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They were known simply as the Nine - grim and ancient rulers who thirty thousand years ago had discovered the key to eternal life and ever since had secretly held the world in thrall.

Once, Doc Caliban had been their servant and had shared their secrets. Now, appalled by their tyranny, he has turned against them, daring to challenge their centuries-old supremacy. Together with two henchmen whose superhuman skills match his own, Caliban sets out on the trail of the deadliest of the Nine: the mad goblin Iwaldi, the very incarnation of evil...

The Mad Goblin Details

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Michelle says

Am I getting old and fussy? Was this supposed to read like a pulp fiction fantasy a la John Carter of Mars? I hope I'm just missing something because this book was dreadful. Farmer's Riverworld series were the books that turned me on to fantasy writing on high school, so this is disappointing. Maybe I'm just not in on the joke.

Jose Vidal says

Una aventura bastante del montón que continúa la historia de los 9 sin el factor de transgresión de volúmenes anteriores. Es entretenido pero poco más.

Linda Lozar says

Different viewpoints

This book occurs at the same time as #2 does, this time from Caliban's view point. This one, though, seems to start at least a week or two prior to the previous book, but still, the same time frame is explored. I do have one complaint though. SPOILER ALERT: we don't know what happens to Clio. In both, we find she is missing, and, to be honest, due to a slight ambiguity in the ending of #2, I thought she would make her appearance here. I hate loose ends, so what disturbs me the most is it appears at the end, no one cares.

John says

1986 grade D-

Ed Wyrd says

A fast-paced pulp fiction-like read about the adventures of Doc Caliban and his cohorts, who are a thinly disguised take on Doc Savage. Great fun. I have to find more in Farmer's Wold Newton series.

Preston Holden JR says

Doc Caliban Rides Again

Very good book. It has excitement, action and mystery. My only point of criticism is that there is no

romance, no desire or longing to experience affection. If those things were to somehow be associated with the Caliban stories, then I would be inclined to give a 5 star rating.

Derek says

What sort of sleazy marketing is this? I read this book 30 years ago, and it was published 43 years ago, at least, as an Ace Double with Lord of the Trees & The Mad Goblin

Timothy Boyd says

Are you a pulp fan? Like Doc Savage or Tarzan? Ever wonder about their sex life or even why they never seemed to have to goto the bathroom like normal humans. Farmer must have too. He answers everything you could want to know but wasn't in the orginial books. Adult material but great reads. Very recommended
