

The Shaman S Apprentice A Tale Of The Amazon Rain

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in his long career of exploration and scholarship hemming has become a powerful advocate for the amazon the new york times john hemming amazonia is one of the most magnificent habitats on earth containing the world s largest river with more water and a

broader basin than any other it hosts a great expanse of tropical rain forest home to the planet s most luxuriant biological diversity the human beings who settled in the region 10 000 years ago learned to live well with its bounty of fish game and vegetation it was not until 1500 that europeans first saw the amazon and unsurprisingly the rain forest s unique environment has attracted larger than life personalities through the centuries john hemming recalls the adventures and misadventures of intrepid explorers fervent jesuit ecclesiastics and greedy rubber barons who enslaved thousands of indians in the relentless quest for profit he also tells of nineteenth century botanists fearless advocates for indian rights and the archaeologists and anthropologists who have uncovered the secrets of the amazon s earliest settlers hemming discusses the current threat to amazonia as forests are destroyed to feed the world s appetite for timber beef and soybeans and he vividly describes the passionate struggles taking place in order to utilize protect and understand the amazon

a riotously colorful history of adventures chronicling more than 400 years in the exploration of the world s most formidable and enigmatic river system photographs and maps

provides folktales from amazonian fishermen hunters lodgers small plot farm gardeners and villagers in venezuela guyana brazil bolivia peru colombia and ecuador the kinds of tales are as follows tales of origin tales about anacondas and boas tales about dolphins and other aquatic seducers tales of beasts and forest defenders tales of dark and malevolent shamans tales of punishment for ill behavior and tales of special places plants and birds

authors journey the length of the amazon river from its five inch wide source high in the andes to the atlantic ocean

presenting fascinating information about one of the largest rivers in the world this guide also contains insight on the countries through which it flows readers will discover more about the first amazonians and the european conquest they will also find out about the people and wildlife that live in the rainforest along its banks and learn more about the threats to their way of life and to

the rainforest itself

without risking life or limb readers can explore the wonders and beauty of the amazon in this where is title human beings have inhabited the banks of the amazon river since 13 000 bc and yet they make up just a small percentage of the population of this geographic wonderland the amazon river basin teems with life animal and plant alike it s a rainforest that is home to an estimated 390 billion individual trees 2 5 million species of insects and hundreds of amazing creatures and plants that can either cure diseases or like the poison dart frog kill with a single touch where is the amazon reveals the amazing scale of a single rainforest that we are still trying to understand today and that in many ways supports our existence on this planet

in 1996 a baby dwarf marmoset later baptized callibella humilis was delivered to the author s doorstep he could not have guessed that this moment would trigger a series of discoveries of unique not yet identified animals and plants from the brazilian amazon the indisputable existence of the second smallest monkey in the world somewhere out there in the vast amazon basin took the scepticism away from the scientist convinced as van roosmalen was that discovering new primates at the turn of the 20th century would be really impossible describing mammals new to science is widely considered a privilege reserved to the great naturalists of the 18th and 19th centuries van roosmalen s odyssey in search of the land of the callibella revealed a river basin never visited before by naturalists which was teeming with not yet described living things a biological terra incognita that turned into a naturalist s el dorado this book includes among other amazing amazonian stories an account of van roosmalen s encounters with large bodied apparently overlooked creatures new to science that live up in the canopy on the forest floor as well as in the water of this lost world the rio aripuana basin here we mention at least ten more big monkeys giant peccary fair brocket deer dwarf tapir dwarf manatee a third freshwater dolphin cf pontoporia giant paca fair tree squirrel pair living red coati red coated tayra van roosmalen s dwarf porcupine and hundreds of unknown trees and vines in his account monkeys of the amazon 1854 alfred wallace based his evolutionary ideas on observations made during his long stay in the amazon in his river barrier hypothesis he considered the amazon basin a huge freshwater archipelago in which the main rivers act as barriers to genetic drift through genetic isolation they

provoke speculation on his travels through the amazon to study its biodiversity van roosmalen noticed how right wallace was 150 years ago and how well his hypothesis applies to the evolution and phylo geography of living beings in the amazon he explains why it represents by far the highest biodiversity on earth island bio geography as defined for oceanic archipelagos can be perfectly applied to the interfluvies of major rivers in the amazon flying for hours over the never ending sea of tree tops people may think that the amazon rain forest is just one sea of broccoli all the same but the over 100 000 plant species and millions of animal species incl insects are not at all evenly spread across the amazon if so this ecosystem would not contain the highest biodiversity on the planet in this book it is explained for by a combination of factors the tropical climate the overall poor nutrient soils on which the rain forest grows and has evolved over more than 70 million years its unique geophysical history its utterly complex mosaic of vegetation types and the insulation caused by hundreds of rivers of three different water types together with their extensive floodplains the latter do act as strong geographical barriers that prevent animals and plants to cross over from one interfluvium to the other van roosmalen s research confronted him with difficulties to lay one s hand on biological material without having to kill specimens to put in a museum political obstacles lay on his path such as to collect and transport holotype material of new plants and animals for dna analysis in a lab abroad unfortunately time runs out all these creatures are found at the verge of extinction they all need their living space the ancient amazon rain forest rigidly protected by law van roosmalen s popular scientific book barefoot through the amazon a textbook on amazon rainforest ecology and biodiversity will hopefully attract national and international public awareness and draw attention to some of the most special and poorest known hotspots of biodiversity in the entire amazon they urgently need our protection

since its discovery by europeans in 1500 explorers visionaries soldiers of fortune men of god scientists and slavers have been drawn to the legendary amazon the river sea is a sweeping chronicle of those brave and hardy souls ranging from the spanish seafarer vicente pinzón who discovered the river to contemporary heroes and heroines like sister dorothy stang and chico mendes whose efforts to save the rain forest cost them their lives among the vast cast of characters who people this drama of the amazon

are francisco de orellana the first european to traverse the river from the andes to the sea the fiery priest bartolomé de las casas defender of the indigenous peoples the great scientist explorers alexander von humboldt and alfred russel wallace the madman and psychopath lope de aguirre and the peruvian evangeline isabel godin who in 1769 crossed the continent braving the terrors of the jungles to reunite with her husband whom she had not seen in twenty years the river sea is a compelling account of five centuries of the history the myths and the legends of río Amazonas the most exotic and fascinating locale on earth

in this volume the amazon and its adjacent rainforest are presented in all their important facets first there is the vast river system itself with its network of white black and clear water rivers the different water qualities have an enormous impact on people animals and plants on the other hand the people who live along this rio mar the ocean river are described they are the caboclos the descendants of the european immigrants and the indigenous people and it is the different indigenous peoples who have mostly settled along the riverbanks since the rivers here replace the roads and make contact with other people possible in the first place although these ethnic groups have been in contact with western civilization for generations they have surprisingly preserved a number of remarkable traditions that are described here the treasure of the amazon is its plants and animals therefore the most fascinating flowering plants including numerous medicinal plants trees epiphytes and lianas from different habitats are described in detail and illustrated with excellent photographs finally it is the animals especially in and around the river that have always fascinated alexander von humboldt not only is the lifestyle of the legendary pink dolphins piranhas and tarantulas explained here but the impressive amphibians reptiles and mammals of the jungle are also discussed epiphytes and lianas from different habitats are described in detail and illustrated with excellent photographs finally it is the animals especially in and around the river that have always fascinated alexander von humboldt not only is the lifestyle of the legendary pink dolphins piranhas and tarantulas explained here but the impressive amphibians reptiles and mammals of the jungle are also discussed epiphytes and lianas from different habitats are described in detail and illustrated with excellent photographs finally it is the animals especially in and around the river that have always fascinated alexander von humboldt not only is the lifestyle of the legendary pink dolphins piranhas and tarantulas

explained here but the impressive amphibians reptiles and mammals of the jungle are also discussed this book is a translation of the original german 1st edition faszination amazonas by lothar staeck published by springer verlag gmbh germany part of springer nature in 2019 the translation was done with the help of artificial intelligence machine translation by the service deepl com a subsequent human revision was done primarily in terms of content so that the book will read stylistically differently from a conventional translation springer nature works continuously to further the development of tools for the production of books and on the related technologies to support the authors

this guide and introduction to the extraordinary range of languages in amazonia includes some of the most fascinating in the world and many of which are now teetering on the edge of extinction

with an area of more than 2 million square miles 5 2 million square kilometers the amazon rainforest is the largest rainforest in the world it is so large that it covers an area equal to about half of the united states discover more in amazon rainforest one of the titles in the natural wonders of the world series

in the eight pieces that make up land without history first published in portuguese in 1909 euclides da cunha offers a rare look into twentieth century amazonia and the consolidation of south american nation states mixing scientific jargon and poetic language the essays in land without history provide breathtaking descriptions of the amazonian rivers and the ever changing nature that surrounds them brilliantly translated by ronald sousa land without history offers a view of the ever changing ecology of the amazon and a compelling testimony to the brazilian colonial enterprise and its imperialist tendencies with regard to neighboring nation states

riveting firsthand science one river reminds us what priceless jewels we are losing as the rain forest disappears this is an epic story in the grand tradition of scientific adventure the landmark amazon explorations of legendary botanist richard evans schultes and his

student wade davis that revealed the treasures of the rain forest of photos

a unique lavishly illustrated e guide to the beauty and diversity of the amazon the rainforest and the river its flora and fauna and the people who live in the region applying the award winning dk eyewitness formula to the subject of the largest and most bio diverse tract of tropical rainforest in the world and the vast river that winds its way through it this title profiles everything from the birds animals and insects that live there to the nine south american countries it extends across

in the amazon jungle by algot lange immerses readers in a vivid exploration of the amazon s lush landscapes and the intricate web of life within it through a blend of lyrical prose and meticulous observation lange captures the interplay between nature and indigenous cultures revealing the profound bond between humanity and the environment the book is framed within the context of early 20th century environmental writing offering a poignant reflection on the burgeoning awareness of ecological issues and the impact of colonization lange s narrative style weaves personal anecdotes with scientific observations creating a tapestry of interrelated themes that engage both the intellect and the senses algot lange was a noted naturalist and explorer driven by an insatiable curiosity about the natural world his travels through uncharted territories and intimate encounters with indigenous communities informed his writing granting him a unique perspective on the complexities of conservation and cultural preservation lange s background in anthropology and botany combined with his profound respect for the amazon s biodiversity equipped him to address the urgent environmental challenges of his time making his work both timely and timeless readers seeking a compelling narrative that not only entertains but also educates will find in the amazon jungle an essential addition to their collection lange s eloquent prose and rich descriptions invite contemplation about our relationship with nature and underscore the importance of safeguarding ecological treasures this book is a call to reflect on the beauty of the amazon and a reminder of the responsibility we share in preserving its legacy in this enriched edition we have carefully created added value for your reading experience hand picked memorable quotes shine a spotlight on moments of literary brilliance interactive footnotes clarify unusual references historical allusions and archaic phrases for an effortless more informed read

one of the most impressive of all victorian scientists but also a marvellous writer bates 1825 1892 account of his years in the upper reaches of the amazon is almost too good to be true a great monument to human inquisitiveness as he battles great hoards of malevolent reptiles and insects in his quest for ever more obscure specimens on ever more narrow and creeper choked tributaries great journeys allows readers to travel both around the planet and back through the centuries but also back into ideas and worlds frightening ruthless and cruel in different ways from our own few reading experiences can begin to match that of engaging with writers who saw astounding things great civilisations walls of ice violent and implacable jungles deserts and mountains multitudes of birds and flowers new to science reading these books is to see the world afresh to rediscover a time when many cultures were quite strange to each other where legends and stories were treated as facts and in which so much was still to be discovered

algot lange s in the amazon jungle is a meticulously crafted narrative that immerses readers in the richness and complexity of the amazon rainforest through evocative prose and vivid imagery lange skillfully evokes the sights sounds and textures of the vibrant ecosystem while weaving a tale of exploration and discovery the book situated within the literary context of early 20th century adventure literature engages themes of colonization environmentalism and the contrasting lives of indigenous peoples and western adventurers offering a critical lens on the impact of globalization on fragile ecosystems algot lange was a passionate naturalist and explorer whose own travels in south america inspired his writings his experiences in the amazon where he interacted with diverse cultures and environments shaped his deep understanding of both the wonders and challenges of the region lange s background in environmental science and anthropology informs the narrative highlighting his commitment to raising awareness about the ethical considerations surrounding exploration and exploitation of natural resources readers seeking a captivating journey through one of the world s last great wildernesses will find in the amazon jungle a profound and thought provoking read lange s narrative not only entertains but also educates making it essential for those interested in adventure environmental issues and the interconnection of cultures in the context of nature in this enriched edition we have carefully created added value for your reading experience hand picked memorable quotes shine a spotlight on moments of literary brilliance interactive footnotes clarify unusual

references historical allusions and archaic phrases for an effortless more informed read

intimate frontiers a literary geography of the amazon analyzes the ways in which the amazon has been represented in twentieth century cultural production with contributions by scholars working in latin america the us and europe intimate frontiers reads against the grain commonly held notions about the region its gigantism its richness its exceptionality among other choosing to approach these rather from quotidian everyday experiences of a more intimate nature the multinational pluriethnic corpus of texts critically examined here explores a wide range of cultural artifacts including travelogues diaries and novels about the rubber boom genocide as well as indigenous oral histories documentary films and photography about the region the different voices gathered in this book show that the richness of the amazon lays not in its natural resources or opportunities for economic exploit but in the richness of its histories stories in the form of songs oral histories images material culture and texts

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