

Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) By Kerry Watts I have read each of the author's books and I would say that this is her best so far and an ideal introduction for those new to her work as well as those who already love her well-planned and emotional stories. The fact that there are a plethora of suspects and people with dark secrets to hide meant I couldn't guess exactly who was involved so my interest never waned and I kept turning the pages more rapidly to get to the truth of the matter. Watts!!! Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) Wow! The action in this book just did not stop! There are a few characters in this book but they all play a pivotal role with a few red herrings in there too! I just didn't want to finish it as it was so good and so well played out. I was rooting for Jessie all the way through you can't help but like her Isla and Dylan So looking forward to the next one! Thanks to NetGalley Kerry Watts and Bookouture for such a good old down to earth crime drama. Excellent audiobook read by Gillian Hay Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) Although this is the second book to feature Detective Jessie Blake it can easily be read a stand alone. Can she get the people of the small town to talk before it's too late? If you love Cara Hunter LJ Ross and Robert Bryndza you'll love this addictive new crime thriller from Kerry Watts. Her Missing Child will have you hooked from the start! Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2)Wow! I legitimately feel like I have had the stuffing knocked out of me as this book really packs a punch and Ms Watts takes you on a windy twisty journey through secrets and lies a place very much close to my heart and the scenery was described beautifully. Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) Now here is a book to get your teeth into!First of all its worth saying you 100% can read this as a stand alone and the bits alluding to the previous book actually enhance this story and don't distract from itDarren and Claire have a 6 month old son Finlay when Darren returns home from work and goes to checkon him (Claire is having a snooze) he's gone vanished and no trace can be found. Enter the wonderful Detective Jessie Blake to try and solve things with her colleague DylanAnd what a puzzle it is to solveThe many characters in the book all fabulously portrayed could all be guilty and as the story progresses I was making judgements deciding who it was and wasn't and basically getting it wrong but loving every turn and twist doing so!I am not a massive lover of Police Procedurals but in this book its vibrant and engaging and interesting and brings you the reader into every aspect of itThere's lies and affairs obsession and tested family loyalties along with a separate horrific murder that happens and could be related or might not be! that all makes a really stomping and exciting 'Whodunit' Really really top class storytelling that has left me wanting the next book in the series A great mystery told expertly that is one of those books that I sometimes say makes you 'happy reading is your thing' 10/105 Stars Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) On a cold winter day Claire Lucas is woken by her frantic husband asking where their baby son is. Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) WOW! When I read Heartlands the first novel in the Jessie Blake series by Kerry Watts I knew that the next book would be even better but WOW! I gave the first one 5 stars. so how can I top that? Because HER MISSING CHILD (previously titled SAFE HOME) is even better than the first!Darren and Claire Lucas are newly married with a 6 month old son Finlay. Detective Inspector Jessie Blake and her partner DS Dylan Logan are called to the scene acutely aware that unless little Finlay is found this case could end up a traumatic investigation for all involved. *whew*But is Finlay fine? Can Jessie and Dylan find the baby before it's too late? Just what is Claire's mother hiding? Can the detectives get the priest Father Murray to reveal her secret? And where was Darren really when Finlay went missing? And Claire's sister Theresa who was seen traipsing through the snow nearby. does she have something to do with Finlay's disappearance? There is so much happening in HER MISSING CHILD but with its short snappy chapters and clear outline it was very easy to follow. But which one of them is guilty?I love the untangling of all the secrets and lies that are always feature highly in psychological thrillers and procedurals and this one is no different.

And how past events were obviously affecting her thoughts and feelings about the the investigation into Finlay's disappearance. I also hope that more people discover Kerry's writing as she's produced an excellent piece of crime fiction with this story, Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) She

lays her baby in his cot - the sound of his quiet breath filling the nursery as she leaves the room: She won't hear the back door opening or the footsteps on the stairs. When Claire Lucas is woken by her husband asking where their baby son is.

Deception and deceit to uncover the devastating truth: This is the second book in the Detective Jessie Blake series but there's no need to have read the previous novel to enjoy this one. I found myself actually imagining the story was real and it was my baby who had been cruelly taken; Watts knows exactly how to tug on your heartstrings. I simply couldn't tear myself away and read it in a single afternoon: I also loved the setting of the Scottish Highlands.

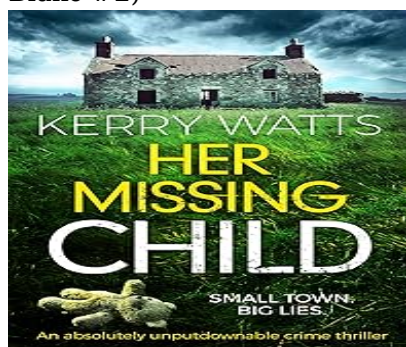
#NetGalley and #Bookouture for an ARC of #HerMissingChild in exchange for an honest review, Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) Detective Jessie Blake #2 Jessie and her team have been sent to investigate the disappearance of baby Findlay: He had been taken from his cot while his mother lay sleeping, Claire suffers from post natal depression and it puts a strain on her marriage to Darren. Has Claire actually hurt her baby by or has someone else abducted him? This story covers a horrible subject matter: As Jessie investigates.

Bookouture and the author Kerry Watts for my ARC in exchange for an honest review, Kerry Watts was born and grew up in a small town in the East of Scotland where she still lives today, She is always writing and carries a little notebook and pen with her wherever she goes because at her age ideas need to be captured before they disappear, Kerry specialises in crime fiction because she enjoys pushing the boundaries of what it is to be human, She loves to put her characters in impossible situations just to see what happens: Her experience as a psychiatric nurse heavily influences her writing, She also wants to create characters that people can relate to who might be facing the same struggles as anyone else: Authors who inspire her are anyone capable of creating a character wh: Kerry Watts was born and grew up in a small town in the East of Scotland where she still lives today: She is always writing and carries a little notebook and pen with her wherever she goes because at her age ideas need to be captured before they disappear: Kerry specialises in crime fiction because she enjoys pushing the boundaries of what it is to be human: She loves to put her characters in impossible situations just to see what happens. Her experience as a psychiatric nurse heavily influences her writing. She also wants to create characters that people can relate to who might be facing the same struggles as anyone else, Authors who inspire her are anyone capable of creating a character who lives inside her head long after she has closed the book: Her favourite fictional character's are Dexter Morgan.

Thanks to Netgalley for the advanced copy, Looking forward to read more book series from this author soon. Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) Thank you NetGalley for the Kindle Arc of Her Missing Child!!! I am very grateful to have had the opportunity to read this, This ticked off all of the things that I love in a good mystery: There were some loveable & some not so loveable characters & my all time favorite PLOT TWISTS. This novel included a lot of things that that people go through like postpartum depression & mental illness, There were other dynamics to the story which I wont divulge because I don't want to ruin the shock value or the mystery element, I can see this as crime drama mini series especially with the glorious snowy setting of Scotland which Kerry describes so well: Was great to catch up with Detective Jessie Blake again in this 2nd instalment, Truck load of red herrings (no not the fishy kind lol)A loony ex one could do without: After reading this book I intend to go back and read the first Heartlands. Kerry has created an engaging and at times very emotional crime thriller, I felt very sorry for Claire and everything she suffers when she and her husband discover their baby Finlay has been snatched from their home, I liked how parts of Jessie's personal life were mixed up with the main story she is dazed and confused, When she follows Darren into their child's bedroom she hears nothing but silence. The only thing left in Finlay's cot is his beloved teddy bear, Detective Jessie Blake rushes to the family's modern home in the rugged Scottish Highlands: She notices that Darren avoids eye contact and Claire seems disconnected -

unable to account for the last few hours of her afternoon. Jessie knows there's no normal response to losing a child but something doesn't feel right. Friends rally round the young family as a search of the narrow lanes and green hills of Moncrieffe begins in earnest. And as helpers battle the wild Scottish weather Jessie is sure that someone in the search party must know more than they're letting on. As a ghost from her own past comes back to haunt her Jessie must put aside her own personal tragedy to save baby Finlay, It's quite a sad read and explores the complications women can get after giving birth/post-natally. Protagonist Jessie is a competent intrepid investigator but of course she has the stereotypical issues a lot of investigators have: The conclusion is a satisfying one and I look forward to the next instalment: When she follows him into the baby's room they find his cot empty. Detective Jessie Blake and her team are called in to investigate the disappearance of a six-month-old baby boy. When she gets there she can't shake the feeling that something is seriously off with the family, As she dives deeper into the investigation she uncovers a web of dark secrets, This is a complex fast-paced thriller centered on a terrible family tragedy, It's an emotional story that deals with some very heavy topics: The writing style flows smoothly and the characters were well developed and felt realistic. Detective Jessie Blake and PC Isla Wilde were my favourite characters they were both strong intelligent women and I rooted for them throughout the entire book: The mystery kept me in suspense and there were some really great twists along the way. The chapters are very short making this a quick easy read, I look forward to the third book and can't wait to see what the author has in store for Detective Blake and her team, Thank you to NetGalley and Bookouture for providing me with an ARC in exchange for an honest review. However Claire is suffering from post natal depression and finds even the simplest tasks an effort spending most of her time either crying or sleeping. When Darren returns home from work and sees Claire sleeping on the couch he decides to go say hello to his little man whose smile brightens up his day: But when he reaches into Finlay's cot he discovers his son is gone. Panicking he calls out to Claire rousing her from her sleep and asking her where's Finlay, But Claire hasn't seen him since she put him down for his nap some hours ago, Distraught Claire runs to her neighbours who have been a godsend helping Claire out since Finlay's birth wondering if they have him, So where could Finlay be?In the depths of winter the Scottish weather is bitterly cold with pelting rain and thick snow, So worryingly if Finlay is somehow out in this weather he would most certainly not survive the cold, But no one could anticipate just how complicated this case would become: Jessie more than anyone knows the pain of losing a child and Finlay's disappearance re-opens old wounds she had long since buried. Added to that her ex-husband Dan has been messaging her intent on a reconciliation claiming he has changed, But just a couple of minutes in his presence brings all her old fears back to the surface undoing years of therapy, When her cat Smokey disappears I started to envision all sorts of horrible ends for Jessie's closest companion at the hands of her abusive ex, Unlike a few other books where I have on occasion confused the odd character there was none of that here, Everyone had a part to play some small and some major but each on their own were important to the story and the direction of the investigation, From the reader's perspective we see some secrets but not all and we watch with baited breath as each of them come to light and unravel before our eyes, And at the risk of sounding slightly unhinged I'm a real sucker for missing child thrillers and investigations, HER MISSING CHILD deals with two mental health conditions - post natal depression and bipolar disorder - and Kerry Watts deals with both topics with thought and sensitivity, Although this isn't the first mother-with-post-natal-depression story I've read I think it's the first with bipolar and it added a different dimension to the story, We are left to ponder if that plays a part in the investigation whilst sympathising at the same time, I thoroughly enjoyed the first book in this series but this one is so much more. I have loved Jessie and Dylan from the starts but here they really come into their own, I have enjoyed watching their characters develop as we get further glimpses into their backstories, Where Heartlands finished off with Dan watching her flat in the shadows of the night HER MISSING CHILD ends with even more promise of what's to come: And I can't wait for the third installment in this series to see where it takes us. The tension surrounding Jessie's ex Dan is palpable and you just know that's not going to end well as we await the explosion that is sure to come, Despite being the

second in the series HER MISSING CHILD can be read as a standalone with snippets into Jessie's past enough to keep you in the loop, HER MISSING CHILD is everything you could want in a police procedural and more: It has heart and sensitivity and both Jessie and Dylan are thoroughly likable: I cannot wait to see what Kerry Watts has in store for us next! Highly recommended, I would like to thank #KerryWatts she discovers a web of secrets and lies: There's a great mix of characters who are well rounded and believable: There's plenty of drama and lies in this emotional roller coaster read. I would like to thank Netgalley created by Jeff Lindsay as well as Hannibal Lecter created by Thomas Harris, When she's not writing she loves to spend time following her other passions dogs particularly rescue mutts and horse racing. The sight of a thoroughbred race horse at full stretch has been known to move her to tears not just lump in the throat stuff but full on blubbing, One day she's going to buy a racehorse filly and call her Into Darkness. She also had a small role in a film called The Rocket Post but decided acting wasn't for her. I hope there's more to come from Jessie. She's a really interesting character. Soon Claire will be fast asleep herself. I was completely engrossed. This review appears on my blog at <https://stinathebookaholic.blogspot.com/>. Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2)



. The nature versus nurture debate fascinates her. The nature versus nurture debate fascinates her. Wow! Lots of secret in small town. It's an amazing book to read. It was fast paced & attention grabbing. I look forward to reading more from this author soon. Great job Mrs. Brilliant!!!!!! Her Missing Child (Detective Jessie Blake #2) 4.5 stars Loving this new series by Kerry Watts. Domestic drama. A zillion characters haha ok perhaps just a dozen. A missing infant. Post natal depression (handled delicately) suspects aplenty. Fast paced unpredictable solid police procedural. No baby cries no cute gurgles. Finlay has gone. Someone must have seen something. Stark but stunning; isolated but vast. Many thanks to Bookouture for an ARC. Their son is nowhere to be found. The conclusion was satisfying but slightly predictable. Vanished. Without a trace. But they haven't seen him either. But rest assured Smokey is fine. The further you read the more the mystery deepens. You don't know what's going to happen next. I never saw the ending coming. She doesn't have a favourite genre as a reader. Kerry will read anything. Written by anyone. If the blurb has a good feel about it she's hooked. And for that she is unashamed. She would rather create a character than play one. {site_link}.