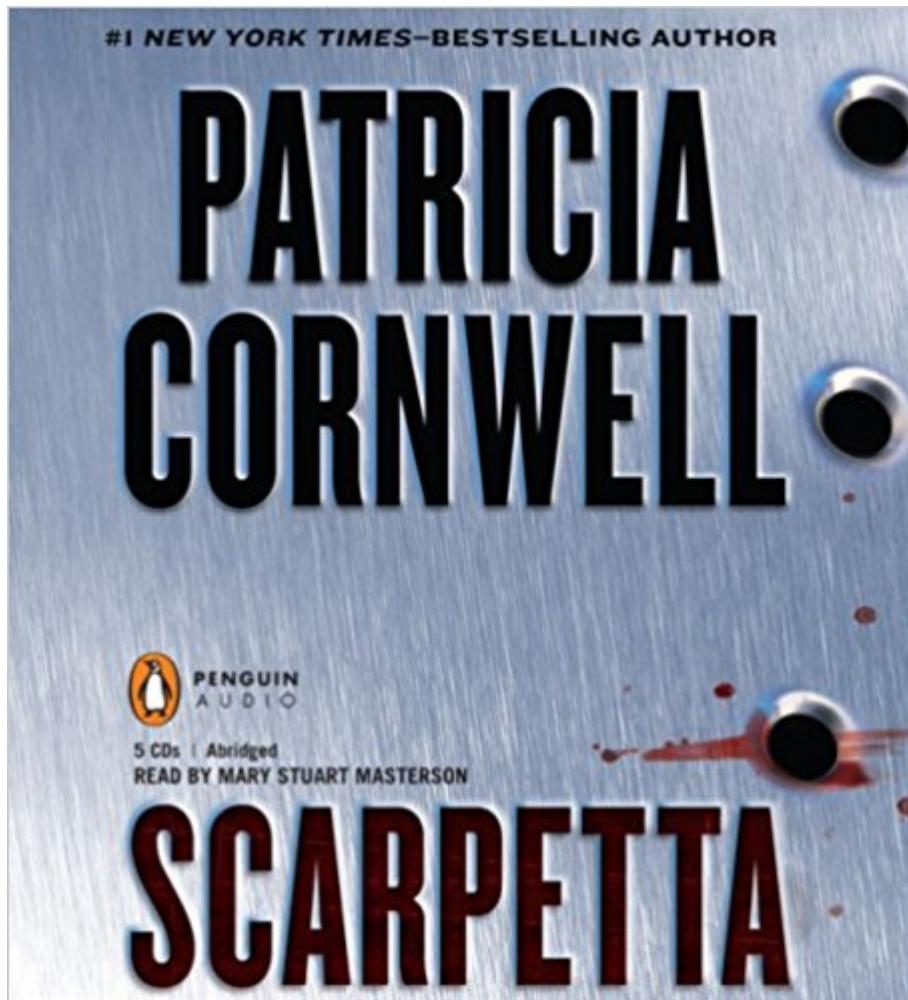


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Customer Reviews

The name of the latest Patricia Cornwell crime thriller is well-chosen -- "Scarpetta" revolves solely around Scarpetta. Fortunately Cornwell seems to be attempting to get back to the roots of what made her series a string of uber-bestsellers, with a greater emphasis on the gruesome crimes. Unfortunately the first two-thirds of the book drag like a deflated balloon, and too often the book feels like an ode to psychobabble and Scarpetta's awesomeness. Scarpetta is called back to New York when Oscar Bane, a man with achondroplasia (dwarfism), turns himself into the police. He's the only suspect in his girlfriend's murder, but he swears he didn't do it. So Scarpetta is forced to sift through the lies that Oscar tells her, as well as some truly bizarre evidence (a random assortment of DNA in the victim's vagina). Despite Oscar's obvious paranoia, she believes that he really didn't kill his girlfriend. Meanwhile, Benton is attempting to come to terms with Scarpetta's near-rape, especially since Marino has been assigned to the NYPD and an online muckraker has published a column about the event. As Scarpetta sifts through the evidence, Lucy's computer wizardry unearths some disturbing new information about the victim -- and the online Scarpetta impersonator that may also be a vicious sadistic killer...In many ways, "Scarpetta" is a big sprawling step back in the right direction for Patricia Cornwell. Cutting edge technology, gruesome crimes and lots of sifting for clues are all included, and Cornwell successfully integrates some seemingly irrelevant plot points

-- such as the victim and suspect's achondroplasia -- so that they become important parts of the solution. Unfortunately, "Scarpetta" is slow. Very slow.

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