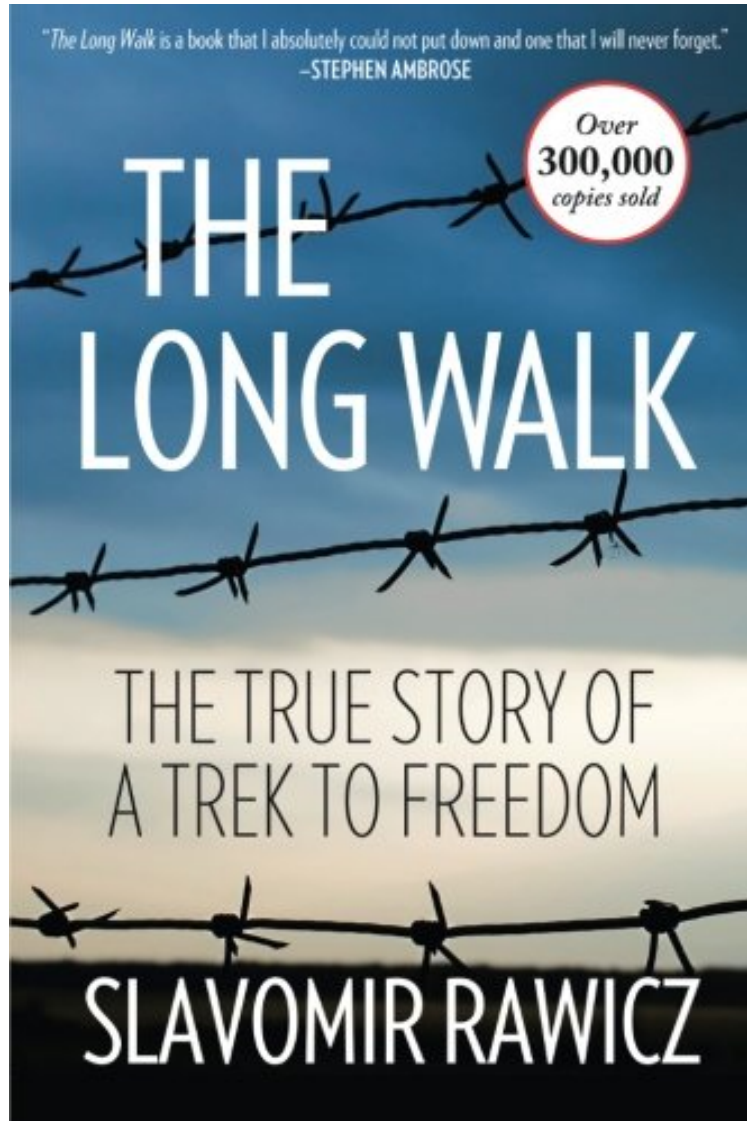


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"I hope The Long Walk will remain as a memorial to all those who live and die for freedom, and for all those who for many reasons could not speak for themselves."--Slavomir Rawicz In 1941, the author and six other fellow prisoners escaped a Soviet labor camp in Yakutsk--a camp where enduring hunger, cold, untended wounds, untreated illnesses, and avoiding daily executions were everyday feats. Their march--over thousands of miles by foot--out of Siberia, through China, the Gobi Desert, Tibet, and over the Himalayas to British India is a remarkable statement about man's desire to be free. While the original book sold hundreds of thousands of copies, this updated paperback version includes a new Afterword by the author, as well as the author's Foreword to the Polish book. Written in a hauntingly detailed, no holds barred way, the new edition of The Long Walk is destined to outrank its classic status and guaranteed to forever stay in the reader's mind.

.com Cavalry officer Slavomir Rawicz was captured by the Red Army in 1939 during the German-Soviet partition of Poland and was sent to the Siberian Gulag along with other captive Poles, Finns, Ukrainians, Czechs, Greeks, and even a few English, French, and American unfortunates who had been caught up in the fighting. A year later, he and six comrades from various countries escaped from a labor camp in Yakutsk and made their way, on foot, thousands of miles south to British India, where Rawicz reenlisted in the Polish army and fought against the Germans. The Long Walk recounts that adventure, which is surely one of the most curious treks in history. "A poet with steel in his soul."--New York Times "One of the most amazing, heroic stories of this or any other time."--Chicago Tribune "A book filled with the spirit of human dignity and the courage of men seeking freedom."--Los Angeles Times "Heroism is not the domain of the powerful; it is the domain of people whose only other alternative is to give up and die.... [The Long Walk] must be read--and reread, and passed along to friends."--National Geographic Adventure "The ultimate human endurance story...told with clarity, vivid description, and a good dash of romance and humor."--The Vancouver Sun "The Long Walk is a book that I absolutely could not put down and one that I will never forget..."--Stephen Ambrose "One of the epic treks of the human race. Shackleton, Franklin, Amundsen.... History is filled with people who have crossed immense distances and survived despite horrific odds. None of them, however, has achieved the extraordinary feat Rawicz has recorded. He and his companions crossed an entire continent--the Siberian arctic, the Gobi desert and then the Himalayas--with nothing but an ax, a knife, and a week's worth of food.... His account is so filled with despair and suffering it is almost unreadable. But it must be read--and re-read." --Sebastian Junger, author of The Perfect Storm "Essentially it comes down to some sort of inner tenacity and that is what is so gripping about the book because you know that this is actually about all of us. It's not just some Polish bloke who wanted to get home. It's about how we all struggle on every day. Somehow or other we find a reason to keep on going and it's the same here but on an epic scale."--Benedict Allen, explorer and bestselling author of Into the Abyss and Edge of Blue Heaven From the Inside Flap "I hope The Long Walk will remain as a memorial to all those who live and die for freedom, and for all those who for many reasons could not speak for themselves."--Slavomir Rawicz