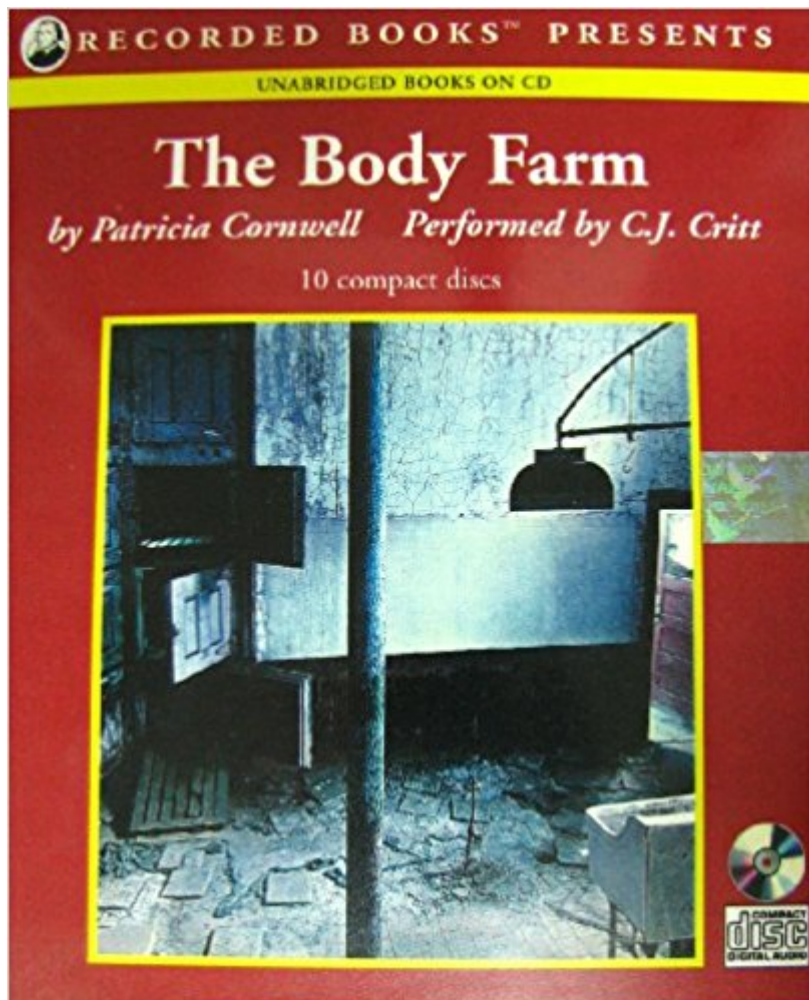




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Synopsis

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I enjoy the Scarpetta series, but this one did not wow me or blow me away. The ending became predictable half way through, and the character development and interaction seemed mediocre. I would not pay full price for this book - get it used and as cheap as possible if you are the type who has to read/own the full series.

Patricia Cornwell is a fantastic writer. I have been a fan for many years. If you enjoy a mystery or thriller that is engrossing and fast paced, you will love her books about Kay Scarpetta especially. You will certainly enjoy her other mysteries and thrillers as well. I have read almost every book that

she has written and at one time had all of her mysteries in paperback. Now, I am re-reading them for perhaps the sixth or seventh time and they are still just as grabbing for me as they ever were. I am thoroughly enjoying them again and can't put them down as usual.

As the title of my review states, I liked the book, but I didn't love it. Why? Well, I found it to be a bit predictable for one thing; I figured out the killer and the motivation long before the end. That was a let-down for me. I like murder mysteries to be, well, mysterious. Then there was the ending, which was anticlimactic. And the title, "The Body Farm." Why call it this? The Body Farm wasn't even in the story all that much. There's a brief mention early on when Dr. Scarpetta asks that an experiment be conducted at The Body Farm, then there is no more mention (that I noticed) of the experiment or The Body Farm until chapter eighteen. Even that was brief. The story was about the murder of an eleven-year-old girl. So why not name the book something that reflects this? I just don't get it. But, as I stated, I liked the book. I don't regret reading it, though I do regret buying it.

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good audio book.

Not enough action, too much technical forensic stuff, and way too much discussion between characters about their investigation. I'm done with this series.

good book

Excellent

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