

The Swap: A Mystery

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Mary Higgins Clark meets London in the first novel from Nancy Boyarsky, a fast-paced mystery in which a hopeful wife travels abroad to rekindle her relationship and finds, instead, that she's stumbled into the tensions of an international drug ring.

As a heroine, Nicole is instantly likable. Disturbed by the growing distance in her marriage, she rearranges her work schedule to accompany her husband, Brad, on a summer-long stay in the UK. They arrange a house trade with someone Brad once met in his London office, but soon find that their cozy cottage is at the center of a showdown between dealers seeking payment. Nicole finds herself not only battling Brad's infidelities, but fighting for her life.

The pace of Boyarsky's story and the thrill of surprising new developments lead to a nail-biting adventure whose thralls are difficult to escape. Nicole's evolution—from a possibly cuckolded wife to a capable detective who evades investigators and murderous fiends alike—places her amongst the most intriguing leads in the genre. *The Swap* contributes to the women-driven mystery field with panache.

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