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## Dreaming Spies

by Laurie R. King

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**From the Publisher: NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**

**Laurie R. King's novels of suspense featuring Mary Russell and her husband, Sherlock Holmes, are critically acclaimed and beloved by readers for the author's adept interplay of history and adventure. Now the intrepid duo is finally trying to take a little time for themselves—only to be swept up in a baffling case that will lead them from the idyllic panoramas of Japan to the depths of Oxford's most revered institution.**

After a lengthy case that had the couple traipsing all over India, Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes are on their way to California to deal with some family business that Russell has been neglecting for far too long. Along the way, they plan to break up the long voyage with a sojourn in southern Japan. The cruising steamer Thomas Carlyle is leaving Bombay, bound for Kobe....

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I'd call Laurie R. King's series about a married Sherlock Holmes and his younger, thoroughly engaging wife Mary Russell a guilty pleasure if they weren't so convincing. I suppose hardcore Holmesians might have nit to pick. But as a lifelong fan of Holmes who is both delighted at an opportunity to see what others can do with this iconic character and wary of the attempt, I've found the series by Russell to be dependably enjoyable. This outing is especially sprightly with Russell and Holmes having great fun as they end up in Japan. Needless to say, they do everything from travel the countryside in disguise almost as a lark to crossing the paths of a secret society and the Emperor, of course. (Holmes has always had a soft spot for nobility, I'd say.) One is always tempted to begin a series at the beginning, but newcomers should feel free to dive in. -- Michael Giltz

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### Praise for Dreaming Spies

"[Sherlock Holmes and Mary Russell's] unusual partnership is, as always, a delight to observe, and [Laurie R.] King expertly combines rich historical detail, deftly drawn characters and taut suspense. For Holmes fans, mystery lovers and those interested in either Japan or Oxford, this novel is a multilayered and entirely enjoyable journey."—**Shelf**

### Awareness

"Compulsively readable . . . Through astute, precise, and elegant writing, great attention to time and place, and beautifully realized characters, King has created a mystery series that is at once intelligent, reflective, and action filled."—**Library Journal**

"A story that keeps the reader enthralled . . . one of the most consistently outstanding mystery series out there. Any time spent with the Russell-Holmes duo is a delight."—**Booklist**

"Snappy prose and a captivating plot distinguish King's fourteenth novel featuring Mary Russell and her husband, Sherlock Holmes. . . . Many will find the character deepened by his partnership with the spirited..."

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