research with thrilling action, in a brand-new take on espionage suspense.

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Mary Kay says

The Duke of Windsor gives aid to Hitler & a young Ian Fleming finds out all the sordid details & intrusts his info to a bewildered Yale professor. Many people die. An adventure, to say the least.

Justin says

I bought this book in the San Francisco airport for the flight back to NY and it was a great plane read. But I'm not sure how much I would have enjoyed it had I not been trapped for 6 hours.

It's basically a rip-off of The Da Vinci Code but substituting Ian Fleming for Jesus. The "secret" that is being uncovered during the book (that Edward VIII was pro-Nazi) wasn't too surprising or controversial (perhaps a Brit would disagree with this assessment).

So to summarize, a somewhat trashy historical fiction that's highly enjoyable in the right context.

Joan says

When contacted to retrieve the contents of her late grandfather's safety deposit box, history professor Amy Greenberg finds that her inheritance is an unpublished, long-hidden account of spying during the Second World War. And, to her astonishment, she discovers the author is none other than James Bond creator Ian Fleming.

Although Fleming had believed no one would read the manuscript before everyone included in the story was dead, the early closing of Ireland's Ansbacher Bank brought the manuscript to light some ten years earlier than Fleming had planned.

And, as soon as the manuscript was in her possession, Amy became a target for killers determined to keep the contents of the manuscript from seeing the light of day.

A captivating premise, weaving both fact and fiction into a mesmerizing tale, this quick read unfolds in chapters alternating between present and past. Although some events are more plausible than others, the story carefully weaves together politics, elite society, and the shadowy world of spies with the author's meticulous research being a highlight of the narrative. However, character development is minimal and readers may find it hard to connect with the heroine.

Despite a few plot points that seem to drift away without resolution, intrigue remains in the telling of the tale. Readers will find a tenuous connection late in the story comes off as a transparent, unnecessary ploy; nevertheless, this spy-filled tale is a delightful romp guaranteed to keep the pages turning.

Recommended.

David says

Mitch Silver had a clever idea for a novel. His premise-- real life creator of James Bond, Ian Fleming, discovers a secret left over from World War II-- this secret is so volatile that a number of people are set to prevent from being exposed.

This novel has a bit of a split personality as the author flips back and forth between the modern day holder of the document and Mr. Fleming's memoir. Silver reveals some really neat tradecraft and spycraft (in regards to a caper in a bank safety deposit vault) but beyond that... the novel is unexciting and boring... The secret itself it quite interesting speculation on the author's part-- but his author notes show that he has researched his subject well.

A great idea.. some clever moments.. but otherwise a very mediocre novel.

Rebecca says

This book is somewhat an homage to Ian Fleming, so I should have expected it not to be moral. However, it wasn't terribly explicit either. It was good enough, and interesting enough, that I would have given it a 4 if it had been cleaner.

That said, this is a great spy/thriller/historical novel, with real people, and it seems well-researched. It left me wondering, "How much of this could be true?"

Isabella Florence says

I loved the parts narrated by Dr. Greenberg but skimmed through a lot of the Fleming stuff. Some of Greenberg's thoughts were a little sexist, I thought, but I really enjoyed the book overall! My grandmother lent me the book—the author is a friend of hers—and I tore through it in two days. I also love the melding of history and mystery. Creative and reflective of the author's personal interests! Would recommend.

Wendy says

This could have been a good book since the writing was okay and the plot idea was interesting but, once it started giving detailed physiological descriptions of female anatomy to describe why this one woman was so sexually agreeable, I had to stop. Also, the main girl was being pursued by a killer or two but she would stop and think sometimes about who should be her maid of honor and where she would get her wedding invitations. Whatev!

Dutchermann says

I wanted to really like this novel, and I was planning for a page turner. The premise intrigued me to pick it up

off the library shelf, but I could never quite get into the story. The main character would have been stronger if she was more developed. That she was so naive about those trying to harm her and steal the manuscript, yet she managed to escape trained special ops personnel didn't seem plausible. Still, the plot made me want to read more about the British royals and Ian Fleming during WWII.

Flo says

Too many spies

Ian Fleming writes a long letter to an Amy Greenberg setting off a series of mysterious encounters, attempts at murder, stolen letters involving the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, Churchill, Elizabeth II, Anthony Blunt art historian and spy, Hitler, among others. Why Amy? Why Ian Fleming. These are only the people who really lived. Then there are the fictional characters. Too many. No humor, no wit. It just tired me, but I'm sure Mitch Silver will come up with better mysteries. I will not give up on him yet.

Helena Carmon says

In Secret Service was interesting because it took a lot of Ian Fleming information from his James Bond books, which I absolutely love, simply because I am a HUGE James Bond person.

This specific book however has to do with a modern day Academic woman named Amy, who studies historic works, who has to unexpectedly go to Ireland because of a death in her family. Her inheritance is none other than an unpublished, original, Ian Fleming manuscript. As soon as she get her inheritance, unbeknownst to her, evil forces are at work. She dives further into the novel and realizes that a major historical mystery could potentially be uncovered and change history forever.

Like I stated earlier in my review, I found this book completely riveting because I love an action-mystery book, oh and maybe if I told you that Amy has a fiance! His name is Scott and their romance is also totally in this book just for the lovely added spark of romance that goes with every Ian Fleming novel. So, in case you still didn't get it, I definitely would recommend this book!

Bob says

I picked up this novel because of the interesting title, then chose to read it because the tease turned out to be more of a road sign that this is, indeed, a James Bond related story. And a smart one at that, too.

Seems that Bond's creator, Mr. Fleming, was an undercover operative - a spy - himself during WW II, collecting material for Bond's adventures first hand. And, what he uncovered was pretty darned spicy stuff, involving all the major players in the war, from the King of England and the U. S. president, to Hitler and his henchmen.

The story is passed along posthumously to an associates granddaughter, who finds herself the target of several spies in her own turn. The chase is well described, while she gradually discovers why she is in moral danger.

A highly recommended first novel by a new talent. Enjoy!

Annie Smith says

Another audio book for the loooong drive home through OK, AR, MO, IL and finally MI! An intriguing concept (Ian Fleming writing about the Duke of Windsor and Wallis Simpson courting the Nazis during WW2 and a present day connection) kept us captivated during our trip.

There were a few things that we felt didn't make sense - ie - the man on the plane who died from a peanut allergy and was wearing an allergy bracelet saying so - but he ate the green beans with the "peanut looking nuts" in them anyway. Huh? All in all though - it was an exciting car ride audio book!

Marilou says

Just started this book on cd. Very interesting; WWII spies, Princess Diana, the Book of Kells all in a bundle! Just finished listening to this. I listened as I drove, as I ironed, as I cooked, as I nearly fell asleep. This was a lighthearted and fun book filled with characters and spanning 8 decades. There were so many twists and turns and the escapades of the "heroine" were as improbable as those of Indiana Jones! All in all, a light, fun read even though the main character was not well developed. For a 40 year old Ph.D. she was pretty naive, immature and underdeveloped. However, the stories (fact and fiction) built around the real historical characters (Anthony Blunt, W.S.C., Ian Fleming, Prince Phillip, et. al.) were interesting and stirred speculation. Fun for WWII historical fiction fans, spy fans, Anglophiles, and silly yarn addicts. The female reader seemed more "valley girl" in her delivery but the male reader did a good job.

Jessica says

The writing lacks the polish of a gifted author and the story strains credulity, but I could easily see it as a big-budget actioner on screen.

Regan says

Not a bad debut. While the parts that take place in the 30's and 40's were interesting, in parts they dragged on a little too much for me. The pursuit of Amy seemed a little juvenile in the beginning but once she gets towards home the story really takes off in an enjoyable read.
