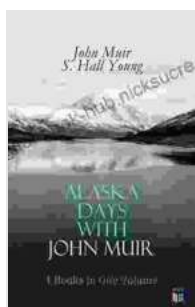


Travels in Alaska: The Cruise of the Corwin, Stickeen, and Alaska Days

In 1879, John Muir embarked on a journey to Alaska, a land he had long dreamed of exploring. He joined the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey expedition aboard the Corwin, a revenue cutter tasked with charting the coast of Alaska and the Bering Sea. Muir's account of his travels, published in his book *Travels in Alaska*, is a classic of American travel writing.

Muir was a keen observer of the natural world, and his descriptions of Alaska's glaciers, wildlife, and mountains are both beautiful and scientifically accurate. He was particularly fascinated by the glaciers, which he described as "rivers of ice" that were constantly moving and changing. He also encountered a wide variety of wildlife, including whales, seals, sea otters, and bears. Muir's writing is full of wonder and awe, and he conveys a deep appreciation for the beauty and grandeur of Alaska.



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In addition to his scientific observations, Muir also wrote about the people he met during his travels. He was particularly impressed by the Tlingit Indians, who he described as "a fine race of men, physically and intellectually." He also had a great deal of respect for the Russian fur traders, who had been the first Europeans to explore Alaska.

Muir's book *Travels in Alaska* is a valuable historical document, as it provides a firsthand account of Alaska before it was heavily developed. It is also a beautiful and inspiring work of literature, and it remains one of the best ways to experience the beauty and wonder of Alaska.

The Cruise of the Corwin

The *Corwin* was a 125-foot-long revenue cutter that was commissioned by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey in 1873. The ship was designed to explore the coast of Alaska and the Bering Sea, and it was equipped with a variety of scientific instruments. Muir joined the *Corwin* expedition in San Francisco in May 1879, and the ship sailed north along the coast of California and Oregon. The expedition then crossed the Gulf of Alaska and entered the Bering Sea. Muir was fascinated by the wildlife he encountered along the way, including whales, seals, sea otters, and bears.

The *Corwin* reached the coast of Alaska in June 1879, and the expedition began charting the coastline. Muir was particularly interested in the glaciers, and he spent many hours exploring them. He was amazed by the size and beauty of the glaciers, and he described them as "rivers of ice" that were constantly moving and changing. The expedition also visited a number of Eskimo villages, and Muir was impressed by the hospitality of the people.

The Corwin expedition returned to San Francisco in October 1879, after a successful six-month voyage. Muir had been deeply impressed by his travels in Alaska, and he wrote a glowing account of his experiences in his book *Travels in Alaska*.

Stickeen

Stickeen was a small dog that Muir adopted during his travels in Alaska. The dog had been abandoned by its owner, and Muir took pity on it. Stickeen quickly became Muir's faithful companion, and he accompanied Muir on many of his explorations. Muir was very fond of Stickeen, and he wrote a touching account of their friendship in his book *Stickeen: The Story of a Dog*.

Stickeen was a very intelligent and loyal dog, and he was always eager to please Muir. He was also a very good traveler, and he quickly adapted to life on the Corwin. Muir and Stickeen shared many adventures together, and they became lifelong friends.

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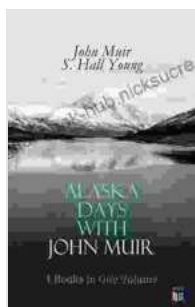
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In *Alaska Days*, Muir describes his experiences on the Corwin expedition, his friendship with Stickeen, and his encounters with the people and wildlife of Alaska. He also writes about the beauty of the glaciers, the mountains,

and the forests. Muir's writing is full of wonder and awe, and he conveys a deep appreciation for the beauty and grandeur of Alaska.

Alaska Days is a classic of American travel writing, and it is still read today by people who are interested in the history, culture, and natural beauty of Alaska.

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