

### ***Tea & Treachery* by Vicki Delany**

This is the first book in the *Tea by the Sea Mystery* series. Lily runs a small tea shop, serving traditional afternoon tea, on Cape Cod. Her grandmother, Rose, owns the bed and breakfast next door. When a gruff local real estate developer is killed on the grounds of the B&B, Rose is the prime suspect. She and Lily must figure out what actually happened in order to clear Rose, as well as keep their businesses open.

The mystery here is really well done, with lots of potential suspects, so you'll be guessing until the end. I was really satisfied with the ending. The lovely imagery of the B&B, the tea shop, and the beach will likely make you want to travel to Cape Cod. And the descriptions of all of Lily's food and drink made me crave scones, tea sandwiches, and a pot of strong tea. Vicki Delany writes some of my favorite cozy mystery series, including the *Lighthouse Library* series written under her pen name Eva Gates, so I very much enjoyed this one and can't wait to read more of this series.

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