

*Booked for Death* by Victoria Gilbert

The first book in the Booklover's B&B Mysteries is a fantastic start to a great new series. Charlotte Reed has inherited her great aunt's home and business, Chapters Bed and Breakfast. At an event celebrating one of the great authors of the Golden Age of Mysteries, a rare book dealer turns up dead. The dealer had accused Charlotte's great aunt of stealing many of the books she had amassed in her collection, and Charlotte ends up as a suspect in the murder. So it's up to her, and a rag-tag team of helpers, to prove that both she and her great aunt are innocent.

I'm a big fan of Victoria Gilbert's Blue Ridge Library Mysteries, and this book is equally well-written and thrilling as the books in that series. The characters are wonderfully eccentric and descriptions of the North Carolina setting are vibrant and lush. You just want to visit the B&B and help Charlotte solve mysteries. The second book in the series, *Reserved for Murder*, came out earlier this month, so I am very much looking forward to reading it and all future books in this series!

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