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**“Fans of Agatha Christie’s *And Then There Were None* will be riveted by Rader-Day’s...latest psychological thriller, which makes you question who you *really* know and trust and whether you *should* be afraid of the dark.”**

— *Library Journal*, \*Starred Review\*

**“It’s a great setting for a murder, and each of Rader-Day’s prickly millennials feels capable of murder—to say nothing of sleep-deprived, near hysterical Eden. Readers will have fun following the subtle clues.”**

— *Publisher’s Weekly*

**“A tense tale of murder among old friends featuring an evolving protagonist and high-stakes mind games.”**

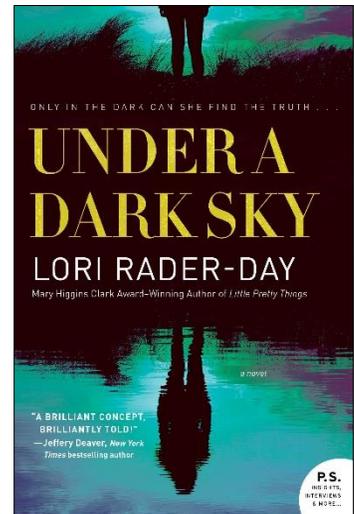
— *Booklist*

# UNDER A DARK SKY

by **Lori Rader-Day**

*Mary Higgins Clark Award Winner*

**\*On Sale: August 7, 2018\***



**“A brilliant concept, brilliantly told! UNDER A DARK SKY is a novel that you simply can’t put down. Populated by living, breathing characters and filled with fresh prose and sharp dialogue, we thrill to spend a harrowing, yet redemptive, get-away with our wonderful protagonist, Eden Wallace. I guarantee this book will resonate with you.**

**Because, let’s face it, aren’t we all afraid of the dark?”**

— *Jeffery Deaver, New York Times bestselling author*

**"Lori Rader-Day is a modern-day Agatha Christie: her mysteries are taut, her characters are real and larger than life, and her plots are relentlessly surprising. UNDER A DARK SKY is a stellar addition to her award-winning catalog. The closed-door mystery echoes the claustrophobic atmosphere of Christie's *And Then There Were None*, and there are enough breakneck twists to captivate modern readers. A dynamite late summer read!"**

— *Kate Moretti, New York Times bestselling author of The Vanishing Year*

*Only in the dark can she find the truth...*

From the critically acclaimed, Mary Higgins Clark and Anthony Award-winning author of *The Black Hour*, *Little Pretty Things*, and *The Day I Died* comes a dark and terrifying new twist on an Agatha Christie-style locked-room mystery: **UNDER A DARK SKY** (William Morrow Trade Paperback; ISBN: 9780062560308; On Sale August 7, 2018). Aptly set in the mysterious

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confines of a Michigan dark sky park, **UNDER A DARK SKY** tells the gripping story of a newly widowed young woman who embarks on a solo vacation, only to be thrown into a bewildering and soon deadly situation beyond her worst nightmares...

Since her husband died, Eden Wallace's life has diminished down to a tiny pinprick, like a far-off star in the sky. She doesn't work, has given up on her love of photography, and is so plagued by night terrors that she can't sleep without the lights on. Everyone, including her family, has grown weary of her grief. So, when she finds paperwork in her husband's effects indicating that he reserved a week of stargazing at a dark sky park, she goes. She's ready to shed her fear and return to the living, even if it means facing her paralyzing phobia of the dark.

But when she arrives at the park, the guest suite she thought was a private retreat is teeming with a group of twenty-somethings, all stuck in the orbit of their old college friendships. Horrified that her get-away has been taken over, Eden decides to head home the next day. But then a scream wakes the house in the middle of the night. One of the friends has been murdered. Now everyone—including Eden—is a suspect.

Everyone is keeping secrets, but only one is a murderer. As mishaps continue to befall the group, Eden must make sense of the chaos and lies to evade a ruthless killer—and she'll have to do it before dark falls...

Perfect for fans of *And Then There Were None*, **UNDER A DARK SKY** is a chilling and relentlessly suspenseful whodunnit which will have readers feverishly guessing until the very last page! Chockfull of twists and turns, with an unreliable and vulnerable first-person narrator as haunted by her distressing past as she is in her unfamiliar new environment, this tense, high-stakes thriller has everything a mystery lover could possibly look for. The only thing left to find is the killer.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR



**Lori Rader-Day** is the acclaimed author of four novels. She won Anthony and Lovey Awards for her 2014 debut thriller, *The Black Hour*, and is a three-time Mary Higgins Clark (Edgar) Award nominee, winning in 2016 for *Little Pretty Things*. Most recently, her novel *The Day I Died* won the 2018 Illinois Woman's Press Association Mate E. Palmer Professional Communications Contest in fiction and was a finalist for the Mary Higgins Clark Award, the Thriller Award, the Anthony Award, the Barry Award, and the 2018 Chicago Writers Association Book of the Year. Lori is active in the Mystery Writers of America and Sisters in Crime. She lives in

Chicago, Illinois. For more information about Lori and her work, please visit <https://loriraderday.com/>.



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**Additional Praise for UNDER A DARK SKY:**

"I don't know a writer who captures better the insecurities and damaged and damaging relationships of ordinary women."

— Ann Cleaves, *London Times* bestselling author

"Seven individuals gather UNDER A DARK SKY. How many ways are they connected? How many patterns are waiting to be found? With a delicate yet steady hand, Lori Rader-Day traces the lines that join these old friends together and the barriers that divide them, to reveal a constellation as **inevitable as it's astonishing**. Splendid stuff from a master of the genre."

— Catriona McPherson, author of *Go to My Grave*

"A sharply drawn psychological thriller of **uncommon emotional depth**, UNDER A DARK SKY is a rare treat—and no less than I've come to expect from Lori Rader-Day. Both an irresistible locked-room puzzler and a finely wrought examination of friendship, love, and loss, this is the kind of book you can't help but read too fast: You can't wait to find out what happened, no matter that you never want it to end."

— Elizabeth Little, author of *Dear Daughter*

"UNDER A DARK SKY by Lori Rader-Day is an **atmospheric and absorbing mystery** with an intriguing cast of characters. You'll want to read this gripping novel with the lights on."

— Heather Gudenkauf, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Weight of Silence*

**Praise for THE DAY I DIED (2017):**

"Rader-Day's latest is gripping, fascinating, and will keep readers guessing until the end."

— *RT Book Reviews*

"A searing, psychological suspense novel about small town dreams shattered by a deadly secret."

— Terry Shames, Macavity Award-winning author of *A Killing at Cotton Hill*

"Beautiful prose and tack-sharp observations round out this slow-burning but thought-provoking meditation on the ravages of domestic violence."

— *Publishers Weekly*

"Lori Rader-Day is so ferociously talented that it kind of makes me mad. Not fair! *The Day I Died* is a terrific novel—gripping and twisty and beautifully layered. It kept me locked up and locked in from the very first word to the very last."

— Lou Berney, Edgar Award-winning author of *The Long and Faraway Gone*





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## Lori Rader-Day Event Schedule

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM

*In Conversation with David Krugler*

**Mystery to Me Bookstore**

1863 Monroe St, Madison, WI

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM

**Left Bank Books**

399 N Euclid Ave, St. Louis, MO

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:00AM

**Grand Hotel Gift Shop**

286 Grand Ave, Mackinac Island, MI

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM

*Star Party book talk*

**Headlands International Dark Sky Park**

15675 Headlands Rd, Mackinaw City, MI

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM

*In Conversation with Clare O'Donohue*

**Bookies Chicago Bookstore**

10324 S Western Ave, Chicago, IL

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM

**Carmel Clay Public Library**

55 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Carmel, IN

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM

**Franklin County Public Library District,**

**Brookville Branch**

919 Main St, Brookville, IN

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:30PM

*Hometown Star Party with Thorntown Dark*

*Sky Photographer Justin Sparks*

**The Castetter Barn**

8955 W 700 North, Thorntown, IN

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00PM

*A Constellation of Chicago Mystery Authors*

**The Book Cellar**

4736 N Lincoln Ave, Chicago, IL

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup>, 2:00PM

*In Conversation with Kent Krueger*

**Centuries and Sleuths Bookstore**

7419 Madison St, Forest Park, IL

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM

*In Conversation with Kent Krueger*

**Anderson's Bookshop Naperville**

123 W Jefferson Ave, Naperville, IL

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 26<sup>th</sup>, 2:00PM

*In Conversation with Kent Krueger*

**Ann Arbor District Library, Central  
Library**

343 S 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Ann Arbor, MI

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:30PM

*Literary Libations Event In Conversation with*

*Wiley Cash, Dale Brown, and Lynne Olson;*

*In support of the Kent District Library*

**Steelcase Town Hall**

1155 42<sup>nd</sup> St SE, Grand Rapids, MI

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM

**Evergreen Park Public Library**

9400 S Troy, Evergreen Park, IL

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>,

7:00PM

*In Conversation with Carole E. Barrowman*

**Boswell Book Company**

2559 N. Downer Ave, Milwaukee, WI

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:00AM

**Allen County Public Library**

900 Library Plaza, Fort Wayne, IN

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM

**LaPorte County Public Library**

904 Indiana Ave, LaPorte, IN

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup>, 2:00PM

**Eisenhower Public Library District**

4613 N Oketo Ave, Harwood Heights, IL

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM

*In Conversation with Mary Kubica, Charlie*

*Donlea, Emily Bleeker, and Lisa Steinke*

**Plainfield Public Library District,  
Central Library**

5025 S Illinois St, Plainfield, IL