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Stranger Child



Synopsis

From the author of number one bestseller, *Sleep Tight*. One Dark Secret. One act of revenge. When Emma Joseph met her husband David, he was a man shattered by grief. His first wife had been killed outright when her car veered off the road. Just as tragically, their six-year-old daughter mysteriously vanished from the scene of the accident. Now, six years later, Emma believes the painful years are behind them. She and David have built a new life together and have a beautiful baby son, Ollie. Then a stranger walks into their lives, and their world tilts on its axis. Emma's life no longer feels secure. Does she know what really happened all those years ago? And why does she feel so frightened for herself and for her baby? When a desperate Emma reaches out to her old friend DCI Tom Douglas for help, she puts all their lives in jeopardy. Before long, a web of deceit is revealed that shocks both Emma and Tom to the core. They say you should never trust a stranger. Maybe they're right. Praise for Rachel Abbott: "I have resented the intrusion of real people while my mind grappled with the events in *Sleep Tight*" - Cleo Loves Books "Just when you think you've got it sussed, you'll find yourself screeching in frustration at your foolishness." - Crime Fiction Lover "Rachel Abbott will keep you guessing long into the night and just as soon as you've figured it out...think again!" - Suspense Magazine "It is one of those books that holds you hostage and is hard to put down until the end." - Confessions of a Reader "Abbott creates a tangled web of deception, secrets, and red herrings." - Booklist "Pure Genius: A Masterclass in the Perfect Thriller!" - Love Books

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Customer Reviews

I loved the book! Wish that Tasha and Jack were a part of Emma's life though! Can't wait for the next book with Tom Douglas and maybe a little happiness coming Tom's way.

Wonderful and suspenseful story. A real page turner. Glad there's a small novella to really finish the story. Not a bad ending but not quite satisfied but then found out about the small story that was added, that makes a difference.

The first book I read written by Rachel Abbott, Sleep Tight, was very good, but this one was even better. Great suspense-it was hard for me to put it down. I was sure I had it figured out - but I was wrong! As soon as I finished it, I wanted more of the characters in this book, so I immediately picked up Nowhere Child, a separate short novel that takes place several months later. I enjoy Ms. Abbott's writing style and her ability to keep you guessing.

Do you like a good mystery that's hard to put down? Do you prefer the characters to be well developed and a plot that holds your interest? This is not your run of the mill mystery. It's a story whose continuity has a few gaps that in no way affects the story line or your reading enjoyment. Caroline Joseph dies in a tragic auto accident and her six year old daughter disappears without a trace. The husband is shocked when his presumed dead child miraculously appears on his doorstep. A tangled web of who, what and why then develops. The plot thickens! Read it and enjoy it as much as I did.

This was the type of book that you can hardly wait to see how it turns out, yet - you don't want it to end. I am glad to see the characters carried forward into this new story. Excellent writing! I am looking forward to many more by Ms. Abbott.

This book is very exciting, and emotional as well. It kept my interest from the beginning to end. You get a feel for some of the characters, too. I wish there could be a sequel to this book. It's very well-written. I would definitely recommend this one. It does keep you guessing! This is my favorite book by Rachel Abbott.

This is the first book that I read by this author. It was great. I couldn't put it down. A child was abducted years ago from a deadly car accident. The child arrives back home to live with her dad and new step mom. Natasha is not the child they once knew. Everyone seems to have secrets. After the family experiences another crisis, they discover they have to work together if they want to stay alive.

Excellent book! Finished reading it in two sessions. Shines a light on little known subject of child trafficking, how it happens, and why these kids don't just "run away". One of the main characters in this book is a child caught up in this situation, and the absolutely horrific way she was introduced to this life. Her father has a chance to save her, but what he does and does not do is the crux of the plot. If he does not make the right decisions this time, he could lose his second child to these monsters. This the first book by this author that I have read, but have already ordered the next one. I am also looking forward to a possible sequel to this book. Hard to let go of these characters.

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