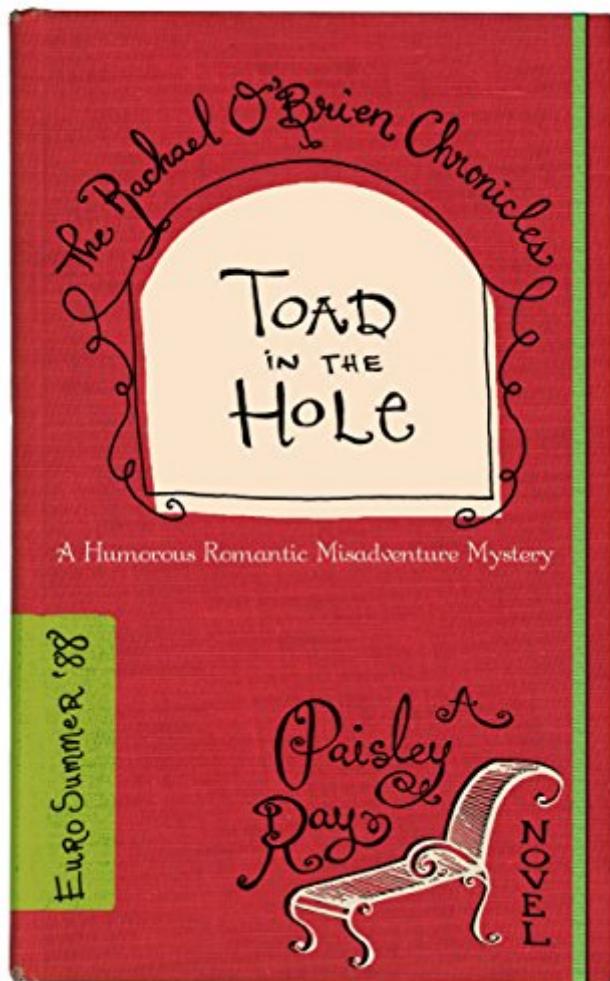


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Toad In The Hole (The Rachael O'Brien Chronicles Book 4)



Synopsis

In book four of THE RACHAEL O'BRIEN CHRONICLES, a novella, Rachael is bound for England. Accompanied by her eccentric grandmother, and her very good-looking, gay friend Travis, she thinks that distancing herself from the southern men she's developed an appetite for as well as the secret she left in the swamp, will give her the emotional breather she needs. But for Rachael, nothing is ever simple and an oyster brooch with a murky past leads her into trouble. Being followed by a mysterious agent and having her hotel room ransacked, Rachael seeks refuge aboard a narrowboat. As her expedition crashes along the banks of Britain's canals she journeys to unearth the stunning secrets embedded within the golden brooch in Paisley Ray's TOAD IN THE HOLE.

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Customer Reviews

It's the summer before her junior year in college, and Rachael O'Brien's grandmother has invited her to go to Great Britain with her to see London and her Grandmother's country home. Sounds simple, right? Well, nothing in Rachael's life is ever that simple is it. She can take a friend with her but who will she take? Her room mates will be disappointed if she chooses only one of them, her

Grandmother wouldn't approve if she took a boyfriend, so she decides to take her best guy friend who is gay. Someone should have warned him what he is getting into. Rachael is also trying to get a scholarship so her dad won't have to continue paying out-of-state tuition for her college expenses. But there is this weird man that keeps turning up where ever she goes and he is on the committee of people who choose the scholarship recipient. He is very interested, to an upsetting degree, in the antique clamshell pin her grandmother inherited from an old friend, Walzy. And what is going on with the police and Rachael's grandmother? Does she have a shady history? Maybe she was an art thief in her younger days and has something to hide. You have to read the book to find out how it all works out. I hope there will be more books in this series since Rachael has two more years of college and more if she goes to grad school. She always finds trouble where ever she goes and has a great time getting out of the predicaments she stumbles upon.

This book had an interesting view of London: from the river! Rachel and Travis, on summer break from college are running away from bad guys, not in S. Carolina like in Ray's other books, but this time in and around London! London has always seemed fascinating to me but this book gives the city and country a whole new outlook as the two go searching for the meaning behind a secret clue they find along their way! The descriptions of the countryside and the people are truly remarkable! I can't wait to read her next book!

I got so tired of reading this book, the main character is really boring and an idiot. And the whole way thru it she is pining after her gay friend, so stupid to me, either he's gay or he isn't, that made me mad! And it ends up she is so special (not really) according to this writer that the guy decides he is not gay, what?? I wanted to quit reading it several times, but I was waiting for a book I had purchased in advance to come available, so I kept going back and made myself finish this piece of junk. What a waste of my time though, when I was done reading it I wished I had not bothered. The writing itself was okay, I'm giving it two stars only because it was at least not filled with spelling and language/grammar errors, which many books now days sadly are.

It's the summer after her sophomore year of college and Rachael is headed to England with her grandmother, GG, father's assistant, Edmond, and her gay BFF, Travis. Nearly as soon as they arrive, strange things begin to happen. They become involved in a crazy chase that includes the creepy Ahmed, a midnight showing of The Rocky Horror Picture Show, a drunk retired jeweler, Scotland Yard, a mock battle, the crown jewels, a houseboat, and Wallis Simpson. Toad in the Hole

is the fourth of the Rachael O'Brien Chronicles. As with all the previous books, Rachael's antics and experiences are hilarious and fun to read. I highly recommend this book to all Rachael O'Brien fans and anyone who wants a relaxing read. All of the Rachael O'Brien Chronicles can be read as standalone books (but it's totally worth reading them all).

I really enjoyed this book. I've enjoyed the whole series so far but this one has been the most adventurous so far. When Rachael decides to go on a vacation with her new grandmother only to find out she's been followed all the way across to England. No matter where she goes she can't shake her followers. Truly a fun read. As well as a page turner because you really want to know about the brooch and how that fits into the puzzle.

Fun story line. Enjoyed the setting and adventure. Clean fun and a look at the parts of London you don't normally hear about. Is there a sequel?

I really enjoy Paisley Ray's books in the Rachael O'Brien series. This adventure takes place in England and has villains and heroes searching for a prize jewel. It also has a mystery about King Edward and Wallis Simpson.

Rachel O'Brien ends up in London with her granny, an employee of her dad's company and her friend she wants to have benefits with but whom is assumed (presumed, actually??) gay. This mystery involves Edward VIII and the crown jewels and the Duchess of Windsor and a lovely travelogue of the London area. One thing I did appreciate was that the author acknowledged her anachronisms in the back of the book.

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