what is a cozy mystery?*
features an amateur sleuth
the crime-solver is usually a woman
takes place in a small town or village
although the amateur sleuth is not usually a detective, someone close to her might be a detective, police officer or even a medical examiner
fast-paced with several twists and turns and very often a few red herrings
most often this mystery is part of a series
no graphic violence, no profanity, and no explicit sex

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