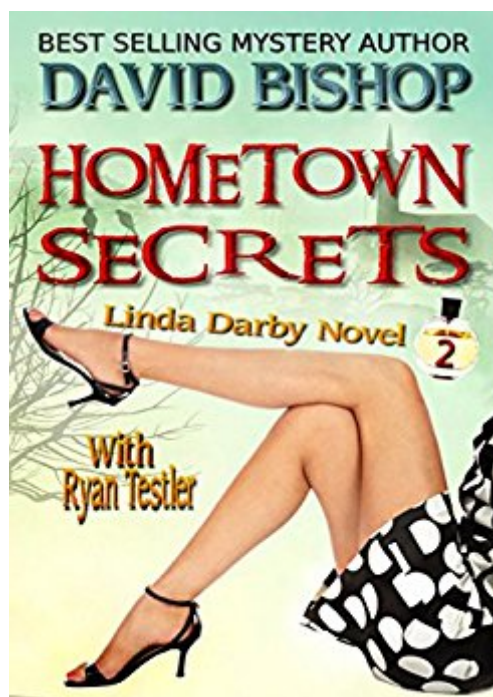


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# Hometown Secrets (Linda Darby Mystery Book 2)



## Synopsis

Hometown Secrets: The long awaited sequel to the first Linda Darby suspense mystery, THE WOMAN, has been released. And Ryan Testler, is back with her again. Memories are funny things. The way they quietly hang around. Linger. Waiting for something we see or hear, or an unexpected event to slam them forward into our consciousness. To strike us the way headlights assault a dark road. Some memories bring along a smile, others foreshadow danger and there are those which cry out for resolution. All of this is true for Linda Darby. Linda wonders if she might again be lured into her first lover's bed. As the pace quickens she does find love, along with friendship, fear, danger, and opportunity. Clashes of personality and conflicts between the agendas of the principal characters eventually coalesce in ways Linda never anticipated.

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## Customer Reviews

TGIF = Thank God It was Free. Absolute tripe written by someone who is way too enamored of what he thinks is a gift for evocative, poetic language and has dipped his pen into the thesaurus far too many times. "Her mother's hard-crust toasted view...versus Linda's desire to be a warm, buttered muffin." Her "eyes, ears and nose report the train's tireless work." "They had been torrid lovers,

but...mellowed into something akin to hot pudding, covered and cooling."That's just embarrassing. And all this within the first 3% of the book!Purple prose taken to a whole new level of lavender.And whassup with the entirely unwarranted insertion of a lengthy paragraph of self-conscious philosophizing on literally the first page of the book, right after the VERY FIRST paragraph?! A brief excerpt:"For many of us there is some measure of unfinished business [snipped 3 MORE sentences! for space]. Then there's the young loves we just didn't quite know what do about, and, through that uncertainty, left fallow without closure."Huh???Really, this is one of the worst books I've ever started reading, and I'm not going to finish it.

This would probably have been a good mystery, but I did not finish it. I got tired of the explicit sex scenes and the four-letter words. If you can't write a book that decent people can read, don't write at all.

David Bishop's Hometown Secrets, the 2nd Linda Darby story has finally arrived! And WOW, it was worth the wait. The 1st was The Woman, one of my favorites ever. Linda's mother has died and she goes home to settle her estate & deal with her own ghosts of adolescence past: her 1st lover who now runs the town, her best friend growing up who never left, choosing to remain there to entertain & train the menfolk. Linda must also decide whether or not she will move into the family home or sell it & return to her beach house on the coast of Oregon. She finds love, but not what she expected. Instead she discovers that things learned with the mind of a teen can be far different when seen again through the eyes of an adult. This was a great 2nd Linda Darby story. And as for Ryan Testler, I'll leave the light on and the door unlocked | While I waited for this Linda Darby story, I read 4 books in this author's Matt Kile mystery series. I highly recommend them as well. Keep 'em coming Mr. Bishop!

WOW! What a return for Linda Darby. When I first met Linda she was about to have a life-changing experience. Thanks to Ryan Teslar, she survived it and thrived. She's strong, determined, confident and currently on a quest returning to her hometown for answers.As in all David Bishop's book, the story is superb. The characters are believable and real. Linda's journey has many twists and turns and Ryan is there, in the background.If you ever thought of returning to the place where you grew up and learned a lot with some mistakes, this book is for you. You don't want to put it down and can't wait for another novel to take you somewhere else in such good company.Looking forward for the new Matt Kyle book in the Fall and hope David keeps writing, just for our pleasure.

I sat down yesterday and read Hometown Secrets from cover to cover. I COULD NOT PUT IT DOWN!!! David Bishop has this gift of intertwining the characters, developing seemingly simple people into complex characters and he keeps you guessing as to who's doing what, with whom, in a small town. Again David has left the ending with so many ways to open up to a BOOK 3 if he keeps the series going, which I hope he does - I really enjoy the Linda/Ryan duo. This is the 3rd book I've read from David Bishop and what I really like, and I've already bought book #4 and #5 that I plan to read from him next, is none of his books have fallen into the same predictable pattern. They are all really different, enjoyable, suspenseful mysteries that keep you guessing. And when you think you've figured it out, he throws in another twist, so it has you second guessing yourself. I was one of those readers who stumbled onto David Bishop and decided to buy one of his books and I haven't regretted buying any yet. Take the chance, it's definitely a great read.

I like a good mystery and I don't freak out over a little profanity. But I get pretty sick and tired of the "f" word being thrown about all the time. And is it really necessary for the main character to show all her charms on a first date? Decided it wasn't worth my time and deleted it from my Kindle.

??? Just read a few chapters so far and will probably finish. But a question or two. If you are going back to your hometown after 20years because your mother died would you not have a funeral to attend or feel any sorrow over the death? Why would you not want to be recognized? If there is a will to be read won't people know who you are. And if your mother was dirt poor would there be a will and a formal reading ? I am going to try to read more and see if any of these questions are answered. And in this day and time would one man really control a whole town?

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