In 2009, the CIA's Kabul Station fell for a source who promised to lead it to Bin Laden, but instead he blew himself up, taking the station's most senior officers with him. Now, more than two years later, the station is still floundering, agents are dying, and at Langley the CIA's chiefs wonder if the unthinkable has happened, if somehow the Taliban has infiltrated the station.

When they ask John Wells to investigate, he reluctantly agrees to return to the country where his career as an undercover operative began. But there, he finds a vipers nest of hostility and mistrust and clues that hint at a drug-trafficking operation involving the Agency, the military, and the Taliban. Americans are dying, and an American is responsible. And only John Wells stands in his way . . . for now.

My Personal Review:
In The Shadow Patrol, John Wells is again asked to serve as a freelance troubleshooter for the CIA, his former employer. The basis of the plot revolves around Wells going undercover in Afghanistan to investigate if somehow the Taliban has infiltrated the Kabul station. Once there, Wells enters a web of mistrust and uncovers clues that suggest that a drug trafficking operation is in effect that involves the agency, the military and the Taliban. As a result of the operation, American soldiers are dying -- and only Wells stands in the way of those responsible.

Similar to the first five books in Berenson's John Wells series, The Shadow Patrol is entertaining and well-researched. However, relative to the other books, The Shadow Patrol is not quite as well-plotted, nor is it as much of a page-turner. Further on a comparative basis, The Shadow Patrol falls somewhat short in terms of dimensionalizing his main character and particularly his supportive characters; to the point that readers that have
not read any of this authors previous books might feel that they dont know
the characters as well as they would have liked in order to care more about
them. Additionally, the plot tends to drag too much at various times during
the middle of the book.

Despite these comparative flaws The Shadow Patrol is a worthwhile read
and one that I think espionage/spy genre readers will enjoy. Id suggest,
however, that before reading The Shadow Patrol new readers to the series
begin with The Faithful Spy and at least one of the other John Wells books
to enhance their understanding and appreciation of the characters they will
meet in this book.

For More 5 Star Customer Reviews and Lowest Price:
The Shadow Patrol (A John Wells Novel) by Alex Berenson - 5 Star Customer Reviews
and Lowest Price!