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**Manhattan '45** Jun 17 2022 She tours the tenements of Hell's Kitchen and the Gashouse district, as well as the Foundling Hospital, where the crushing realities of poverty belie the unchallenged exuberance of the age. Taking into account both Social Register and slum, Manhattan '45 celebrates New York's Golden Age as a time when, for one unrepeatable moment in history, anything seemed possible.

**Barbarian Days** Feb 19 2020 Winner of the Pulitzer Prize and William Hill Sports Book of the Year: *Barbarian Days* is a deeply rendered self-portrait of a lifelong surfer looking for transcendence 'that recalls early James Salter' (Geoff Dyer, Observer) Surfing only looks like a sport. To devotees, it is something else entirely: a beautiful addiction, a mental and physical study, a passionate way of life. New Yorker writer William Finnegan first started surfing as a young boy in California and Hawaii. *Barbarian Days* is his immersive memoir of a life spent travelling the world chasing waves through the South Pacific, Australia, Asia, Africa and beyond. Finnegan describes the edgy yet enduring brotherhood forged among the swell of the surf; and recalling his own apprenticeship to the world's most famous and challenging waves, he considers the intense relationship formed between man, board and water. *Barbarian Days* is an old-school adventure story, a social history, an extraordinary exploration of one man's gradual mastering of an exacting and little-understood art. It is a memoir of dangerous obsession and enchantment. 'Reading this guy on the subject of waves and water is like reading Hemingway on bullfighting; William Burroughs on controlled substances; Updike on adultery. . . . a coming-of-age story, seen through the gloss resin coat of a surfboard' Sports Illustrated

**Crazy For The Storm** Feb 25 2023 Norman Ollestad was thrust into the world of surfing and competitive downhill skiing at a very young age by the father he idolized. Often paralyzed by fear, young Norman resented losing his childhood to his father's reckless and demanding adventures, even as he began to reap the rewards of his training. Then, in February 1979, a chartered Cessna carrying eleven-year-old Norman, his father, his father's girlfriend Sandra and the pilot, crashed into the San Gabriel Mountains. Norman's father -- a man who was both his son's coach and hero -- was dead, along with the pilot; Sandra was clinging to life. Suspended at over 8,000 feet and engulfed in a blizzard, grief-stricken Norman descended the icy mountain alone. Putting his father's passionate lessons to work, he defied the elements and made it down alive -- the sole survivor of the crash. A compulsive, page-turning read, at times nostalgic and heart-wrenching, *Crazy for the Storm* illuminates the complicated bond between an extraordinary father and his son, and offers remarkable insight to us all.

**The Twentieth Wife** Oct 09 2021 The story of Mehrunnisa, the daughter of servants who became the empresses of the Mughal empire.

**Into Thin Air** Feb 01 2021 Jon Krakauer's acclaimed account of a disastrous expedition on Mt Everest This is the true story of a 24-hour period on Everest, when members of three separate expeditions were caught in a storm and faced a battle against hurricane-force winds, exposure, and the effects of altitude, which ended the worst single-season death toll in the peak's history. In March 1996, *Outside* magazine sent veteran journalist and seasoned climber Jon Krakauer on an expedition led by celebrated Everest guide Rob Hall. Despite the expertise of Hall and the other leaders, by the end of summit day eight people were dead. Krakauer's book is at once the story of the ill-fated adventure and an analysis of the factors leading up to its tragic end. Written within months of the events it chronicles, *Into Thin Air* clearly evokes the majestic Everest landscape. As the journey up the mountain progresses, Krakauer puts it in context by recalling the triumphs and perils of other Everest trips throughout history. The author's own anguish over what happened on the mountain is palpable as he leads readers to ponder timeless questions.

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**Force of Nature** Mar 02 2021 A celebrity surfer shares his strategies for achieving optimal health and spiritual balance, counseling readers on a wide variety of topics, from nutrition and injury prevention to overcoming negativity and embracing one's passions. 100,000 first printing.

**Welcome to Paradise, Now Go to Hell** Nov 29 2020 A finalist for the PEN Center USA Award for Nonfiction *Welcome to Paradise, Now Go to Hell*, is surfer and former war reporter Chas Smith's wild and unflinching look at the high-stakes world of surfing on Oahu's North Shore—a riveting, often humorous, account of beauty, greed, danger, and crime. For two months every winter, when Pacific storms make landfall, swarms of mainlanders, Brazilians, Australians, and Europeans flock to Oahu's paradisiacal North Shore in pursuit of some of the greatest waves on earth for surfing's Triple Crown competition. Chas Smith reveals how this influx transforms a sleepy, laid-back strip of coast into a lawless, violent, drug-addled, and adrenaline-soaked mecca. Smith captures this exciting and dangerous place where locals, outsiders, the surf industry, and criminal elements clash in a fascinating look at class, race, power, money, and crime, set within one of the most beautiful places on earth. The result is a breathtaking blend of crime and adventure that captures the allure and wickedness of this idyllic golden world.

**My Father's Secret War** Mar 22 2020 In this moving and compelling memoir about parent and child, father and daughter, Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Lucinda Franks discovers that the remote, nearly impassive man she grew up with had in fact been a daring spy behind enemy lines in World War II. Sworn to secrecy, he began revealing details of his wartime activities only in the last years of his life as he became afflicted with Alzheimer's. His exploits revealed a man of remarkable bravado -- posing as a Nazi guard, slipping behind enemy lines to blow up ammunition dumps, and being flown to one of the first concentration camps liberated by the Allies to report on the atrocities found there. *My Father's Secret War* is an intimate account of Franks coming to know her own father after years of estrangement. Looking back at letters he had written her mother in the early days of WWII, Franks glimpses a loving man full of warmth. But after the grimmest assignments of the war his tone shifts, settling into an all-too-familiar distance. Franks learns about him -- beyond the alcoholism and adultery -- and comes to know the man he once was. Her story is haunting, and beautifully told, even as the tragedy becomes clear: Franks finally comes to know her father, but only as he is slipping further into his illness. Lucinda Franks understands her father as the disease claims him. *My Father's Secret War* is a triumph of love over secrets, and a tribute to the power of the connection of family.

**Under the Wave at Waimea** Jan 12 2022 From legendary writer Paul Theroux comes an atmospheric novel following a big-wave surfer as he confronts aging, privilege, mortality, and whose lives we choose to remember.

**A Pearl in the Storm** Sep 08 2021 "Unlike Hemingway's *The Old Man and the Sea*, Tori Murden McClure's true story of a woman and the sea and a boat named *American Pearl* is one of victory. . . . If you want to be inspired, read this book. You won't stop till you've finished." — Sena Jeter Naslund, author of *Ahab's Wife* In this thrilling memoir by the first woman to row solo across the Atlantic Ocean, Tori McClure finds that what she is looking for lies not in a superhuman show of strength, but rather in embracing what it means to be human. "In the end, I know I rowed across the Atlantic to find my heart, but in the beginning, I wasn't aware that it was missing." In June 1998, Tori McClure began rowing across the Atlantic Ocean solo in a twenty-three-foot plywood boat with no motor or sail. Within days she lost all communication with shore but decided to forge ahead -- not knowing that 1998 would turn out to be the worst hurricane season on record in the North Atlantic. When she was nearly killed by a series of violent storms, Tori was forced to signal for help and head home in what felt like disgrace. But then her life changed in unexpected ways. She was hired by Muhammad Ali, who told her she did not want to be known as the woman who "almost" rowed across the Atlantic. And at thirty-five, Tori fell in love. *A Pearl in the Storm* is Tori's enthralling story of high adventure—and of her personal quest to discover that embracing her own humanity was more important than superhuman feats.

**The Days Are Gods** Feb 13 2022 "I called the bishop of the local ward, and he put the date of your move into the church bulletin, and these gentlemen came to help," Brady, the real estate agent, says. *Welcome to Wellsville, Utah*. Good-bye, L.A. Liz Stephens has come from Los Angeles

to Utah for graduate school, and her brief stint working on a Taco Bell commercial is not much in the way of preparation for taking on the real West. In *The Days Are Gods* Stephens chronicles a move that is far more than a shift in geographical coordinates. With husband and dogs in tow, she searches for an authentic connection to this new community, all the while knowing that as an outsider she will never really belong. And yet precisely as an outsider, Stephens has a unique perspective on belonging, one that colors her accounts of attending her first small-town rodeo, living in the thick of a thriving Latter Day Saints religious community, raising goats in her laundry room, and observing the town's racialized Founder's Day battle reenactments. In her frank and particular way, Stephens shows how the culture of memory, as our inheritance, offers a balance to our brief attention spans and our brief lives.

**The Feral Detective** Dec 31 2020 'A nimble and uncanny performance, brimming with Lethem's trademark verve and wit' Colson Whitehead, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Underground Railroad* Phoebe Siegler first meets Charles Heist in a shabby trailer on the eastern edge of Los Angeles. She's looking for her friend's missing daughter, Arabella, and hires Heist - a laconic loner who keeps his pet opossum in a desk drawer - to help. The unlikely pair navigate the enclaves of desert-dwelling vagabonds and find that Arabella is in serious trouble - caught in the middle of a violent standoff that only Heist, mysteriously, can end. Phoebe's trip to the desert was always going to be strange, but it was never supposed to be dangerous... Jonathan Lethem's first detective novel since *Motherless Brooklyn*, *The Feral Detective* is a singular achievement by one of our greatest writers.

**French Girl with Mother** Dec 23 2022 "Finely wrought; Ollestad builds a delicate tension between the characters, exposing their raw desire and exploring the concept of artistic inspiration...A quietly tense and absorbing read." —Kirkus *French Girl with Mother* is a provocative, propulsive thriller that marries the spirit of James Salter with a hint of Patricia Highsmith and the velocity of *The Art Forger*. Nathan is a young artist traveling across Europe in search of the emotional fire that has been missing from his work. He's been deemed by his mentors and critics as technically skillful but uninspired —criticisms he fears to be true. On a Paris street, he witnesses the volatile breakup of a young French woman and her beau. Nathan pursues a meeting with the woman and it very quickly becomes evident that her provocative charisma and scathing beauty just may conjure the electricity he has been seeking for his work. So when the woman invites him to her parents' crumbling, centuries-old chateau in the country to allow him to sketch her, he accepts, knowing that this proposition is both ill advised and thrilling. Once enveloped by this isolated estate, a door opens to a world Nathan is not prepared for. The arrival of the young woman's family—her mother, a volatile, voracious former ballerina, her father, a mysterious businessman with secrets of his own, and her uncle, who might be trafficking in art forgeries.

**Summary of Norman Ollestad's Crazy for the Storm** Jan 24 2023 Please note: This is a companion version & not the original book. Sample Book Insights: #1 I was eleven years old when I flew to Big Bear with my father to train for the ski season. I had won the Southern California Slalom Championship the day before, and my dad had chartered a plane to avoid another round-trip in the car. #2 The author's father was a pilot, and he was flying his son to the top of Ontario Peak, 8,693 feet high, to see the view. The plane broke apart, flinging chunks of debris across the rugged north face, and hurling their bodies into an icy chute.

**The Source of All Things** Oct 21 2022 The author explains how her love for the outdoors—and her journeys to natural landscapes in Colorado, Idaho, Wyoming and Alaska—became her only source of redemption after suffering sexual abuse from her stepfather for more than six years.

**The Opposite Field** Aug 07 2021 Here is one of the most remarkable, ambitious, and utterly original memoirs of this generation, a story of the losing and finding of self, of sex and love and fatherhood and the joy of language, of death and failure and heartbreak, of Los Angeles and Portland and Nicaragua and Mexico, and the shifting sands of place and meaning that can make up a culture, or a community, or a home. Faced with the collapse of his son's Little League program—consisting mostly of Latino kids in the largely Asian suburb of Monterey Park, California—Jesse Katz finds himself thrust into the role of baseball commissioner for La Loma Park. Under its lights the yearnings and conflicts of a complex immigrant community are played out amid surprising moments of grace. Each day—and night—becomes a test of Jesse's judgment and adaptability, and of his capacity to make this peculiar pocket of L.A.'s Eastside his home. While Jesse soothes egos,

brokers disputes, chases down delinquent coaches and missing equipment, and applies popsicles to bruises, he forms unlikely alliances, commits unanticipated errors, and receives the gift of unexpected wisdom. But there's no less drama in Jesse's complicated personal life as he grapples with a stepson who seems destined for trouble, comforts his mother (a legendary Oregon politician) when she's stricken with cancer, and receives hard lessons in finding—and holding on to—the love of a good woman. Through it all, Jesse's emotional mainstay is his beloved son, Max, who quietly bests his father's brightest hopes. Over nine springs and summers with Max at La Loma, Jesse learns nothing less than what it takes to be a father, a son, a husband, a coach, and, ultimately, a man. This is an epic book, a funny book, a sexy book, a rapturously evocative and achingly poignant book. Above all it is true, in that it happened, but also in a way that transcends mere facts and cuts to the quick of what it means to be alive.

*Out of Captivity* Mar 14 2022 "[A] remarkable story....An honest and harrowing memoir of a life-changing ordeal." —Arizona Republic The spellbinding New York Times bestseller, *Out of Captivity* is the amazing true story of Marc Gonsalves, Tom Howes, and Keith Stansell, three American civilian contractors who were held hostage by the FARC rebel group in Colombia for five and a half years. Written with Gary Brozek, this book is an astonishing tale of unbelievable hardship and indomitable will—an "action-packed" (Time magazine) real-life adventure that stands with *Alive* by Piers Paul Read, Norman Ollestad's *Crazy for the Storm*, and other classic true stories of survival.

**Inner Ranges** Jun 05 2021 Winner of the 2019 Banff Mountain Book Award for Climbing Literature Winner of the 2019 National Outdoor Book Award for Outdoor Literature Shortlisted for the 2019 Boardman Tasker Award *Inner Ranges* brings together an enlightening and entertaining selection of mountain writing by one of Canada's most respected adventure journalists and thinkers. This collection of original and previously published pieces includes provocative editorial and opinion work about the state of adventure, personal tales from a life of exploration and risk-taking, some touches of humour, and award-winning profiles of some of Canada's mountaineering greats. Stories include conversations with and profiles of alpine personalities such as Barry Blanchard, Sonnie Trotter, Lena Rowat, Raphael Slawinski, David Jones and many more. Bringing these essays together for the first time has given Geoff the unique opportunity to reflect back on the stories behind the stories, the consequences of their publication, and the sometimes complex processes of writing about adventure and adventurous lives.

*Cross Country* May 24 2020 In 2017, professional runner Rickey Gates ran 3,700 miles across the continental United States with just a small backpack and an anthropologist's curiosity to discover the divided America in which we live. In the book *Cross Country*, Gates documents this epic experience from South Carolina to San Francisco, sharing first-person essays, interviews, and over 200 photographs of the ordinary and extraordinary people and places he saw along the way. While Gates delivers unparalleled insight into the extreme athletic and mental challenge of this transcontinental run, running is not the core focus of *Cross Country*—it is a story of the remarkable people across the United States who we would otherwise never meet. • A photographic travelogue that follows along Rickey Gates's run across the country, and the individuals who live in it • Filled with portraits, landscapes, and collages of towns and communities that most people have never seen • From South Carolina to San Francisco, the five-month-long run covers 3,700 miles of hiking trails, rivers, and roads. Gates slept in the rain, carried meager possessions on his back, ran through the night, endured mental and physical challenges, and survived on a staple of gas station hot dogs and Pop Tarts. Delivering a patchwork portrait of America, Gates's captivating story captures the spirit of our country—that grit, determination, and compassion are qualities that can unite us all. • Perfect gift for runners, hikers, and lovers of the outdoors, as well as fans of travelogues, photography, and photo-journalism • A great pick for those who loved *Humans of New York* by Brandon Stanton, *The Oregon Trail: A New American Journey* by Rinker Buck, and *A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail* by Bill Bryson. • A unique perspective of the United States

**The Magical Stranger** Apr 03 2021 *The Magical Stranger* is a moving story of love and sacrifice, fathers and sons, heroism and duty, soldiers and the families they leave behind. On November 28, 1979, squadron commander and Navy pilot Peter Rodrick died when his plane crashed in the Indian Ocean, leaving behind a devastated wife, two daughters, and a 13-year-old son. In this powerful, beautifully written book, journalist Stephen Rodrick explores the life and death of the man who indelibly



shaped his life, even as he remained a mystery. Through adolescence and into adulthood, Stephen Rodrick struggled to fully grasp the reality of his father's death and its permanence. To better understand his father, Rodrick turned to members of his father's former squadron, the "World-Famous Black Ravens." As he learns about his father, he uncovers the layers of these sailors' lives: their loves, friendships, dreams, disappointments—and the consequences of their choices on those they leave behind. The journey doesn't end until November 28, 2013, when Rodrick's first son is born 34 years to the day after his father's mishap. A penetrating, thoughtful blend of memoir and reportage, *The Magical Stranger* is a moving reflection on the meaning of military service and the power of a father's legacy.

*To the Last Breath* May 16 2022 A Georgetown University physics professor describes the rigidly scheduled and isolated existence he led before embarking on a life-risking effort to climb the world's highest mountains and surf every ocean, goals that pitted him against natural and human dangers while challenging his most passionate beliefs. Reprint. 100,000 first printing.

**Adventures of Ook and Gluk: Kung Fu Cavemen from the Future**

Jan 20 2020 Tra-la-laaa! Dav Pilkey -- ahem -- we mean, George and Harold, the authors of *SUPER DIAPER BABY*, are back with their second epic novel! Meet Ook and Gluk, the stars of this sensationally silly graphic novel from the creators of *Captain Underpants!* It's 500,001 BC, and Ook and Gluk's hometown of Caveland, Ohio, is under attack by an evil corporation from the future. When Ook, Gluk, and their little dinosaur pal Lily are pulled through a time portal to 2222, they discover a future world that's even more devastated than their own. Luckily, they find a friend in Master Wong, a martial arts instructor who trains them in the ways of kung fu. Now all they have to do is travel back in time 502,223 years and save the day!

*Into the Abyss* Jun 24 2020 Only four men survived the plane crash: The pilot, A politician, A cop . . . And the criminal he was shackled to. On a freezing October night in 1984, a Canadian commuter plane smashed headlong into a high ridge of remote, rugged forest. Among the survivors was a small-time criminal named Paul Archimbault, now free of his handcuffs and the only one to escape the crash uninjured. The only one capable of keeping the other three survivors alive -- should he choose to...

**Idaho** May 04 2021 **\*\*WINNER OF THE INTERNATIONAL DUBLIN LITERARY AWARD\*\*** 'I love Idaho' Paula Hawkins, bestselling author of *The Girl on the Train* This sharp, stunning debut novel and Irish bestseller about grief, loss and redemption is your next literary obsession One hot August day a family drives to a mountain clearing to collect birch wood. Jenny, the mother, is in charge of lopping any small limbs off the logs with a hatchet. Wade, the father, does the stacking. The two daughters, June and May, aged nine and six, drink lemonade, swat away horseflies, bicker, sing snatches of songs as they while away the time. But then Jenny does something unspeakable, an act so extreme it will scatter the family in every different direction, and leave dark unanswered questions for years to come. 'Unflinching...multi-layered storytelling that is both beautiful and devastating' Rachel Joyce, author of *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* 'A puzzle that enthralls from the outset' Guardian 'Hauntingly brilliant, this book will stay with you for days after you've put it down' Evening Standard, Books of the Year

**Inside the F.B.I.** Nov 10 2021 About the inner structure and operations of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

**Crazy for the Storm: A Memoir of Survival** Mar 26 2023 Set in the aftermath of a harrowing plane crash, this is the true story of one young boy's fight for survival in nature's most treacherous conditions.

*Stitches* Dec 19 2019 A Publishers Weekly Top Ten Best Book of the Year An Amazon.com Top Ten Best Book of 2009 A Washington Post Book World's Ten Best Book of the Year A California Literary Review Best Book of 2009 An L.A. Times Top 25 Non-Fiction Book of 2009 An NPR Best Book of the Year, Best Memoir With this stunning graphic memoir, David Small takes readers on an unforgettable journey into the dark heart of his tumultuous childhood in 1950s Detroit, in a coming-of-age tale like no other. At the age of fourteen, David awoke from a supposedly harmless operation to discover his throat had been slashed and one of his vocal chords removed, leaving him a virtual mute. No one had told him that he had cancer and was expected to die. The resulting silence was in keeping with the atmosphere of secrecy and repressed frustration that pervaded the Small household and revealed itself in the slamming of cupboard doors, the thumping of a punching bag, the beating of a drum. Believing that they were doing their best, David's parents did just the reverse. David's mother held the family emotionally hostage with her

furious withdrawals, even as she kept her emotions hidden — including from herself. His father, rarely present, was a radiologist, and although David grew up looking at X-rays and drawing on X-ray paper, it would be years before he discovered the shocking consequences of his father's faith in science. A work of great bravery and humanity, *Stitches* is a gripping and ultimately redemptive story of a man's struggle to understand the past and reclaim his voice.

*Not Without Hope* Apr 15 2022 *Not Without Hope* is the true story of the headline-making tragedy that took the lives of three football players: NFL stars Marquis Cooper and Corey Smith, and Will Bleakley from the University of South Florida. Told by the sole survivor of the ill-fated fishing trip, Nick Schuyler, with New York Times bestselling author and sports journalist Jere Longford, *Not Without Hope* is an inspiring and unforgettable story of courage and strength, friendship and loss, and, most importantly, hope, in the vein of *Touching the Void*, *Into Thin Air*, *Between a Rock and a Hard Place*, and Piers Paul Read's classic survival tale, *Alive*.

*Hound of the Sea* Apr 22 2020 In this thrilling and candid memoir, world record-holding and controversial Big Wave surfer Garrett McNamara--star and subject of the HBO mini-series, *100 Foot Wave*--chronicles his emotional quest to ride the most formidable waves on earth. Garrett McNamara set the world record for the sport, surfing a seventy-eight-foot wave in Nazaré, Portugal in 2011, a record he smashed two years later at the same break. Propelled by the challenge and promise of bigger, more difficult waves, this adrenaline-fueled loner and polarizing figure travels the globe to ride the most dangerous swells the oceans have to offer, from calving glaciers to hurricane swells. But what motivates McNamara to go to such extremes—to risk everything for one thrilling ride? Is riding giant waves the ultimate exercise in control or surrender? Personal and emotional, readers will know GMac as never before, seeing for the first time the personal alongside the professional in an exciting, intimate look at what drives this inventive, iconoclastic man. Surfing awesome giants isn't just thrill seeking, he explains—it's about vanquishing fears and defeating obstacles past and present. Surfers and non-surfers alike will embrace McNamara's story—as they have William Finnegan's *Barbarian Days*—an its intimate look at the enigmatic pursuit of riding waves, big and small. *Hound of the Sea* is a record of perseverance, passion, and healing. Thoughtful, suspenseful, and spiritually profound, McNamara reveals the beautiful soul of surfing through the eyes of one of its most daring and devoted disciples.

*The Mosquito Coast* Oct 29 2020 *The Mosquito Coast* - winner of the James Tait Black Memorial Prize - is a breathtaking novel about fanaticism and a futile search for utopia from bestseller Paul Theroux. Allie Fox is going to re-create the world. Abominating the cops, crooks, junkies and scavengers of modern America, he abandons civilisation and takes the family to live in the Honduran jungle. There his tortured, messianic genius keeps them alive, his hoarse tirades harrying them through a diseased and dirty Eden towards unimaginable darkness. 'Stunning. . . exciting, intelligent, meticulously realised, artful' Victoria Glendinning, Sunday Times 'An epic of paranoid obsession that swirls the reader headlong to deposit him on a black mudbank of horror' Christopher Wordsworth, Guardian 'Magnificently stimulating and exciting' Anthony Burgess American travel writer Paul Theroux is known for the rich descriptions of people and places that is often streaked with his distinctive sense of irony; his novels and collected short stories, *My Other Life*, *The Collected Stories*, *My Secret History*, *The Lower River*, *The Stranger at the Palazzo d'Oro*, *A Dead Hand*, *Millroy the Magician*, *The Elephant Suite*, *Saint Jack*, *The Consul's File*, *The Family Arsenal*, and his works of non-fiction, including the iconic *The Great Railway Bazaar* are available from Penguin.

*And I Alone Survived* Jul 06 2021

**Buried in the Sky: The Extraordinary Story of the Sherpa Climbers on K2's Deadliest Day** Aug 27 2020 Winner of the National Outdoor Book Award and the Banff Mountain Book Award: "Gripping, intense...Buried in the Sky will satisfy anyone who loved [*Into Thin Air*]." —Kate Tuttle, Boston Globe When eleven climbers died on K2 in 2008, two Sherpas survived. Their astonishing tale became the stuff of mountaineering legend. This white-knuckle adventure follows the Sherpas from their remote villages in Nepal to the peak of the world's most dangerous mountain, recounting one of the most dramatic disasters in alpine history from a fascinating new perspective. Winner of the NCTE George Orwell Award and an official selection of the American Alpine Club Book Club.

**The Story of a Shipwrecked Sailor** Sep 20 2022 Gabriel Garcia Marquez, winner of the 1982 Nobel Prize for Literature and author of

One Hundred Years of Solitude, started his literary career with the publication of *The Story of a Shipwrecked Sailor*. . . 'On February 22 we were told that we would be returning to Columbia' In 1955 eight crew members of *Caldas*, a Colombian destroyer, were swept overboard. Velasco alone survived, drifting on a raft for ten days without food or water. Marquez retells the survivor's amazing tale of endurance, from his loneliness and thirst to his determination to survive. *The Story of a Shipwrecked Sailor* was Marquez's first major work, published in a Colombian newspaper, *El Espectador*, in 1955 and then in book form in 1970. 'The story of Velasco on his raft, his battle with sharks over a succulent fish, his hallucinations, his capture of a seagull which he was unable to eat, his subsequent droll rescue, has all the grip of archetypal myth. Reads like an epic' *Independent* 'A master storyteller' *Daily Mail* 'Garcia Marquez is a retailer of wonders' *Sunday Times*

**Kook** Sep 27 2020 With grit, poetry, and humor, Peter Heller, acclaimed author of *The River* and *The Whale Warriors* recounts his remarkable journey of discovery—of surfing, an entirely new challenge; of the ocean's beauty and power; of the strange surf subculture; of love; and, most of all, of how to seek adventure while crafting a meaningful life. Author of the *New York Times* bestselling novel *The Dog Stars* Winner of the National Outdoor Book Award for Literature Having resolved to master a big-hollow wave—that is, to go from kook (surfese for beginner) to shredder—in a single year, Heller travels from Southern California down the coast of Mexico in the company of his girlfriend and the eccentric surfers they meet. Exuberant and fearless, Heller explores the technique and science of surfing the secrets of its culture, and the environmental ravages to the stunning coastline he visits. As Heller plumbs the working of his own heart and finds joy in both love and surfing, he affords readers vivid insight into this fascinating world, with all of its perils and pleasures, its absurdity and wonder. Exhilarating, entertaining, and moving, *Kook* is a love story between a man and his surfboard, a man and his girlfriend, a not-so-old man and the sea.

**Swell** Aug 19 2022 Sailing Ten Years and 20,000 Miles In Search of Surf and Self

*Crazy for the Storm* Apr 27 2023 "Breathtaking....Crazy for the Storm will keep you up late into the night." —Washington Post Book World Norman Olstead's *New York Times* bestselling memoir *Crazy for the Storm* is the story of the harrowing plane crash the author miraculously survived at age eleven, framed by the moving tale of his complicated relationship with his charismatic, adrenaline-addicted father. Destined to stand with other classic true stories of man against nature—*Into Thin Air* and *Into the Wild* by Jon Krakauer; Sebastian Junger's *The Perfect Storm*—it is a literary triumph that novelist Russell Banks (*Affliction*) calls, "A heart-stopping story beautifully told....Norman Olstead has written a book that may well be read for generations."

**Home Waters** Jul 26 2020 "Beautiful. ... A lyrical companion to his

father's classic, *A River Runs through It*, chronicling their family's history and bond with Montana's Blackfoot River." —Washington Post A "poetic" and "captivating" (*Publishers Weekly*) memoir about the power of place to shape generations, *Home Waters* is John N. Maclean's remarkable chronicle of his family's century-long love affair with Montana's majestic Blackfoot River, the setting for his father's classic novella, *A River Runs through It*. Maclean returns annually to the simple family cabin that his grandfather built by hand, still in search of the trout of a lifetime. When he hooks it at last, decades of longing promise to be fulfilled, inspiring John, reporter and author, to finally write the story he was born to tell. A book that will resonate with everyone who feels deeply rooted to a landscape, *Home Waters* is a portrait of a family who claimed a river, from one generation to the next, of how this family came of age in the 20th century and later as they scattered across the country, faced tragedy and success, yet were always drawn back to the waters that bound them together. Here are the true stories behind the beloved characters fictionalized in *A River Runs through It*, including the Reverend Maclean, the patriarch who introduced the family to fishing; Norman, who balanced a life divided between literature and the tug of the rugged West; and tragic yet luminous Paul (played by Brad Pitt in Robert Redford's film adaptation), whose mysterious death has haunted the family and led John to investigate his uncle's murder and reveal new details in these pages. A universal story about nature, family, and the art of fly fishing, Maclean's memoir beautifully captures the inextricable ways our personal histories are linked to the places we come from—our home waters. Featuring twelve wood engravings by Wesley W. Bates and a map of the Blackfoot River region.

*No Way Down* Nov 22 2022 "No Way Down is both a gripping read and a clear-eyed investigation of the hubris, politics, and bad luck that brought on one of the worst disasters in modern mountaineering history." —Michael Kodas, author of *High Crimes: The Fate of Everest in an Age of Greed* "Graham Bowley's *No Way Down* does a great job of putting you on the mountain. It is a refreshingly unadorned account of the true brutality of climbing K2, where heroes emerge and egos are stripped down, and the only thing achieving immortality is the cold ruthless mountain." —Norman Olstead, author of *Crazy for the Storm* In the tradition of *Into Thin Air* and *Touching the Void*, *No Way Down* by *New York Times* reporter Graham Bowley is the harrowing account of the worst mountain climbing disaster on K2, second to Everest in height... but second to no peak in terms of danger. From tragic deaths to unbelievable stories of heroism and survival, *No Way Down* is an amazing feat of storytelling and adventure writing, and, in the words of explorer and author Sir Ranulph Fiennes, "the closest you can come to being on the summit of K2 on that fateful day."

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