



# Supper Sleuths



## Historical Mysteries

### The Ancient World and the Dark Ages

#### Egypt

Agatha Christie, *Death Comes As the End*, 1945 Era: c.2000 B.C. NOBLE  
Lynda Robinson, *Murder in the Place of Anubis*, 1994 Era: 1356 B.C., 1st Lord Meren series. NOBLE  
Lee Levin, *King Tut's Private Eye*, 1996 Era: 1356 B.C. NOBLE  
Anton Gill, *City of the Horizon*, 1991 Era: 1355 B.C., First in series, Hard to find. NO NOBLE.

#### Greece

Margaret Doody, *Aristotle Detective*, 1978 Era: 332 B.C. Hard to find. NO NOBLE.

#### Roman Empire

Steven Saylor, *Roman Blood*, 1991 Era: 80 B.C., First in Gordianus the Finder series.  
John Maddox Roberts, *SPQR*, 1990 Era: 70 B.C., First in Metullus series.  
Marilyn Todd, *I, Claudia: A Mystery*, 1995 Era: 13 B.C. Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
David Wishart, *Ovid*, 1995 Era: 19 A.D.  
Lindsey Davis, *Silver Pigs*, 1989 Era: 70 A.D., First in Falco series.  
Barbara Hambly, *The Quirinal Hill Affair*, 1983 Era: 116 A.D. Hard to Find. NO NOBLE.  
Rex Burns, *Roman Nights*, 1991, 180 A.D. First in series. Hard to Find. NO NOBLE.

#### England

Peter Tremayne, *Absolution by Murder*, 1994 Era: 664 A.D. 1<sup>st</sup> Sister Fidelma series. NOBLE

#### China

Robert van Gulik, *The Chinese Bell Murder*, 1958 Era: 663 A.D. First in series. NOBLE.

#### Japan

Parker, I.J. *Rashomon Gate: A Mystery of Ancient Japan*, 2002 Era: 1100 A.D. First in series.

### The Middle Ages

#### From 1066 (The Norman Conquest of England) through the Norman, Plantagenet, Lancastrian, and Yorkist dynasties until 1485.

Edward Marston, *The Wolves of Savernake*, 1993 Era: 1086, First in series. NOBLE  
Ellis Peters, *A Morbid Taste for Bones*, 1977 Era: 1137, First in Brother Cadfael series.  
Ken Follet, *The Pillars of the Earth*, 1989 Era: 1135-1170  
Sharan Newman. *Death Comes as Epiphany*, 1993 Era: France, 1139, First in series.  
Domini Highsmith, *Keeper at the Shrine*, 1994 Era: 1180, First in series. Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Ian Morson, *Falconer's Crusade*, 1994 Era: 1264, First in series. NOBLE  
P.C. Doherty, *Satan in St. Mary's*, 1986 Era: 1284, First in series. NOBLE  
Umberto Eco, *The Name of the Rose*, 1983 Era: Italy, early 1300s  
Michael Jecks, *The Last Templar*, 1995 Era: 1316, First in series.  
Susanna Gregory, *An Unholy Alliance*, 1996 Era: 1348 NOBLE  
Candace Robb, *The Apothecary Rose*, 1993 Era: 1365, First in series. NOBLE



Paul Harding, *The Nightingale Gallery*, 1981 Era: 1376, First in series. NOBLE  
P.C. Doherty, *An Ancient Evil*, 1994, Era: late 1300s, First in series. NOBLE  
Margaret Frazer, *The Novice's Tale*, 1991 Era: 1431, First in series. NOBLE  
Kate Sedley, *Death and a Chapman*, 1991 Era: 1471, First in series. NOBLE  
C. L. Grace, *A Shrine of Murders*, 1993 Era: 1471, First in series. NOBLE  
Josephine Tey, *The Daughter of Time*, 1951 Era: 1483-1485  
P. C. Doherty, *The Fate of Princes*, 1990 Era: 1483-1485 NOBLE

## Tudors 1485-1603

### **Beginning with Henry VI, the first Tudor ruler.**

Michael Clynes, *The White Rose Murders*, 1991 Era: 1517, First in series. NOBLE.  
Harper, Karen, *The Poyson Garden*, 1999 Era: 1558, Bess Tudor. First in series.  
Buckley, Fiona, *To Shield the Queen*, 1997 Era: 1560, First in series.  
Ann Dukthas, *A Time for the Death of a King*, 1994 Era: 1567, 1<sup>st</sup> series. Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Emerson, Kathy Lynn, *Face Down Upon an Herbal*, 1998 Era: 1570, First in series.  
Edward Marston, *The Queen's Head*, 1989 Era: 1588, First in series. NOBLE  
P. E. Chisholm, *A Famine of Horses*, 1994 Era: 1592, 1<sup>st</sup> Sir Robert Cray NOBLE  
Faye Kellerman, *The Quality of Mercy*, 1989 Era: 1593  
Leonard Tourney, *The Players' Boy is Dead*, 1982 Era: 1601, First in series.

## Stuarts 1603-1714

### **Including the English Civil War of the 1640s until the restoration of the monarchy in 1660.**

Robert J. Begiebing, *The Strange Death of Mistress Coffin*, 1991  
Era: Colonial New England, 1640s  
Maan Meyers, *The Dutchman*, 1992 Era: New Amsterdam, 1664, First in series.  
John Dickson Carr, *The Devil in Velvet*, 1951 Era: 1675 NOBLE  
Molly Brown, *Invitation to a Funeral*, 1995 Era: 1676 NOBLE  
Laura Joh Rowland, *Shinju*, 1994 Era: Japan, 1689, First in series.

## Hanoverians

### **Kings George I, II, III, IV, and William IV**

Deryn Lake, *Death in the Dark Walk*, 1994 Era: 1754, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
John Dickson Carr, *The Demoniacs*, 1962 Era: 1757, First in series. NOBLE  
Robert Lee Hall, *Benjamin Franklin Takes the Case*, 1990 Era: 1757, 1<sup>st</sup> NOBLE.  
Lillian de la Torre, *Dr. Sam: Johnson Detector*, 1944 Era: 1763-1784, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Bruce Alexander, *Blind Justice*, 1994 Era: 1768, First in series.  
Dennis Wheatley, *The Launching of Roger Brook*, 1947 Era: Europe, 1783, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Margaret Lawrence, *Hearts and Bones*, 1996 Era: U.S. 1786, First in Hannah Trevor series.  
J. G. Jeffries, *The Thieftaker*, 1772 Era: 1798, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Quinn Fawcett, *Napoleon Must Die*, 1993 Era: Egypt, 1799 Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Stephanie Barron, *Jane and the Unpleasantness at Scargrave Manor*, 1996  
Era: 1802, First in series.  
John Dickson Carr, *Captain Cut-Throat*, 1955 Era: France, 1802 Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
John Dickson Carr, *Fire, Burn!*, 1957 Era: 1820 NOBLE  
Bernard Bastable, *Dead Mr. Mozart*, 1995 Era: 1820, First in series. NOBLE  
Kate Ross, *Cut to the Quick*, 1995 Era: 1820s, First in series.  
Richard Falkirk, *Blackstone*, 1872 Era: 1820, First in series. Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Raymond Paul, *The Tragedy at Tiverton*, 1984 Era: U.S., 1832, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE



## **Victorian and Edwardian, Great Britain and Empire**

### **Mainly London**

Bernard Bastable, *To Die Like A Gentleman*, 1993 Era: 1842 NOBLE  
W. J. Palmer, *The Detective and Mr. Dickens*, 1990 Era: 1852 NOBLE  
Frances Selwyn, *Cracksman on Velvet*, 1974 Era: early Victorian, First in series. NOBLE  
Anne Perry, *The Face of A Stranger*, 1990 Era: 1855, First in Monk series.  
John Dickson Carr, *The Hungry Goblin*, 1972 Era: 1869 NOBLE  
John Dickson Carr, *Scandal at High Chimneys*, 1959 Era: Victorian NOBLE  
H. R. F. Keating, *A Remarkable Case of Burglary*, 1975 Era: Victorian NOBLE  
Evelyn Hervey, *The Governess*, 1984 Era: 1870 Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Carola Groom, *The Good Doctor*, 1995 Era: 1870 Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Ann Crowleigh, *Dead as Dead Can Be*, 1993 Era: 1875, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Peter Lovesey, *Wobble to Death*, 1970 Era: 1878, 1<sup>st</sup> Cribb series. Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Peter Ackroyd, *Dan Leno and The Limehouse Golem* (U.S. title: *The Trial of Elizabeth Cree*), 1994 Era: 1880 NOBLE  
Anne Perry, *The Cater Street Hangman*, 1979 Era: 1881, First in Pitt series.  
Robert Goddard, *Painting the Darkness*, 1989 Era: 1882 NOBLE  
Emily Brightwell, *The Inspector and Mrs. Jeffries*, 1993 Era: Victorian, First in series.  
Robert Player, *Oh! Where Are Bloody Mary's Earrings?*, 1972 Era: 1887 NOBLE  
Jean Stubbs, *Dear Laura*, 1973 Era: 1880s, First in series. Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Peter Lovesey, *Bertie and the Tinman*, 1987 Era: 1886, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Ray Harrison, *French Ordinary Murder*, 1983 Era: 1891, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Julian Symons, *The Blackheath Poisonings*, 1978 Era: 1890s, First in series. NOBLE  
Barry Perowne, *The Return of Raffles*, 1933 Era: 1890s, 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE..

### **Kent**

Amy Myers, *Murder in Pug's Parlour*, 1986 Era: Victorian First in series, but other Settings. Hard to find. NO NOBLE.

### **Oxford**

Donald Thomas, *Belladonna*, (U.S title: *Mad Hatter Summer*) 1983 Era: 1880 Hard to find. NO NOBLE.  
Gwendoline Butler, *A Coffin for Pandora*, 1973 (U.S. title: *Olivia*, 1974) Era: 1880s Hard to find. NO NOBLE

### **South East Coast**

Kate Kingsbury, *Room with a Clue*, 1993 Era: Edwardian 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Robin Paige, *Death at Bishop's Keep*, 1994 Era: 1890s First in series.

### **Derbyshire**

John B. Hilton, *Gamekeeper's Gallows*, 1976 Era: 1877 1<sup>st</sup> NOBLE.

### **Edinburgh**

Iona McGregor, *Death Wore a Diadem*, 1989 Era: 1860 Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Alanna Knight, *Enter Second Murderer*, 1988 Era: 1870 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE

### **Egypt**

Elizabeth Peters, *Crocodile on the Sandbank*, 1975 Era: 1880 First in series.  
Michael Pearce, *The Mamur Zapt and the Return of the Carpet*, 1988 Era: 1908 First in series. NOBLE

### **South Africa**

June Drummond, *Slowly the Poison*, 1975 Era: 1911 Hard to find. NO NOBLE



## France

Richard Grayson, *The Murders at Impasse Louvain*, 1979 Era: c.1890s 1<sup>st</sup> NOBLE  
Eric Zencey, *Panama*, 1995 Era: 1892 NOBLE  
Gillian Linscott, *Sisters Beneath the Sheet*, 1992 Era: c.1900 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Bayard, Louis. *The Black Tower*. 2008 Era: 1800s France

## USA

Melville Davisson Post, *Uncle Abner*, 1918 (U.S.) Era: 1850s Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Miriam Monfredo, *Seneca Falls Inheritance*, 1992 Era: 1857 First in Glynis Tryon series.  
Jack Finney, *Time and Again*, 1970, Era: 1882 First in series. NOBLE  
James Sherburne, *Death's Pale Horse*, 1980 Era: 1880's 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Peter J. Heck, *Death on the Mississippi*, 1995 Era: 1890s 1<sup>st</sup> NOBLE  
Mary Kruger, *Death on the Cliff Walk*, 1994 Era: 1895 First in series.  
William DeAndrea, *The Lunatic Fringe*, 1985 Era: 1895 NOBLE  
Caleb Carr, *The Alienist*, 1994 1896 First in series.  
Teona Tone, *Lady on the Line*, 1985 Era: 1899 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Dianne Day, *The Strange Files of Fremont Jones*, 1995 Era: 1905 First in series.  
Barbara Paul, *A Cadenza for Caruso*, 1984 First in series. NOBLE  
Bayard, Louis. *The Pale Blue Eye*, 2006 Era: 1830 West Point

## First World War Onwards

### 1914-1918 Plus

John Dickson Carr, *The Ghosts' High Noon*, 1969 Era: U.S. 1911 NOBLE  
Charles Todd, *A Test of Wills*, 1996 Era: 1914 1<sup>st</sup> Rutledge  
Eileen Hawkes and Peter Manso, *The Shadow of the Moth*, 1983 Era: 1917 Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Peter Lovesey, *The False Inspector Dew*, 1982 Era: 1921 NOBLE  
Samuel Peeples, *The Man Who Died Twice*, 1976, Era: U.S. 1922 Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Carola Dunn, *The Winter Garden Mystery*, 1994, Era: 1923 1<sup>st</sup> Daisy Dalrymple series.  
William Hjortsberg, *Nevermore*, 1994 Era: U.S. 1923 NOBLE  
Kerry Greenwood, *Death by Misadventure*, 1989 Era: Australia, 1920s 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Peter Dickinson, *A Summer in their Twenties*, 1981 Era: 1926 NOBLE  
George Baxt, *The Dorothy Parker Murder Case*, 1984 Era: U.S., 1920s 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
K. K. Beck, *Death in a Deckchair*, 1984 Era: 1927 1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Robert Goddard, *Closed Circle*, 1993 Era: 1931 NOBLE  
Sandra Dallas, *The Persian Pickle Club*, 1995 Era: U.S., 1935  
James Anderson, *The Affair of the Blood-Stained Tea Cosy*, 1975 Era: late 1930s  
1<sup>st</sup> Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
H. R. F. Keating, *The Murder of the Maharajah*, 1980 Era: India, 1930 NOBLE  
Stuart Kaminsky, *Bullet for a Star*, 1977 Era: U.S., 1940 First in series. NOBLE  
Leslie Thomas, *Omerod's Landing*, 1978 Era: mainly France, 1941 Hard to find. NO NOBLE  
Thomas Fleming, *Loyalties*, 1994 Era: U.S./Europe, 1941 NOBLE  
Robert Harris, *Enigma*, 1995 Era: 1943  
John Lawton, *Black Out*, 1995 Era: 1944

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