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Dive into a collection of captivating bear stories, featuring the legendary 'last grizzly' alongside other enthralling tales of bears from the American Southwest. This unique compilation explores themes of survival, conservation, and the enduring spirit of these magnificent creatures in their natural habitats.

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This collection of true stories about grizzly and black bears in the greater southwest from the 1820s to present day demonstrates changing attitudes toward bears and the preservation of the animals and their habitats

The Grizzly in the Southwest

In this lively, historically accurate account, David E. Brown chronicles the demise of the grizzly bear in the Southwest. He presents the personal narratives of those who knew grizzlies, accounts of hunters and administrators in wildlife management agencies, and the popular legends and lore of the grizzly that one would hear around the campfire. Scientists, Southwest historians, and those interested in America's wildlife will appreciate this readable study of the bear's life history and of the unique spirit of adventure associated with the grizzly bear—a spirit that passed from southwest game ranges with the extirpation of the species in the first half of this century. This edition includes a new foreword by Charles Jonkel and a new preface, in which the author discusses the latest developments in the debate over the grizzly's place in the Southwest.

The Bear Hunter's Century

The years from 1820 to 1920 saw the sport of bear hunting at its greatest flowering. Much of the country was still wild enough to support large numbers of both black and grizzly bears, who in turn supported a remarkable assortment of bear hunters. Some, like David Crockett and Theodore Roosevelt, became internationally famous. Others, like Wilburn Waters and Holt Collier, are almost completely forgotten, though their exploits were just as extraordinary. "The Bear Hunter's Century" brings to life the hard, thrilling lives, of these men. Not just a book of adventures, this a fascinating social history told with wit and style, a penetrating examination of the often inaccurate lore of bear hunting, and a celebration of the amazing skills developed by the best bear hunters.

Aldo Leopold's Southwest

Gathers the pre-Sand Country Almanac writings of Aldo Leopold, showing that he was not born an ecologist, but evolved over time through experimentation and thought.

Wahb

First published more than a century ago, *The Biography of a Grizzly* recounts the life of a fictitious bear named Wahb who lived and died in the Greater Yellowstone region. This new edition combines Ernest Thompson Seton's classic tale and original illustrations with historical and scientific context for Wahb's story, providing a thorough understanding of the setting, cultural connections, biology, and ecology of Seton's best-known book. By the time *The Biography of a Grizzly* was published in 1900, grizzly bears had been hunted out of much of their historical range in North America. The characterization of Wahb, along with Seton's other anthropomorphic tales of American wildlife, helped to change public perceptions and promote conservation. As editors Jeremy M. Johnston and Charles R. Preston remind us, however, Seton's approach to writing about animals put him at the center of the "Nature-Faker" controversy of the early twentieth century, when John Burroughs and Theodore Roosevelt, among others, denounced sentimental representations of wildlife. The editors address conservation scientists' continuing concerns about inaccurate depictions of nature in popular culture. Despite its anthropomorphism, Seton's paradoxical book imparts a good deal of insightful and accurate natural history, even as its exaggerations shaped early-twentieth-century public opinion on conservation in often counterproductive ways. By complicating Seton's enthralling tale with scientific observations of grizzly behavior in the wild, Johnston and Preston evaluate the story's accuracy and bring the story of Yellowstone grizzlies into the present day. Preserving the 1900 edition's original design and illustrations, Wahb brings new understanding to an American classic, updating the book for current and future generations.

The Lost Grizzlies

A search for proof that grizzly bears still live in the San Juan Mountains of Colorado.

Folk Mammalogy of the Northern Pimans

Knowledge held about animals by Pima-speaking Native Americans of Arizona and northwest Mexico is intimately entwined with their way of life. A way that is fading from memory as beavers and wolves vanish also from the Southwest. Ethnobiologist Amadeo Rea has conducted extensive fieldwork among the Northern Pimans and here shares what these people know about mammals and how mammals affect their lives. Rea describes the relationship of the River Pima, Tohono O'odham (Papago), Pima Bajo, and Mountain Pima to the furred creatures of their environment: how they are named and classified, hunted, prepared for consumption, and incorporated into myth. He also identifies associations between mammals and Piman notions of illness by establishing correlations between the geographical distribution of mammals and ideas regarding which animals do or do not cause staying sickness. This information reveals how historical and ecological factors can directly influence the belief systems of a people. At the heart of the book are detailed species accounts that relate Piman knowledge of the bats, rabbits, rodents, carnivores, and hoofed mammals in their world, encompassing creatures ranging from deer mouse to mule deer, cottontail to cougar. Rea has been careful to emphasize folk knowledge in these accounts by letting the Pimans tell their own stories about mammals, as related in transcribed conversations. This wide-reaching study encompasses an area from the Rio Yaqui to the Gila River and the Gulf of California to the Sierra Madre Occidental and incorporates knowledge that goes back three centuries. *Folk Mammalogy of the Northern Pimans* preserves that knowledge for scholars and Pimans alike and invites all interested readers to see natural history through another people's eyes.

Great Montana Bear Stories

Exciting bear encounters and biology, by well-known Montana writer.

Journal of the Southwest

Living with Wild Bears in Alaska "A heart-stopping eco-adventure, a testimony to both the grizzlies and their courageous protector." --People "The grizzly bear is one of a very few animals remaining on earth that can kill a human in physical combat. It can decapitate with a single swipe or grotesquely disfigure a person in rapid order. Within the last wilderness areas where they dwell, they are the undisputed king of all beasts. I know this very well. My name is Timothy Treadwell, and I live with the

wild grizzly. . . " After Timothy Treadwell nearly died from a heroin overdose, he sought healing far from the trappings of civilization--among wild grizzlies on the remote Alaskan coast. Without gun, two-way radio, or experience living in the wild, armed only with the love and respect he felt for these majestic animals, Treadwell set up camp surrounded by one of nature's most terrifying and fascinating forces of nature. Here is the story of his astonishing adventures with grizzlies: soothing aggressive adolescents, facing down thousand-pound males, swimming with mothers and cubs, surviving countless brushes with death, earning their trust and acceptance. In these incredible pages, Treadwell lives a life no human has ever attempted, and ultimately saves his own. To share his experience is awesome, harrowing, and unforgettable. "LIKE AFRICA NATURALIST JANE GOODALL, TREADWELL GIVES PERSONAL NAMES TO HIS SUBJECTS. . . . Bears have distinct personalities, Treadwell shows, and as a group, individual roles become clearly defined by gender, size, and age." --The Seattle Times With twenty-nine photographs

Arizona Highways

"It goes without saying that anything written by Joaquin Miller will be interesting. Of all the subjects he has chosen there is none more interesting than bears." -Book Notes Miller in this book of bear stories doesn't limit himself to the typical bear attack genre. For example, he describes a joke a grizzly bear played on an Indian: "The old Indian had only time to turn on his heel and throw himself headlong in the large end of a hollow log, which luckily lay at hand. This, however, was only a temporary refuge. He saw, to his delight, that the log was open at the other end, and corkscrewing his way along toward the further end, he was about to emerge, when, to his dismay, he saw the old mother sitting down quietly waiting for him! "After recovering his breath as best he could in his hot and contracted quarters, he elbowed and corkscrewed himself back to the place by which he first entered. But lo! the bear was there, sitting down, half smiling, and waiting to receive him warmly. This, the old Indian said, was repeated time after time, till he had no longer strength left to struggle further, and turned on his face to die, when she put her head in, touched the top of his head gently with her nose and then drew back, took her cub with her and shuffled on." Joaquin Miller (1837 - 1913) was a colorful American author and frontiersman. In 1900 he published "True Bear Stories." Other books he authored include: "My Life Among the Indians"; Specimens; Pacific Poems; Songs of the Sierras; Songs of the Sun-Lands; Life Amongst the Modocs; Arizonian; First Fam'lies of the Sierras; The One Fair Woman; The Baroness of New York; The Danites; Songs of Italy; Memorie and rime; The Destruction of Gotham; Songs of the Soul; True Bear Stories; Chants for the Boer; The Complete Poetical Works of Joaquin Miller; As It Was in the Beginning; The Building of the City Beautiful; Light: A Narrative Poem; The Danites in the Sierras; The Gold-Seekers of the Sierras; An Elk Hunt; The Battle of Castle Crags Joaquin Miller, like Mark Twain, may be said to have emerged from the materials he worked in. No American writer, not even Thoreau or Whitman, has ever been more uniquely individual, and none, not even Mark Twain, has woven into his writings more things that are peculiarly American, or has worked with a more thorough firsthand knowledge of the picturesque elements that went into the making of the new West. He is the poet of the American westward march, the poet of "the great American desert," the poet preeminently of the mountain ranges from Alaska to Nicaragua as John Muir is their prose interpreter.

Among Grizzlies

Features seventeen writings on the grizzly bear by contemporary writers from Alaska to the Southwest.

True Bear Stories

"For centuries, Indian myths and Hispanic legends have told of a mysterious large wildcat, the Onza, said to inhabit the mountains and jungles of Mexico's Sierra Madre Occidental. Not a jaguar, not a mountain lion, the Onza is considered more elusive and ferocious than either. In the 20th century a variety of American hunters, writers, cryptozoologists and roustabouts have sought to unravel the mystery of the Onza. These men, including J. Frank Dobie, the Lee brothers, Robert Marshall, and Russell Annabel, have ranged the Mexican wilds to give the truth or lie to the Onza legend. This book slays the myths, celebrates the lore, and tells their stories of adventure."--Back cover

The Klamath Indians of Southwest Oregon

The True Story of a Big-Hearted Bear is a factual story of a mother grizzly bear named Baylee, her three cubs, and a two-year-old grizzly who Baylee adopts into their family. Grizzly bears are extremely protective of their young and generally do not tolerate other bears. However, Baylee raised her adopted

son, Emmett, along with her three cubs until he was ready to live on his own. What happens next in the wilds of Alaska reveals that just like people, every grizzly bear is a little different from every other one, each with its own personality. The story is told with words and photographs exactly as it happened. The authors pledge to donate a portion of the proceeds from the sale of this book to Vital Ground. Vital Ground, a non-profit conservation organization, works with private landowners to protect essential habitat in the last ecosystems where grizzlies roam. Together with its many partners, the group has helped conserve more than a quarter of a million acres in Alaska and the heart of the Rocky Mountains. For more information visit www.vitalground.org.

The American West

This guide book is a bibliography of books about the American West by various authors, compiled by the literary critic J. Franck Dobie. The list is subdivided along themes associated with the different aspects of life in the West such as Native American culture, Spanish influences, French influences, Texas Rangers, Missionaries, Women pioneers and Mountain men culture, among others. Each aspect is preceded by a brief discussion of the topic before the list of books themed on the subject.

The Great Bear

The Index provides a broad coverage and access to book reviews in the general social sciences, humanities, sciences, and fine arts, as well as general interest magazines and includes journals from Great Britain, Canada, Switzerland, Israel and Australia. In addition, it indexes several journals that, while published in the US, concentrate on reviewing foreign published or foreign language books. These include Hispania, French Review, German Quarterly and World Literature Today.

Onza!

Earth Works is the only comprehensive guide available to the best new and classic books about nature and the environment for adults and YAs. It provides descriptive entries for trade nonfiction and scholarly or technical books, and a significant number of fiction titles which are of interest to both the general public and specialists. Each chapter defines its scope, then identifies key books or authors, and refers to notable related works in other chapters.

Growing Up Grizzly

An inspiring collection of the finest pieces of nature writing from the previous year, the fourth volume in the Sierra Club's acclaimed annual series presents 22 rich and varied selections from such celebrated nature writers as Barry Lopez, Terry Tempest Williams, and Rick Bass plus pieces by several impressive new voices.

Guide to Life and Literature of the Southwest, with a Few Observations

This newest in the Sierra Club's acclaimed Nature Writing series includes autobiographical writings, essays, short stories, and poetry that communicate a passion for nature which enhances our appreciation of a wide range of landscapes and wildlife. Diverse in mood and setting, the 19 selections, including 7 in print for the first time, represent the best of the genre. Contributors include Rick Bass, Barry Lopez, Terry Tempest Williams and many others.

The Cumulative Book Index

A full-color celebration and exploration of North American deserts: the Mojave, Colorado, Sonoran, Chihuahua, Great Basin, and Painted.

America, History and Life

Grizzlies and Grizzled Old Men is a tribute to the core of men who were largely responsible for saving the grizzly bear from extinction by questioning public opinion and policies of their day, a time before professional biologists and wildlife managers developed strategies for proper human coexistence with the grizzly. The brutal bear trapper of a century ago, Grizzly Adams, said before he died that he preferred the company of bears to men. The great bear hunter, William Wright, wrote of his grudging admiration for the grizzly that eventually compelled him to stop killing them. Other men followed, questioning the popular opinion that the only good bear was a dead bear. This book gives honor to those men and

explains how and why the grizzly disappeared from the western landscape. The book begins with a brief history about how the grizzly was pushed to the verge of extinction and then each of the following chapters focuses on one of the men who promoted the plight of the grizzly bear through printed word, actions, or deeds. Lastly, the book discusses the generation of men and women who labor today to conserve the grizzly and offers the reader approaches to take up the cause.

Book Review Index Cumulation, 1989

Revealing the Southwest as home to some of the most entertaining writers in twenty-first century fiction, this collection features a wonderfully diverse array of authors, including Alberto Álvaro Ríos, Ron Carlson, José Skinner, Tacey M. Atsitty, and Kirstin Valdez Quade.

Maine Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit

A must-read about these magnificent but sometimes deadly creatures—thoroughly revised, expanded, and updated

Earth Works

Wahb the grizzly lives in peace with other animals and human visitors to Yellowstone National Park — until his dominance is challenged by another bear. Includes 75 distinctive black-and-white images by the author.

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