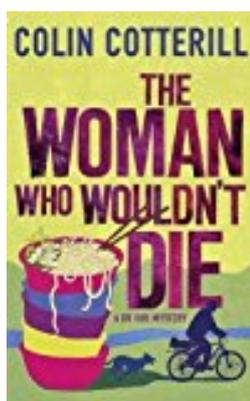


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Description:

From *Starred Review* The ninth entry in this series set in 1970s Laos has National Coroner Siri Paiboun, a man in his late seventies and perpetually on the verge of a longed-for retirement, again pulled back into service to examine remains. The road to those remains is circuitous, as is everything in communist-ruled Laos. It winds through the belief of the surviving brother of a long-dead Lao general that his brother's remains can be found through the clairvoyance of the woman of the title, a woman whom people saw burned on a funeral pyre but who appears again in the village with enhanced clairvoyant powers. It also winds through the suspicion that the excavation for the dead general's remains may really be in service of some other government goal. As Paiboun prepares to question the woman and find the remains, his new wife, Madame Daeng (who runs the most popular

noodle shop in town), is stalked by one of her old French lovers. This quirky mystery is filled with unforgettably strange characters (for example, Dr. Siri is a Buddhist gourmand, crafty at getting around restrictions, haunted by thousands of spirits who appear before him regularly). It's also filled with Cotterill's dark humor, best seen in the characters' wry dialogue. Readers who appreciate reluctant cops and detectives, like Tarquin Hall's Indian sleuth, Vish Puri, or Stuart Kaminsky's Russian Inspector Rostnikov, will love Cotterill's cynical, haunted coroner. --Connie Fletcher --This text refers to the edition.

Review "Cotterill has never been better than in this ninth outing for acerbic Dr. Siri.... The action builds to an ingenious resolution."

—"Publishers Weekly "(Starred Review)

"After Cotterill's hiatus to launch another series set in Thailand ("Grandpa, There's a Head on the Beach", 2012, etc.), the return of that glorious curmudgeon Dr. Siri for a ninth escapade is bliss."

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Praise for the Dr. Siri series

"Unpredictable.... Tragically funny and magically sublime."

—"Entertainment Weekly"

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"A wonderfully fresh and exotic mystery."

—"The New York Times Book Review"

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"You get a real feeling for what Laos was like in the '70s. The humor is wonderful, too." —"New York Post"

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