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Holly Harper's life is finally getting back on the right track after her divorce from "what's his name." She and a group of divorcees have formed a strong bond plotting creative ways to get back at their exes and created a self-help group known as The Divorced Divas where their meetings are held in Holly's bead store, The Beaded Dragonfly.

It's no secret that Holly's ex husband, Sean Harper, and the wealthiest bachelor in Swanee, Doug Sloan, don't get along because Sean is constantly fixing all of Doug's shoddy handy man work. Plus all the Divas would love to get their claws in some of Doug's money.

When Doug ends up dead on the floor of The Beaded Dragonfly with a string of cat eye beads around his neck, it's up to Holly to figure out whose framing her.

Strung Out to Die Details

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Sue says

AWESOME BOOK... LOVED IT.. TONYA TAKES YOU RIGHT INTO THE STORY... CANT WAIT FOR THE NEXT ONE IN THE SERIES..

Tamara Blackwell says

I enjoyed this book, but... A pet pig named Willow? It doesn't seem in character for a character like Holly to have a pig as a pet. How did her pig ownership come about? Where does one learn how to housetrain a pig? Pig ownership is unusual, especially for a single woman like Holly, should it should have been addressed in the story. Every time the pig was mentioned, I kept asking myself these questions and it took me outside the story.

Brooke Showalter (Brooke Blogs) says

Holly Harper owns The Beaded Dragonfly, a bead shop in the small town of Swannee. She has a small pet pig, Willow, and lives alone after divorcing her cheating husband, Sean. Holly is trying to get her business off the ground and is hoping to land her first big client soon, and stop depending on alimony payments. But before that can happen, Doug Sloan is found murdered in the back room of The Beaded Dragonfly, strangled with a string of cat's eye beads. Holly and her ex, Sean, are the prime suspects.

As the story develops, Holly channels her inner detective, and, with the help of her fellow divorced divas, she is determined to find out who killed Doug and is trying to frame her for it. There are many twists in the story, and I was surprised at the end!

I absolutely fell in love with Holly, the Divas, and Willow the pig. :) This was a perfect crafty, cozy mystery. The characters were great, and I was pulled into the mystery right from the start. When the killer was revealed, I was shocked. Tonya Kappes put together an awesome mystery. If you're looking to cuddle up with a fun cozy, Strung Out to Die is it!

Susan Parham says

Loving this series! Strung Out To Die by Tonya Kappes was such a fun cozy mystery. So many laugh out loud moments and I absolutely love Willow, Holly's pet pig. I felt like I couldn't read it fast enough because I wanted to find out who the killer was. I was completely surprised ... had not guessed that at all. Can't wait to read the next in the series and see what is new in the lives of Holly and the Divorced Diva's.

Karin Crimmins says

Fun book! Perfect cozy read!

Helen says

It was ok.

Tobi Forget the Housework, I'm Reading... says

First thoughts after...

I love a book that makes me giggle in the morning!

How distracted did I get?

Strung Out to Die is a fun cozy mystery! Holly, I love her. She keeps me smiling through the story. I love realistic characters and Holly is just that. Agnes is cute as a button and I can't wait to get to know her better in the next book. Donavon, let's say I have a new book boyfriend. He teaches self defense and is a college professor and very good looking! Who could ask for more? I loved this story from the start. I've been in a funk and I can always count on a Tonya Kappes story to help pull me out!

Tina says

thank you for helping me get my reading mojo back as always unputdownable

Kathy says

Great read

If you haven't read Tonya Kappes books yet you should just found this one and now going to the next

Melissa says

Let me start with I'm a BIG Tonya Kappes fan. I love, love, love, her Magical Cure series. I typically love her quirky characters and small town settings. "Strung Out to Die" was cute, fluffy, and the series has a lot of potential. The town of Swanee is a typical small town that Ms. Kappes writes about and does a wonderful job painting a very accurate picture of. I love The Beaded Dragon Fly as one of the main settings. My favorite characters in the book were Noah Drake and Willow, Holly's pet pig.

Unfortunately, I'm not a huge fan of this particular book. I found many parts of the book repetitive and the editing issues were distracting (I have a hard time turning off the teacher with the red pen in me). I like stronger women characters. Holly seemed weak, down and out, and naive throughout most of the book. At the very end of "Strung Out To Die" Holly seemed to come into her own - smarter, more put together, and stronger. I had a hard time differentiating between all the the Divas and their individual stories. I'm not 100% sure if it was because there were so many Divas or if their stories were so similar.

I'm definitely going to read the next book in the series when it comes out. I hope Holly and the Divas have as much craziness happen in their small town of Swanee and that the ladies' characters are a little more developed. If I could give half stars this would be a 2.5 not a 2. I didn't hate the book, but it definitely was not my favorite Tonya Kappes story.

Brandy Barber says

Another win

This is another great book by Tonya. I always look toward to her new books. You are going to love all the new people you meet. Story has nice flow and only took a day to read

Christine Lowe says

Easy Reading Mystery

Tonya Kappes has created a goofy group of women who call themselves Divorced Divas. Holly, owner of The Beaded Dragonfly, has been setup by an unknown murderer who left a dead body in her shop. Holly knows she can depend on her fellow Divas to help her discover who's trying to frame her for the murder.

Most people I know have pet dogs or cats. Holly has Willow a pet pig. Reading about Willow had me laughing and convinced me to never own a pig.

This is a clean mystery without graphic language, sex or violence. My overall impression of the book was positive. My one complaint is poor editing. There are words left out that had me rereading sentences to figure out what was being said. In other examples the wrong words are used, i.e. footprints being heard instead of footsteps.

Yvonne Taylor says

This review is from: Strung Out To Die (A Divorced Diva Mystery) (Kindle Edition)

Being a huge fan of Tonya Kappes, I could not wait for her latest book to become available. Set in the small town this book with all the characters is just the place you would love to go visit. When there is a murder in Holly Harper's shop The Beaded Dragonfly, Holly is in a hurry to find out who the murderer is before she is arrested for the murder. With the help of her fellow Divorced Diva's all the clues are adding up to the wrong person.

I enjoyed this book so much, and with the twist at the end, I had no idea who was really to blame!!! GREAT JOB TONYA!!

If you enjoy cozy mysteries, this one should be at the top of your list!! I can't wait to see what happens in the next book in this series.

Jamie says

Easy read, enjoyable. I was confused at first, had a hard time differentiating all of the players, who they are, who they are related to. Could have used more editing. Found so many things that needed to be corrected. In the beginning Holly was to meet Ginger for a drink but she didn't show up then towards the end of the book they were both having a drink and having a good time when Holly was watching video surveillance of the bar, just to name one. Will continue with next addition to this series because is kept my attention thru the end.

Gabi Eagon says

Divorced Divas

Holly Harper was finally getting her life back together after her divorce from Sean Harper. She opened a bead shop called the Beaded Dragonfly and started a group for divorced women called the Divorced Divas. Someone murdered her friends brother in the back room of her store using strung beads, now she and her friends need to find out who is setting her up.
