

## Explore More: *Life of Pi*

### Explore More Fantastical Voyages

*The Cat's Table*, Michael Ondaatje.

Travel on an ocean liner with a solo eleven-year-old in the 1950s from Sri Lanka to England. Michael is placed at the lowly "Cat's Table" during mealtimes where he witnesses eccentric grownups spinning webs of fantastical worlds. Partially told looking back from adulthood the narrator unfolds layered tales of the magical yet often difficult discoveries of childhood that spark a lifelong journey.

FICTION ONDAATJE

*The Alchemist*, Paulo Coelho.

Follow a young Andalusian shepherd who travels to Egypt after a fortune teller reveals he will discover treasure at the pyramids. Instead, he meets a wise alchemist. From young idealism to mature wisdom the alchemist teaches the shepherd to realize his true self and journey towards realizing that home is really where the treasure is.

FICTION COELHO

*The Goldfinch*, Donna Tartt

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize a young boy miraculously survives an accident in New York when it claims his mother's life. Abandoned by his father and trying to make sense of his new life, he is drawn into the art underworld by a painting of his mother's. This modern-day odyssey is one of self-invention and the monumental power of art.

FICTION TARTT

### Explore More Animals and Humans

*H is for Hawk*, Helen Macdonald

This is the story of how one woman trained a goshawk. From childhood Helen MacDonald was determined to become a falconer. When drowning in the grief of her father's death she becomes obsessed with training her own. This book is a record of a spiritual journey, struggle with grief, and how it might be possible to reconcile death with life and love.

598.944 MACD 2015

*Heal the beasts: a jaunt through the curious history of the veterinary arts*, Phillipp Schott

This biography tells the heart wrenching story of a girl from Saskatchewan became a superstar of folk music. Her influence on generations of singer-songwriters is undeniable and the author shows us why in this definitive book. 636.089 SCHOTT 2025

*A woman among wolves: My journey through forty years of wolf recovery*, Diane Boyd

In the 1970s Diane Boyd was the only female biologist in the US researching and radio-collaring wolves. Dubbed the Jane Goodall of wolves after 40 years of studying and advocating for these wild dogs, she has faced grizzlies, mountain lions, and wolverines. Her stories highlight her resourcefulness, the beauty of this apex predator, and her admiration for them.

570.92 BOYD 2024

### Explore More with adaptations!

*Life of Pi* [DVD recording]

Explore the multiple award-winning film adaptation of *Life of Pi* directed by Ang Lee.

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