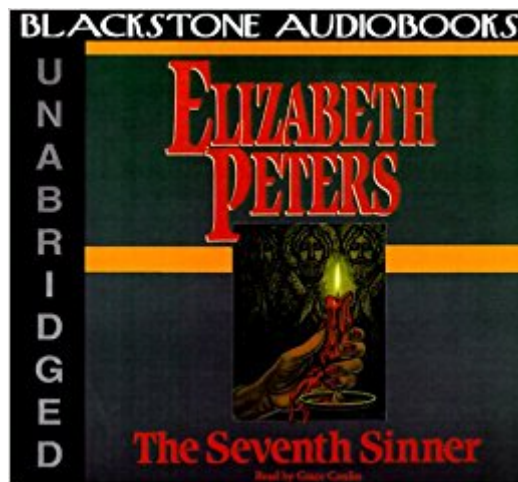




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Synopsis

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For vibrant, lovely Jean Suttman, the fellowship to study in Rome was the culmination of all her dreams -- until she undertook an innocent expedition to the ancient subterranean Temple of Mithra. From the moment she stepped into the pagan darkness and discovered the corpse of the repulsive 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 which was nourished by one small accident after another. "Accidents" which come 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...

Elizabeth Peters (1927-2013) was a New York Times bestselling author whose novels were often set against historical backdrops. She earned a PhD in Egyptology at the University of Chicago. She also wrote bestselling books under the pseudonym Barbara Michaels.

This book introduces Jacqueline Kirby, a librarian, who happens to have an inquiring mind. However, Jean Suttman, one of the "seven sinners" who are students studying in Rome, is closer to what I think of as the main character. I enjoyed the interplay among the students and between Jean and Jacqueline. The author's knowledge of archaeology shines in this book. As a retired librarian, I always enjoy fiction with a competent librarian as an active part of the story. Combined with a good mystery, I suspected this would be good and I was not disappointed. I liked this book, but parts of it felt awkward. The conversion to Kindle had the typographical issue of some words run together. I will continue reading this four-book series. I would rate it as 4.5 stars, but because of the awkward parts, I nudged it down.

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.

Enjoyed the characters, the location, the repartee. Not too gory or terrorizing but pleasantly entertaining. I will read more from this author.

It was good but I expected more from jacqueline

an enjoyable work. The comments about Rome and student fellowships were interesting. Jacqueline presented a totally different take on a mystery "character."

I've read all of the Amelia Peabody series and working on the rest of her books.

One of my favorite Authors for Romantic Suspense !! Very good !!

I typically really like Elizabeth Peters' books, but I did not find this one to be the page-turner that some of her other books are.

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