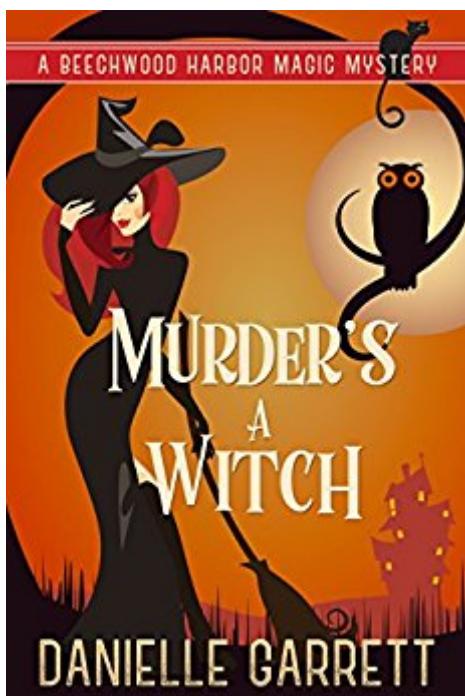


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# Murder's A Witch: A Beechwood Harbor Magic Mystery (Beechwood Harbor Magic Mysteries Book 1)



## Synopsis

Praise for the Beechwood Harbor Magic Mysteries series: "Now THIS is what a supernatural cozy should be!" ~An Reviewer Danielle writes with a great sense of humor and her characters are truly fun to get to know! I look forward more books from her. ~An Reviewer wish it would never end. I can't put it down and the next thing I know I'm done. I can't wait for the next book. ~An Reviewer Murder's a Witch Holly Boldt has a secret Well, technically, she has lots of them. After a scandal uproots her entire life, she is forced to relocate to a halfway house for displaced paranormals. It's her last shot for a fresh start. But keeping secrets isn't easy in a town that goes through gossip faster than tissue paper, even for a powerful witch. When a grisly murder rocks the small town of Beechwood Harbor, Holly finds herself unwillingly entangled in the investigation. With everyone watching, Holly must solve the case before she's forced to abandon her new-found home. But with a paranormal investigator tailing her every move, a civil war brewing between her vampire and shifter roommates, and her ghostly landlord on the edge of a breakdown, she can barely think in complete sentences. How is she supposed to track down a murderer? Holly has to make it work, or risk losing everything again. \*\*\* Murder's a Witch is the first book in the Beechwood Harbor Magic Mysteries series. A series of spunky paranormal cozy mysteries that are perfect for fans of Amanda M. Lee, Kristen Painter, and Angie Fox. Come join the fun in Beechwood Harbor, the little town where witches, shifters, ghosts, and vamps all live, work, play and mostly get along!

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## Customer Reviews

Murder's a Witch is book one in the Beechwood Harbor Magic Mystery by Danielle Garrett. It's a cozy mystery, light and thoroughly entertaining. Holly Bolt is not your normal Witch. She has been banished to Beechwood Harbor. I found Holly to be a delightful character with a mysterious past. I am wonder why Holly is banished. I did read another reviews review and they mentioned a prequel that explains this, so I'll have to go and find it. All the secondary characters were amusing and fun. It's a great cast that includes a shifter, a vampire and a ghost plus a pesky P.I.. Their is a possible love interest or two, but this is not a romance book. It's a mystery. A murder occurs, a friend is the main suspect, and Holly has a desire to find the true culprit to help her friend out. Murder's a Witch is a light magical mystery full of twists and turns. I'm curious to see what happens next with this cast of characters. Rated: 4 Stars

I just happened to stumble on this author while going through and let me tell you, it was the greatest stumble, she is it the one of the greatest writers that I have read. Her characters are well developed and the plot is steady. It is not gruesome nor violent, while there is a murder it is not graphic like other murders. I love witch books and am not into romance but this books has a slight romance which is just enough to keep me enticed and not gooey. It has human interaction with supernaturals, as they call themselves, but they like interacting with humans, and they defend the human race against evil, even if the evil was made by a human. There is a link for a prequel, but I can't find it through and I am going to see if I can write to the author and see if she can send it to me because it tells how Holly got to Beechwood. There is a book 2 so I can't wait to start reading book 2.

When Holly Bolt is banished to Beechwood Harbor as punishment, she doesn't expect to like where she ends up. However surprisingly, it feels like home and she has actually started making friends. Then her boss at the coffee shop is brutally murdered, and she learns that part of having friends is helping them out when they are the main suspect in a murder case! Also new to the town is Nick who is PI and has an interest in paranormal tours, specifically the house (Beechwood Manor) where

Holly lives. And if all that isn't enough, the shifter who lives in the house has taken an interest in Holly and she doesn't know how to handle that. Besides Adam, the shifter, there is also Posy (ghost) who is the "owner" of the house; Lacey, a vampiress, and Gary, who is an unknown new resident. Holly is the designated peace keeper between Adam and Lacey who fight frequently. As Holly tries to clear her co-worker and friend Casey of the murder, she gets assistance from both Nick and Adam, and Adam is more than a little jealous of Nick! Meanwhile problems escalate at the house with Gary becoming loud and violent. It turns out Gary is a Gargoyle, and Gargoyles have very little regards for humans and even witches. It takes both her familiar-a 20 pound cat named Boots-and Adam-shifted into a 160 pound dog who is almost bear like-to keep Gary from harming Holly. So many little mysteries and details combine to make this a delightful book. Holly is busy trying to be a witch but not blow her cover in this non-magical community. She is very self-sufficient and resourceful. I like the characters-both supernatural and human-and the way they see or don't see what is really going on. It is a fun book that I recommend for anyone who likes witches and supernatural stories. If you join the author's mailing list at this time, you will be sent a free prequel to the series called *A Witch of a Day*. If you read that first you will get Holly's background and find out why she was banished to Beechwood Manor to begin with.

Since reading book one, I have read the rest of the series currently available. The whole premise--supernaturals who for different reasons live in the same manor--the small beach town--humans hiding among paranormals--it is a great beginning. The characters--Holly Boldt, witch, Cassie and Nick human, Lacy, vampire, and a dog shifter thrown in the mix with a reclusive gargoyle. How could this add up to anything but complicated fun. I actually found the first one the hardest to get into--for example you don't know why Holly is in Beechwood instead of a "haven"--and after awhile you realize that is exactly the way the author wants the book. There is a prequel available free from the author, but it isn't necessary to read for understanding. The character development is great thru the series, and they really live and breath.

Holly is one cool witch. There is nothing stereo typical about her, she's smart, magic crazy (in a good way) and funny. I enjoyed the other characters as well, her best friend and her vampire and shape shifter roomies are quickly likable and the set up of both as being solid players in the next books are set up in *Murder's a Witch*. I have read the 2nd and 3rd books in the series: *Twice the Witch* and *Witch Slapped and am chomping at the bit for more!* I love Nick the detective, I love the ghost landlady!

My first by this author I was entranced by her witty and playful writing. With a mystery to solve Holly uses her intelligence and a bit of her magic to find the real killer of her boss Peg. Living in the human town of Beechwood Harbor she's made a friend of a coworker and doesn't want to see Cass railroaded. Things pickup and seem to snowball but her wit and her loyalty help her push forward. With the help of a roommate and the new P.I. in town she hopes she can wrap up the mystery and keep her home.

Totally enjoyed this story. The main character is very likeable and believeable, even with her witchcraft. She can no longer live in paranormal enclaves, due to unacceptable behavior. Will she be able to keep her witchcraft under wraps in this town that is beginning to feel like home? The plot winds through town, with stops at interesting characters, both normal and paranormal. There is even a pair of suitors, normal and not so much. Can she choose? Great book for a fun read.

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