For Bailey, trading Manhattan for a weekend of major pampering at a friends resort in rural Massachusetts is a no-brainer. But when she stumbles across a mummy-wrapped corpse in one of the spas treatment rooms, her time-out suddenly morphs into a full-tilt murder investigation. Instead of slathering cellulite away with shea butter, she’s uncovering suspects ranging from a spurned lover to a sleazy husband to a shady ring of employees. With a sexy, hard-to-resist homicide cop on the case and by her side, Bailey’s soon chasing clues across state lines-and moving into the sights of a vengeful killer who is trying to wrap things up for good. This time, the body in the mud wrap could be her own.

Although A Body to Die For did possess a rather intriguing storyline, ultimately the book did prove to a bit of a bland read for me. Bailey Weggins is in dire need of some rest and relaxation -- her workload is beginning to get to her and her promising romance with Jack Herlihy (a professor of psychology) seems to have mysteriously fizzled. So that when close family friend, Danny Hubner, who owns and runs a health spa and inn (Cedar Inn) in Warren, Massachusetts invites Bailey to spend the weekend there, it seemed to be just the ticket. Except that Bailey discovers the dead body of one of the massage therapists in one of the treatment rooms. A quick talk with Danny reveals that things have been rather strained lately, and that Danny has been at a lose to figure out what’s been going on. And so Bailey volunteers to help out her friend by snooping around. But the clues are few and leads hard to come by. However Bailey is determined to discover what’s going on at Cedar Inn as well as unmask the killer, esp after the killer sends Bailey an ominous message warning her to stop her investigation...

If you’re stuck somewhere over the weekend with nothing to do and nowhere to go (like an airport, or a hotel room) then you really won’t feel too shortchanged if you invest your time (and money) on this book. The trouble with A Body to Die For was that it was 1) a bit of a bland read; 2) the mystery took too long to unfold; 3) the clues and suspects were really scarce; 4) there were very few clever twists and turns; and 5) for a
seasoned professional crime columnist, Bailey seemed unbelievably naive. On the plus side, some of the dialogue was snappy and humourous and Bailey Weggins was easy to relate to and empathise -- in fact was what really saved the book for me and made it readable (even if I found it really amusing that Baileys rolodex was full of phone numbers of people whom she had never met but who were willing to help her figure out what was going on at Cedar Inn). So, if you're looking for a book to while away the time and that is entertaining as well, A Body to Die For will do; but if you're looking for a good mystery novel that will keep you riveted by the events that are unfolding between the pages, then you might want to try something else.

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