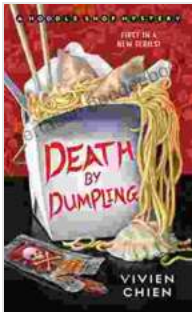


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Death by Dumpling is the first book in the Noodle Shop Mystery series by Vivien Chien. The book follows Lana Lee, a Chinese-American woman who inherits her grandmother's noodle shop in San Francisco. When a customer dies after eating a bowl of dumplings, Lana must find the killer before she becomes the next victim.

Plot

Lana Lee is a Chinese-American woman who has always dreamed of becoming a chef. When her grandmother dies, Lana inherits her grandmother's noodle shop in San Francisco. Lana is excited to take over the family business, but her dreams are quickly dashed when a customer dies after eating a bowl of dumplings.

The police suspect that the dumplings were poisoned, and Lana is the prime suspect. Lana knows that she didn't poison the dumplings, but she

doesn't know who did. Lana must find the killer before she becomes the next victim.

Lana investigates the murder with the help of her friends and family. She soon discovers that the noodle shop is a popular spot for criminals and gangsters. Lana must be careful not to get caught up in the criminal underworld.

As Lana investigates, she uncovers a web of secrets and lies. She learns that her grandmother was not who she thought she was. Lana also learns that the noodle shop is more than just a restaurant. It is a place where people come to hide from the law.

Lana must race against time to find the killer before they strike again. She must also protect her friends and family from the dangers that surround her.

Characters

- **Lana Lee:** A Chinese-American woman who inherits her grandmother's noodle shop.
- **Ah-Mah:** Lana's grandmother, who was the original owner of the noodle shop.
- **Rick:** Lana's childhood friend and love interest.
- **Detective Ramirez:** The police detective who is investigating the murder.
- **Uncle Benny:** Lana's uncle, who is a gangster.

Setting

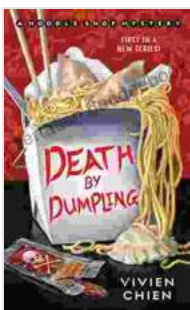
Death by Dumpling is set in San Francisco, California. The noodle shop is located in Chinatown, a vibrant and colorful neighborhood. The book also explores the criminal underworld of San Francisco, including the gangs and drug dealers who operate in the city.

Themes

Death by Dumpling explores several themes, including:

- **Identity:** Lana is a Chinese-American woman who is struggling to find her place in the world. She must learn to embrace her heritage while also forging her own path.
- **Family:** Lana's family is a source of strength and support for her. She learns to rely on her family in times of need.
- **Justice:** Lana is determined to find the killer who murdered her grandmother. She believes that justice must be served.

Death by Dumpling is a well-written and engaging mystery novel. The book is full of suspense, humor, and heart. Vivien Chien has created a memorable cast of characters and a setting that is both vibrant and dangerous. Death by Dumpling is a must-read for fans of mystery novels.



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