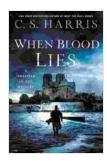
# When Blood Lies: A Gripping Historical Mystery Filled with Intrigue and Suspense

#### **Synopsis**

In the heart of Georgian England, where society's elite indulge in lavish balls and clandestine affairs, a sinister mystery unfolds that threatens to shatter the very fabric of the realm. When Blood Lies, the latest installment in the acclaimed Sebastian St. Cyr mystery series by C.S. Harris, draws readers into a captivating world of murder, intrigue, and deadly secrets.



#### When Blood Lies (Sebastian St. Cyr Mystery Book 17)

by C.S. Harris

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Sebastian St. Cyr, Viscount Devlin, returns to London after a perilous mission abroad, only to find himself embroiled in a web of deception and danger. A prominent physician has been brutally murdered, and suspicion falls upon Lord Edward Carfax, a man known for his volatile temper and questionable morals. As Sebastian investigates the crime, he uncovers a

complex web of relationships, hidden motives, and long-buried grudges that threaten to corrupt the highest echelons of society.

#### A Journey into Georgian England

When Blood Lies transports readers to the vibrant and tumultuous era of Georgian England, a time of both enlightenment and excess. Harris vividly recreates the sights, sounds, and smells of this bygone era, immersing readers in a world of horse-drawn carriages, candlelit ballrooms, and shadowy alleyways. The novel's rich historical detail brings to life the grandeur and squalor of the period, providing a captivating backdrop to the unfolding mystery.

Sebastian St. Cyr, the protagonist of the series, is a complex and compelling character. A former soldier turned investigator, Sebastian possesses a keen intellect, a strong sense of justice, and a deep understanding of human nature. As he delves deeper into the murder investigation, he must navigate the treacherous waters of society, where appearances can be deceiving and loyalties are constantly tested.

#### **A Complex Web of Characters**

When Blood Lies introduces a diverse cast of characters, each with their own secrets and motivations. Lady Lydia Carfax, the victim's widow, is a woman of enigmatic beauty and hidden depths. Dr. Thomas Silkstone, the murdered physician, is a man of science and reason, whose untimely demise sets off a chain of events that will shake the foundations of London society.

As Sebastian investigates, he encounters a host of suspects, including the enigmatic Dr. Gabriel Swift, a brilliant surgeon with a dubious past; the

cunning and ambitious Sir Thomas Winstead, a man desperate to climb the social ladder; and the mysterious Lady Helena, a woman rumored to possess a dangerous secret. Each character adds a layer of complexity to the plot, keeping readers guessing until the very end.

#### Intrigue, Suspense, and a Twisting Plot

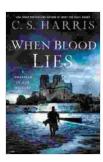
When Blood Lies is a masterclass in mystery writing. Harris weaves a complex and suspenseful plot that keeps readers on the edge of their seats from the very first page. The novel's twists and turns are both surprising and satisfying, leading to a thrilling climax that will leave readers breathless.

The murder investigation is at the heart of the novel, but When Blood Lies is also a story about love, betrayal, and the consequences of one's actions. Sebastian's own personal life becomes entangled with the case, as he grapples with his feelings for the enigmatic Lady Lydia and the secrets that surround her. The novel explores the darker side of human nature, revealing the depths of depravity that people are capable of when their desires and ambitions are threatened.

#### A Thrilling and Unforgettable Read

When Blood Lies is a historical mystery that will appeal to a wide range of readers. Fans of P.D. James, C.J. Sansom, and Anne Perry will be captivated by the intricate plot, vivid characters, and rich historical detail. The novel is a standalone story, but it also builds upon the characters and events of the previous books in the Sebastian St. Cyr series, making it a rewarding read for longtime fans.

With its thrilling plot, complex characters, and evocative setting, When Blood Lies is a must-read for anyone who enjoys a good historical mystery. C.S. Harris once again delivers a gripping and unforgettable tale that will keep readers entertained from beginning to end.



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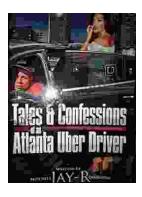


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