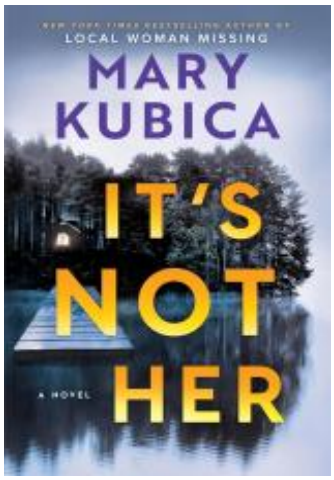
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It's Not Her

by Mary Kubica



About the Book

Two families at a secluded lake resort are at the center of a chilling crime in this twisty thriller from the bestselling author of LOCAL WOMAN MISSING.

A scream shatters the silence?
Courtney Gray?s peaceful vacation turns into a nightmare when she discovers her brother and sister-in-law dead in their lakeside cottage. Her niece, Reese, is missing. Her nephew, Wyatt, is asleep upstairs --- unharmed.

A town full of secrets?
As police swarm the quiet resort, dark truths about Courtney?s family --- and the town itself --- begin to surface. Is Reese a victim...or the killer?

A truth no one saw coming?
With everyone hiding something, Courtney races to uncover the terrible mystery. But the closer she gets, the harder it is to know who --- or what --- to trust.

Discussion Guide

1. What did you think of Reese as a character? Did she remind you of yourself at all as a teenager?

2. Courtney is willing to do just about anything to protect her family. Do you think you would have taken similar actions if put in the same situation as her?

3. What character did you relate the most to and why?

4. What impact did the novel?s setting have on your reading experience?

5. There are many red herrings in IT'S NOT HER. While reading, who did you feel was responsible for the murders and why? How did that change throughout the book?

6. What impact do you believe social media has on children today? What are the positives and negatives of social media in our lives?

7. How did you feel toward Sam and Joanna once you learned of their involvement in Emily?s and Nolan?s deaths and Reese?s disappearance?

8. What impact did the title --- IT'S NOT HER --- have on you when you got to the point in the book that it made sense?

9. While many of the characters suffer in some way throughout the book, who did you feel most sorry for at the end?

10. What do you imagine comes next for the survivors of this story? Do you think they can ever move on from what?s happened?

11. What is your ideal family getaway?

Author Bio

Mary Kubica is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of many suspense novels, including THE GOOD GIRL, PRETTY BABY, DON?T YOU CRY, EVERY LAST LIE, WHEN THE LIGHTS GO OUT, THE OTHER MRS., LOCAL WOMAN MISSING, JUST THE NICEST COUPLE, SHE'S NOT SORRY and IT'S NOT HER.

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LOCAL WOMAN MISSING was an Indie Next pick in May 2021, a nominee in the Goodreads Choice Awards in Mystery & Thriller for 2021, and a finalist for an Audie Award.

Mary?s novels have been selected as Amazon Best Books of the Month and have been LibraryReads selections. They?ve been translated into over 30 languages and have sold over two million copies worldwide. She?s been described as ?a helluva storyteller? (*Kirkus Reviews*) and ?a writer of vice-like control? (*Chicago Tribune*), and her novels have been praised as ?hypnotic? (*People*) and ?thrilling and illuminating? (*Los Angeles Times*). She is currently working on her next novel.

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