

# DIANE VALLERE BIO



**SHORT BIO:** National bestselling author Diane Vallere writes funny and fashionable character-based mysteries set on Earth and in space. After decades in luxury retailing, she traded fashion accessories for accessories to murder. A past president of Sisters in Crime, Diane started her own detective agency at age ten and has maintained a passion for shoes, clues, and clothes ever since.

**LONG BIO:** Diane Vallere is a national bestselling author of thirty-nine books. She is a three-time award nominee for best humorous mystery at Left Coast crime. Diane's series are: Samantha Kidd (fashion, set in Pennsylvania), Madison Night (mid-century modern style), Material Witness (Fabric Shop), Costume Shop Mysteries, and Outer Space. She has contributed short stories to several anthologies, most recently MURDER-A-GO-GO's: Crime Fiction Inspired by the Music of the Go-Gos (Down & Out Books).

Diane served as president of Sisters in Crime, a national non-profit that advocates for the professional development of women crime writers. Her legacy project for the organization, *PROMOPHOBIA: Taking the Mystery Out of Promoting Crime Fiction*, won the Agatha Award for best non-fiction book of 2022 and was nominated for an Anthony Award in the same year. Her newsletter, the Weekly DiVa, has an active following, focusing on girl talk, book talk, and life talk.

After living in both Texas and California, she has returned to Pennsylvania where she fuels her writing with a steady diet of pretzels.

Diane-Fans describe **"her vintage Vallere goodness,"** and say she is a **"great storyteller"** with **"a way with creating strong female characters and intrigue"** who is **"a superb and very humorous writer."** Her gift of creating **"spunky sleuths in fun settings"** take readers to Dallas, Palm Springs, Los Angeles, Pennsylvania, and outer space.



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# TULLE DEATH DO US PART

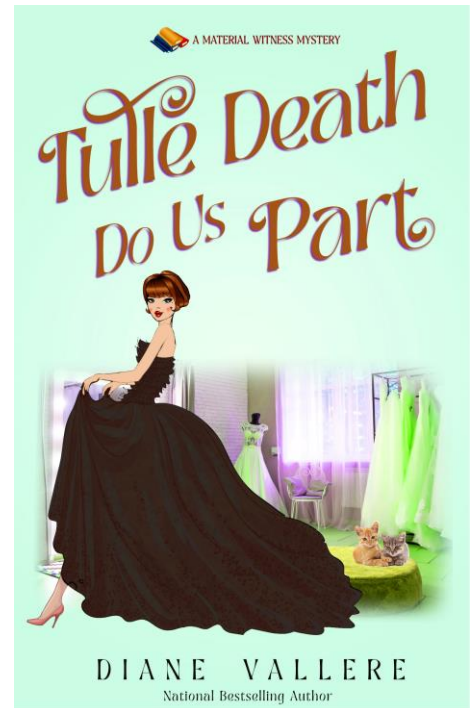
(Polyester Press – Oct 25, 2023)

***Polyester Monroe, quirky amateur sleuth and proud owner of Material Girl, the most colorful fabric store in San Ladrón, California, unravels the threads of a new mystery in TULLE DEATH DO US PART...***

When the historic Waverly House is transformed into a wedding venue, the town buzzes with excitement. An out-of-town couple with the loosest of local ties has adopted them as their own. But amidst the celebration, tragedy strikes as a guest is found dead in the chapel before the wedding march plays. Suspicion quickly falls on the bride. Poly's ex-boyfriend, the groom-to-be, needles Poly for her help in solving the murder, but things take a complicated turn when the bride-to-be points the finger—at him.

Poly dives headfirst into a web of secrets and hidden agendas. From the eccentric wedding planner to the envious bridesmaids, she must untangle the clues while navigating the chaos of wedding season at her fabric shop. As the investigation unfolds, Poly has a choice: her familiar past or a potential future with the town's most eligible bachelor. With puns as sharp as tailor's shears and her knack for finding trouble, Poly is determined to expose the real culprit before the bride's "I do" becomes doing life

**TULLE DEATH DO US PART is a hilarious roller coaster ride filled with quirky characters, unexpected twists, and a patchwork of romantic notions. Grab a cup of tea, cozy up in your favorite chair, and enjoy this captivating fabric-filled adventure!**



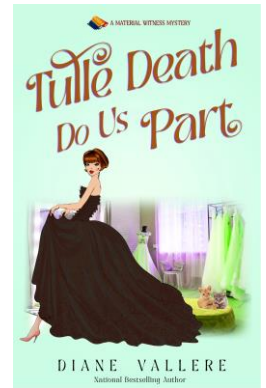
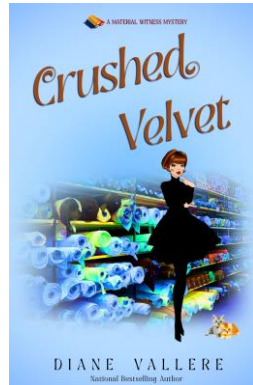
“Long time fans will be thrilled with *Tulle Death Do Us Part*. If you have yet to discover this series or Diane's books in general, you'll be glad you picked it up as well.”

– Carstairs Considers

**TULLE DEATH DO US PART by Diane Vallere**  
Material Witness Mystery #4  
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E-book: ISBN 9781954579835 | \$6.99

# THE MATERIAL WITNESS MYSTERY SERIES

A material girl living in a murderous world.



“Diane Vallere has stitched **up an engaging new series.**”

—Sofie Kelly, *New York Times* Bestselling Author of the *Magical Cats* Mysteries

“There’s a new material girl in town...[A] **resourceful and gutsy sleuth.**”

—Krista Davis, *New York Times* Bestselling Author of the *Domestic Diva* Mysteries

“Vallere weaves a tapestry of **finely knit characters, luxurious fabrics, and...murder.**”

—Janet Bolin, National Bestselling Author of the *Threadville* Mysteries

“With **delightfully engaging characters and riveting mystery**, it is a series I am looking to see more of!”

—*Open Book Society*

“Vallere stitches an **intrepid heroine** together a **nicely layered plot** that fits well with the fabric imagery. The secret of the velvet makes for a **clever** surprise. Fans of Jenn McKinlay’s *Hat Shop* novels may also enjoy this small-town cozy.” — *Booklist*

"This entertaining series that began with *Suede to Rest* continues with yet another fantastic read. In fact, this one may be **even better.**" — *Suspense Magazine*

"I loved this entry in the series. I enjoyed the first two books plenty, but something about **SILK STALKINGS** drew me in even more completely. The culmination of the action was **tense, exciting and extremely satisfying**, and the final page left me wearing a gentle smile." — Diana Troidahl, *Fresh Fiction*

"The small-town atmosphere, the down to earth characters, two adorable kittens and the image of a shop filled with exotic fabrics from around the world made this an **"I can't put this down until I finish it"** book. Toss in potential romance with a rich prince charming, and you'll find yourself lost in a **delightful cozy mystery** you are sure to enjoy. — *MyShelf.com*

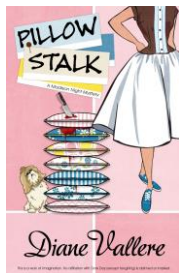
"*Suede to Rest* is a **delightfully realistic cozy mystery** featuring a **wonderful new protagonist**, Polyester Monroe." — *Midwest Book Review*

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# THE MADISON NIGHT MYSTERY SERIES

The lightness of Doris Day, the darkness of homicide, and a Shih Tzu named Rock. The series features late-forties, mid-century modern interior decorator Madison Night and takes place in Dallas, Texas.

Each book winks at a different Doris Day movie.



"A multifaceted story...plenty of surprises...And what an ending!"

– *New York Journal of Books*

"The suspense is intense, **the plot is hot** and the style is to die for."

– Catriona McPherson, Agatha Award-Winning Author of *The Child Garden*

"Vallere has crafted **an extremely unique mystery series** with an intelligent heroine whose appeal will never go out of style." – *Kings River Life Magazine*

"If you love Doris Day, **you'll love Madison Night**, decorator extraordinaire."

– *Books for Avid Readers*

"A terrific mystery is always in fashion--and this one is sleek, chic and constantly surprising.

Vallere's **smart styling and wry humor** combine for a fresh and original page-turner--it'll have you eagerly awaiting her next appealing adventure. I'm a fan!"

– Hank Phillippi Ryan,

Agatha, Anthony, Macavity and Mary Higgins Clark Award-Winning Author of *The Other Woman*

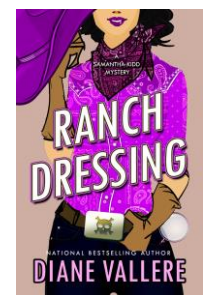
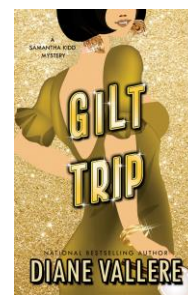
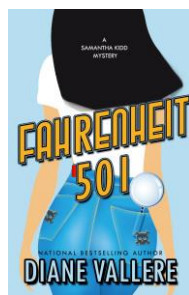
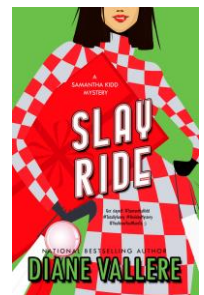
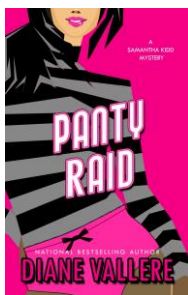
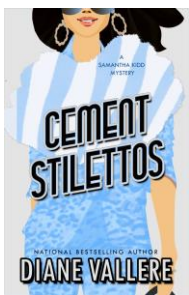
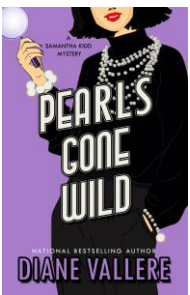
"**A fast-paced mystery** with fab fashions, an appealing heroine, and a clever twist, *That Touch of Ink* is especially for fans of all things mid-century modern." – *Reader to Reader*

"Diane Vallere...has a **wonderful touch**, bringing in the design elements and influences of the '50s and '60s era many of us hold dear while keeping a strong focus on what it means in modern times to be a woman in business for herself, starting over." – *Fresh Fiction*

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# THE SAMANTHA KIDD MYSTERY SERIES

Former fashion buyer turned amateur sleuth. Former New Yorker turned Pennsylvanian.  
Former act-together turned what-have-I-done-to-my-life?



"...the book is enriched by the author's **cleverly phrased prose and convincing characterization.**"

- *Kirkus Reviews*

"**an impressive cozy mystery** from a promising author." - *Mystery Tribune*

"**a sleek and stylish** read."

- Ellen Byerrum, National Bestselling author of the Crime of Fashion mysteries

"Fashion is always at the forefront, but never at the cost of **excellent writing, humorous dialogue, or a compelling story.**" - *Kings River Life*

"Vallere has stitched together haute couture and murder in a **stylish mystery.**"

- Krista Davis, *New York Times* Bestselling Author of The Domestic Diva Mysteries

"Samantha Kidd is an **engaging amateur sleuth.**" - *Mysterious Reviews*

"Diane Vallere takes the reader through this cozy mystery with her **signature wit and humor.**"

- Mary Marks, *NY Journal of Books*

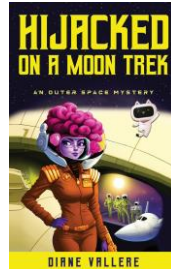
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# OTHER WORKS:

## SPACE UNIFORM SERIES

The Sylvia Stryker Novels feature uniform lieutenant/amateur sleuth Sylvia Stryker on the Moon Unit Cruise Ship in outer space. Sylvia is joined by Neptune, head of security, Pika, a pink alien, and her robot cat.

*Veronica Mars meets Star Trek.*



## DEAD IN THE WATER

For fans of mermaids, mysteries, and thrilling adventures alike, DEAD IN THE WATER is a trio of spellbinding stories that seamlessly weave together elements of fantasy, suspense, and captivating storytelling. Immerse yourself in a richly imagined underwater realm, where the bonds of sisterhood, the allure of the sea, and the power of love collide in a race against time and will leave you longing for more tales from the deep.



## BONBONS FOR YOUR BRAIN

BONBONS FOR YOUR BRAIN is filled with short, standing-in-line-length essays divvied into categories for fashion & beauty (truffles), goal setting (dark chocolate), creative aspirations (artisan), health (70% pure cacao), things to think about (nougat), and just plain nutty (pistachio).



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## **SAMANTHA KIDD MYSTERIES:**

1. Designer Dirty Laundry – Jun 2012
2. Buyer, Beware – Mar 2013
3. The Brim Reaper – Dec 2013
4. Some Like It Haute – Jan 2015
5. Grand Theft Retro – May 2016
6. Pearls Gone Wild – Dec 2016
7. Cement Stilettos – Jun 2017
8. Panty Raid – Jun 2018
9. Union Jacked – Apr 2019
10. Slay Ride – Dec 2019
11. Tough Luxe – Feb 2021
12. Fahrenheit 501 – Oct 2021
13. Stark Raving Mod – Jun 2022
14. Gilt Trip – Mar 2023
15. Ranch Dressing – Feb 2024

## **MATERIAL WITNESS MYSTERIES:**

1. Suede to Rest – Nov 2014
2. Crushed Velvet – Aug 2015
3. Silk Stalkings – Aug 2016
4. Tulle Death Do Us Part – Oct 2023

## **COSTUME SHOP MYSTERIES:**

1. A Disguise to Die For – Feb 2015
2. Masking for Trouble – Oct 2016
3. Dressed to Confess – Jun 2017

## **MERMAID MYSTERIES:**

Dead in the Water - May 2023

## **MADISON NIGHT MYSTERIES:**

- Midnight Ice (prequel) – Dec 2012
1. Pillow Stalk – Oct 2012
  2. That Touch of Ink – Feb 2014
  3. With Vics You Get Eggroll – 2016
  4. The Decorator Who Knew Too Much – Apr 2017
  5. The Pajama Frame – Feb 2018
  6. Lover Come Hack – Oct 2018
  7. Apprehend Me No Flowers – Oct 2020
  8. Teacher's Threat – Jun 2021
  9. The Kill of It All – Feb 2022
  10. Love Me or Grieve Me – Oct 2022
  11. Please Don't Push Up the Daisies – Jun 2023
  12. The Glass Bottom Hoax – Oct 2024

## **OUTER SPACE MYSTERIES:**

1. Murder on a Moon Trek– Dec 2017
2. Scandal on a Moon Trek– Aug 2018
3. Hijacked on a Moon Trek– Sep 2018
4. Framed on a Moon Trek– May 2020

## **OMNIBUS EDITIONS:**

1. Killer Fashion Mysteries Bundle 1
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3. Killer Fashion Mysteries Bundle 3
4. Killer Fashion Mysteries Bundle 4
5. Mysteries on a Moon Trek

## **NON-FICTION:**

Bonbons for your Brain – Apr 2019

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