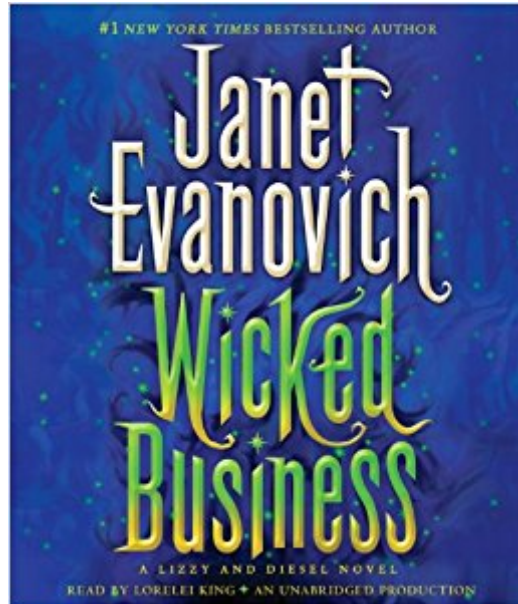


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Wicked Business (Lizzy And Diesel Novels)



Synopsis

Janet Evanovich, mega-bestselling author of the beloved Stephanie Plum series, is back and better than ever. Her novels, hailed by GQ as "among the great joys of contemporary crime fiction," deliver rollicking adventure with crackling wit and hilarious mayhem. And, now, one of the hottest writers today returns with dynamic duo Lizzy and Diesel to prove that when hunting down bad guys, the real fun is in the chase. When Harvard University English professor and dyed-in-the-wool romantic Gilbert Reedy is mysteriously murdered and thrown off his fourth-floor balcony, Lizzy and Diesel take up his twenty-year quest for the Luxuria Stone, an ancient relic believed by some to be infused with the power of lust. Following clues contained in a cryptic nineteenth-century book of sonnets, Lizzy and Diesel tear through Boston catacombs, government buildings, and multimillion-dollar residences, leaving a trail of robbed graves, public disturbances, and spontaneous seduction. Janet Evanovich does it again and gives us another exciting un-put-down-able read that is striking a chord with readers everywhere!

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Customer Reviews

I have been a long time fan of all things Evanovich. I am always anxiously awaiting the next book. I have laughed out loud on planes, in my office, and woke my husband in the middle of the night laughing so loud over the stories. But this it it for me. The last books, especially this one, are forced, lack humor, and seem almost infantile in the attempt. I am so sorry over it! I loved these series and really wish they could just go on forever.....sigh.

The premise is okay, and the book might have made a good short story, but that's all. Most of the book was filler, and not even skimming and skipping was enough to get me through it. I finally just gave up and closed the book around 50 pages from the end, too bored to finish it -- a first for her books. I have the horrible feeling that she's going to try to milk the search for the seven stones enough to get another 6 books out of it, and that they'll all be like this one.

I've read all of Janet Evanovich's books, and I've usually enjoyed them. I really enjoyed the first Wicked book, but honestly, this one seemed a tepid, less funny, less passionate re-mix of the first one. I found myself constantly checking to see how much I had left to slog through, which is not a fun feeling when you've been looking forward to reading a book. And unlike some, I got bogged down in all the Boston history. A little background for scene setting is one thing, but I constantly felt like I was getting a lecture in all things Boston. I don't care which streets they went down that connected to that street. I'd have read a Wiki article if I'd wanted to learn about Boston and saved my \$15. There's was no character development, we didn't learn anything new or discover more about Diesel or Lizzie, and honestly Glo just feels like a forced side kick wannabe, though this time around she was more interesting than Lizzie. Overall I've been very disappointed in the last few Plum and Wicked books, everything feels flat and forced, I miss the laugh out loud passages that made my husband ban me from reading in bed.

This is the second book in the Lizzy and Diesel series, and I enjoyed the first one far more than Wicked Business. The story felt forced, there is a lack of character development and honestly, it just was not as funny as Wicked Appetite. I did enjoy how the Boston area acts almost as another character in the book, and the bonus material at the end was nice. Overall, Wicked Business is a quick read, and while I'm not upset I bought it, I won't be rereading it.

Sometimes, I'm in the mood for FUN. Life can be full of angst in the form of news, friend's problems, and sometimes just the daily grind is tiring (though not angst ridden). I think many people many times just want to sit down and be entertained. This is why sitcoms are so popular, and this is what I love about Janet Evanovich. Her books are like a sitcom you read. Wicked Business was quick paced, highly entertaining, and very enjoyable. It made the world around me disappear, and a fun world come alive. No, this isn't deep or emotional. But I wasn't looking for that. I smiled and laughed throughout and came out of Lizzie and Diesel's world in a GREAT mood.

Many of my family members read Janet Evanovich's other series. They LOVE them and are always trading books and laughing about different characters. I really only read paranormal books so when I found this series I thought I would give it a try. Before buying the first book in Lizzy and Diesel's adventures, I read some reviews. They were mixed, but mainly because Evanovich's readers felt her characters were too similar. Since I had not read any of her books, but remembered my family laughing and loving the books, I decided to buy... very glad I did. Both books are great and I am really looking forward to the next!

I usually love reading all of Janet Evanovich's books, but this one was TERRIBLE. I could not get into it, I never laughed, and overall it was a total waste of my time. The romance is over. The characters are boring, and there is no real plot or story line.

Brutal...a total disappointment. I have enjoyed all of Janet's (lol) books. I had a difficult time getting into this one. I found myself checking after each chapter to see just how much of the book remained. One big yawn!

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