

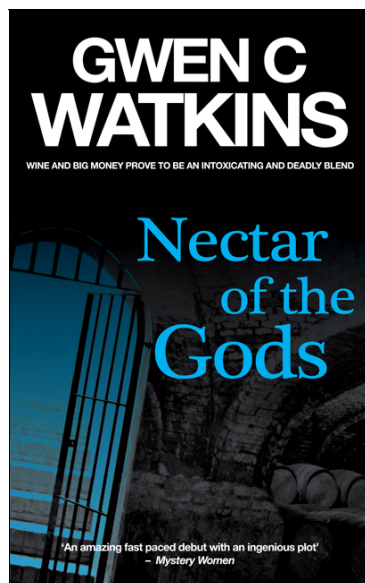
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NECTAR OF THE GODS

GWEN C. WATKINS

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SALES POINTS:

- Gripping combination of crime fiction and an exposé of the machinations of the international wine world
- Does for the wine world what Dick Francis did for horse racing
- Appealing to both traditional crime lovers and all those interested in wine

DESCRIPTION:

Struggling to come to grips with the death of her husband and business partner, Sarah Bennett is just beginning to stabilize the precarious financial state of her Atlanta-based wine importing company and get her personal life back in order, when she finds herself embroiled in a bitter battle with the brand manager for Bluestone Cellars, a historic family winery now owned by the Addison Group, Australia's largest and most powerful wine conglomerate.

Sarah is suddenly facing almost certain bankruptcy with the precipitous drop in her Bluestone Cellars wine sales after a series of appalling ratings by Sam Somers, the world's most famous wine writer - ratings that may be more firmly rooted in Somers' personal vendetta against her, rather than in the quality of Bluestone's wines.

Once in Australia, she travels to the Barossa Valley with the Addison Group's Chief Winemaker, and what should have been a routine trip to taste Bluestone Cellars' new vintages turns into a nightmare, when Sarah stumbles upon a mysterious file that could put the billion-dollar Australian wine industry at risk. When she is attacked by a knife-wielding killer and people around her start dying, instead of fighting for her contract, Sarah finds herself fighting for her life.

REVIEWS:

'Gwen C. Watkins's debut novel delivers a formidable kick... a grand feat of storytelling' - *Paul Kane, The Compulsive Reader website* [\[full review\]](#)

'An amazing debut, ingenious plot - fast paced, with a fascinating insight into wine making.' - *Mystery Women Magazine*

'A great read, keeps the reader on their toes to the end of the last bottle. Shows a serious insight into the structure and workings of the world wine industry that few people would know of or appreciate' -

M. Bruce Tyrrell AM, Managing Director, Tyrrell's Wines Australia

BIOGRAPHY:

Gwen C. Watkins has worked in the wine industry for over twenty years, travelling extensively on business in Australia, New Zealand and Chile. She now lives in South Florida with her husband, and is currently working on the next two Sarah Bennett mysteries.