

# The Carolina Emerald



Jeweler's Gemstone Mystery  
Series #3

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**A 60-year-old mystery.  
A one-of-a-kind emerald.**

**In a small town steeped in secrets,  
a romantic weekend turns deadly.**

A college friend's engagement gives Kimberley West the rare opportunity to dig in a private emerald mine. The fun weekend, however, quickly deteriorates when the friends stumble onto a plot fueled by revenge and greed. Events escalate and soon the sheriff pursues one of their group as a prime suspect.

In true Indiana Jones fashion, Kim and her sidekick poodle uncover buried treasure – and trouble.

*The Carolina Emerald* is the third book in the Jeweler's Gemstone Mystery Series. Readers say they've fallen in love with the heart-warming cast of characters, savored the interwoven gemstone legends and lore and laughed at the antics of two precocious dogs.

For readers who like fast-paced mysteries, resourceful amateur sleuths, unexpected twists, a touch of romance and fun.

## From the Author:

My idea for *The Carolina Emerald* was triggered by an article recapping a famous 1964 jewel theft at The American Museum of Natural History. The reporter mentioned in passing that this wasn't the first time thieves had broken into the museum and absconded with jewels. Further research revealed that in 1950 unknown thieves entered through an open window and stole a small fortune in gems. Unlike the 1964 burglars, the earlier thieves were never caught. Among the items stolen was a 1,300-carat emerald from North Carolina. From this nugget of information *The Carolina Emerald* was born.

In researching this book, I toured a real American emerald mine and unearthed fascinating emerald history, legend and lore. These elements, woven throughout the story, excite readers and give depth to the mystery. Many times truth is stranger than fiction.



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