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Italian Plot Driven By Mystery, Theft, and a Dark Night of the Soul

Bluette Matthey's latest novel, *Abruzzo Intrigue*, embodies mystery, thievery, and spiritual encounters in this entangled plot, all set in the landscape of rural Italy.

Hardy Durkin, an American tour outfitter, leads a hiking tour into Italy's Abruzzo region, where they experience the area's culture, food, and history. There is a good deal of exposure to the region's religious and spiritual past, and one of the tour group members struggles with an odyssey of the soul that ends in redemption. Some of the cast of characters are who they seem to be, but most aren't. A member of the group, a grieving widower, plans to steal one of the Vatican's most precious religious relics, The First Eucharistic Miracle, from the Church of San Francesco in Lanciano. The book is a collision of values and traditions while hiking through the oft-overlooked beauty of ancient Abruzzo.

Bluette Matthey is a third-generation Swiss American, an avid lover of Europe and its cultures, and a keen reader of mysteries. Her love of travel is shared by her husband, who formerly owned a tour outfitter business in Europe. Bluette maintains a mental list of hikes and pilgrimages she still wants to do throughout Europe. She currently lives near Charlotte, North Carolina with her husband, faithful dog, and band of loving cats.

Abruzzo Intrigue is available in softcover (ISBN 978-1-941611-01-2) from Virtualbookworm.com, Amazon.com, and Barnesandnoble.com. This book can also be ordered from most bookstores around the United States and United Kingdom. More information can be found at the author's official website, bluettematthey.com

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