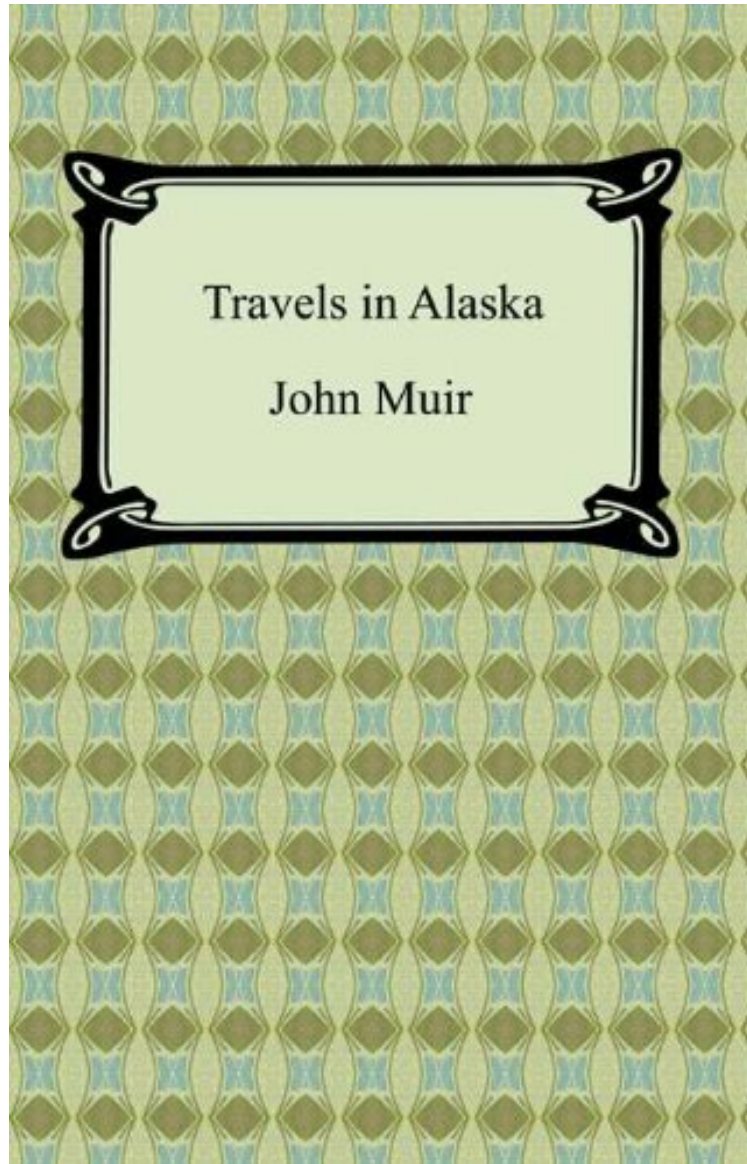


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Von John Muir : Travels in Alaska [with Biographical Introduction] before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Travels in Alaska [with Biographical Introduction]:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Visit To Pristine AlaskaVon James Gallen"Travels In Alaska" is, essentially, a diary which John Muir kept during his three visits to Southeastern Alaska from 1879-1890. In the course of his travels he describes the Indians, plants, wild life, mountains and glaciers. He is especially interested in his explorations of the glaciers. He provides the reader with an

insight into pristine Alaska. His comments about retreating glaciers are of interest given the current claims of man-made global warming. The reader comes to respect Muir's love of nature and his bravery, as he paddles around ice bergs, camps on glaciers and enters the domains of bears and whales. The downside of this is that there is very little analysis beyond what he recorded at the time of his journeys. While his observations hold your interest, Muir's writing style adds little to the narrative. This book pales in comparison to *Ranch Life the Hunting Trail* by his friend, Theodore Roosevelt (see my review). Overall I enjoyed "Travels In Alaska", but have read better nature books. Perhaps a reader more familiar with the Alaskan Panhandle or outdoor adventures would have a greater appreciation with this work.

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Von Ein Kunde
No doubt about it, John Muir was one of America's greatest citizens. He founded the Sierra Club and was instrumental in starting the ecological movement in the United States. In this book Muir recounts three journeys to Southeast Alaska that he took in the late 1800's. He writes better about glaciers than any writer who ever lived. There are flaws: Muir's attitudes about native peoples are simple-minded and ignorant, and his prose is sometimes dry and dull. Also, one cannot help but call Muir's credibility into question when he writes that he and his dog Stickeen walked fifteen miles across a crevasse-riddled glacier in three hours and then had nothing for dinner but a moldy cracker. But these are important records from a man who truly loved the natural world, and it's essential reading material for anyone traveling to Southeast Alaska or anyone wishing to learn more about glaciers.

Kurzbeschreibung John Muir, famed naturalist, based his book "Travels in Alaska" on several journeys he made there between 1879 and 1890. Muir's writing makes the awesome beauty of the Alaskan wilderness come alive with vivid depictions of the glaciers that exist there. "Travels in Alaska" is a must read for all nature lovers.

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.co.uk The name John Muir has come to stand for the protection of wild land and wilderness in both American and Britain. Born in Dunbar in the east of Scotland in 1838, Muir is famed as the father of American conservation. He founded the Sierra Club and was the first person to promote the idea of national parks. In *Travels in Alaska* he takes a trip through last century's Alaska. He writes the way he took pictures, in clean, easy-going, enthusiastic prose, with insight, attention, care and genuine feeling. It's a lovely look into a beautiful land and its inhabitants, told in a flowing narrative that's far less rushed than contemporary travel tales. --Acton Lane