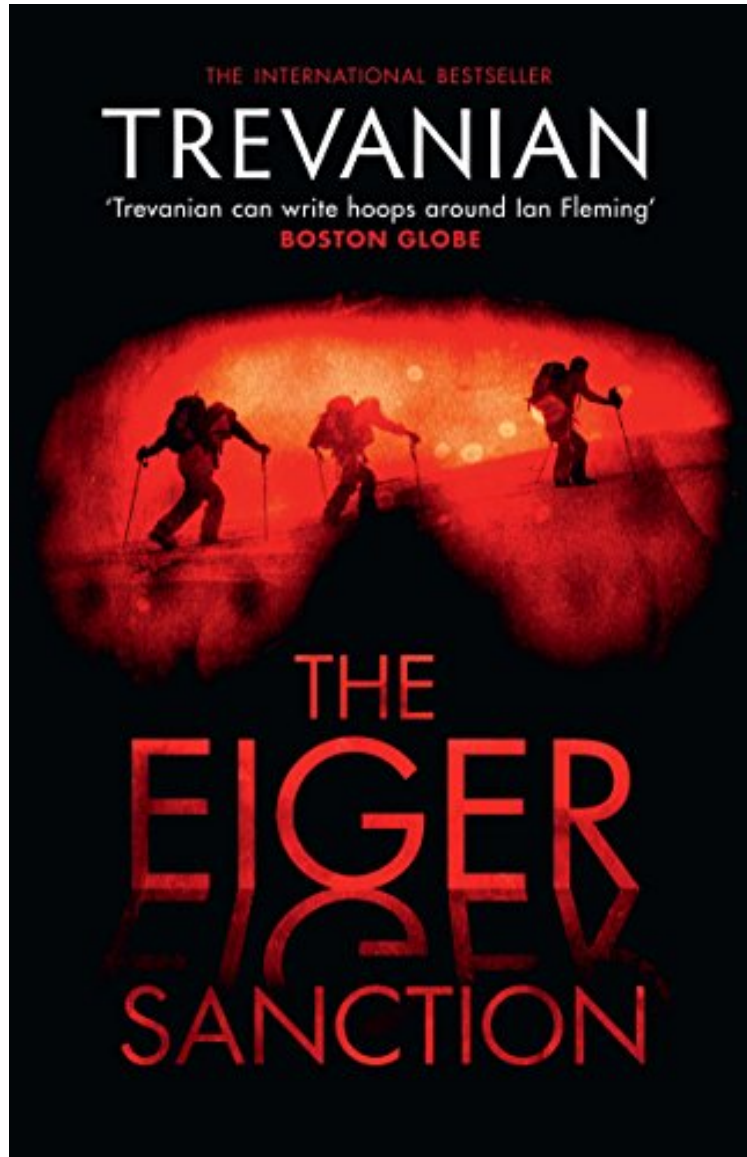


(Read free) The Eiger Sanction

The Eiger Sanction

Von Trevanian

DOC | *audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF | ePub



[Download](#)

[Read Online](#)

Produktinformation -Verkaufsrang: #249720 in eBooksVerffentlicht am: 2014-07-15Erscheinungsdatum: 2014-07-15File Name: B00LB1G6I2 | File size: 29.Mb

Von Trevanian : The Eiger Sanction before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Eiger Sanction:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great read whichever way you look at itVon Arnd FederspielThis book, originally published in 1972, follows the exploits of Jonathan Hemlock: art scholar, mountaineer, and world-class counter-assassin for a super-secret US government agency. Hemlock is sent on a mission to avenge the death of one of said agency's operatives. The only thing his

employer (the bloke with one of fiction's most fantastic names, Urassis Dragon) knows is that the agent's killer will be part of a team about to climb the north face of the Eiger. Hemlock joins the team, trying to find out "who dunnit" and to subsequently kill the perpetrator. As I do not want to spoil the book for those who have not read it yet (and are not just here to buy a new copy to replace their old, well-worn one) I will not say a word about how this feat is accomplished. Let it just suffice to say that the solution to the problem Hemlock is faced with towards the end of the book is dealt with in a unique way by the author. Although originally written as a spoof on the hard, high-concept spy novels of the 60s and early 70s, the novel also works well as just that - a straight forward spy/action piece. So whether you're in it for tongue-in-cheek humour (Hemlock's most deadly weapons are certainly his intelligence and sharp tongue) and the playing around with genre conventions or whether you just want plain, good old fun - you'll definitely find it here!!! Also check out the sequel to "The Eiger Sanction", "The Loo Sanction", which takes the whole game further still, or watch the movie version starring Clint Eastwood. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A chameleon's masterful debut Von Alfred J. Kwak Jonathan Hemlock is an art expert and -collector and a brilliant mountain climber. To finance precious stolen paintings from the illegal art circuit, he free-lances as an expensive professional killer. The CII (a US agency incorporating 102 American post-WWII security and espionage agencies) hires him to climb the Eiger with a small team in order to kill one of them. But there is a problem. The CII still does not know which team member must be "sanctioned", killed, when the team has begun its arduous climb, viewed by many from hotel terraces below. What follows is exciting thriller material. Clint Eastwood directed and played the lead role in the hit movie "The Eiger Sanction". But Trevanian later considered it "vapid". So who is Trevanian? He is Rodney Whitaker (1931-2005), a US professor of communication sciences, who published 8 books under this name. The first 5 became worldwide bestsellers with at least a million sold of each. His true identity was revealed only when his fourth bestseller "Shibumi" appeared in 1979, when he gave his first interview. There he stated that "The Eiger Sanction" was meant as a parody of James Bond. Not one critic or reviewer caught on, so he wrote a sequel, "The Loo Sanction". Same result. In 1975 he published "The Main" about a veteran police detective in Montreal who lost his wife at a young age and finds solace and inner peace by (re-)reading the complete works of Emile Zola, a long row of books. When the last in the row is finished, he starts reading the first one again... Emile Zola wrote many of his novels in the present tense, and "The Main" was written accordingly. Difficult, brilliant. "Shibumi" is his best reviewed book on the internet. It appears to be another pastiche, this time on the "Ninja" books so popular in the late 1970s. His fifth bestseller, "The Summer of Katya" is a horror novel written in the style of Marcel Proust, recalling the beautiful summer of 1914 before WWI erupted, remembered decades later by a French village doctor, who was besotted by Katya at the time. There was no internet at the time, but there were rumours that Trevanian was a writers' collective. And/or the real author behind Robert Ludlum's mega-bestsellers. What is certain is that Rodney Whitaker, with his many pseudonyms, had a perfect talent for mastering the style of real writers and genres. They range from medieval tales and Westerns to sentimental French love stories, Canadian police procedurals, spy stories and paranoid action stories. Trevanian is an un-American cult writer with many devoted followers. Wikipedia is a starting point for readers to decide if they are willing to join them. A great, undervalued writer, who firmly decided to lead his life on his own terms. Highly recommended.

Kurzbeschreibung Superior suspense on almost every page... the hero is a masterpiece of conflicting qualities something for everyone' NEW YORK TIMES--'The only writer of airport paperbacks to be compared to Zola, Ian Fleming, Poe and Chaucer' NEW YORK TIMES-- 'Trevanian can write hoops around Ian Fleming' BOSTON GLOBE Jonathan Hemlock lives in a renovated Gothic church on Long Island. He is an art professor, a mountain climber and a mercenary, performing assassinations for money to augment his black-market art collection. But now he is being tricked into a hazardous assignment that necessitates climbing one of the most treacherous mountains in the Alps - the Eiger. Part thriller and part satire, The Eiger Sanction is a breathtakingly suspenseful read written with Trevanian's customary pzazz and boasting a magnificent cast of characters. Pressestimmen Superior suspense on almost every page the hero is a masterpiece of conflicting qualities something for everyone. Anatole Broyard, New York Times Trevanian can write hoops around Ian Fleming. Boston Globe Kurzbeschreibung Superior suspense on almost every page... the hero is a masterpiece of conflicting qualities something for everyone' NEW YORK TIMES--'The only writer of airport paperbacks to be compared to Zola, Ian Fleming, Poe and Chaucer' NEW YORK TIMES-- 'Trevanian can write hoops around Ian Fleming' BOSTON GLOBE Jonathan Hemlock lives in a renovated Gothic church on Long Island. He is an art professor, a mountain climber and a mercenary, performing assassinations for money to augment his black-market art collection. But now he is being tricked into a hazardous assignment that necessitates climbing one of the most treacherous mountains in the Alps - the Eiger. Part thriller and part satire, The Eiger Sanction is a breathtakingly suspenseful read written with Trevanian's customary pzazz and boasting a magnificent cast of characters.