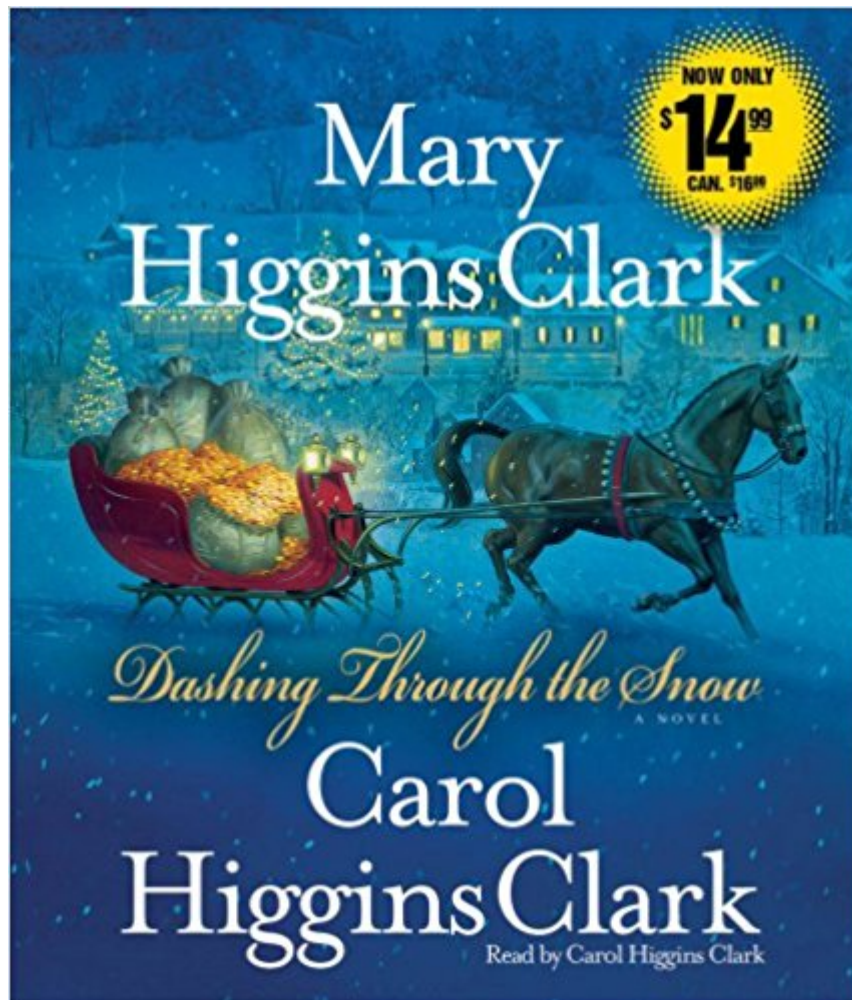


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# Dashing Through The Snow



## Synopsis

New York Times bestselling authors Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark's Christmas novel, *Dashing Through the Snow* is now available for only \$14.99! In the charming village of Branscombe, New Hampshire, the townsfolk are all pitching in to prepare for the first (and many hope annual) Festival of Joy. The night before the festival begins, a group of employees at the local market learn that they have won \$160 million in the lottery. One of their co-workers, Duncan, decided at the last minute, on the advice of a pair of crooks masquerading as financial advisers, not to play. Then he goes missing. A second winning lottery ticket was purchased in the next town, but the winner hasn't come forward. Could Duncan have secretly bought it? The Clarks' endearing heroes—amateur sleuth Alvirah Meehan and private investigator Regan Reilly—have arrived in Branscombe for the festival. They are just the people to find out what is amiss. As they dig beneath the surface, they find that life in Branscombe is not as tranquil as it appears. So much for an old-fashioned weekend in the country. Filled with suspense and humor, *Dashing Through the Snow* is a heartwarming thriller, that rates a cheerful ho, ho, ho • (Publishers Weekly).

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## Customer Reviews

Mary Higgins Clark & Carol Higgins Clark have come up with another of their Christmas mysteries featuring Alvirah, former cleaning lady now lottery winner, her husband Willy, Nora Regan Reilly (MHC's alter ego, a mystery writer), her husband Luke, their daughter Regan, and her husband Jack (no relation) Reilly. As usual, it is a fast, fun read. There are the usual assortment of quirky characters, most of whom are good people. There are, however, a few who are not including The

Skunk, wife of the local storekeeper. Of course there are a couple of bumbling criminals who really aren't evil when push comes to shove. But there are two others. . .Set in a little town in New Hampshire, the short but sweet novel takes place during the first annual Festival of Joy, which the young mayor and his camera-happy wife hope will put their charming little town on the map. A group of disgruntled employees of the local grocery, who have reason to be unhappy because the owner's wife has given them wedding pictures of herself and her husband instead of the monetary Christmas bonuses they were counting on, have won the powerball lottery. But another winning ticket was sold in the next town. Who has it? And where is it? Add to that a lovestruck grocery clerk and his sweetheart, who has flown from California to surprise him but has gone missing, and you have a situation just made for Alvirah & Regan. I enjoyed this book, and you will, too. Take it with you on your holiday flight--it should fill the time between airports. I look forward each year to the Clarks' Christmas novel and to Anne Perry's Christmas novel. They did not disappoint me.

I wanted a light, fun read to get me in the mood for the holidays...seems like they are coming so fast...and I was not disappointed by Mary H Clark and Carol H Clark's new book. It has all my favorite characters...the darling and dashing team of Regan and Jack O'Reilly, sophisticated mom Nora and her stoic husband, Luke Reilly, and those lucky lottery winners, Alvirah and Willy Meehan, who haven't let winning all that money stop them from being such great people. The book is 226 pages, and I didn't want it to end! It has the usual good guys and bad guys and I love the quirks and devious plot revolving around people that have money, and those that want to take it from them! If you are concerned that this book is a re-print, it is brand new and has not previously been published. If you have enjoyed any of their previous books, you won't be disappointed. If you haven't read any of them, you can still read this book without knowing all the back stories and be entertained. Then you'll want to get all the rest!

This book was so predictable and probably the worst I've ever read by this author. I'm sorry I wasted my time reading it, but it was for my book club. Everyone there agreed with me.

Books written by Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Clark are among my favorites. I love to read any book written by either author or books by the combination of these two. They are very interesting books and keep me guessing as to what the ending may be.

This short mystery was just as good reading as the authors' longer stories. The inclusion of the

lottery win added to the intrigue and the outcome of the story. Putting the setting at the holidays made it a more meaningful read for Christmas.

I love that this mother and daughter team work so well together and can envision great stories to pass on to their readers. I enjoyed every book they have written together and separately. Great writers both of them.

"At the sound of a car turning into the driveway, adrenaline shot through his body. It was too late to go back to the basement. With the swiftness of Peter Rabbit, he hopped across the kitchen, into the living room, and ducked behind a large, dilapidated chair." -- From the book I have read several Christmas-themed books from mother-daughter writing team Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark, but *Dashing Through the Snow* is by far the most engaging, delightful one of the all! *Dashing Through the Snow* features a picturesque village in the midst of busy preparations for the first Festival of Joy, as well as likable characters and brisk plot. From the group of local market employees who have won \$180 million in the lottery (one of which who is a lovelorn, dependable worker who decided to NOT go in on the lottery this time!), to a surprising villain, there's a good dash of romance, a smattering of humor and a heaping dollop of suspense in this good-natured holiday book. In stark contrast to the horrible *Santa Cruise: A Holiday Mystery at Sea*, *Dashing Through the Snow* keeps MHC's obnoxious amateur sleuth (and lottery winner herself) Alvirah Meehan at a minimum; in fact, even Regan and Jack Reilly aren't major characters, really. No, the main characters in this particular book is the charming town of Branscombe, a young couple in love, several unscrupulous thieves and kidnappers, a mysterious gemstone ring set in the shape of a flower, and the good-hearted townspeople. This book could have easily skidded into holiday schmaltz, but fortunately for fans of MHC (and Christmas in general!), the authors deftly guide the story into a satisfying holiday mystery. Well done, Mary and Carol!

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