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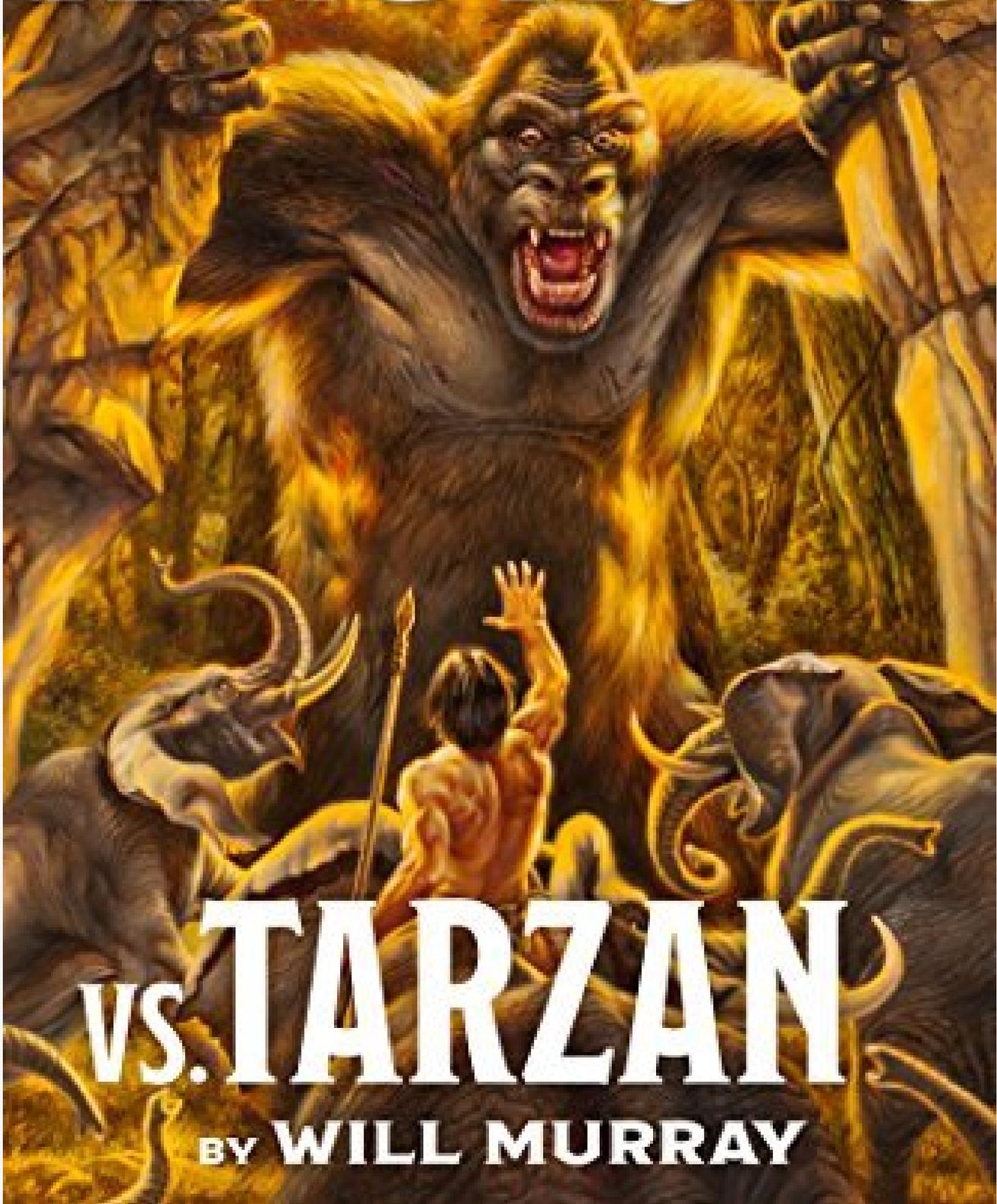
This was much better written than I expected As a huge Burroughs and Tarzan fan, I was a bit disappointed that the Lord Of the Jungle didn't factor into the story but I enjoyed the 30 s pulp style of writing and felt it moved at a great pace. The Lord of the Jungle has bested some mighty tough critters over the course of his long career The King of Skull Island, meanwhile, has kicked a whole lot of dinosaur butt, in addition to whupping at least in the American film version a big booger called Godzilla So when these titans finally clash, you know there will be fireworks. And that's exactly what we get in Will Murray's new epic, King Kong vs. Tarzan And how it all comes about is told so convincingly that this unlikely meeting comes to seem inevitable. If you've seen the movie recently and I'm talking the 1933 version, you may recall that an hour and twenty four minutes into the film, after Kong is subdued by a gas bomb on Skull Island, movie producer Carl Denham says, Why, in a few months it'll be up in lights on Broadway Kong The Eighth Wonder of the World and in the next scene we see the Broadway marquee, proclaiming just that. The film leaves a slew of questions unanswered How did they get Kong to ship How did they restrain him on the voyage What did the big guy eat Could they really keep him alive for months without him destroying the ship How did the principle humans, Captain Englehorn, First Mate Jack Driscoll and would be starlet Ann Darrow that's Fay Wray to you resist tossing the demanding and conniving Carl Denham into the ocean King Kong vs Tarzan answers all those questions, and many, including the big ones How the heck did Kong meet up with Mr T, what kind of he broke loose, and who came out on top I'm not telling you any of that stuff You'll want to read it for yourself But I'll reveal this much There are 455 pages full of great fun and adventure There's plenty of grisly action as Kong squeezes natives like grapes, munches on a hippopotamus and scarfs down oodles of crocodiles There's all the fury and majesty of Tarzan of the Apes, ably assisted by his trusty companions Nkima the monkey and Jad bal ja the Golden Lion, and his reserve corps of great apes and elephants It all comes down a battle royale that would have been admired by both Edgar Rice Burroughs and King Kong producer Meriam C Cooper One of the intriguing characters is a very old crone named Penjaga aka The Storyteller who is sort of Kong's nanny and guardian She was introduced, I believe, in Kong King of Skull Island, the 2004 illustrated novel conceived by this book's cover artist, Joe DeVito, and returned in Mr Murray's epic Doc Savage adventure Skull Island Since Penjaga has now made the acquaintance of both Doc and Tarzan, we know they occupy the same Murray universe Can a meeting between those two titans be far behind A new film, Kong Skull Island featuring Tim Hiddleston, Samuel L Jackson and John Goodman is slated for release this year, and a remake of King Kong vs Godzilla is planned, but Hollywood would be much wiser to bring us a screen version of King Kong vs Tarzan I'm

thinking J.J Abrams or Joss Whedon And whichever guy does it, he should be sure to give Will Murray a cameo In the meantime, you should rush to your favorite bookseller s website and buy this book It s two icons for the price of one, and a heck of a lot of fun. This is a tough review to write I m so conflicted I enjoyed this book, a lot But it drove me crazy in many ways This book happens in between the capture of Kong on Skull Island, and his fateful arrival in New York As others have said in their reviews, Tarzan isn t even mentioned until over 100 pages in And he does not show up in the story until page 262.The books goes into GREAT DETAIL about just how Kong was transported from the island, onto the ship GREAT DETAIL Page after page it seems And much detail is given to how they tried to feed him, and also keep him sedated as well MUCH DETAIL But the book is well written, and the love for the characters is well evident If you are a Tarzan fan, as opposed to a King Kong fan, you may be a tad disappointed.The Tarzan scenes are great they did a wonderful job bringing him to life He s just not in the story that much But when he is, he stands out Jane makes one token appearance The two DO square off a couple of times While I did enjoy the book, I m not sure I d recommend it. This book was a lot of fun I was a big fan of the original King Kong movie and also the Tarzan movies and books Will Murray now brings these two jungle monarchs face to face And what I really liked about the story was how the author brings them together The filmmaker Carl Denham has captured the gigantic ape Kong and is carrying him in chains in the cargo freighter to New York We know all that from the movie But what we didn t know is that, off the coast of Africa, Kong escapes and makes it to shore As Kong endangers the animals of the African jungle, Tarzan realizes he has to somehow stop the mighty invader of his jungle What happens makes for some real slambang action It s no spoiler to say that we know Kong will be recaptured so he can make that date with destiny on top of the Empire State Building and Tarzan will remain as king of the apes But you should read this story yourself to find out how that happened. For having a title that gives equal billing to its two jungle lords, it takes a remarkably long time for Tarzan to even be alluded to page 122 , never mind show up page 262 Prior to this the attention is largely on the logistics of actually getting Kong into the boat and keeping him alive yet docile on the way to his inevitable appointment on Doc Savage s doorstep not very cinematic, but interesting if you enjoy that sort of thing.Once Lord Greystoke shows up the pace quickens considerably, though there s not much actual tension due to the aforementioned appointment The real interest is in seeing how Tarzan and Africa in general react to Kong, and vice versa Spoiler they don t get on. KING KONG VS TARZAN is a solid work consciously written in the style of pulp fiction from the 1930 s It s a fun conceit to combine Kong and Tarzan in the same story Murray clearly knows the pulp genre well and the tone and dialogue of the characters in this pastiche are spot on Literature in this category succeeds based on plot movement and generally, the pacing is good though it does take over half the book to get Kong and Tarzan together In fact, much of the initial portion of the book is spent on a lengthy sea voyage a bit of trimming could have helped

here However, overall this was an entertaining story told by an enthusiastic author Wonder if Murray is considering tackling other authors from the pulp era It would be entertaining to see what he could do with Robert Howard s Conan. I wanted to really like this bookbut that wasn t what happened I m hugely disappointed with it.Let me start out by saying that I came to the book from the Tarzan side of the title Tarzan and Kong.sounds like a great idea The sad thing is that Tarzan doesn t even arrive in the story until page 262.and it s not for maybe another 50 pages that the Lord of the Apes even gets to interact with the characters that brought Kong to Africa.What does happen is ENDLESS and multiple scenes talking about what to feed, how to feed, when to feed the sleeping Kong on the voyage from Skull Island Additionally, once we arrive at the shores of Eastern Africa and Kong escapes come on, is that really a spoiler we re shown almost countless expeditions where the crew runs out into the jungle and then runs back to the ship.We re also shown how Kong kills a variety of African wildlife..but when Tarzan goes off to kill a crocodile, we re told that he jumped off the back of an elephant into the river and then returned dragging the croc WTF I ve enjoyed several of Mr Murray s books in the past and will read in the future but and I m starting to think that he is in serious need of a strong editor. This is of a Kong novel than a Tarzan novel, which is why it is called The Wild Adventures of King Kong The story takes place in between the final acts of the 1933 film, and it fits beautifully Will Murray has crafted another wonderful adventure novel and fans of both characters will enjoy the novel.

THE WILD ADVENTURES OF

# KING KONG



# VS. TARZAN

BY WILL MURRAY

Perhaps the title should read The Story of King Kong also starring Tarzan The story of the Beast God Kong begins on a remote Indian Ocean island Skull Island There Kong is a giant ape the last of his kind and ruler of all he can see The humans on Skull Island have built a great wall to keep Kong away from their village There is a gate in the wall used to make offerings of a young woman to the beast god. When the crew of the good ship Wanderer follow the mad plans of Carl Denham to this unknown paradise, Ann Darrow becomes Kong's plaything First Mate Jack Driscoll leads the party to reclaim Ann from her horrible fate As Kong pursues Ann, Denham makes his move. He has brought gas bombs and mercy bullets filled with knockout drugs He becomes fixated on bringing Kong back to America as The Eighth Wonder of the World Denham follows only one law his own. Unable to return through the Suez Canal without a lot of questions, their only choice is to circle the Cape of Good Hope and sail the Atlantic back to New York But Kong needs a lot of provisions, and he has stirred several times As the ship nears the coast of Africa, Kong escapes to the jungle. But this isn't Skull Island, it is Africa Here Tarzan is the Lord of the Jungle and Kong is an intruder Overall, the book is the adventures of Kong, so Tarzan is relegated to a minor supporting role Both Carl Denham and Jack Driscoll have screen time than Tarzan For once in my reading of Will's books, I had to put the book down at times That may be due to the fact that I have a collection of books on Kong, and the story cannot help but follow a familiar path Adding the invasion of Tarzan's home was brilliant, but I was hoping for Tarzan than I got I give the book three stars Not bad Not bad at all. Quoth the Raven `EPUB ? King Kong vs. Tarzan (The Wild Adventures of King Kong Book 1) ? BEAST GOD VERSUS APE MAN The Year Was Filmmaker Carl Denham Had Captured The Stupendous Monster He Had Dubbed King Kong But That Was Only The Beginning Denham Was Determined To Get The Dethroned Ruler Of Skull Mountain Island Back To America, And Cash In On The Greatest Wild Animal Capture In Human History The Saga Of How Kong Was Taken In Chains From His Indian Ocean Kingdom To New York City Has Never Been Told In Order For The Cargo Freighter Wanderer To Make The Long Transit To The Atlantic, She Is Forced To Circumnavigate Africa Jungle Home Of The Legendary Tarzan Of The Apes Here Is The Long Anticipated Clash Between The Monarch Of Skull Island And Lord Of The Jungle When The Largest Anthropoid Who Ever Lived Encounters The Savage Superman Raised By The Great Apes, Will They Make Peace Or War

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