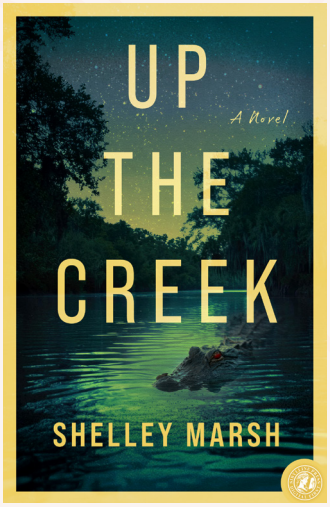
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In the Florida marshlands, Amanda finds herself in a fight that's personal, political, and deadly

After losing her research grant, marine botanist Amanda Wright returns to her Florida hometown and takes a job at her family's eco-tour business. But the quiet marshlands she once loved are under threat from a flashy new resort and a suspicious rezoning effort on protected land. Then a fellow scientist dies under mysterious circumstances, and a rare aquatic plant is found that may hold the key to stopping development.

As buried secrets come to light and her long-absent mother resurfaces with regrets of her own, Amanda must decide what kind of person and protector she wants to be.

A suspenseful, emotionally layered mystery set against a lush coastal backdrop, Up the Creek explores the fragile balance between progress and preservation, and one woman's determination to defend the place she still calls home.

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Shelley Marsh is the author of the *Estate Sale Mysteries*, including *Dying to Live Here*, *More Than She Bargained For*, and *Everything Must Go*. She writes character-driven mysteries set along Florida's coast, where community ties, hidden motives, and shifting loyalties shape the story. With *Up the Creek*, she expands into eco-mystery, blending environmental conflict with political intrigue and emotional stakes. When she's not writing, she can often be found exploring the beaches and marshlands that inspire her fiction. She lives and writes in coastal North Florida.

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