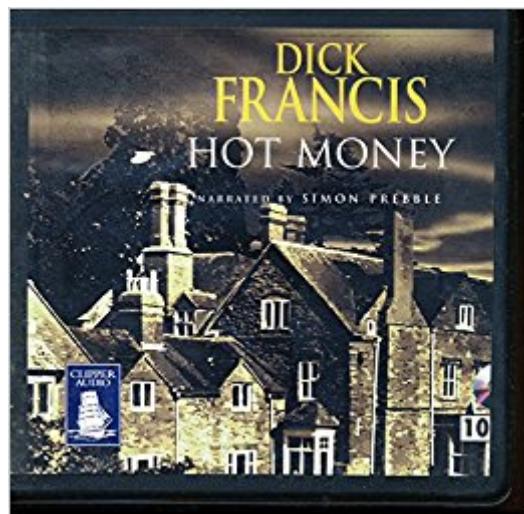


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I always like Dick Francis

For whatever reason this novel has gone out of print. One can hope that the publisher will reprint. The main character, Malcomb Pembroke, has a knack for making money, particularly in investments in gold, and has become very wealthy (by 1987 standards, when the novel was written). The problem is the fact that he doesn't get along with his ex-wives and children. He won't increase allowances set when he was merely rich rather than filthy rich. His first three ex-wives and their seven children seem to hover about like greedy vultures waiting for him to die so they can inherit the estate. This is compounded by sibling rivalries, ex-wives poisoning their childrens' minds, and various mental attitudes. The children are furious when Malcomb starts donating money to charities and spending millions on racehorses. The novel is an interesting whodunit as first Malcomb's fifth wife is murdered, and then attempts are made on his life. There are many people with motives, mainly in the family. His son Ian, the only child he trusts, helps unravel the mystery. The story illustrates how money can corrupt a family. While the reader can make some guesses, the ending is not obvious.

This is one of the best if not THE best whodunit Dick Francis ever wrote. There are seven children

(all grown), their spouses and three ex-wives any one of whom could be the murderer of their dad's most current wife. Ian, one of his sons must get to know his half brothers and sisters to find out whodunit. What is remarkable is that the reader really has no problem keeping track of all these people. They each have very distinctive personalities and . . . problems. A great read.

I like all of Dick Francis books, but this is my favorite.

I have read this book a number of times.... The Francis family books are one of life's comforts... As always with Dick Francis the Characters are easily acceptable as real and the decadence of Horse Racing is prevalent with trips to Paris, USA and Australia within a book that brings together a cast of extended family and subtle clues to the murderer and a final last gasp when the depth of the crime committed is revealed.

A great Dick Francis mystery. Well written and paced.

My old friend Jeff Bristol introduced me to Dick Francis some years ago. I was so taken with his writing I read most of them in less than a year and anxiously awaited the next ones. This was another good one. On a related topic: Felix has continued the series brilliantly for which I am forever grateful. If you like this try a Thomas Perry book. I introduced Jeff to Perry and Jeff found him equally interesting though in different ways.

One of the best Dick Francis books ever. This is a complex plot, without some of the predictable violence often endured by the author's usual protagonists. Multi-dimensional characters, believable relationships, and a satisfying epilogue. Great read!

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