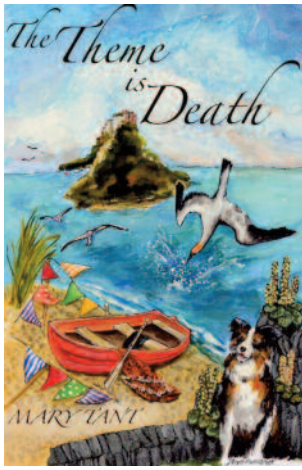


# Mary Tant's 9th Rossington mystery

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## The Theme is Death

It promised to be a special summer's evening in the West Country, the first of a series of events commemorating the defeat of the Spanish Armada. It began with a party on an island, a jewellery exhibition, and a gathering of the Rossington family and their friends. Anna Evesleigh, the ebullient actress, was looking forward to it. And she hadn't told her companion, the irascible archaeologist Mike Shannon, that she had a hidden agenda.

But sudden death disrupted the party. It seemed as if it would put a spoke in Anna's plans too. But neither she nor her friends knew that death was to occur again and again. They moved between recitals and village fêtes, basking in the sun, enjoying chilled wine and home-made cakes, and death moved with them.

Anna's friend, botanist Lucy Rossington, is absorbed with her own future plans and her deteriorating marriage to Hugh Carey, an increasingly successful publisher. Her life is taking her far away from the West Country, her finger has slipped from the pulse of local affairs, but gradually her love for this place of her birth draws her back into its rhythm. Will she see what is wrong in time to save one of her friends from the end that is intended for them? £7.99 ISBN 978-1-903152-34-8

“Mary Tant carries the narrative forward almost entirely in dialogue and the style suited this country house murder mystery perfectly...” *Stow Times*

“...in the Christie tradition, murder ensues, followed by a tense denouement.” *Oxford Times*

“One to watch. ...A good plot, very good dialogue and the first of a series... 5- rating” *Philip Richards 'crime reader' Amazon*

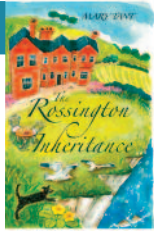
“...an intriguing tale about familial relationships and friendships with an idyllic pastoral setting and skilfully drawn characters.” *Miriam Reeves*



Threshold Press, Newbury

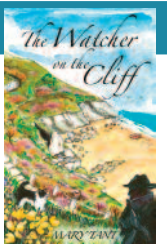
### 1 The Rossington Inheritance

Lucy puts a promising career on hold to keep the family home going for her young brother Will – not easy, when home is an Elizabethan manor the family has held for generations. When the taint of avarice and deceit from the past seems to stain the present, she has to know who she can trust. Will she find out in time? £6.99 978-1-903152-21-8



### 5 The Watcher on the Cliff

Who stalks the remote cliffs, swathed in cloak and hat? Is there a connection with Lucy's startling discovery? Coincidence has brought many of their friends together again. They can't know that soon they will be drawn into a pageant of death. £7.99 978-1-903152-27-0



### 2 Death at the Priory

Lucy doesn't need any more trouble: she's got plenty of it already at the family manor in an idyllic West Country valley. So it's really the last straw when odd incidents plague the priory excavations. Does the death of an archaeologist mean more than a temporary disturbance? Is Lucy imagining evil where none exists? £7.99 978-1-903152-17-1



### 6 Don't Come Back

Not everyone is pleased that Berhane is back on the moor. Her return sees the village's peace disturbed. Lucy Rossington is visiting the village for New Year and as the snow comes down and the bells ring in the New Year, they unknowingly herald another death. Will Lucy be able to save her friend? £7.99 978-1-903152-30-0



### 3 Friends... and a Foe

Life looks promising for Lucy and her family. Old friends rejoin the family circle – but one brings in their wake a secret that somebody would kill to keep. How could the Rossingtons know that this secret will cost them dearly? £7.99 978-1-903152-22-5



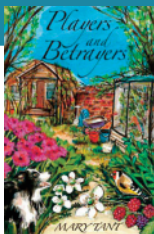
### 7 The Gathering Storm

It's a hot and sunny spring day, perfect for a wedding. But the clouds are darkening and Anna knows that Lucy is struggling with issues that could change her life and those around her. The storm that breaks so unexpectedly over them all could not have been predicted. £7.99 978-1-903152-30-0



### 4 Players and Betrayers

The play's the thing. It is for Anna Evesleigh, with her first summer production at the manor. Behind the scenes another hand is gathering a hidden cast to play a drama of deceit and betrayal. By the time Lucy picks up the threads, the shadow of that hand lays heavily over her family and friends, and she finds herself in danger. £7.99 978-1-903152-26-3



### 8 The Witness

Who are the mysterious visitors at Rossington Priory? What is behind the anonymous letters that empty the new apartments there? There are currents swirling dangerously around Lucy Rossington and Hugh Carey. Who is the woman who seems to be at the heart of all this? – Hugh won't answer, even to the police. £7.99 978-1-903152-33-1

