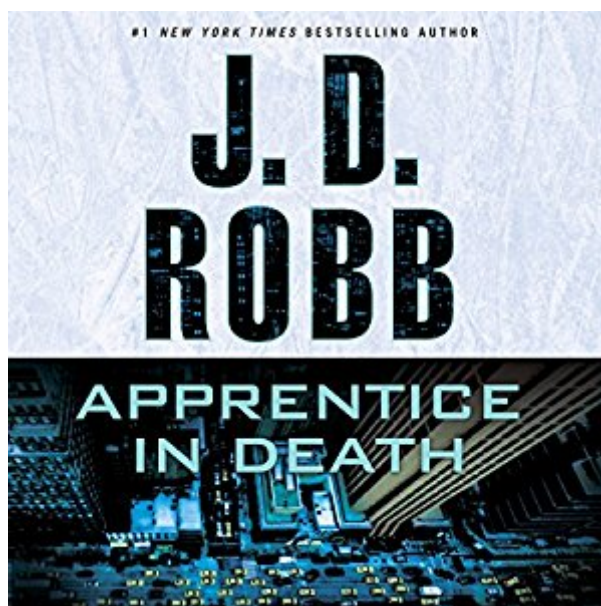


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# Apprentice In Death: In Death Series, Book 43



## Synopsis

Lieutenant Eve Dallas returns in a fast-paced new novel from #1 New York Times bestselling author J. D. Robb. Nature versus nurture... The shots came quickly, silently, and with deadly accuracy. Within seconds, three people were dead at Central Park's ice skating rink. The victims: a talented young skater, a doctor, and a teacher. As random as random can be. Eve Dallas has seen a lot of killers during her time with the NYPSP, but never one like this. After reviewing security videos, it becomes clear that the victims were killed by a sniper firing a tactical laser rifle, who could have been miles away when the trigger was pulled. And though the locations where the shooter could have set up seem endless, the list of people with that particular skill set is finite: police, military, professional killer. Eve's husband, Roarke, has unlimited resources - and genius - at his disposal. And when his computer program leads Eve to the location of the sniper, she learns a shocking fact: There were two - one older, one younger. Someone is being trained by an expert in the science of killing, and they have an agenda. Central Park was just a warm-up. And as another sniper attack shakes the city to its core, Eve realizes that though we're all shaped by the people around us, there are those who are just born evil....

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## Customer Reviews

It's a race against time as Eve and her team track down a long-distance serial killer in *Apprentice in Death*. With no ties between the victims, no clues as to when or where the master-apprentice duo will strike next, and a vast number of potential targets in a city like New York,

the tension is on high and Eve, Roarke, and company are running themselves ragged to take down the killer. The In Death series can be generally divided between character-centric stories and case-centric ones. *Apprentice in Death* is the latter, but even though my preference is for books with character growth, I ended up loving this case. It was fascinating to watch the pieces of the puzzle come together, and the more layers that were revealed about the stone-cold killer, the more my interest was piqued. The sheer number of potential victims weighs on Eve and her team heavily, and it also added a tenseness to the tale that kept me turning the pages of the book late into the night. It's a twisted tale, though not in the usual sense; the apprentice is somewhat reminiscent of an earlier In Death killer (and I can't reveal which character or the book they're from without spoiling this story). Equally appealing is watching how Eve's mind works as she makes the connections that will lead her to master and apprentice. While a number of faces old and new (Roarke in particular) are invaluable to solving this case, it's Eve and the unique way she thinks that is the most fascinating to me. The In Death books can largely be read as standalones, and *Apprentice in Death* is no exception. That being said, if this is your first foray into the series the mystery will still be appealing, but the small, personal moments in the book might not hold the appeal they do to readers more invested in the characters. And fans of the series, fear not: there are enough personal moments in this book to satisfy and perhaps even tug on your heartstrings a bit. The further into the series we get, the fewer opportunities for big personal drama there are, and that's ok. The bonds of love and friendship still shine and added to my investment in the tale. All in all, I loved *Apprentice in Death* and I cannot wait to see what J.D. Robb has in store for Eve and Roarke! Kimberly Review courtesy of Wit and Sin

I have been reading this series since the first book. Each new book adds more dimension to the characters! I love that Roarke used the pink/purple to get Eve to think about new options for her home workspace. Turned out they are now also redoing the bedroom to make it theirs instead of just his design. Eve fascinates me! Her descriptions of small children just make me laugh! Her serious creeped out feelings over dolls having a place to gather and plot was classic! It has been a joy to watch Eve open up and see how she has gathered more friends than she knows what to do with. Was so scared that something had happened to Somerset at Madison Square. Eve got him to stand for the living while she stood for the dead. Not certain what either Roarke or Eve would do without Somerset. The snark when she comes home and dumps her jacket at the bottom of the stairs is totally an expectation now! I had pre-ordered this book and started/finished it the day it

arrived! I look forward to each book! Seeing the characters grow and change has been a joy! These characters are like family now.....snowflake hat, magic coat, missing gloves, candy stash, Roarke supplied coffee, playing with her new home workstation and all!!!!!! Can not wait for the next book!

I am so tired of the 1 star reviews given because people couldn't be patient for the kindle version. The book itself was great. Do not give Nora a poor rating because you couldn't get the book when you wanted. It's not fair to her. She has given us years of enjoyment with eve and Roarke.

I am a loyal reader of the In Death series. They never fail to be a great read. I loved a number of things about this one. Complex suspect/killer scenario, lovely romantic scenes between Roarke and Dallas, good police action, excellent new details for the long time readers who follow the characters. I would tell a new reader to give it a spin. Then go back to the beginning and start reading the series if you love this one. I recently started re-reading the series... luckily older ones are available as part of 4 or 5 book collections which saves some money over buying individual books, just search for In Death Collection (this is for the Kindle reader only). I've got most of the last 8 or 10 on my Kindle. Re-reading is bringing back my memories of the older books and the character development. For those hooked on her work, the In Death novels come out regularly twice per year. Nora Roberts is a prolific writer! Thanks Nora!

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