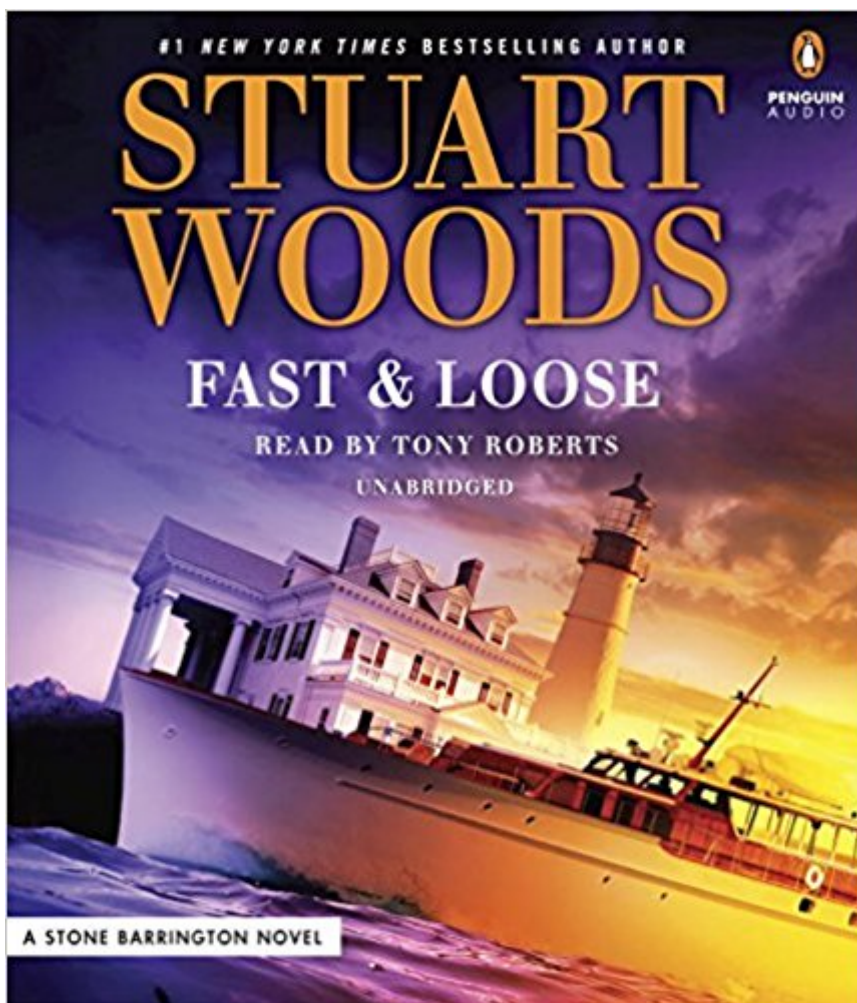


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# Fast And Loose (A Stone Barrington Novel)



## Synopsis

In this explosive thriller from #1 New York Times bestselling author Stuart Woods, Stone Barrington's newest foe has a short fuse...and it's just been lit. Stone Barrington is enjoying a boating excursion off the Maine coast when a chance encounter leaves him somewhat the worse for wear. Always able to find the silver lining in even the unhappiest circumstances, Stone is pleased to discover that the authors of his misfortune are, in fact, members of a prestigious family who present a unique business opportunity, and who require a man of Stone's skills to overcome a sticky situation of their own. The acquaintance is fortuitous indeed, for as it turns out, Stone and his new friends have an enemy in common. He's the sort of man who prefers force to finesse, and who regards any professional defeat as a personal and intolerable insult. And when Stone's sly cunning collides with his adversary's hair-trigger-temper, the results are sure to be explosive...

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Stuart Woods is the author of more than sixty novels. He is a native of Georgia and began his writing career in the advertising industry. Chiefs, his debut in 1981, won the Edgar Award. An avid sailor and pilot, Woods lives in Florida, Maine, and New Mexico.From the Hardcover edition.

The Stone Barrington novels are usually quick reads and this one is no different. Every couple pages we are eating and drinking in some fancy place. Then we are in bed having sex for the second or third time. In between we are making millions of dollars. And in all of that Woods somehow tells us a story. He also throws a couple of dogs in the mix. What's not to like.

Extradorniarly disapointing! Very predictable and amaturastisc. Certainly not worth \$14.99. I will not buy another Stuart Woods. Don't waste your money or time.

I know he can write these in his sleep, but I love the stories mo matter how outrageous. Woods heroes are liveable while his villains remain disposable. His portrayal of the life style of the very rich is actually fun. Not deep but vey likeable.

Imagine a cartoon with a certain coyote as the villain and a pig as his accomplice. Your hero is beyond rich and, of course, knows everyone who is anyone. You listen to all his calls, watch as he pees, learn about his favorite foods, congratulate him the many times he has sex...you get the idea. Boring, sophomoric drivel.

Not his best work. Paint by the numbers. Phoned it in. Fast and loose was fast and loose.

More Barrington, fair yarn, over-weighted with sex, very predictable.... a good read for Boreington fans.The real problem is the characters are getting a little long in the tooth.Jim De

This is without doubt the worst Stone Barrington novel I have read and I have read and enjoyed most of them. The plot line revolves who is hopping into bed with whom and Stone's adversaries, the two stooges. The plot is way too simplistic, there is no character development and the "day is saved" not once but twice by a bomb sniffing dog. There is no suspense and Stone escapes harm only because he has his lucky charm in his pocket. Terrible story.

This writing style does not seem like Stuart Woods' style-- instead, there are simple sentences, very straight forward, without character development & descriptions. I had not read some of his books in awhile and am disappointed in this book.

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