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# Whisky Fit

a novel





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*Dedicated with love to Jeanne M. Trobeck,  
who is truly the world's best sister-in-law.  
"Thank God, Honey."*





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- 1 If it had not been for my fiance's alcoholic cousin...
- 2 Paige darted around to the far side of the table,...
- 3 I'd never seen this guy before. He certainly wasn't from...
- 4 Gloria had a key to my apartment, and she never...
- 5 Eventually I stopped crying and went back upstairs and tried...
- 6 "Keeley!" Gloria exclaimed, sweeping past me.
- 7 In a perfect world, on what would have been my...
- 8 I clutched the door frame for support. "He took Nick?..."
- 9 On Sunday I slept.
- 10 Daddy called at noon on Wednesday. "You're coming tonight, aren't..."
- 11 I yanked the kitchen door closed behind me and then...
- 12 Will sipped his coffee slowly while Daddy lit into the...
- 13 Red clover carpeted the meadow, and fat fuzzy bumblebees hovered...
- 14 "Let's get one thing straight," I said, once we were...
- 15 I took a long sip of beer and considered this...
- 16 He calls himself Austin LeFleur, and he owns Fleur, the...
- 17 Thursday morning I got downstairs early, but my aunt was...
- 18 I heard the barking ten yards from her front door....

- 19 Erwin's nose quivered with anticipation. Stephanie's eyelids fluttered.
- 20 It was getting late. I needed to get back to...
- 21 I stepped inside the shop and flicked on the lights,...
- 22 "Jeez-o Pete!" I cried, letting my weapon drop to the...
- 23 I was in a funny mood after Austin went home...
- 24 It was only ten o'clock in the morning, but by...
- 25 Will made a big show of locking the bathroom door....
- 26 Gloria wrinkled her nose as I slathered lotion on my...
- 27 Austin jumped out of the Volvo before I'd even turned...
- 28 A faint breeze ruffled the leaves on the limb of...
- 29 "Next time I need help with an installation, I'll hire...
- 30 I jounced the car back onto the tarmac and turned...
- 31 Wednesday morning I got up and brewed a pot of...
- 32 Supper at Daddy's looked like it would be what it...
- 33 We sat in the dark at the picnic table, looking...
- 34 On Friday afternoon I had a pounding headache. This should...
- 35 Will's face blushed so deeply it was hard to tell...
- 36 On Saturday morning I watched as a steady stream of...
- 37 Kathleen's wasn't one of those snooty antiques shops where you...
- 38 Austin waved at me from a booth tucked into the...