## A Tour of Island Mysteries—Continued

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Older island mysteries by well-known authors Ken Follett, Eye of the Needle (Storm Island, UK) aka Storm Island in the U.K. original, WW2 spy thriller and mystery

Eric Ambler, **Dr. Frigo**, his last novel (fictitious St. Paul, French West Indies)

Alan Wade (pseudonym of John Holbrook Vance, aka Jack Vance), Isle of Peril

Carol Higgins Clark, Burned (Hawaii)

Phyllis A. Whitney, **Amethyst Dreams** (Topsail Island, NC)

John D. MacDonald, **Barrier Island** (Mississippi)

P.D. James, The Skull Beneath the Skin (Courcy Island, off Dorset, UK) and The Lighthouse (Combe Island, Cornish coast)

Sharyn McCrumb, **Paying the Piper** (Scottish Island)

Celestine Sibley, Straight As an Arrow (Ila Island, FL)

Hammond Innes, **Atlantic Fury** (Laerg, Hebrides Islands, Scotland)

David Osborn, **Murder on Martha's Vineyard** (Martha's Vineyard)

More Island Mysteries Set in Florida

William Freeman, **Murder in Key West** (Key West, FL)

Jeffrey Round, **Death in Key West** (Key West, FL)

John Howard Reid, **Trapped on Mystery Island** (Florida Keys)

Heather Graham, **The Island** and **Hurricane Bay** (Florida Keys), also many other Floridabased non-island novels

Mary Anna Evans, **Artifacts**, (Last Isles, Florida Panhandle)

More Island Mysteries with Other US Locations

Bob Adamov, Tan Lines (Lake Erie Islands, OH) and The Other Side of Hell (Lake Erie Islands, OH and Cayman Islands)

Steven Torres, **Blackout in Precinct Puerto**Rico (Puerto Rico)

William Krause, **Appointment in Puerto Rico** (Puerto Rico)

Colin Hines, **Murder at Arecibo** (Puerto Rico) D. A. Crossman, **A Show of Hands** and **The** 

Dead of Winter (Penobscot Bay, ME)
Wendy Howell Mills, Island Intrigue (Fictitious Cornico Island in the US south)

Donna Andrews, **Murder with Puffins** (Monhegan Island, ME)

David Rawson, **Murder on Mount Desert** (Mt. Desert Island, ME)

David Crossman, **The Dead of Winter** and **A Show of Hands** (Penobscot Island, ME) plus a few children's island mysteries

Wendy Howard Mills, Island Intrigue: Island Style Mystery and Island Blues (Fictitious Comico Island). Also Death of a Mermaid: A Callie McKinley Outer Banks Mystery (Outer Banks, NC)

Wanda Canada, **Island Murders** (Figure Eight Island, off Wilmington, NC)

Howard R. Simpson, Rendezvous Off Newport (Newport, RI)

Anna W. Hale, **Mystery on Mackinac Island** (Mackinac Island, MI)

Michael Donnelly, False Harbor. Also Awakening Curry Buckle, a Harry Potter-like mystical mystery set on a small island. Like the Harry Potter series, a book that both young and older adults can enjoy. (San Juan Island, WA)

N. R. De Witte, **It's Murder: On Hat Island** (Gedney Island, Puget Sound, WA)

Jeff Raines, The Big Island (Hawaii)

More Island Mysteries Set off the UK Coast Jessica Mann, No Man's Island (Isle of Forway, UK)

Margot Wadley, **The Gripping Beast** (Orkney Islands, UK)

Alanna Knight, **An Orkney Murder** (Orkney Islands, UK)

S. J. Bolton, **Sacrifice** (Shetland Islands, UK) medical and forensic thriller.

## More Island Mysteries Set in Italy

Wilkie Collins, The Haunted Hotel: A Mystery of Modern Venice (Venice)

Gregory Dowling, Every Picture Tells a Story (Venice)

Jonathan Gash, The Gondola Scam (Venice) Robert Girardi, Vaporetto 13 (Venice) Timothy Holme, A Funeral of Gondolas (Venice)

Jane Langton, The Thief of Venice (Venice)
Helen Macinnes, The Venetian Affair (Venice)
Iain Pears, The Titian Committee (Venice)
Chapman Pincher, The Four Horses (Venice)
Muriel Spark, Territorial Rights (Venice)
Julian Symons, The Criminal Comedy of the
Contented Couple (Venice)

Jim Williams, Scherzo (Venice, historical)
Sarah Caudwell, Thus Was Adonis Murdered
(Venice)

Nick Carter, **The Mark of Cosa Nostra** (Palermo, Sicily)

More Island Mysteries Set in Malta
Anya Ashe, A Ticket to Malta (Malta)
Robert MacLeod, A Killing in Malta (Malta)
Frederic Mullally, The Malta Conspiracy
(Malta)

Rosanne Dingli, **Death in Malta** (Malta) Michael Pearce, **A Dead Man in Malta** (Malta), historical mystery set in Malta in 1913, to be published in Sept., 2010 And a few miscellaneous Island Mysteries:

Jim Freeman, **The Island** (unnamed Illinois island)

John Burdett, The Last Six Million Seconds: A Thriller (Hong Kong)

Samuel Stoddard, The Mystery of Paradise Island (tropical island)

Matthew Reilly, **Hell Island** (fictitious Grant Island in the Pacific)

Robert Goddard, **Into the Blue** (Isle of Rhodes, Greece)

Mark Combes, Running Wrecked (Isla Tortuga, Costa Rica)

Johan Theorin, The Darkest Room: A Novel (Oland Island, Sweden)

Mari Jungstedt , The Inner Circle and Unspoken (Gotland Island, Sweden)

Chuck Holton, **Island Inferno** (Isla Coiba, Panama)

Joan Druett, **Shark Island** (Shark Island off Brazil). Set in 1838 on the real trip of the United States South Seas Exploring Expedition; historical fiction and mystery. Druett has also written some interesting non-fiction nautical books.

Eric Wright, A Body Surrounded by Water (Prince Edward Island, Canada)

## **Short Stories:**

Hal White, "Murder at an Island Mansion," a locked room murder mystery

A more complete list of mysteries set in Hawaii, with about 26 authors, can be found at <a href="https://www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009/hawaii\_books.html">www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009/hawaii\_books.html</a>. For more Florida mysteries, see <a href="https://www.historyofthemystery.com/florida\_mysteries.php?page=44">www.historyofthemystery.com/florida\_mysteries.php?page=44</a>. For Australia, New Zealand, the Pacific and Antarctica, see <a href="https://www.northbrook.info/books/fiction-australia-and-pacific">www.northbrook.info/books/fiction-australia-and-pacific</a>.