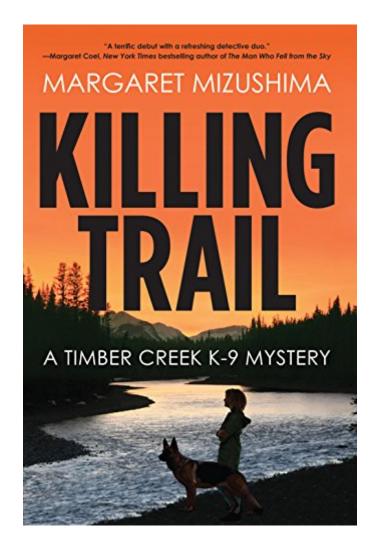
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# Killing Trail: A Timber Creek K-9 Mystery





## Synopsis

NOMINATED FOR RT BOOK REVIEW'S REVIEWER'S CHOICE AWARD FOR BEST FIRST MYSTERYWhen a young girl is found dead in the mountains outside Timber Creek, life-long resident Officer Mattie Cobb and her partner, K-9 police dog Robo, are assigned to the case that has rocked the small Colorado town. With the help of Cole Walker, local veterinarian and a single father, Mattie and Robo must track down the truth before it claims another victim. But the more Mattie investigates, the more she realizes how many secrets her hometown holds. And the key may be Cole's daughter, who knows more than she's saying. The murder was just the beginning, and if Mattie isnâ <sup>™</sup>t careful, she and Robo could be next. Suspenseful and smart, Killing Trail is a gripping read that will have readers clamoring for more Mattie and Robo for years to come. Fans of Nevada Barr and C.J. Box will love this explosive debut.

#### **Book Information**

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### **Customer Reviews**

Deputy Mattie Lu Cobb & Timber Creek County's new police service dog, a German shepherd named Robo just became the first K-9 unit ever mobilized in the small town of Timber Creek Colorado. When drug traffic in the national forest had threatened Timber Creek, local merchants

and ranchers had purchased a patrol dog for the sheriff's department. Mattie had won the assignment of being Robo's handler by beating her colleagues in a cross country endurance test. The twelve weeks she'd spent at K-9 Academy were among the best weeks of her life.The novel opens with Mattie receiving a message about a blood spill, out of season. She's to meet Sheriff McCoy ten miles from Ute Canyon turnoff near an old hunting cabin. This would be her first K-9 assignment since the academy, and she couldn't wait to get started.So begins this fine mystery adventure. The novel's setting really adds to the storyline as it is of a small community having to face some big city problems. The characters are drawn accurately and believable. The author takes time with them, leaving room to flush them out fully in further adventures as this debut is surely the beginning of a successful series in the making.The relationship of Mattie and Robo is front and center and superbly drawn by the author. Margaret Mizushima's due diligence to the nature of the K-9 drug culture refreshingly manifests itself throughout her writing/...she needed more training than Robo...she could show her excitement and more. It was part of the job...Mattie used a higher pitched voice, something she'd been taught that would rev up his prey drive and get him ready to search...slurped a few times. Moisture enhanced a dog's sense of smell...

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