



When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries)

By Karin Fossum

[Download now](#)

[Read Online](#) ➔

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum

When two teenagers steal a purse from a stroller, it results in an infant's death. Unaware of the enormity of their crime, Zipp and Andreas are intent on committing another. They follow an elderly woman home, and Andreas enters her house with his switchblade. In the dark, Zipp waits for his friend to come out.

Inspector Konrad Sejer and his colleague Jacob Skarre see no connection between the infant's death and the reported disappearance of a local delinquent. And so while the confusion outside mounts, the heart-stopping truth unfolds inside the old woman's home.

Unflappable as ever, Sejer digs below the surface of small- town tranquility in an effort to understand how and why violence destroys everyday lives.

 [Download When the Devil Holds the Candle \(Inspector Sejer M ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online When the Devil Holds the Candle \(Inspector Sejer ...pdf](#)

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries)

By *Karin Fossum*

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum

When two teenagers steal a purse from a stroller, it results in an infant's death. Unaware of the enormity of their crime, Zipp and Andreas are intent on committing another. They follow an elderly woman home, and Andreas enters her house with his switchblade. In the dark, Zipp waits for his friend to come out.

Inspector Konrad Sejer and his colleague Jacob Skarre see no connection between the infant's death and the reported disappearance of a local delinquent. And so while the confusion outside mounts, the heart-stopping truth unfolds inside the old woman's home.

Unflappable as ever, Sejer digs below the surface of small- town tranquility in an effort to understand how and why violence destroys everyday lives.

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #222981 in Books
- Brand: Fossum, Karin
- Published on: 2007-06-04
- Released on: 2007-06-04
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 8.00" h x .77" w x 5.31" l, .64 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 272 pages

 [Download When the Devil Holds the Candle \(Inspector Sejer M ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online When the Devil Holds the Candle \(Inspector Sejer ...pdf](#)

Download and Read Free Online When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum

Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Skillful characterization and revealing detail lift Fossum's third mystery to be published in the U.S. featuring thoughtful, intelligent Insp. Konrad Sejer (after 2005's *He Who Fears the Wolf*). Handsome Andreas Winther, a self-absorbed, dangerously restless 18-year-old, manages to draw both sympathy and disgust from the reader. He roams the streets of an unnamed provincial Norwegian town in the evenings, accompanied by his socially inept friend, Sivert "Zipp" Skorpe, and fueled by the enormity of a secret he keeps. One evening, after mugging a young mother, Andreas decides to break into an old woman's house to rob her. His intended victim, Irma Funder, has a complicated health situation and a more complicated psyche. In defending herself, Irma pushes Andreas down the cellar stairs, where he lands unnaturally twisted, unable to move but alive. What develops between the immobile boy and the reclusive woman is a bizarre, excruciating, curiously tender relationship that serves as a pathetic and poignant balance to the hunt for Andreas conducted by Sejer and his police colleague, Jacob Skarre. (*July*)

Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

From [Booklist](#)

Fossum's Konrad Sejer procedurals, set in Oslo, are among the many Scandinavian mysteries that have followed Henning Mankell's Kurt Wallander series to the U.S. Her first novel to appear here, *Don't Look Back* (2004), was very much in the world-weary Wallander mold, with Sejer investigating a 15-year-old girl's murder and finding multiple layers of ambiguity. Although Sejer is present again this time, the story is much less like a contemporary European procedural and more like a Ruth Rendell psychological thriller. As Sejer and his colleague Jacob Skarre investigate a mugging and the disappearance of a delinquent, the reader sees what the coppers don't, following the tragic events in the life of the delinquent and the very disturbed elderly woman he encounters. At times this story is almost unendurably painful, as our sense of the inevitable clashes with our uncertainty about the outcome. All of the characters are victims of a kind, and all are trapped in one way or another. We feel equally trapped, by our proximity to so many lives gone wrong, and by our inability to close the book. *Bill Ott*

Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

Review

PRAISE FOR WHEN THE DEVIL HOLDS THE CANDLE

"Either somebody just slid an ice cube down your back or you're reading the opening pages of When the Devil Holds the Candle, a psychological tour de force."?O, THE OPRAH MAGAZINE

"The story is so chillingly told that we can only marvel at the author's skill at illustrating how a random sequence of events can cause so many lives to intersect in so many horrifying ways."?THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW

"[I]t is an impossible book to put down, a psychological thriller that will haunt you long after the final page has been turned."

(Bruce Tierney *Bookpage* 2006-09-01)

"A stunning exploration of social isolation... Masterfully plotted."
(*Curled Up with a Good Book.com* 2006-09-01)

"Fossum . . . writes like Ruth Rendell with the gloves off."
(*Kirkus Reviews* 2006-05-15)

"This is not your usual police procedural -- Fossum's third Sejer novel ... is psychological suspense at its best."
(Jo Ann Vicarel *Library Journal* 2006-06-01)

"[T]he story is so chillingly told that we can only marvel at the author's skill at illustrating how a random sequence of events can cause so many lives to intersect in so many horrifying ways."
(Marilyn Stasio *New York Times* 2006-09-01)

"Either somebody just slid an ice cube down your back or you're reading the opening pages of *When the Devil Holds the Candle*...a psychological tour de force."
(*O Magazine* 2006-09-01)

"Skillful characterization and revealing detail lift Fossum's third mystery to be published in the U.S featuring thoughtful and intelligent Insp. Konrad Sejer."
(*Publishers Weekly* 2006-05-22)

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Daniel Trimble:

The book *When the Devil Holds the Candle* (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) make you feel enjoy for your spare time. You need to use to make your capable far more increase. Book can to be your best friend when you getting strain or having big problem using your subject. If you can make examining a book *When the Devil Holds the Candle* (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) being your habit, you can get considerably more advantages, like add your capable, increase your knowledge about a number of or all subjects. You could know everything if you like start and read a publication *When the Devil Holds the Candle* (Inspector Sejer Mysteries). Kinds of book are several. It means that, science reserve or encyclopedia or other folks. So , how do you think about this reserve?

Everett Dean:

Information is provisions for folks to get better life, information nowadays can get by anyone on everywhere. The information can be a understanding or any news even a concern. What people must be consider while those information which is in the former life are difficult to be find than now is taking seriously which one would work to believe or which one the actual resource are convinced. If you obtain the unstable resource then you understand it as your main information you will see huge disadvantage for you. All of those possibilities will not happen inside you if you take *When the Devil Holds the Candle* (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) as the daily resource information.

Charles Aranda:

This book untitled When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) to be one of several books which best seller in this year, this is because when you read this publication you can get a lot of benefit on it. You will easily to buy this specific book in the book retailer or you can order it via online. The publisher with this book sells the e-book too. It makes you quicker to read this book, because you can read this book in your Touch screen phone. So there is no reason to you to past this publication from your list.

Joseph Whitely:

Do you really one of the book lovers? If yes, do you ever feeling doubt when you are in the book store? Try and pick one book that you just dont know the inside because don't ascertain book by its deal with may doesn't work at this point is difficult job because you are scared that the inside maybe not while fantastic as in the outside seem likes. Maybe you answer is usually When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) why because the amazing cover that make you consider concerning the content will not disappoint you actually. The inside or content is usually fantastic as the outside or cover. Your reading 6th sense will directly guide you to pick up this book.

Download and Read Online When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum #1IO7J6EXDLA

Read When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum for online ebook

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum books to read online.

Online When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum ebook PDF download

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum Doc

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum MobiPocket

When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum EPub

1107J6EXDLA: When the Devil Holds the Candle (Inspector Sejer Mysteries) By Karin Fossum