BEWARE OF THE BOUQUET

Martha works for an advertising agency, filming a TV commercial on location in Cornwall. Her boss's new client is the eccentric owner of a chemicals company that has invented a new, almost irresistible perfume, and Martha is in charge of shooting the romantic ads - unfortunately starring his difficult daughter-in-law. In a witty parody of the classic gothic, Martha soon becomes embroiled in a conspiracy over the missing perfume formula as the increasingly incredible plot...



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Reader's Opinions

Despite the fact that Joan Aiken is my favorite children's author of all time, this book was not for me. I think I'm just of the wrong era to appreciate this romp - instead of finding it nostalgic and campy (which I understand it was rather meant to be), I thought it was dated and honestly rather offensive in its stereotypes. That being...

this is the first Joan Aiken book I've read, and it will not be my last. Although it didn't take off until page 70, from that point forward it was a roller coaster...the plot was similar to what you might find in a Mary Stewart novel. Modern working girl (1966, that is!) at ad agency getting embroiled in a situation that brings menace,...