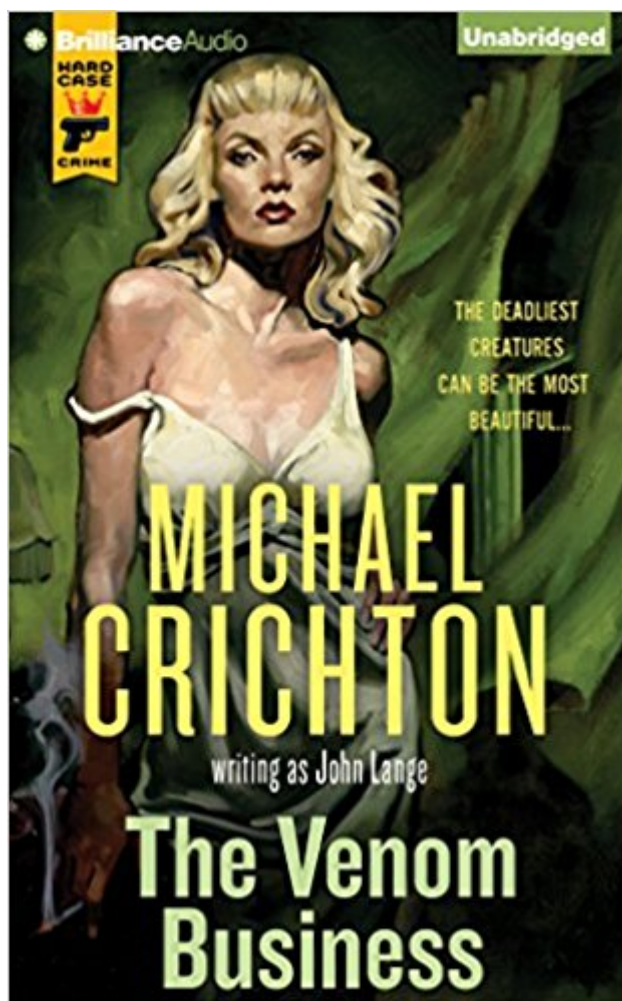


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# The Venom Business



## Synopsis

As an expert handler of venomous snakes and a smuggler of rare artifacts, Charles Raynaud is accustomed to danger. So the job body-guarding an old acquaintance about to come into a fortune shouldn't make him break a sweat. But when the attempts on the man's life nearly get Raynaud killed, he's left wondering: is he the killers' real target?

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"Great delight to Crichton fans who are still mourning his 2008 passing." --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Michael Crichton was a writer and filmmaker, best known as the author of Jurassic Park and the creator of ER. One of the most popular entertainers in the world, Crichton sold more than 200 million copies of his books which have been translated into 40 languages and adapted into 15 films. Long before the carefully researched techno-thrillers that ultimately brought him to fame, Crichton wrote high-octane suspense novels to support himself while studying at Harvard Medical School. He published eight of these books under the pseudonym John Lange between the years of 1966 and 1972. They provided him with the means to complete his education. He graduated at the top of his class.

I love Michael Crichton, but this is by far his most boring book. It took me forever to read, and I fell asleep reading it more than once. The plot is very convoluted for such an anti-climactic ending.

Characters backstories too complex. You don't feel anyone has evolved as a character at the end. Not very much "venom" or snakes or action in this "venom business". Great early attempt by an eventual master, but this book leaves a lot to be desired. Disappointed.

Great fast-paced story with an interesting twist at the end. One of the early Michael Crichton novels written under the John Lange pseudonym, this one has a typical hero in these early novels -- a self-assured man of action with a quick wit and a James Bond-like ability to bed women at will. Great read and should keep you guessing just what the big picture is till the very end

I love these old mysteries. It does not have all the gimmicks and splash of today's books but relies on good writing.

I love a good suspense story, I like the idea of looking through the different characters as they plot their plan of greed. I would recommend this book to my friends.

Entertaining, but not spectacular or life changing.

Very good book.

Great story, it started a little slow and I almost stopped reading, but I am glad I did not!

I very much enjoyed the story, lots of plot twists.

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