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## **Snowbound at Christmas Details**

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### **Beth Lechman says**

Cat and Chloe O'Connor are identical twins. Chloe is an actress and Cat was a police Detective. Since the loss of her job she had been protecting her sister. Now it appears someone is trying to kill Chloe and Cat vows to figure out who it is. After several attempts on Chloe's life Cat becomes the prime suspect.

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### **Alyson LaBarge says**

This story is set in the small Colorado town of Christmas, a town hidden away, yet able to welcome the entire cast of Chloe's soap opera when they come to town to shoot their holiday scenes. This being the 5th book in the series, you may think you might feel a little lost, what with characters popping back in and all but this is a stand alone book. As it is the first of the series I have read and I felt clear on what was happening, I think you will too. Cat, Chloe's twin sister, was previously a policeman Now she is Chloe's assistant and is quite bored - that is until she runs into Grayson, Chloe's extremely attractive leading man. Before you know it, the romance is on! They have fantastic chemistry and best of all, their romance is tastefully handled and all sex scenes are behind closed doors. Seriously! Yup. This is a completely clean Romance!

The remainder of the cast serves as back up to assist Cat in solving a mystery. And some of them are SO funny! Take Ty for instance. He is Chloe's new hair dresser and make up artist. He is hysterical and a great part of the story. All in all, this book is exactly what I love Christmas books to be at Christmas - light, fun and not heavy or serious.I finished it with a smile on my face and lightness in my heart. Debbie Mason, you, my dear, are a Rock Star! 5 Stars!

Ratings:

Rating: 5 Stars - A Must Read!

Heat: 1/5 - Tame - Perfectly Clean!

I appreciatively received this book in exchange for my honest review.

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### **Danielle says**

This is the first book I have read in this series and I had some mixed feelings. I enjoyed this book had a little bit of the mystery of who was after Chloe but the romance wasn't what I thought it would be.

I enjoyed the plot and majority of the characters. The plot was different with Cat being an ex cop who was turned assistant to her sister. I liked Grayson but I could have done without the British thing. I just thought that was a little over the top for an undercover FBI agent pretending to be an actor.

Cat had her strong points in this story but she let Chloe walk all over her through the whole story. And I

found Chloe to be absolutely the most annoying character I have come across so far this year. I did like at the end how she wanted to redeem herself and be a better person but I asked myself can she change because it sounds like she has been like that forever.

The story did keep me interested in finding out what would happen and who the bad guys were. I loved the growing chemistry and the romance between Cat and Grayson. I wish they would have had more time for the romance but Grayson was undercover so I understand.

The ending was sweet how they all came together and spent Christmas with one another. I also was pleased it ended with Grayson willing to relocate and them not just jumping into marriage and babies.

I would love to go back and start at the beginning and get to know the other characters in the story a little better since they all seem so close.

If you love a take charge FBI agent as much I do and the Christmas season this is the book for you.

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### **Nicole Smith says**

I was a little skeptical to see where this book was going to go, but boy did I enjoy this book. The quirky characters especially Grayson's grandmother are a hoot. Ty was one of my favorite characters. I just loved his reactions to meeting the McBride men. Even though this book is a story of Grayson and Cat I liked watching the maturity of Cat's twin sister Chloe. I believe that added to the book. Now onto Cat and Grayson. Loved Cat she's this tough woman, but she has such a sweet heart. For everything life dealt her and the way her sister treats her she's still right there to protect and serve. Grasyon is the perfect man for Cat how can he not be when he thinks Cat holding a gun is sexy. I liked the who done it aspect to the story. It had me guessing who could be behind the murder plot. The ending couldn't have gone down any better for this story. It fit so perfectly and has me in the holiday spirit.

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### **Kathy says**

*Snowbound at Christmas* is a sweet, sassy and suspenseful romance by **Debbie Mason**. The sixth installment in the always fun *Christmas, Colorado* series is a laugh out loud novel that old and new fans are sure to enjoy.

Cat O'Connor is an ex-Denver police woman now working for her spoiled twin sister Chloe, a popular soap opera actress. Tired of pandering to Chloe's whims, Cat is ready to quit and return to Colorado when she discovers someone is trying to kill her sister. Unbeknownst to Cat (or anyone else on the set), the show's newest guest star, Grayson Alexander, is working undercover to investigate the threats on Chloe's life. Despite the sparks that immediately fly between them, there is little trust between Grayson and Cat since they both suspect the other of being behind the threats on Chloe's life.

Cat is a strong heroine who pretty much deserves sainthood for putting up with Chloe's over the top behavior. Cat has had a rough time ever since her ex-boyfriend's Ponzi scheme was uncovered and everyone thinks (but cannot) prove she knew what he was doing. Working for her sister has worn very thin since Chloe is demanding and spoiled but when Cat discovers someone is trying to kill her, Cat knows she has stay

by her side to protect her from harm and uncover the identity of the assailant.

Grayson is about to embark on a much needed vacation when he is unexpectedly saddled with his grandmother Estelle. When he tries to find another relative to take her off his hands, his cousin calls in a favor which means Grayson is not only going undercover but he also must bring his grandmother with him. The number one suspect on his list is Cat and he is dismayed by his attraction to her. He is equally disconcerted when Chloe sets her sights on him and his grandmother decides to try her hand at a little matchmaking.

The supporting cast of characters are well drawn and range from delightfully quirky to downright annoying. Cat's close friend Ty is a wonderful breath of fresh air and his antics are quite funny. Estelle is also a pretty fun character although her matchmaking attempts are a bit misguided. Chloe is nearly impossible to like and it is extremely frustrating watching her manipulate Cat for much of the story.

For a good part of the novel, the storyline focuses on the ensuing investigation. Grayson and Cat continually butt heads as they pursue various leads and their attraction for one another only complicates things between them. Neither of them trust their instincts at this point since Cat cannot believe she missed what her ex-boyfriend was up to and Grayson completely misjudged someone on his last case. It is not until they, along with the cast and crew of Chloe's soap opera, relocate to Cat's hometown in Colorado, that their relationship becomes less adversarial. As Cat and Grayson begin working together on the investigation, their attraction deepens but just as they are considering telling one another the truth about their respective roles in the investigation, Chloe's latest shenanigans cause problems for them.

With an intriguing storyline, a cast of eclectic characters and a sweet love story, *Snowbound at Christmas* is a captivating novel that is fast paced and engaging. This latest installment in **Debbie Mason's** heartwarming *Colorado, Christmas* series is an absolutely delightful read that I highly recommend to readers of contemporary romances.

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### **Dorine says**

Twin sisters who couldn't be less alike are caught up in several murder attempts on a soap opera set. Another actor, who isn't who he pretends to be, increases the tension between the sisters. Can they find the culprit before they all end up dead or injured?

Cat O'Connor loses her job with the FBI and gets stuck playing bodyguard for her daytime soap opera star sister, Chloe. Even worse than being the sister of a soap star is to be the twin of this drama queen whose life is being threatened. Will Cat be able to save her sister or will they both be in danger?

Special Agent Grayson Alexander goes undercover as a British actor as a favor. Forced to take his retirement-home-escapee grandmother as his agent to aid his disguise, Grayson has more than one problem to resolve. Due to Cat's suspected nefarious professional history, Grayson is sent in to prove she's the one trying to kill her sister. It doesn't take long for Grayson to guess Cat has nothing to do with the murder attempts and to fall for her instead.

A cute concept for a story but the actress Chloe kept me wondering why her twin put up with her eccentricities and spoiled attitude. For a supposedly smart woman, Cat seemed led too frequently by her sister's whims. Cat was supposed to be Chloe's bodyguard but Chloe treated her like her servant for every

need. I was ready to shake Chloe by the end of the book and I'm surprised Cat was so patient with her. Grayson and his grandmother were funny, often causing Cat more stress in dealing with her sister. There were some other over-the-top secondary characters that added to the mayhem.

I chose this book to review by the cover and because it was a Christmas story. I didn't realize it was the fifth book in a series. I'm sure the fans of this series will enjoy the visit to Christmas, Colorado, but it didn't work as well for me. I seemed to be missing the point with several of the characters and not making the connection. If you love soap operas or comedic murder mysteries then you'll get a kick out of this zany story about twin sisters who are exact opposites.

**Review by Dorine, courtesy of Romance Junkies. Print copy provided by the publisher.**

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### **Diane says**

Cat O'Connor is an ex-cop who now works as assistant/bodyguard to her twin sister on Chloe's soap opera, a job that Cat is finding pretty boring until there are some attempts on Chloe's life. Being identical twins, the two have occasionally changed places and it does come in handy when Chloe wants to audition for a life changing role and can't be gone from the soap set. The two exchange identities and keep it secret so Chloe's not violating her contract.

No matter if Cat is playing herself or her sister, she feels a zing of electricity whenever she's around the mysterious new Brit co-star, Grayson Alexander, who's really an undercover FBI agent. And Chloe is in heaven when he and his "agent", British actress Dame Alexander show up, what with her Anglophile addiction and Gray being 98th in line to the British throne!

Various mishaps ensue on the set, with mysterious notes and accidents, until the whole cast ends up filming in the girls' hometown of Christmas, Colorado, just in time for the holiday season. Cat still can't figure out who might be interested in hurting her sister, and she doesn't want Chloe to know that someone might be stalking her because, let's face it, Chloe is dramatic enough without any added inspiration.

With everyone staying on the big and beautiful O'Connor ranch, snow-filled days and warm and cozy fire-lit nights, not to mention decorating for the holidays, is it any wonder that snuggling leads to romance between Gray and Cat? But there's still the matter of who and why someone is trying to hurt Chloe they need to solve.

This is the first Debbie Mason book I've read and it was a frisky, fun, Christmasy caper. It stands alone just fine, but I would like to check out the previous books in this series -- I think there are a lot of fabulous stories in Christmas, Colorado!

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### **1-Click Addict Support Group says**

This is another clever installment in a delightful small town series. I love Christmas, it's the perfect small town setting for romance. I loved getting to "bump into" past characters, seeing them in the coffee shop, hearing them on a phone call. That really has to be one of my favorite things about this type of series, and Debbie Mason does it oh, so well. Some of the secondary characters really gave this book its shine. Ty, the hairdresser, and his nicknames for the sexy men in town had me cracking up. GG, the meddling, snobby grandmother was an eccentric old hoot, and I loved her scenes.

The problem I had with the story stemmed from just how despicable Cat's twin, Chloe was. I had a hard time caring if she was murdered because Chloe was an absolute terror, beyond self-centered and horribly manipulative. Also, Cat was such a tough bodyguard, but she let everyone walk all over her—she spent much of the book being Chloe's doormat and that was a little difficult to believe coming from a woman who was otherwise so smart and strong.

There were also a few scenes where something was brought up in detail as if it had importance, then there was no scene for it. For example, Cat and Grayson are going tree chopping, and there is an entire scene of getting armed, preparing for the cold, discussing how surely they wouldn't be in danger but just in case... Then, on the next page, they're already home and around the fire talking about something else. There were a few of these build-ups just to have it seem as if a scene had been cut and I found myself flipping back a page to make sure I hadn't missed anything.

Having said that, I did love the initial confusion for Grayson, when the sisters switched places, and that he learned how to tell them apart even though so many others never could. His and Cat's relationship was sweet and sexy and I loved them as a couple. I also really appreciated the finale, when the main characters refused to let an old busybody (even if she is persistent and charming) dictate a timeline for their happily ever after. The whodunit was nicely played, and the suspense was just enough to cast a shadow and help dictate the story, but not so over the top that the book was too dark. I like this happy medium, and appreciate when an author finds it.

Despite a few weak spots to navigate through while reading, I can honestly say I enjoyed this book. It wasn't my favorite of the series, but it is a perfectly good addition to what has been a pretty strong series. I'm still hopeful the next one will blow me away a little more though, like previous editions have. ~ George, 3.5 stars

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### **Brianda says**

YES, I did give it 2 stars, but that does not mean I did not enjoy this book. I enjoyed it in the same way I enjoy a Hallmark movie. It was a nice casual read, but I am probably only going to recommend it if you are looking for an easy read that gives you Christmas feelings.

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### **? Kimberly says**

I went into Snowbound at Christmas blind. I did not realize it was part of a series and had no idea I was going to find myself in the middle of a mystery with suspense, danger and shenanigans. I accepted the title

because of the lovely holiday cover. I am a sucker for doors and the color red. What can I say?

We meet ex-cop Cat (playful referred to as Kit-Kat by her sister) working as an assistant to her soap opera star sister Chloe. The two are twins and complete opposites. When they switch places, trouble ensues. Grayson Alexander soon finds himself posing as a British actor and trying to do his job with his vibrant troublesome Grandmother acting as his manager. The setup for the tale was delightful and I quickly settle in. Mason provided a colorful cast of characters from actors, stage crew and townsfolk. I love when even secondary characters have depth and Mason made them all memorable.

While the tale starts in the city, we soon find ourselves in Christmas, Colorado at the family ranch of Chloe and Cat O'Conner. I loved the ranch and I am quite sure characters we met played roles in the earlier books for this series, but I never felt out-of-place.

The characters in *Snowbound for Christmas* are wonderfully fleshed out and unique. Chloe is the spoiled actor whose neck you will want to ring. Seriously, I kept waiting for someone to slap her. Cat has had her confidence shaken, but she is graceful, kind and surely headed for sainthood. How she has not throttled Chloe is beyond me. Grayson is swoon-worthy; levelheaded and definitely Mr. Tall, Dark and Mysterious. Ty, the makeup artist was delicious, and made me laugh at every turn. Grayson's grandmother was a trip and her meddling added to the tale. Secondary characters from actors to townsfolk helped balance the tale, and created red herrings.

While the mystery was the focus, Mason weaved in a sweet romance that will satisfy readers. Character growth and a tightly woven plot kept me engaged. Mason weaved in a familiar Christmas Classic before closing lose threads and provided a solid ending. I closed *Snowbound for Christmas* with a smile.

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### **Theresa says**

Enjoyed this book very much. Experienced a few moments where I actually laughed out loud at the humor! Interesting and comical characters.

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### **Anna's Herding Cats says**

Reviewed for herding cats & burning soup.  
Amazon: <http://amzn.to/1NwVvHZ>

Loved. It. *Snowbound at Christmas* was an absolute delight! Hot hunky hero, stellar heroine, the magic of Christmas and danger around every corner. The perfect read to snuggle down with on a cold day with a hot cup of chocolate in hand.

The quick of it is that someone is trying to kill Cat's sister Chloe who is an actress. And Cat's determined to find out who's behind all the "accidents" her twin keeps having. Everyone is a suspect. Including the hottie

British actor who's suddenly come to town and is now working with her sister. He's hiding some secrets that's for sure but maybe not the one's Cat thinks...

I freaking LOVED Cat. Mason writes the best heroines. They're strong, kick ass, reasonable and just plain likable women. Cat's a former police officer who's had a rough go lately and has been working for her sister who is...difficult. I loved everything about her. How patient and determined she was. How much she loved her people. That she could apologize when she was wrong and keep on moving forward. She was just the type of woman you could look up to and respect.

And Grayson? Pretty sexy guy. I enjoyed him quite a bit but the star of this one for me was most definitely Cat.

I really liked these two together. They go a little slow since they don't really trust each other right off the bat. But it worked. I liked seeing them get to know each other day by day as they dealt with the threats against Chloe and their nutty families. And whew their families were cah-ra-zy. Her sister. Lordy. I'm telling ya. I was totally on board with the Santa float in the Christmas parade running her ass over. Annoying crazy tart! How Cat stood her. I just. Whew! Anyways. They really were a charming pair.

The suspense of who was out for Cat's sister was nicely done. I kinda figured it out but at the same time was kept guessing long enough for it to really work and have me questioning my suspicions more than once.

The only thing I would have asked for more of in this one would be heat. There's some nice chemistry and tension happening between these two but actual heat and sexy bits...not so much. Very very light and mostly off page.

All in all, Snowbound at Christmas was a beautiful Christmas read. A little danger and action, heart, romance, small town spirit. Christmas, Colorado totally won me over. If you haven't met this quirky little town and the people who call it home yet you're so missing out.

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### **Jaime Fiction Fangirls Book Review says**

I finished this book at 1am and immediately went looking on Amazon to download the rest of the books in this series. I really, really liked this story. There was an air of mystery to it but it was also lighthearted and fun. Honestly I spent a good part of the book hoping that somehow Chloe would actually end up dead. She was that annoying and even worse everyone around her let her get away with it. It was infuriating but at the same time it was one of the best parts of the story.

I loved Grayson, except when he completely let his paranoia about his past interfere with his feelings and instincts about Cat. I like Cat the most when she stood up for herself but her protectiveness of Chloe was sort of endearing.

In the beginning of the story I thought that Estelle was going to be the entertainment and match-maker in the story, but I couldn't have been more wrong. I think that Chloe and her are probably soulmates, although I'm pretty sure that I can guess who Chloe will end up with eventually.

This story has me super hyper for so early in the morning/late at night. It's not a story that will leave you an emotional wreck or with your heart bursting from all the feels but it's a great story with little angst but a

whole lot of drama. I imagine this will make it on my list of yearly holiday rereads.

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### **DESCRIPTION:**

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### **REVIEW:**

This is a nice light Christmas or anytime read and Debbie Mason has given the reader enough romance, intrigue and excitement to keep the reader turning pages.

I loved the character of Cat. Being a personal assistant to a spoiled brat of her twin must have driven her to insanity at times. Chloe is a Diva who is used to getting everything she wants before she wants it, however, her life is being threatened and Cat must protect her. Chloe also for some unknown reason feels she has to compete with Cat as she has always had this idea that no one appreciates what she does as an actress. When Grayson Alexander comes on scene Chloe is determined to win over the aristocrat before he becomes enamored with Cat, however when she asks Cat to double for her things change and not for the better. Chloe wonders if she will ever be able to prove her worth to everyone. Cat's police instincts go into hyper drive when Grayson arrives on set. Aristocratic he is not and she truly doubts he is an actor. The chemistry between them is real and she finds herself attracted to the man she is just beginning to know.

Grayson has been asked to find out who is trying to kill Chloe. Going under cover as a handsome leading man who is also a British aristocrat, he is the catch of the scene but he finds himself attracted and wanting Cat the other twin. As the mystery unfolds Grayson soon realizes that Cat may be in danger too. Working with Cat he hopes that they will be able to solve the mystery and perhaps being stuck in Christmas won't be so bad after all.

This novel has everything I like in a book....a great story, comedy, an amazing plot, great characters and drama. It is a book I will definitely recommend to my friends and fellow readers and perhaps it will find its way into someone's Christmas stocking!

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### **Susan says**

SNOWBOUND AT CHRISTMAS is filled with mystery, but it is always fun and light hearted. I found myself giggling out loud at many of the situations with Cat and Grayson. I've read Debbie Mason before and have always enjoyed her stories. I truly thought I knew who was behind the murder lot of Chloe but I was totally off base. I love reading about Christmas, Colorado and I'm looking forward to continuing this wonderful series. I finished this one with a huge smile on my face and that is why I always rush to pick up Debbie Mason's books when they come out, they are just that good.

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