

# **Desperate Wives Murder**

## **A Host-Party Murder Mystery Game**



## **Game Materials**



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## **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

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Desperate Housewives Trivia - I  
Desperate Housewives Trivia - II  
Mysteria Lane Neighborhood Map  
Housewives Music Album  
Murder Mystery Note Sheet

These materials are available for download on our site.  
Login at [www.hostparty.com](http://www.hostparty.com) and go to Materials page.

## **Notes From Author**

Thank you for downloading a sample of this game. This is an abbreviated sample of the full game kit available for purchase. This sample should give you a basic understanding of the game and how it is played. If you have any questions, check out our Frequently Asked Questions: [http://uk.host-party.com/murdermysterygame\\_faqs.asp](http://uk.host-party.com/murdermysterygame_faqs.asp).

## **Host Preparation**

Here are a few tips to help you prepare yourself and your cast for the murder mystery.

Read the [Guide on How to Host a Host-Party Murder Mystery](#). This guide will give you all the specifics on preparing for and hosting your party. This guide should have been emailed to you upon purchase. It is also available from the Materials menu on the [Host-Party website](#).

## Guest Instructions

Playing one of our murder mysteries requires no special acting abilities, just a willingness to have fun. Our site gives you all the details you need to prepare for the party including character descriptions of all guests, internal information about your character (do not reveal this to others), and costume/prop recommendations.

During the party, each of you will be given clues. The clues provide all the information required to unlock the mystery. Each clue is designated as a clue to be concealed or a clue to be revealed. Conceal clues are generally information about your character that you try to hide (without lying) from the others. Reveal clues are ones that you should share with others in casual conversation.

During the party, guests will mingle around asking questions about each other's character and about clues you have received. As the game progresses, you will gather more and more information and at the end of the allotted time you will need to sift through fact and fiction to decide who is the murderer.

The characters can be played to suit the comfort zone of each player. If you like the spotlight or enjoy role playing, immerse yourself in your character's persona and live the night as you think they would. You may even decide to exaggerate your character's personality for even more effect. On the other hand, if you prefer to participate in a less theatrical capacity, you may want to sit on the couch and let people come to you, approach each character off to the side or just listen in on other conversations until you get your feet wet and are feeling a bit more comfortable.

There are only a few simple rules to follow when playing our games.

1. Stay in Character. (Costumes are highly recommended)
2. Hide/Stretch the truth, but don't lie!
3. Interrogate others.

Each game takes approximately 1-1/2 to 3 hrs, depending on the number of people playing.

## Round 1 - Introductions

### Round Instructions

As your guests arrive, give each a nametag and a chance to get acquainted. The host will then make the announcement about the murder and the mystery will begin. (General Clue) You can lead everyone to a corner of the yard (or house, if playing indoors.) This is the murder scene. If the victim, Eve, is playing, have her corpse covered with a sheet or blanket. Otherwise, place a couple of pillows under a blanket or sheet to represent the dead body. You will need to have a jump rope, a cell phone, a scrap of paper with a telephone number written on it, a large shears or scissors, and one old glove. Courtney found these objects on or around the body and will introduce them and display them in Round 2.

After the announcement of the murder, as cocktails are being served, Round 1 envelopes should be handed out to each guest.

### General Clue (Share with all Guests)

“Good evening friends and neighbors, I am hosting this year’s annual ladies club neighborhood party and I want to thank you all for contributing to the peace and beauty of the neighborhood in the past year. However, just before you arrived, I discovered some very distressing news regarding one of our neighbors. I was gathering flowers from my garden when I found Eve Pierson crumpled on the ground in my backyard. I called to Nelson, who came out, took her pulse and pronounced her dead. We covered up the body, and thought that it might be a good idea that since we were all gathering here tonight, we should investigate and try to figure out who we think the murderer is before we summon the police. Let’s minimize as much negative publicity as possible!”

“Since we have a few relatively new neighbors, let’s start out by introducing ourselves before we start our investigation.”

## Round 1 Clue for Courtney Stewart Introduction

You start out with this introduction:

“Let me start by telling you a little bit about Eve. She was an attractive lady, who lived alone on Mysteria Lane most of the time, when she didn’t have a friend to entertain. Being a curious busybody, she knew everything that was going on around here, and if it wasn’t exciting enough, she did her best to make it so. Nothing was sacred or off-limits to Eve, so she probably had as many enemies as friends, but I don’t believe she deserved to be murdered!

Now as for me, I am Courtney Stewart, the mother of two beautiful teenagers, Austin and Lauren, who are always quite challenging, as teenagers tend to be. Their father died when they were very young, and fortunately for all of us Nelson Dodge came to the rescue and has been a wonderful husband and father. I love to garden, cook and of course, entertain.”

**This clue should be revealed to others.**

## Round 1 Clue for Suzanne English Introduction

“Hi everyone, my name is Suzanne English and I guess you could say, I’m the neighborhood klutz. Somehow things always go wrong around me, so some people always place the blame on me. Maybe so, but I think I am very creative and I love to write stories. Lately, I have been pursuing the art of photography, so I brought my camera tonight to capture the evening. So be prepared for the shooter!”

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## **Round 1 Clue for Lindsay Bravo**

### **Introduction**

Hello everyone, I am Lindsay Bravo, Johnny's wife and mother of 6 wild and crazy kids. A lot of you know our oldest son, Jack, because you have been kind enough to hire him to do some of your yard work. Well, this handsome young man, who is all of 15 years old, is starting to attract the opposite sex and it's driving me crazy. What's a mother to do? After giving my wise advice, I turn Jack over to his father and find comfort in my music."

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## **Round 1 Clue for Britt Vanderlust**

### **Introduction**

"Well, y'all should certainly know me by now. I pride myself in being your friendly southern neighbor, ready to assist you in your most important needs. I do not have any children, but Lord knows I've been married enough times to have procreated. I guess it was not meant to be! Now, I did have a dear little cat, Pizzazz, who was like my child, but she was cruelly killed one day. So, right now I am really alone. Y'all can come on by if you like!"

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## **Round 1 Clue for Sabrina Polis**

### **Introduction**

“Hello everybody, my name is Sabrina Polis and as you can probably tell, I was a top fashion model until I was lured away from the runway and lights by my husband, Marco Polis. Marco promised me fortune and love, and I must admit he certainly has not been a slacker. We have only been living on Mysteria Lane for a couple of years and are very happy here, but who knows what the future holds?”

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## Character Information

The information below will provide you with the basic information for each character. If you have assigned guests to the characters, these pages will include the guest name and login information. THESE PAGES MAY INCLUDE DETAILS RELATED TO SOLVING THE MYSTERY! You may want to avoid these pages if you intend to try to solve the mystery. This sample kit will only show the first two characters.

### Courtney Stewart (Perfectionist & Homemaker) played by David

**Description:** Courtney is an uptight perfectionist who is very concerned with appearances and social status. Her icy demeanor turns her family against her, and she avoids all emotional confrontations. She is very well-spoken with a sophisticated vocabulary, and she loves classical music. Cooking gourmet meals, sewing elegant fashions, and healthy and very productive gardening are some of the homemaker skills in which she excels. She is married to Nelson Dodge, has two children, Austin and Lauren, by a previous marriage, and they live on Mysteria Lane.

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## **Suggestions from Other Hosts**

Suggestions from other hosts are provided in the purchased game kit.

## **Suggested Recipes**

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## Other Games From Host-Party.com

Below is a list of other games available from Host-Party.com.

### A Rockin' Hot Tub Murder

A classic style murder mystery game for 8 to 12 players set in the present. Ideal for playing around a hot tub or pool or for a summer barbecue. It's electrifyin'.

### A Broken Heart Murder on Valentine's Day

"A Broken Heart Murder" is a simple to use murder mystery for 8-14 people. It's a great way to move a party, have lots of fun and entertain your guests. How exciting to celebrate with the trivia and dancing that is included, and of course a murder! Everyone is a suspect, so come join the fun!

### A Devilish Masquerade

A non-murder mystery game for at least 5 teens. A great choice as a Halloween party for teens, can be expanded to include an unlimited number of characters. A brief appearance by an adult hostess is built into the game to help set the scene.

### A Holiday Murder

This holiday murder mystery game for 8-14 party guests is a great way to move a party, have lots of fun and entertain your guests! Set in the era of the 70s & 80s, it includes trivia, dancing and of course, a murder! Come join the fun!

### A Knight's Quest

King Arthur is dying. The Knight's of the Round Table have been called together. They are to be sent on 4 quests with the final goal of finding the Holy Grail, a magic cup that will heal the King. However, Mordred and his band of evil knights will be doing everything they can to stop the Knights of the Round Table from helping the King.

### A Lethal Luau

This simple to use adult murder mystery for 10-15+ people is a great way to have lots of fun with your guests! So don your colorful Island attire and prepare for an exciting evening that spikes up a murder!

### A Licence To Murder

The party is being held at Funnymunny's Health Spa to celebrate the wedding of top secret agent James Bland, and you are invited to attend. A murder mystery game for 8 to 12 players set in the world of secret agents and mad megalomaniacs.

### A License To Murder

A murder mystery game for 8 to 12 players set in the world of secret agents and mad megalomaniacs.

### A Medieval Murder

This is a simple to use, entertaining and innuendo packed murder mystery appropriate for both first timers and regular players. The scripted dialogue enhances the rounds, and the mystery combines the fun of a medieval night with a murder most horrid!

### A Mediterranean Murder

A Mediterranean Murder is a simple to use, entertaining Murder Mystery appropriate for both first timers and regular players. Ideal for Murder Mystery fanatics who want just that little bit more complexity in their game.