



GARAGE SALE MYSTERY: THE BEACH MURDER

Synopsis

Jennifer Shannon (Loughlin) can separate the wheat from the chaff at the most chaotic garage sale, unearthing gem after gem to sell at Rags to Riches, the consignment store she co-owns with her friend and business partner Dani (Strange). Jennifer is just as sharp when it comes to keeping track of her customer's habits, and immediately thinks of her client Anne Winters (Chiara Zanni) when she spots a weathered vintage surfboard at a sale. Straight out of a *Gidget* movie, the board is a perfect fit for the collection of Anne's husband Steve (David Paetkau), a tech entrepreneur who hits the surf every chance he gets, no matter the weather.

Surfing is a famously risky sport, so all appearances point to accidental drowning when Steve's wet-suited body is discovered on an isolated beach. Jennifer accompanies a distraught Anne to the site of her husband's death, where she can't help but scan the scene for some kind of clue. Sure enough, her eye is drawn to small but telling details that defy easy explanation: odd markings on the ground by Steve's Range Rover, wet floor carpets in the car's back seat. Something is not right.

Anne, too, finds it difficult to believe that Steve's death was accidental, given his experience as a competitive swimmer and lifeguard. Only days before, he had a nasty run-in with a gang of local surfers who vandalized his car as a warning shot to stay away from "their" secret beach. But that wasn't all. Steve had found himself in the awkward position of hiring and then firing his ne'er-do-well older brother Todd (Ben Cotton), a heavy drinker with an unpredictable streak. Yet there are no marks or bruises on Steve's body to indicate anything but a simple drowning.

The mystery only deepens as Jennifer tries to put the puzzle pieces together. Anne's house is broken into; Steve's business partner Mitch (Michael Teigen) is brutally attacked. There is no shortage of suspects with motive, but Jennifer knows the obvious culprit isn't always the right one. She continues to chase the mystery of Steve's watery death – unaware that she risks a wipeout at the hands of the killer.

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