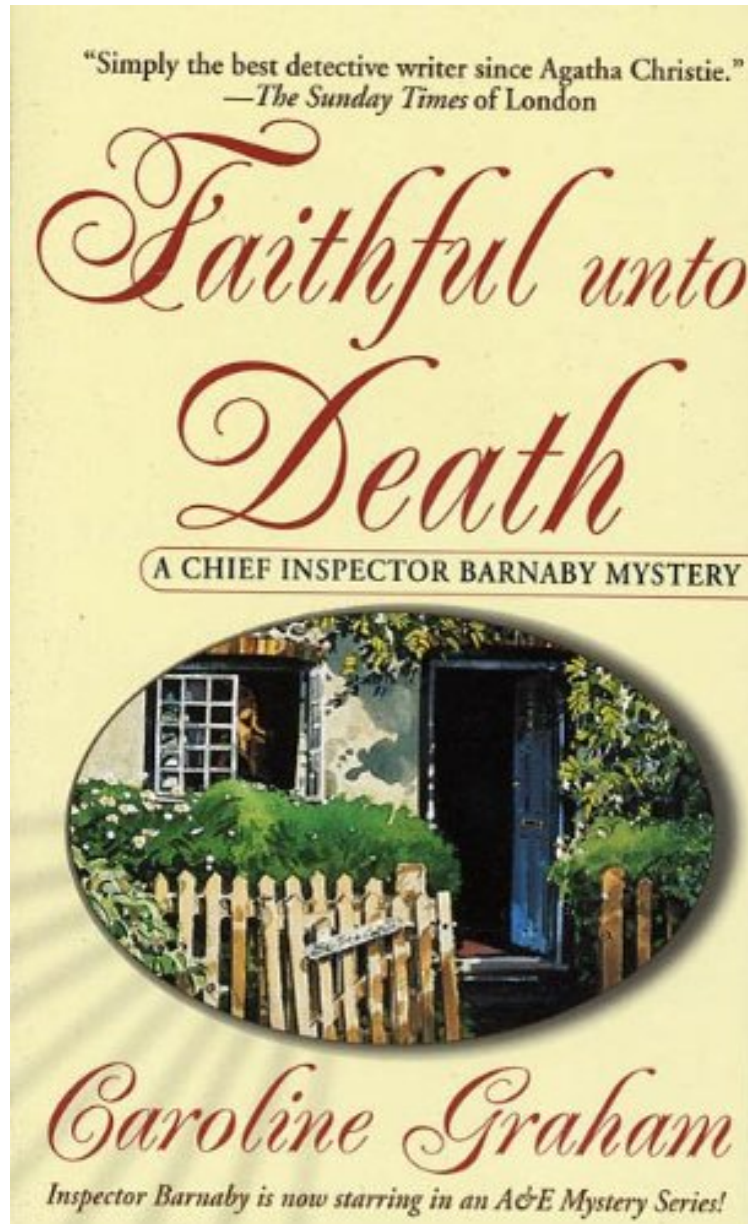


## Faithful Unto Death: A Chief Inspector Barnaby Novel (Chief Inspector Barnaby Novels)

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Von Caroline Graham : Faithful Unto Death: A Chief Inspector Barnaby Novel (Chief Inspector Barnaby Novels) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Faithful Unto Death: A Chief Inspector Barnaby Novel (Chief Inspector Barnaby Novels):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Incisive portrait of English life wrapped around mysteryVon Bill PeschelCaroline Graham's England consists of close-packed villages surrounded by miles and miles of nothing worth seeing, of hard-working city businessmen and urban coppers looking down their slim trim noses at country people and their insular ways, of village bobbies who know the villagers and the cycles of the seasons but naught about investigative work, and of quaint self-assured English eccentrics and villagers whose lives rarely extend beyond the boundary line. I don't know if they exist in Cool Britannica today, but in Graham's world, their constricted lives, hidden passions and occasionally murderous impulses make fascinating reading.2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Okay - but not as good as Graham's other novelsVon Ein KundeThis really was a kind of disappointment. I've read all of Caroline Graham's books so far and most of them are excellent - but not this one. Her depiction of the perfect crime is just a bit too unbelievable, and as frustrating for the reader as it is for Chief Inspector Barnaby. Although a disappointing Barnaby novel is still better than, for example, a lot of Martha Grimes' stuff I would recommend to read her other books first, especially 'Written in Blood'.1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A bit of a disappointmentVon Ein KundeI was intrigued at first by this mystery, but found the solution -- or lack of one -- unsatisfying. I have read most of the other Barnaby and Troy mysteries, and am finding the character of Troy to be increasingly distasteful. Graham may think his mysogyny and homophobia is amusing in a cantankerous way, but it borders on the offensive. I'm not a member of the P.C. police, nor do I have an automatic disdain for tasteless humor, but I find nothing redeeming or entertaining about Troy.

KurzbeschreibungWhen bored young housewife Simone Hollingsworth misses bell-ringing practice-her latest effort to find something to do-no one is surprised. In fact, if old Mrs. Molfrey, her neighbor, didn't report it to Detective Chief Inspector Barnaby, Simone's disappearance might have gone unrecorded in Fawcett Green. But ever Barnaby isn't concerned-until a body is found.Soon Barnaby is uncovering the passionate entanglements beneath the placid surface of Fawcett Green-and perhaps jeopardizing his career. Now, if he misconstrues the clue buried in Simone's garden-and a subtlety of human behavior his experienced eye should spot-a brutal killer may go free....deCan you name a mystery about bell ringing? Of course--The Nine Tailors, by Dorothy L. Sayers. How about another? Well, this book about small-town British coppers Chief Inspector Barnaby and Sergeant Troy might qualify: it begins when a young female campanologist in the village of Fawcett Green fails to show up for practice. Was Simone Hollingsworth kidnapped for ransom? Was her doting new husband involved? Or does her disappearance have something to do with her snooping neighbors--especially the neighbor's obsessive daughter? As she did so well in Written in Blood, Caroline Graham captures the inwardly seething inhabitants of a supposedly placid village with the skill of an expert entomologist observing an anthill. And Barnaby and Troy are once again the perfect pair: the chief inspector's calm introspection is a fine match for the younger, brasher officer's occasional outbursts and blunders. Not the least of Graham's accomplishments is keeping the subgenre of the traditional British village mystery fresh and meaningful. --Dick Adler.comCan you name a mystery about bell ringing? Of course--The Nine Tailors, by Dorothy L. Sayers. How about another? Well, this book about small-town British coppers Chief Inspector Barnaby and Sergeant Troy might qualify: it begins when a young female campanologist in the village of Fawcett Green fails to show up for practice. Was Simone Hollingsworth kidnapped for ransom? Was her doting new husband involved? Or does her disappearance have something to do with her snooping neighbors--especially the neighbor's obsessive daughter? As she did so well in Written in Blood, Caroline Graham captures the inwardly seething inhabitants of a supposedly placid village with the skill of an expert entomologist observing an anthill. And Barnaby and Troy are once again the perfect pair: the chief inspector's calm introspection is a fine match for the younger, brasher officer's occasional outbursts and blunders. Not the least of Graham's accomplishments is keeping the subgenre of the traditional British village mystery fresh and meaningful. --Dick Adler