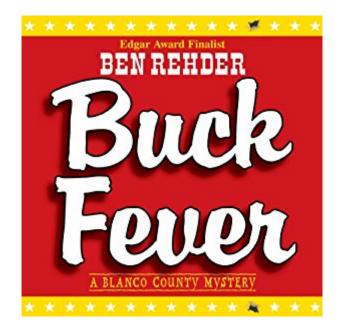
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# Buck Fever: A Blanco County Mystery, Book 1





# Synopsis

Edgar Award-nominated author Ben Rehder's Blanco County comic mysteries have made best-of-the-year lists in Publishers Weekly, Library Journal, Kirkus Reviews, and Field & Stream. The novels have been optioned by Warner Brothers Horizon Scripted Television for development as a cable TV series. Buck Fever: It's the week before deer hunting season, as close to a statewide holiday as you get in Texas, and the locals are getting restless. Game Warden John Marlin has his hands full with poaching complaints coming in faster than he can write out-of-season tickets. Then a call of a different sort comes in. A man dressed up in some sort of deer costume has been shot at the Circle S ranch, and witnesses are reporting a massive wild-eyed buck prancing about the pasture in a lovesick frenzy. Marlin's seen a lot in his years, but this is wilder than he could have imagined: the man in the deer suit is a good friend, and the whacked-out whitetail isn't exactly a stranger either. It's the beginning of a mad, frantic weekend in Blanco County, one that will see a few more men shot, an invasion by Colombians with more than hunting on their minds, and damn near the end of Marlin's life. Ben Rehder serves it all up with a huge helping of humor in this debut comic mystery that will firmly establish him as the funniest crime writer in Texas.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

This is a great light fun read! If you loved this book also check out the author C.J. Box and his Joe Pickett adventures which also follow a game warden based near a hunting culture small town filled with eccentric red necks, corrupt officials and other fun characters, his books are set in Wyoming. Both even have similar author photos complete with dogs and bucket hats or whatever they're called inside the back covers. Open Season is the first novel in that great series, check it out!Buck Fever is actually only book one in a series of adventures set in Blanco County Texas. Being the author's debut novel you'd expect it to have a few flaws but pleasantly surprised you will be that although may not be as funny as his more recent stuff, it's still a very good and enjoyable read. Like any great series it's always good to read the books in order to fully appreciate the characters.Buck Fever follows the daily life of game warden John Marlin starting off a week or so before hunting season commences. He gets a call over the radio that a deer has been shot with some weird developments and arrives to find the deer is actually someone he knows in a deer costume. He also sees his best friend's long time but recently lost to him companion Buck, a very agitated large male deer at gun point and immediately tries to convince the sheriff not to shoot him and to let him tranquilize Buck instead. The sheriff only has wall trophy on his mind but luckily a call from rich lobbyist Roy Swank whose ranch these incidents are on stops him as he values kickbacks and bribes from Swank a lot more than a new trophy.

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