

Malice in Mexico

This is the fifth Claire Gulliver Mystery and Jack is back! One raining Sunday afternoon Claire's CIA friend, Jack Rallins, arrives at her book store obviously the worse for wear. Thrilled to find him alive and in front of her, she is still shocked at his condition. She doesn't waste time questioning him; she is more interested in nursing him back to health. When the doctor suggests Jack might recover faster if he spent some time in a pleasant climate where he can bask in the sunshine, Claire suggests they sub-lease a house in Mexico for a vacation.

Jack has recovered enough to be skeptical.

He shakes his head; his face contorts as he struggles to hold in his laughter.

"What? What is so funny?" Claire couldn't help feeling a little indignant.

"Claire, your travel history doesn't lead me to think taking any trip with you would likely be relaxing."

"Are you scared to travel with me? Do you think I'm going to get you into trouble?"

Not willing to admit his fear, Jack and Claire soon find themselves in the charming colonial town of San Miguel de Allende, 6,000 feet above sea level in the mountains of Guanajuato, Mexico. Sitting in the delightful patio of the house they leased, frosty Marguerites in their hands, the warm sunshine caressing them, they can't remember why Jack had at first been reluctant to come.

This is perfect! This is just what the doctor ordered.