



Diamonds & Daggers

6 Guests (3m-3f)

It's New Years Eve. Lord Harry Stockressy and his long suffering wife are hosting their annual bash. Harry's parties are always a roaring success and this year is proving no exception as the guests sip champagne cocktails and compare diamonds.

The maid rushes in to announce that a body has been found in the garden! Sheila Blidge, the glamorous page three model and neighbour to Harry is found dead by the rose garden. How did she die and is it murder? But more to the point, will the New Year celebrations go on?

The Guest List...

Lord Harry Stockressy

Lord of the realm and owner of beautiful 'Crow's Nest Hall'. He is a shrewd businessman with investments in many fields and he loves village life almost as much as his sporty little red Ferrari. An eccentric character he is never seen without his monocle. He is wearing his favourite white dinner jacket with a red bow tie and cummerbund. His slicked jet black hair is in stark contrast to his light brown moustache.

Lady Araminta Stockressy

The long suffering wife of Harry and mother to their fourteen children. She is never seen without her designer labels or jewels and her blonde hair is piled high on her head. She was a nurse until she met Harry but does not work now as she is far too busy with her charities. She loves to entertain and throw a party but often upsets the villagers with her caustic comments. She wears a classic black evening dress, long black gloves and her best diamonds.

Carmel Hump

Stunning exotic dancer and actress who has a holiday home in the village and often uses it as a hidey hole to escape the media. She loves nothing more than coming home for the weekend and riding her horse. She is always a popular party guest and tonight she wears a tight red dress and pashmina. Her long black curls are held to the side with her trademark fresh pink rose - picked from the garden that morning.

Ian De Dark

Carmel's boyfriend and multi millionaire. His olive skin and dark curly hair are always the first thing you notice but no one is quite sure where he comes from or how he got his money – something big in the city according to Carmel. He loves to share stories of his misspent youth but keeps tales of his recent life a secret. His DJ looks like it has seen better days and he has a cigar tucked into his pocket. He sips from his silver hip flask throughout the evening.

Major Luke Twice

Retired army major and landowner. He runs the family farm and estate with an iron rod. He carries a cane everywhere and speaks to everyone as if they are under his command. He wears his tuxedo with his medals hanging proudly on his chest. He has a love of gadgets and delights in showing his latest acquisition to his friends – tonight it's his new camera – surely that's the biggest zoom you have ever seen? His dark hair is slicked back and his half moon glasses are perched on the end of his nose.

Mona Littlemore

Luke's fifth wife who models herself on a fifties actress and believes she is the epitome of true glamour. She has never quite got used to village life and yearns to return to the city where she can enjoy the high life to its full. She has her own successful interior design company which allow her to escape from the village. She is always overdressed and tonight she is wearing a long white dress and the highest silver shoes you have ever seen. Her long blonde hair hangs loosely down her back and a white boa completes her look.

Lady Evelyn Tent

Younger sister of Araminta. She is petite and dresses conservatively, wearing a dark purple dress and her favourite string of white pearls. Her hair is cut into a neat brown bob and she carries a silver bag which never leaves her sight. She is single but is more interested in jam making competitions than men!

Duncan Disorderly

Best friend of Harry since their schooldays. Duncan's family own a brewery and a chain of pubs but he never seems to work. He is fond of a tipple or ten and gets louder with every drink. He is married but never takes his wife to any social functions. Quite a boisterous character, he is a fashion victim and wears a flamboyant bow-tie with his DJ.

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