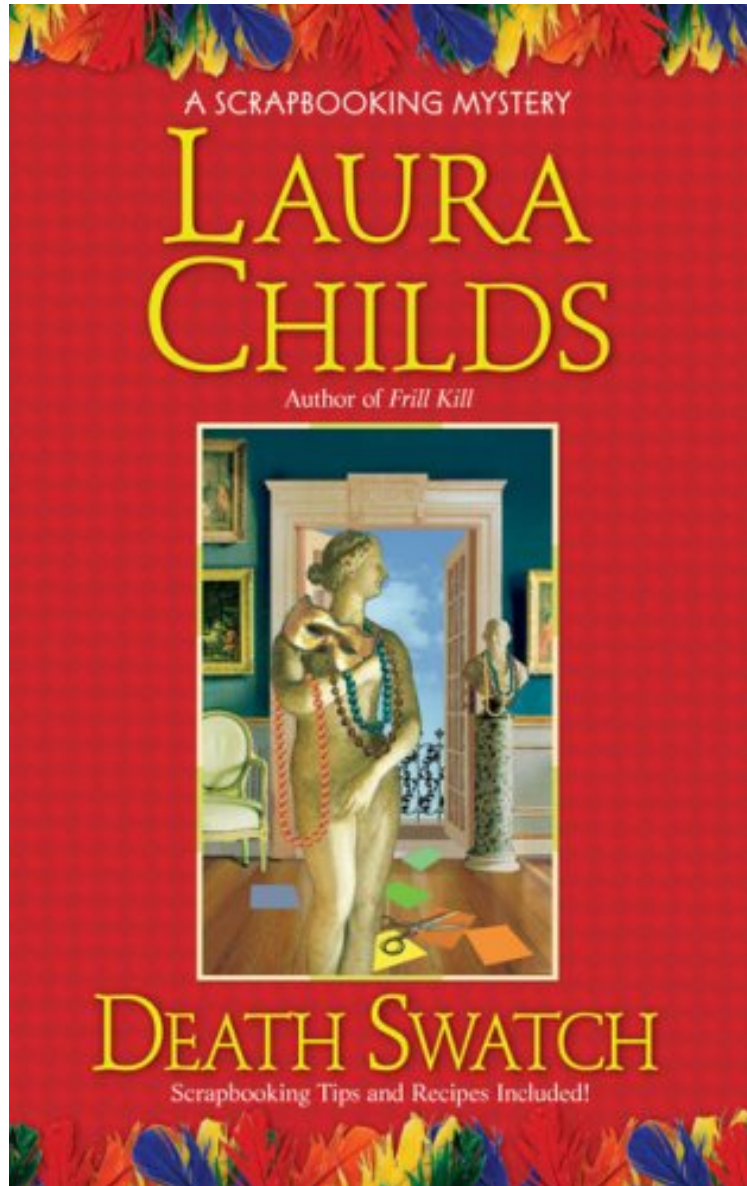


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Mardi gras mayhemBy Michelle BoytimThis is the sixth book in Laura Childs' Scrapbooking cozy mystery series. This one takes place at Mardi Gras as Carmela and her friend Ava

attend a party by friend Jekyl Hardy. Ava is interested in the float designer, Archie, but they are shocked to find him garroted by a piece of barbed wire on the balcony. Carmela agrees to help investigate the death. She and Ava find out that Archie was on the hunt for a legendary treasure and begin following the clues. The hunt leads them to illegal absinthe, shadowy Russian arms dealers and clues to the treasure and possibly the murderers. They travel around the New Orleans area, visiting an old plantation, an island, and other historic sites. Amongst it all, they are working on a women's organized float, keeping their shops open and Carmela opens herself up to a possible relationship with detective Edgar Babcock. This was a fun, light mystery. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fantastic By Rose Ortel Have read all of the Tea books and up to date on the scrapbooking books. Loved them all, I now have 10 of my friends reading all of them. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Cozy author update By PJVI've always enjoyed this author and I appreciate the chance to catch up on my collection inexpensively. The book arrived in good order.

Murder comes to Mardi Gras! The seventh in the popular series including scrapbooking tips. Jekyl Hardy is hosting a Mardi Gras party in his French Quarter apartment, amid Zydeco rhythms and popping champagne corks. On a wild night like this, anything can happen. The guests including scrapbook-store owner Carmela Bertrand never imagine it will be murder. But as the evening progresses, Jekyl's neighbor, float designer Archie Baudier, is found on the balcony choked to death with a barbed wire garrote. Buried up to her neck in strange clues, Carmela is sure of only one thing: whoever killed Archie is now following her straight into the madness of Mardi Gras.

From Publishers Weekly A murder in the midst of Mardi Gras propels Childs's enjoyable sixth Scrapbooking mystery (after 2007's Frill Kill). Carmela Bertrand, the owner of the New Orleans scrapbook shop Memory Mine, and her best friend, Ava Gruix, are eager to begin the festivities with a party hosted by their float designer pal, Jekyl Hardy. But the discovery of the garroted Archie Baudier, Jekyl's assistant, puts a damper on the fun. In their efforts to solve the murder, Carmela and Ava encounter a host of eccentric characters, including a sullen Russian, a rare coin dealer, a meek curator of the local historical society and all manner of costumed party-goers. Carmela, in the process of a divorce, also meets dapper police lieutenant Edgar Babcock, who might be unappreciative of her investigative efforts but provides some romantic heat. Glossing over the effects of Hurricane Katrina, Childs paints a picture of New Orleans sure to appeal to cozy fans. (Sept.) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist Scrapbooking store owner Carmela Bertrand and her good friend Ava find float designer Archie Baudier as he lies dying, strangled with barbed wire at a Mardi Gras party. A friend of the victim's asks Carmela to find the murderer, so she begins an investigation into who would want Baudier dead. Is it a rival float designer or someone who wants his coin collection? The investigation quickly becomes a treasure hunt when Carmela learns that Baudier was searching for pirate Jean Lafitte's legendary buried treasure. As the investigation proceeds, and as the soon-to-be-divorced Carmela deals with the romantic feelings she has for New Orleans police lieutenant Edgar Babcock, the city gears up for and then attempts to enjoy Mardi Gras in the wake of Katrina. Well-developed main and secondary characters mesh nicely with the vibrant setting and with details on the design of scrapbook pages. --Sue O'Brien About the Author Laura Childs is the bestselling author of the Tea Shop Mystery series and the Scrapbook mystery series, and a pseudonym for a Clio Award-winning advertising writer and marketing firm CEO.