

Will Clarke

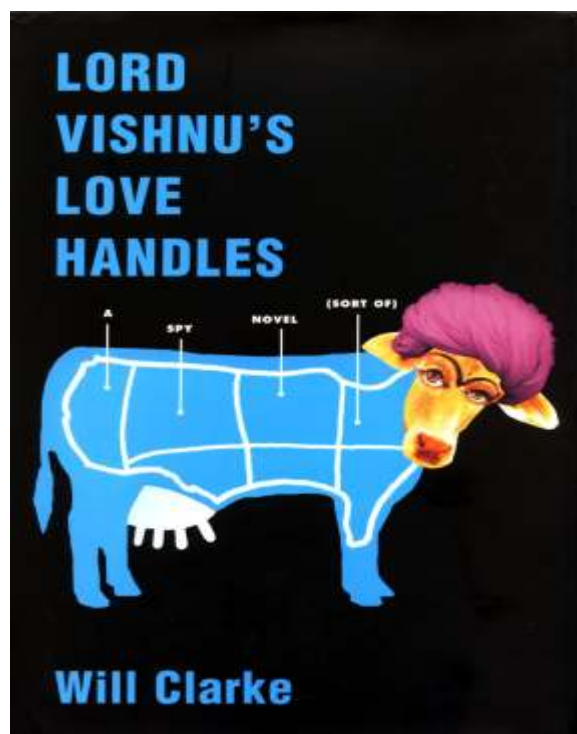
Lord Vishnu's Love Handles

A Spy Novel - (sort of)

A sardonic comedy - soon to be a motion picture starring Will Farrell - of a man who knows things he shouldn't until a couple of secret agents teach him what it really means to lose his mind.

Travis Anderson has a psychic gift. Or so he thinks. So far he's milked his premonitions only to acquire an upper-middle-class lifestyle -- pretty wife, big house, and a shiny Range Rover -- without having to make any real effort. But recent visions threaten his yuppie contentment. Haunted by omens of impending cancers, stillborn babies, and personal train wrecks, he is compelled to make a series of inaccurate and horrifying prophecies that humiliate him in front of his fellow country club members. The IRS gets Travis's number, too, demanding an audit of his sloppy bookkeeping.

Drowning in mounting financial problems and apparent mental illness, Travis tries booze, pills, even golf to stay afloat, but nothing works. His wife and friends are forced to stage an intervention. Travis is in danger of losing his family, his career, and ultimately, his sanity. That is, until he meets a Hindu holy man in rehab who claims to be the final incarnation of Lord Vishnu. Suddenly, the tragically shallow Travis is saddled with the responsibility of bettering mankind and saving the world.



KEY POINTS:

- Soon to be a major motion picture starring **Will Farrell**
- Hardcover July 2005 Release; first printing 35,000
- Highly entertaining, *Lord Vishnu* combines a wildly inventive plot with witty dialogue and a strangely loveable- if possibly deranged - narrator.

Read by William Dufris

RUNNING TIME: 7 hours

CATEGORY: FICTION

Retail	1-4001-0175-1	6 CDs	\$29.99
Library Ed.	1-4001-3175-8	6 CDs	\$59.99
MP3 CD	1-4001-5175-9	1 CD	\$19.99

MARKETING/PUBLICITY:

- National advertising in the *The New Yorker*
- 9-city author tour: Austin, Baton Rouge, Dallas/Ft. Worth, Houston, Jackson (MS), New Orleans, Oxford (MS), San Antonio, Shreveport
- National print publicity
- Cross promotion with the author's website: PsychicCow.com
- Book Club Reader newsletter feature advertising
- National print advertising *AudioFile Magazine*, *Ingram Audio Advance*

PRAISE FOR LORD VISHNU'S LOVE HANDLES:

"Travis's first-person narration is vivid and witty" --*Publishers Weekly*

"This book says more about the meaning of mankind than the Bible, the Bhagavad Gita, and The Hunt for Red October combined."
-- **David Gordon Green**, director, *George Washington*, *All the Real Girls*, and *Undertow*

"Lord Vishnu's Love Handles is mind-boggling and wonderful. It's the wackiest, craziest genre-defying, can't-put-it-down book I ever read. Will Clarke is part David Sedaris, part Dave Eggers, part Charlie Kaufman, Hunter S. Thompson, Tom Robbins, and Kurt Vonnegut...and a 100 percent original Will Clarke." -- **Sara Pritchard**, author of *Crackpots*

"I loved *Lord Vishnu's Love Handles*. It's a great and unashamed page-turner, full of fabulous characters. I just wish remote viewers really were that interesting."

-- **Jon Ronson**, author of *Them: Adventures with Extremists* and *The Men Who Stare at Goats*

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Will Clarke lives in Dallas, Texas. *Lord Vishnu's Love Handles* is his first novel. He doesn't want you to know what he is doing next.

ABOUT THE NARRATOR:

A three-time Audie Award finalist for bestsellers by Jeffrey Deaver and Stephen Hunter, **William Dufris** has narrated over 200 audiobooks. He has garnered 13 Golden Earphones Awards and was voted one of "The Best Voices At The End Of The Century" by *AudioFile Magazine*. A voice of versatile talent, he is also the original voice of the ever popular character Bob the Builder.



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