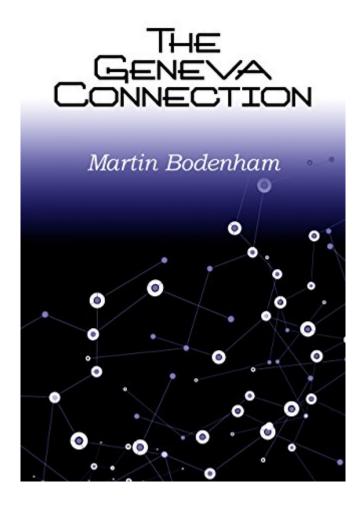


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# **The Geneva Connection**





### Synopsis

Brilliant investor John Kent is living his dream. The success of his private equity firm has propelled him into the ranks of the world's super-rich, allowing him to give his family the security and advantages he didn $\tilde{A}$ ¢ $\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{a}$ ,¢t have in his own childhood.But John's dream is shattered with the discovery that his largest investor is bankrolled by the most vicious drug cartel in Mexico. Then one of his partners is murdered to guarantee his silence, and John realizes he cannot cooperate with the authorities. When the ambitious head of the DEA threatens John with incarceration, his nightmare is complete. If he resists the DEA, what will happen to his family while he's imprisoned? But the alternative is worse. For if John chooses to betray the cartel, he and his family will pay the ultimate price.

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#### **Customer Reviews**

With a background in accounting and having worked on a lot of private and public equity deals in the 90's, I found this to be a pretty good thriller - in addition to the usual intrigue with the bad guys, I found I could relate a little bit to the financial side of the house in some respects. The author does a

pretty good job of getting you inside the head of his characters, and I guarantee many of you will have some daydreaming moments of "what if" with respect to suddenly being in charge of billions of untraceable dollars. Without having a spoiler, I will tell you the author does a heck of a job having you think you will know how the ending will turn out - then he takes a hard right turn that I didn't see coming. There are a few grammatical and typographical errors in the Kindle version of this book: while they are annoying here and there, it doesn't take away from what is a pretty good tale. I originally picked this up for free during a Kindle promotion and, as I type this review, the pricing has reverted to \$4.99 - you will certainly get as much or more worth of entertainment value out of this one. If you like thrillers / mysteries, I'd recommend you give this one a shot.

Just finished Martin Bodenham's THE GENEVA CONNECTION, a thinking man's thriller. What an interesting ride! I learned about global economics and financing as well as the inner workings of a ruthless Mexican drug cartel. The story was suspenseful throughout and the characters well drawn and believable. Twists and turns in the plot kept me in suspense, but the climax was indeed a surprise. Kent was a convincing Machiavellian character whom you both condemned and rooted for. You knew all along there weren't going to be any winners in this game of high finance and despicable violence. Hurrah for Kent's wife--although I suspect the Cartel would eventually chase her down and get their HS 1 billions back. I recommend this thriller to anyone who wants to learn how powerful the Cartels really are!

I think Roger Ebert had the right idea when he decided to rate films on their own terms. "Schindler's List" can't fairly be rated on the same criteria as, for example, "Lethal Weapon." This is because the two have different purposes and, to a large extent, different tools to achieve them.(btw: I'm not saying that all mysteries/thrillers/procedurals can't be--or aspire to be--what we call "literature." Rather, I'm saying that most don't try, and if these books succeed on their own terms we should recognize that fact.)Looked at this way, "The Geneva Connection" is a success. It's fast and ably paced, not overly full of solecisms and predictable words, phrases and sentences, and has surprisingly round characters whom the author makes matter to the reader. It's more than a guilty pleasure, and absolutely worth a read.

Three ruthless men, each misunderstanding or underestimating his rivals, vie in an increasingly suspenseful and complex intrigue to achieve their ends. A nominally law-abiding British investment expert gleefully exploits others' economic dilemmas in these difficult times for his own benefit. The

head of a Mexican drug cartel, bent upon establishing a legacy of unbelievable financial wealth, will stop at nothing to achieve his goals. And an American drug enforcement official, immersed in his own world of power plays and vengeance, loses sight of his department's mission as the stakes rise and become personal. They come together in a well-plotted and realistic-feeling story. Will anyone win?

I decided to read this book on the recommendation of a friend who is an avid reader. I read this book on Kindle. This is my first book by this author and based on this enjoyable experience, I plan to read a few more. The story and the plot of the book is quite different from what i have been reading. It is a Thriller all right but it deals with finance and investment companies and Drug cartel operations. It is an interesting story about Mexican drug cartel hiding the drug money through clever and dubious investments through a company in UK. The scheme is so ingenious that the Investment company has no clue. It all looks legit. There are some very interesting episodes, which go into details about tunnels under the US/Mexican borders to ship money and drugs and some fortresses used by the cartel. It is a real page turner in the last third of the book.

I bought this book because I have always enjoyed financial intrigue type novels. And since I'm involved in a similar business, I found the overall premise as well as all the details regarding hedge fund investments fascinating. This book definetely kept me up at night later than I would have liked, but I literally couldn't put it down. Can't wait for Martin Bodenham's next novel!!

This is a well written and scary book about how the drug cartel operates, compromising others by their greed and weaknesses, and integrates themselves into the worldwide financial system. Characters you can relate to, flaws and all, all too realistic plotting, multiple twists. Helps to have more knowledge of the finance world than I do, but not so requiring of that knowledge that detracts a great deal. Scares me to realize that this is fiction, but is what is likely to be happening with the drug cartel's money. Read it. I will look for more from this author.

One of those books I finished virtually non-stop. While the head of the drug cartel is ruthless, the DEA is relentless in pursuing him. The Geneva connection is just an extension of the struggle between the drug cartel and the DEA. The characters come out alive and almost touchable. The gradual exposure of the plot is artistic. While a number of characters are brought on stage, the reader has no difficulty in connecting the characters and enjoying the roles played by each. Lovers

of suspense thriller will love the end especially. I liked this book very much

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