

## **TYLER KNOWLES - MYSTERY SUGGESTIONS**

### **Wilkie Collins:**

1. \*The Moonstone
2. \*The Lady in White

### **Josephine Tey**

1. Daughter of Time

### **Dorothy Sayers' Lord Wimsey novels (my favorites among many)**

1. Whose Body? ('923)
2. The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club (1928)
3. Murder Must Advertise (1933)
4. Gaudy Night (1935)

### **\*Peter May (Scottish Writer)**

1. Black House
2. A Winter's Grave
3. \*The Man With No Face

### **\*Robert Harris'**

1. \*An Officer and a Spy (a marvelous stand alone)

### **\*Robert Harris' Cicero series:**

1. Imperium
2. Conspirata
3. Dictator

### **\*CJ Sansom's The Shardlake series (Henry VIII and Regency England)**

1. Dissolution
2. \*Dark Fire
3. Sovereign
4. Revelation
5. Heartston
6. Lamentation
7. Tombstone

### **\*Mick Herron's Slough House series (The books are even better than the films but both are superb!)**

1. Slow Horses
2. Dead Lions
3. Real Tigers
4. Spook Street
5. London Rules
6. Joe Country
7. The Secret Hours (chronologically comes before all the others)

## CRAFT OF CRIME COLLOQUY - MYSTERY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PARTICIPANTS

### \***Steig Larsson's** the Millennium series

1. \*The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo
2. The Girl Who Played with Fires
3. The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest
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### \***Tana French's** The Dublin Murder Squad Series

1. In the Woods
2. \*The Likeness
3. Faithful Place
4. Broken Harbor
5. The Secret Place
6. The Trespasser
7. The Searcher (standalone)
8. The Hunter (standalone)

### \*\***John Le Carre**

1. \*The Spy Who Came in from the Cold
2. Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy
3. Smiley's People
4. \*A Perfect Spy

### **Peter Lovesey's** Peter Diamond series (written in the 1990's through today). Lovesey is now 88!!!!

1. The Last Detective
2. Diamond Solitaire
3. There are 4 I haven't read)-6
1. Diamond Dust
2. The Secret Hangman
3. Skeleton Hill
4. Stagestruck
5. Cop to Corpse (not sure I read this one)
6. \*The Tooth Tattoo (I adored it)
7. The Stone Wife
8. Down Among the Dead Men
9. Another One Goes Tonight (I loved it!)

### \***Peter Lovesey's** Sergeant Cribb series (I read these years ago and loved them)(written in the 1970s):

1. Wobble to Death
2. The Detective Wore Silk Drawers
3. Abracadaver
4. Mad Hatter's Holiday
5. Invitation to a Dynamite Party
6. A Case of Spirits
7. Waxworks
8. **Lovesey's** The False Inspector Dew...delightful

**Ken Follett's** A Dangerous Game

**\*Michael Cox's** The Meaning of Night

**Umberto Eco's** The Name of the Rose

**Iain Pears'** Instance of the Fingerpost

**\*Denis Lehane's** Small Mercies

**Patricia Highsmith's** The Talented Mr Ripley

**Sarah Waters's** Night Watch

**Margaret Millar's** Beast in View (amazing psychological depth)

**Raymond Chandler** (Philip Marlowe books—The Big Sleep; Farewell, My Lovely; The Long Goodbye)

**Dashiell Hammet's** The Maltese Falcon; The Thin Man

**James M Cain's** The Postman Always Rings Twice

**There are numerous other series by mystery writers I've enjoyed**

**Jacqueline Winspear's** Maisie Dobbs series (in order)—do read in order though the first one is a bit of a trudge!

1. Maisie Dobbs (sets up her whole background up to 1929 when she takes on her first case)
2. Birds of a Feather
3. Pardonable Lies
4. Messenger of Truth
5. An Incomplete Revenge
6. Among the Mad\* (especially good)
7. The Mapping of Love and Death\* (especially good)
8. A Lesson In Secrets
9. Elegy for Eddie (especially good)
10. Leaving Everything Most Loved
11. A Dangerous Place
12. Journey to Munich (especially good)
13. In This Grave Hour (quite good)

**Charles Todd's** Inspector Ian Rutledge series (I'm listing in the order of all those I've read or listened to. There are a number more that I haven't listened to because I don't like the reader). Those I mark as esp. good simply means that I have a vague memory of them!!!

1. Test of Will (the first one!)
2. Wings of Fire
3. Search the Dark
4. Legacy of the Dead
5. Watchers of Time
6. A Cold Treachery
7. A Pale Horse (esp. good)
8. A Matter of Justice
9. The Red Door (esp. good)
10. A Lonely Death
11. The Confession (esp. good)
12. Proof of Guilt
13. Hunting Shadows
14. No Shred of Evidence (set on Cornish coast)
15. Racing the Devil (esp. good)(just finished listening to it)

**Adrian McKinty's** Sean Duffy series (set in 1980's Northern Ireland), reader Gerard Doyle. McKinty has won lots of awards for being one of the finest mystery writers of today with a real grasp of voice.

10. The Cold, Cold Ground
11. I Hear the Sirens in the Street
12. In the Morning I'll Be Gone
13. Gun Street Girl
14. Rain Dogs
15. The Police at the Station They Don't Look Friendly (am listening to now)

**Ruth Downie** (Medicus Series: Novels of the Roman Empire)

1. Medicus
2. Terra Incognita
3. Persona Non Grata
4. Caveat Emptor
5. Sem[er] Fidelis
6. Tabula Rasa
7. Vita Brevis
8. Momento Mori
9. Prima Facie

**Sharon Kay Penman** (Justin de Quincy series—set in medieval England before the Magna Carta)

**Robert Galbraith** (aka JK Rowling) (the Cormoran Strike series)

**Elizabeth George** (Lynley series)

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**Steven Saylor** (novels of Ancient Rome)

**Ariana Franklin** (Mistress of the Art of Death series)

**Laurie R. King** (Mary Russell—Sherlock Holmes series) (esp. good: The Game)

**Martin Walker** (Bruno, Chief of Police series--Dordogne) (Esp. good: Black Diamond)

**Walter Mosely** (Easy Rawlins mysteries: Devil in a Blue Dress, etc)

**BROOKE DOJNY'S ADDITIONS**

**Kate Atkinson**

**Raymond Chandler**

**Agatha Christie**

**Patricia Cornwell**

**Linda Fairstein**

**Carl Hiaasen**

**Tony Hillerman**

**P.D. James**

**Donna Leon**

**Laura Lippman**

**Robert B. Parker**

**Virginia Rich**

**Arthur Upfield**

**JAN EAKINS' ADDITIONS:**

**Georges Simenon** - the Jules Magritte series - I love Simenon's spare prose

**Cyril Hare** - barrister who wrote classic English mysteries with a legal twist - Tragedy at Law, An English Murder, and others

**Edmund Crispin's** - Gervase Fen series, especially The Moving Toy Shop

**Michael Gilbert's** - Mr Calder and Mr Behrens - short story about two sly old spy's still solving crimes.

**Laurie King** - I suggest you start enjoying the Holmes-Russell partnership with the first in the series, "beekeeper's Apprentice"

**Robert van Gulik** - The Chinese Maze Murder - one of his Judge Dee mysteries.

### **SIAN EVANS' ADDITIONS**

**Rex Stout** - Set in New York area primarily, Written 1930s-1970s. Nero Wolfe series. For the dialogue, characters, time setting.

**Maj Sjöwall and Per Wahlöö** - Martin Beck series. Set in 1960s Sweden. For the time period, lower-class 1960s Stockholm.

**John Rankin** - Inspector Rebus series. Set in 1990s-2000s, Edinburgh, Scotland. For the time period, lower-class Edinburgh.