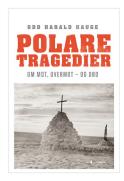
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Polar Tragedies

Original title: Polare tragedier. Om mot, overmot -- og død Publisher: Gyldendal Norsk Forlag 2019 Non Fiction / History 93000 Words English and Icelandic samples available

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Polar exploration's greatest tragedies and mysteries are a fascinating blend of courage, arrogance and ignorance.

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But what lies behind these tragedies? What made an 80-year-old take a team of forty men to Canada on a hunt for gold in the year 1720? How could 17 healthy men die in a newly built house full of food? Was Captain Andrée a madman or a genius when he set out for the North Pole in his balloon? How could an illegitimate child from Arendal become a Danish war hero and iconic hero of polar exploration?

This book presents both the famous and unknown stories – from Willem Barentsz in 1596, via Vitus Bering and seven other expeditions, to the race between Scott and Amundsen. This is the first time these stories have been presented together in context.

Foreign rights

Iceland, Ugla útgáfa ehf.

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Other titles

The Novaja Semlja Effect (2023) Great Bear (2019) Everest (2016) Paranoia (2012) The Liars (2011) In times of thieves (2009)