

Swimming to Catalina: A Novel

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New York Times bestselling author Stuart Woods kept a nation of readers glued to their seats as one of his best-loved characters, ex-cop-turned-Manhattan attorney and investigator Stone Barrington, battled a viciously corrupt Caribbean minister of justice in *Dead in the Water* and fought the gossip-mongering hordes of the newspaper business in *Dirt*, proving that the line between what's legal and what's lethal can be deadly fire. In *Swimming to Catalina*, Stone is back, still smarting from his sudden breakup with the brilliant, beautiful magazine writer Arrington Carrington, who has left him to marry Hollywood's hottest male star, Vance Calder. Then Calder calls Stone for help: Arrington has vanished without a trace, and Calder, refusing to call the police, wants Stone to find her. Arriving in L.A. with little to go on, Stone soon finds himself in the deepest kind of trouble as he nearly drowns in a sea of lost leads and empty clues that take him from Bel-Air to Malibu to Rodeo Drive. In a town where the sharks drive Bentleys and no one can be trusted, Stone must use all his wits to find Arrington and keep his head above water... without losing it.

Drenched in Hollywood glitz and glamour, and filled with the dizzying plot twists and turns that have made his novels New York Times bestsellers and international sensations, *Swimming to Catalina* is Stuart Woods's fastest-paced, most riveting and unabashedly clever thriller yet.

Stuart Woods is the author of more than forty novels, including the New York Times bestselling Stone Barrington and Holly Barker series. An avid sailor and pilot, he lives in New York City, Florida, and Maine.

Bestselling author Woods brings back former NYPD detective turned lawyer Stone Barrington. He's flown to California on Centurion Studio's private jet to find the wife of heart-throb star Vance Calder. Most of Woods's characters are name-dropping beautiful people whom Ferrone smoothly portrays. His voice is so cool for both Stone and Vance, while his subtle vocal changes have the women sounding sultry as they seduce or are seduced. Stone's frequent sexual liaisons are detailed, but not overstated. Ferrone is equally convincing as the gruff bad guys—some dumb, all venomous. Glitter and greed abound in this more entertaining than mysterious cavort on the Hollywood scene. R.N. (c)AudioFile, Portland, Maine

Other Books

Contraband, Stone Barrington is caught in the web of a national smuggling operation in the latest action-packed thriller from the #1 New York Times bestselling author. Stone Barrington is getting some much-needed rest and relaxation in the Florida sun when trouble falls from the sky--literally. Intrigued by the suspicious circumstances surrounding this event, Stone joins forces with a sharp-witted and alluring local detective to investigate. But they run into a problem: the evidence keeps disappearing. From the laid-back Key West shores to the bustling Manhattan streets, Stone sets out to connect the dots between the crimes that seem to follow him wherever he travels. His investigations only lead to more questions, and shocking connections between old and new acquaintances. But as Stone must quickly learn, answers--and enemies--are often hiding in plain sight . . .
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Appetites' Paris Match' - Cut and Thrust - Carnal Curiosity' Standup Guy '."