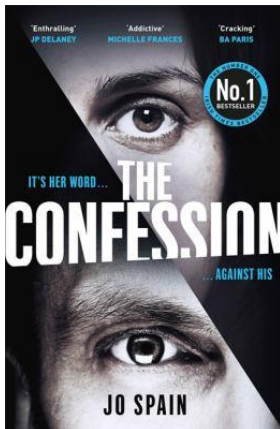


The confession by Jo Spain

Reviewed by Skye



I've been on a bit of a Jo Spain binge after reading [Dirty Little Secrets](#) earlier this year. I've now made my way through her entire back catalogue and enjoyed the lot.

In addition to the Inspector Tom Reynolds series, there are also several stand-alone novels. They are all gritty police procedurals, set in Ireland, with interesting and complex characters and storylines. I could (and maybe should) have written reviews on each and every one of them, but as I recently finished *The Confession* it seemed the best choice.

This book takes an unusual approach, in that the end result is exposed in the first chapter. You just have no idea how you got there.

The Confession opens with the savage beating of disgraced banker Harry McNamara in his opulent home as his wife Julie watches, frozen by fear. Shortly after the intruder, JP Carney hands himself in, confessing to the crime. Detective Sergeant Alice Moody is suspicious – why did JP confess and were the circumstances truly as he described? What follows is a tightly written thriller, motives and actions are called into question, the messy world of finance is interrogated, and relationships are re-examined.

This, like all the Jo Spain books, is a great read. I highly recommend it.

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