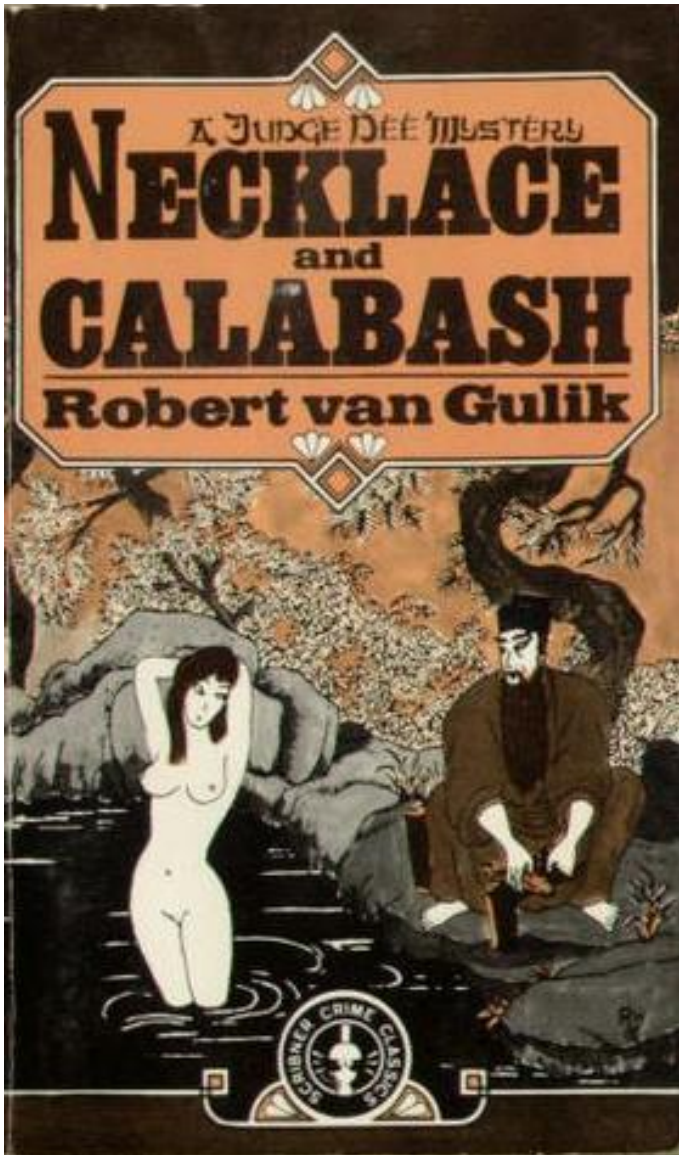


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### Necklace and Calabash (Judge Dee (Chronological order) #12)



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## Description

Brought back into print in the 1990s to wide acclaim, re-designed new editions of Robert van Gulik's Judge Dee Mysteries are now available.

Written by a Dutch diplomat and scholar during the 1950s and 1960s, these lively and historically accurate mysteries have entertained a devoted following for decades. Set during the T'ang dynasty, they feature Judge Dee, a brilliant and cultured Confucian magistrate disdainful of personal luxury and corruption, who cleverly selects allies to help him navigate the royal courts, politics, and ethnic tensions in imperial China. Robert van Gulik modeled Judge Dee on a magistrate of that name who lived in the seventh century, and he drew on stories and literary conventions of Chinese mystery writing dating back to the Sung dynasty to construct his ingenious plots.

*Necklace and Calabash* finds Judge Dee returning to his district of Poo-yang, where the peaceful town of Riverton promises a few days' fishing and relaxation. Yet a chance meeting with a Taoist recluse, a gruesome body fished out of the river, strange guests at the Kingfisher Inn, and a princess in distress thrust the judge into one of the most intricate and baffling mysteries of his career.

An expert on the art and erotica as well as the literature, religion, and politics of China, van Gulik also provides charming illustrations to accompany his engaging and entertaining mysteries.

## Insightful reviews

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Hörspiele, welche vom SWR produziert werden sind eigentlich immer qualitativ sehr hochwertig und wirklich gut gemacht, so auch dieses Hörbuch. Die Sprecher sind gut, wenn auch nicht die Top Sprecher, hier auch der Puntkabzug, weil es da in Nebenrollen einige gab, die ich einfach schlecht fand, und die mich genervt haben. Die Geräuschkulisse ist unterstützend aber nicht aufdringlich, keine nutzlose musikalische Untermalung, einfach stimmungsvoll und minimalistisch, so wie ich es liebe mit einem Hauptaugenmerk auf den Dialogen ohne unnötige Effekthascherei. Ich hoffe sehr, dass dieses Hörspiel irgendwann auf CD erscheinen wird, ich

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kann es absolut empfehlen.

Roshni: An enjoyable historical mystery with a complicated plot and a satisfying finale.

Iryna: Nice detective story with a historical flavor.

Cathy: I like pass judgement on Dee Mysteries stories, each one of them!

Catherine Delors: I wish I had greater than five stars to provide to this excellent ancient mystery. While pass judgement on Dee, on horseback, drained and soaked through, arrives at Riverton one wet evening, he has to rub his eyes, for he believes for a second that he has run into his double. Yet no, he's simply taking a look at an innocuous outdated hermit, driving a donkey. Blame it at the dusk. What else does a secret lover need? a gorgeous princess in distress, the Emperor's in charge secret, younger love, courtroom intrigue, mobsters, ugly murders, and water, water everywhere: the rain, the river, the canals that run throughout the summer time palace, the malodorous moats that encompass it. And what concerning the hermit? Oh, he used to be the mystery, and the answer to the mystery. He was once not anyone really... More on Van Gulik and decide Dee: [http://blog.catherinedelors.com/2008/...](http://blog.catherinedelors.com/2008/)

Kevin: My moment favourite pass judgement on Dee secret (so far). This can be the second one to final pass judgement on Dee ebook that Robert van Gulick wrote. Within the final books he attempted to pay attention extra on pass judgement on Dee's character, so he sends him off on travels with out his ordinary assistants. This works, for the main part, yet makes the e-book peculiar of the series, and never person who I would suggest as a kick off point to anyone strange with pass judgement on Dee. The characters pass judgement on Dee meets -- a Taoist monk who seems to be his double, the invaluable daughter of a resort owner, one of many Imperial princesses, etc. -- healthy good and believably into storyline.

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