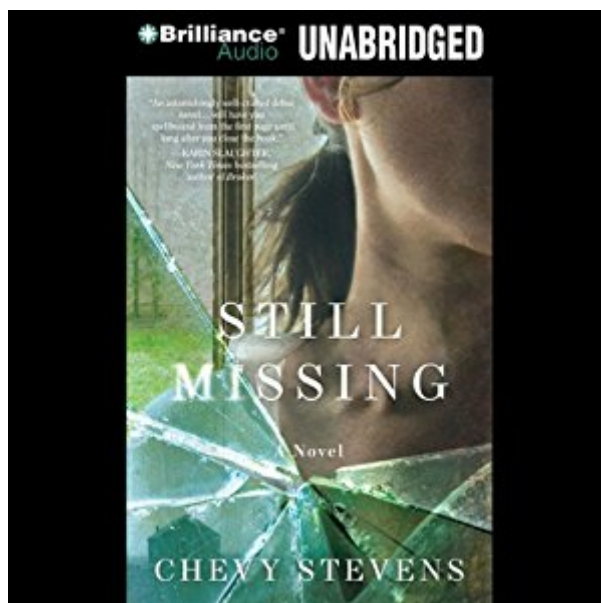


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# Still Missing



## Synopsis

On the day she was abducted, Annie O'Sullivan, a 32-year-old Realtor, had three goals: sell a house, forget about a recent argument with her mother, and be on time for dinner with her ever-patient boyfriend. The open house is slow, but when her last visitor pulls up in a van as she's about to leave, Annie thinks it just might be her lucky day after all. Interwoven with the story of the year Annie spent captive in a remote mountain cabin - which unfolds through sessions with her psychiatrist - is a second narrative recounting the nightmare that follows her escape: her struggle to piece her shattered life back together, the ongoing police investigation into the identity of her captor, and the disturbing sense that things are far from over. The truth doesn't always set you free. Still Missing is a shocking, visceral, brutal, and beautifully crafted debut novel about surviving the unsurvivable - and living to bear witness.

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## Customer Reviews

Talk about being vulnerable: female realtor waiting for the random person to show up at a model house in an isolated development. Bad things can happen and this is such a tale. In this case, 32 year-old Annie Sullivan is lulled by the nice personality of a man late one afternoon; within minutes she is lying face down in the back of a van wondering where she is headed and what will her fate be. Her escape/release is assumed as her story is told on two threads: her imprisonment and her sessions with a psychiatrist a year later. The author captures well her ordeal in a lock-tight mountain cabin: her desperation, fears, abuse, bizarre control, and her ability to cope and adapt. Good also, is

her depiction of how such an ordeal lingers, such as often yielding to sleeping in a closet. Detracting from the story, especially, upon her escape/release, are the various other characters: ex-boyfriend, girlfriend, mother, step-father, sympathetic cop, and even the perpetrator. They all seem awkwardly drawn and are often more a puzzle than a help to the story. The ending to it all is just not credible. The author shows good promise but somehow got lost in her own story.

Read the entire book in two days. It was challenging, scary, real, and mesmerizing, all rolled into one. The main character was abducted by a stranger and her year in hell with him is described in vivid detail. At times I wanted to scream out loud myself. I couldn't imagine the outcome of her ordeal, and thought the author kept the reader glued to each page with a frenetic zest for answers. A must read for lovers of thrillers.

Excellent book. Disturbing at times. Many emotions when reading this book. Surprises I didn't see coming. Awesome heroine and hope at the end of the story. A must read. Chevy is a new writer I just discovered and I've gotten all her books. She's an excellent writer and I love how her books take place in Canada. She describes the places so nicely.

I rarely read a book until the wee hours, then reach for my iPad first thing in the morning. With "Still Missing", that's exactly what happened. The book was very well-written, in that I believed every minute in what the character was experiencing--being abducted and held prisoner for about a year, living in complete isolation with only her psychopathic abductor for company, living by a set of rules that violated her every sense of bodily control (not just the expected rapes, but down to when she could pee!)--and how that psychological abuse carried over into her post-release life, leading to the title "Still Missing." I felt as though I were experiencing these horrors with her, and my breathing and pulse rate was even affected. The denouement was shocking, yet somehow satisfying in a sad way. I read the reviews and thought that I'd be put off by the device of telling the story through sessions with her psychotherapist, but actually this made it more immediate and added greatly to the immediacy and emotional impact. This book would be perfect for a long plane ride (unless you want to sleep!) or anytime you want a book that will make the ensuing time seem to be shorter than it is. You will not want to put it down, even to eat!

This was an amazing book of dysfunctional families and the ability to live thru the worse thing that could happen to a young woman. It reminded me of Elizabeth Smart, although she had a great

resource in a wonderful family. The twists and turns at the end wouldn't let me put it down. Excellent writing beginning to end.

As my headline says, I thought this book was just fine. I actually thought the beginning was pretty fast-paced and intriguing. Once all the action had happened, though, the last 100 pages or so really seemed to drag on for me. Chevy Stevens did a great job not giving away the ending - there still seemed a couple plausible endings for me so I needed to find out how it ended, it just took forever to get there once the excitement was over!

I finished the book a few days ago and still can't get it out of my mind. I am surprised at how well this author writes and it is her first book! While reading this book, I felt like I was there. Very realistic to me. I could feel the character's pain. And what horrible pain that was! I was grateful for the interruptions with the psychologist because I was able to breathe again before the horror started again. I felt that the ending was realistic and I did not expect a happy ending. I am a fan now of Chevy Stevens and am reading her newest book right now , That Night.

Wow! Edge of my seat, couldn't put it down, totally engrossed, you name it, I was there!! This was a great psychological thriller. I would give it 4.5 stars only because I thought that the way it was written was a bit off. It was supposed to be written as if it were being told to a psychiatrist but the writing didn't really reflect that. Because that's my only complaint, I will go with 5 stars! I really enjoyed it. The writing was very good, the mystery was a mystery. Even when I had it figured out, I still needed to know if I was write, I wasn't sure and even if I was sure, I needed to know what happened!! The ending was well done and that's always a troublesome area for me. I hate sloppy endings! I really couldn't put this one down. I finished it in 2 days over a holiday weekend. I dreamed about it at night. I will be thinking about it for days to come! Read it! Read it! Read it!

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