

Synopsis & Praise for *Matinicus—An Island Mystery*

Best Mystery, 2013 Indie Book Awards

Silver Prize, 2013 Readers Favorite Book Awards

Bronze Prize, 2013 IPPY Awards

Steeped in Maine island lore, this century-spanning double mystery pits a renegade fishing community against an unhappy child-bride of the 1820s, a defiant twenty-first-century teen, and a hard-drinking botanist—Dr. Gil Hodges—who escapes to the island of Matinicus to avoid a crazed ex-lover and verify a rumored 22 species of wild orchid, only to find himself hounded by the ghost of a child some 200 years dead.

If Gil's hoping for peace and quiet, he's clearly come to the wrong place. Generations of infighting among loose-knit lobstering clans have left them openly hostile to outsiders. When a beautiful, bed-hopping stranger sails into the harbor, old resentments re-ignite and people begin to die—their murders linked, through centuries of violence, to a diary whose secrets threaten to tear the island apart.



"The best male protagonist to come along since Lee Child's Jack Reacher."

—Cruising World Magazine

"Scott's prose crackles with energy, and her sense of place is superb...
The kind of book readers will tear through, only to find themselves hungry for more."

—Kirkus Reviews

"Scott...has a keen sense of humor, a knack for carefully woven plots
and a gift for creating vividly colorful, convincing characters. Put all that
together, and she is a very entertaining storyteller."

— New Maine Times

"A tightly wrapped, exciting, and suspenseful mystery hit."

— Kennebec Journal