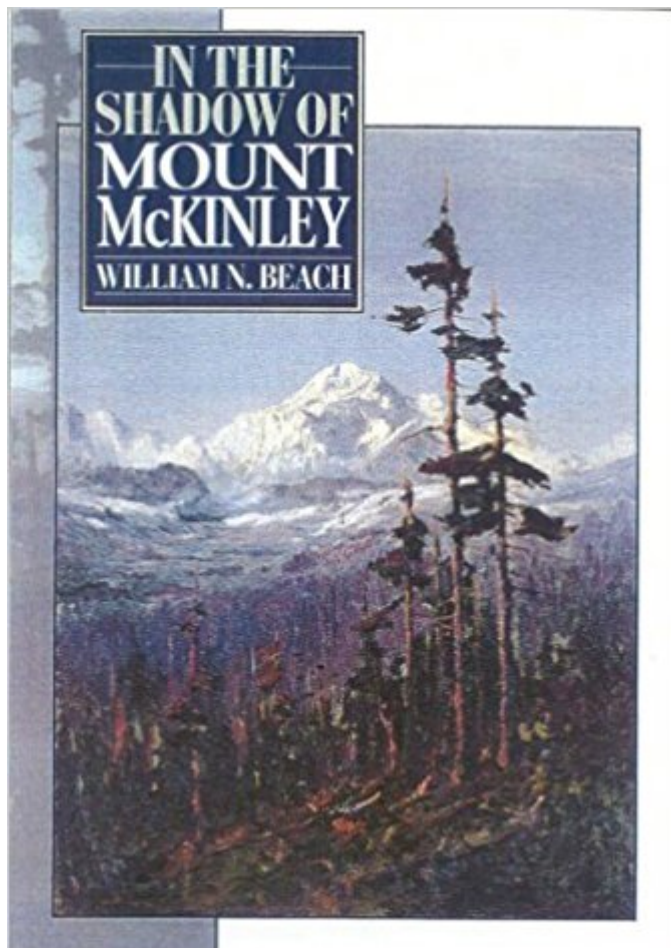


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In The Shadow Of Mount McKinley



Synopsis

These tales and descriptions of the Mt. McKinley area of Alaska were written by one of the world's most famous big game hunters. The riveting accounts of hunting expeditions for caribou, bear, moose, and mountain sheep are ably illustrated with both photos taken by the author and by color plates of stunning paintings by Carl Rungius. It's a thrilling armchair journey with one of the first explorers and hunters in this part of North America. The descriptions of this wild land will have you packing your bags to visit the last great wilderness America has to offer.

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The last great wilderness America has to offer...Alaska. Many people have longed to leave the hustle and bustle of everyday life and journey into the great unknown to hunt for big game and survive by their wits. In the Shadow of Mount McKinley brings all of this excitement to life with riveting stories by one of the world's most famous big game hunters. The thrill of the hunt, the exhilaration of forging through uncharted territory, and illustrations by Carl Rungius (one of the most important wildlife artists of the 20th century) make In the Shadow of Mount McKinley unforgettable reading.

Starting in 1922, a wealthy hunter from NY obtained pack horses and guides to go into the largely

"undiscovered" area around Denali in Alaska. The book describes the sizes of the animals seen, missed, and killed; the rugged difficulties of traversing the scenic region (more than one trip), the weather, food, and some characters. The hunter/adventurer packed-in an early moving camera, which was heavy, but no zoom feature had been invented yet. Apparently he shot some trophy animals for the Museum of Natural History. Nowadays, a hunter interested in the size of the trophies caught might well give this book the full five stars. Some of the hunter/author's attitudes are inappropriate today, but this book is a treasure factually, but interestingly, describing times past. It is hard to find this book, so get it while you can. I thought two of these paperbacks made nice gifts for two hunter friends. Recommended.

This book, in my view, is not especially interesting as a work of adventure or exploration. The author relates his exploring and hunting expeditions into the regions near Mount McKinley during the decade of the 1920s. This book will appeal most to those with a specific interest in the history and early exploration of the Mount McKinley region.

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