

Is johnhwatsonmd.com legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 80/100

johnhwatsonmd.com

Verdict

80

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

johnhwatsonmd.com appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-22 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

A WordPress-powered personal blog titled 'John H Watson MD' focused on Sherlock Holmes-related posts, audio dramatisations, and literary commentary. No login, financial solicitations, or forms detected.

Evidence status and limitations

- Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN
- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
 - Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	1 flagged it VirusTotal	RISK
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	19 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2009 Public history exists	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by YR1	NOTED

The page as captured

<https://www.johnhwatsonmd.com/>

John H Watson MD



Sherlock Holmes

What johnhwatsonmd.com served when TrustSniffer captured it on 2026-08-22. The page may look different now.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2009.
- At least one reputation service TrustSniffer consulted had flagged this domain at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

This website is a WordPress-powered personal literary blog titled “John H Watson MD,” presenting articles, reviews, audio dramatisations, and commentary about Sherlock Holmes and Victorian detective fiction; its apparent purpose is informational publishing rather than financial services or transactional commerce.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No phishing, impersonation, brand-conflict, blacklist, or other identity contradiction was observed. The homepage presents a coherent personal-blog format, including Sherlock Holmes posts, a library, About and Contact pages, and no login, payment, deposit, wallet, or sensitive-data workflow. One external reputation check produced a single malicious detection, but the result is unconfirmed and is not supported by the other supplied threat indicators or by the site's page and behavior evidence. The available evidence therefore supports an apparently benign, low-risk content site, while not independently proving the real-world operator's identity.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage describes Sherlock Holmes literary analysis, broadcasts, audio dramatisations, and collection-related posts; no financial solicitation or login function is present.
- The domain was registered in 2007 and is approximately 18.92 years old.
- Web-archive records contain 126 snapshots spanning 2009–2026, with 18 years tracked.
- Automated interaction testing completed 2 successful runs, with 0 external XHR requests, 0 hidden forms, and no detected cloaking or wallet activity.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site appears to operate as a personal literary publication, not as a broker, exchange, lender, investment platform, or other visibly regulated financial service. Its About, Contact, Disclosure and Privacy Policy pages provide an expected content structure, but the supplied material does not independently verify the person or legal entity behind the publication. No licensing authority or license number is presented; given the apparent non-financial business model, this is a limited disclosure matter rather than evidence of a scam. A separate broker-reputation comparison produced no match, but that contextual signal is not a legal or regulatory determination.

EVIDENCE

- The site navigation includes About, Contact, Disclosure and Privacy Policy, and Library pages.
- Domain registration is through TUCOWS.COM, CO.
- The site is served on AS63949 by AKAMAI-LINODE-AP - Akamai Connected Cloud, SG.
- The transport certificate is issued by YR1, uses DV validation, and is valid to 2026-11-17.

What to Verify Next

Before any credential or payment interaction, an independent route should be used to confirm the publisher's identity and the authenticity of the site's official contact channels. If donations, advertising, or affiliate purchasing are introduced, the relevant payment recipient, refund or cancellation terms, and payment-protection arrangements should be checked independently. Any future change toward financial, investment, or subscription services should trigger a separate licensing check with the applicable registry.

EVIDENCE

- The Contact and About pages are the appropriate locations for confirming the publisher's identity and communication channels.
- The Disclosure and Privacy Policy pages are the appropriate locations for reviewing data-use, advertising, and commercial-disclosure terms.
- The supplied page analysis identifies no sensitive forms or financial transaction flow requiring immediate account or payment validation.

Summary Verdict

The overall posture is high trust and low risk for the site's apparent informational purpose. Converging evidence from long-term continuity, benign content, stable technical operation, and largely favorable external checks is

consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website, although the real-world operator remains independently unverified.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by Akamai CDN/WAF infrastructure, which provides a meaningful mitigation against routine edge exposure and abuse, but remains only a supporting security control and not proof of operator legitimacy. Observed resolution identified CDN edge infrastructure without identifying a separate origin candidate.

Closing Assessment

Routine reading is proportionate to the assessed posture; credential or payment activity should remain conditional on ordinary independent checks of publisher identity, applicable terms, and payment protections.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-22 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	55/100
Identity verification confidence	30%

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of johnhwatsonmd.com.

- The request stayed on johnhwatsonmd.com. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under TUCOWS.COM, CO.. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by linode.com, across 2 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2026-09-23. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2009-12-05. CLEAR
- It is hosted on AKAMAI-LINODE-AP, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	TUCOWS.COM, CO.
Hosting	AKAMAI-LINODE-AP - Akamai Connected Cloud, SG
Country	US
Server IP	45.33.89.233

Name servers	NS1.LINODE.COM, NS2.LINODE.COM
SSL issuer	YR1
SSL expiry	2026-11-17
Domain age	18.92 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2026-09-23
Archive first seen	2009-12-05
Archive snapshots	Not counted (archive lookup incomplete)
Reputation	VirusTotal: 1 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about johnhwatsonmd.com at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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