



The Home of the Blizzard: A Heroic Tale of Antarctic Exploration and Survival

By Douglas Mawson

Skyhorse Publishing. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 760 pages. Dimensions: 8.9in. x 6.0in. x 1.6in. In *The Home of the Blizzard*, Sir Douglas Mawson records his historic expedition to explore uncharted land in Antarctica. Pitted against formidable natural forces, he and his team faced unrelenting winds with speeds of up to two hundred miles per hour as well as freezing temperatures and day-long blizzards. They traversed the previously unexplored King George V Land directly south of Australia and collected geological samples and magnetic readings. After accident and illness led to the death of his two teammates, a starving and frostbitten Mawson finished one hundred miles of the return journey alone. Mawson kept a detailed journal of his expedition, reprinted here in the popular abridged version from 1930. He puts the reader at the cold, windy scene with vivid descriptions of the men and their sled dogs persevering over rough terrain. Mawson's thoughts upon losing his colleague Lt. Belgrave Ninnis in a deep, snow-covered crevasse in a glacier or while dangling from his own sled in another crevasse while alone and near death convey the dual excitement and danger that accompany his unique expedition. Readers will be swept up in Sir Douglas Mawson's...



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