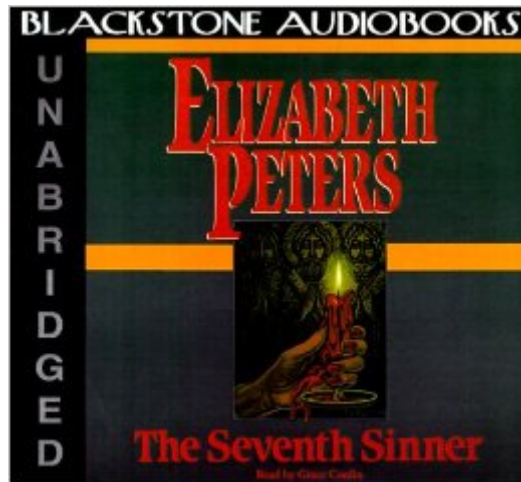


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# The Seventh Sinner: A Jacqueline Kirby Mystery (Jacqueline Kirby Mysteries)



## Synopsis

For vibrant, lovely Jean Suttman, the fellowship to study in Rome was the culmination of her dreams, until she undertook an innocent expedition to the ancient Temple of Mithra. From the moment she stepped into the pagan darkness and discovered the corpse of Albert, one of her fellow students, she was afraid. Not even the comforting presence of the perceptive and practical Jacqueline Kirby could erase the fear that was nourished by one small accident after another, "accidents" that came dreadfully close to killing her. Someone was stalking Jean, someone ruthless and determined. Before long she could see no chance of rescue from the ever-present terror, no hope of escape, nothing but death.

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## Customer Reviews

I just love the archaeological/historical/cultural elements in this novel, set in Rome and with references to the ancient, medieval and modern city. It's a real puzzle, the characters are engaging and believable, it has humor as well as dastardly deeds. Very satisfying!

I am more familiar with Elizabeth Peters from her years of writing as Barbara Michaels. This particular book was a slow starter for me, and I didn't love it the way I loved *Be Buried in the Rain* or *Ammie Come Home*. But if you are looking for a well-written, mild-adventure story, this might be the way to go.

I have read quite a few of Amelia Peabody's Egypt. Jacqueline Kirby is a great character that I will read more about. This story takes place while Ms. Kirby is in Rome on a vacation and doing some work in her field. She meets seven students by accident (literally). They become friends. While searching the city for academic purposes one of the uninvited students is found almost dead.

This is the first of the Jacqueline Kirby mysteries and introduces us to an intriguing heroine/amateur sleuth amid some rather obnoxious visiting students in Rome. The book was a bit uneven and the ending predictable, if a bit silly and unlikely, but if you are looking for a great beach read, this is a fast page turner with a great setting.

The first Jacqueline Kirby novel, *The Seventh Sinner*, finds Jacqueline in Rome. She meets seven graduate students all studying various disciplines. At a party, another student bursts in and accuses someone of stealing his treasure. The next day, Jean (one of the students), finds the boy near death. It is up to Jake to find the killer and save Jean. Jacqueline is a different character than Barbara Peters' other two heroines, Vicky Bliss and Amelia Peabody. Kirby is an older woman with grown children and is usually presented from other characters' point of view. It is an interesting take on a series, and one that is enjoyable. However, I find it hard to relate to Jacqueline as much as I do to Vicky or Amelia- she seems more removed. I recommend this series- give it a try!

Girl (art historian) goes to Rome, girl lured into frightful danger, will girl escape? You probably know the answer, and this is, for Elizabeth Peters, a rather pedestrian read. Still, it is by Elizabeth Peters, and therefore spruced up with odd and interesting bits of art historical knowledge, and a pleasantly bantering tone.

I like Vicky Bliss better than Jacqueline Kirby, but this was a fun mystery. What I like about Peters is how she weaves in historical facts. And you feel like you're right there because she knows her locations.

Another very enjoyable story by Elizabeth Peters. Rome. Catacombs. Delightful characters. Remarkable ending. Mystery lovers should definitely consider getting this book.

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