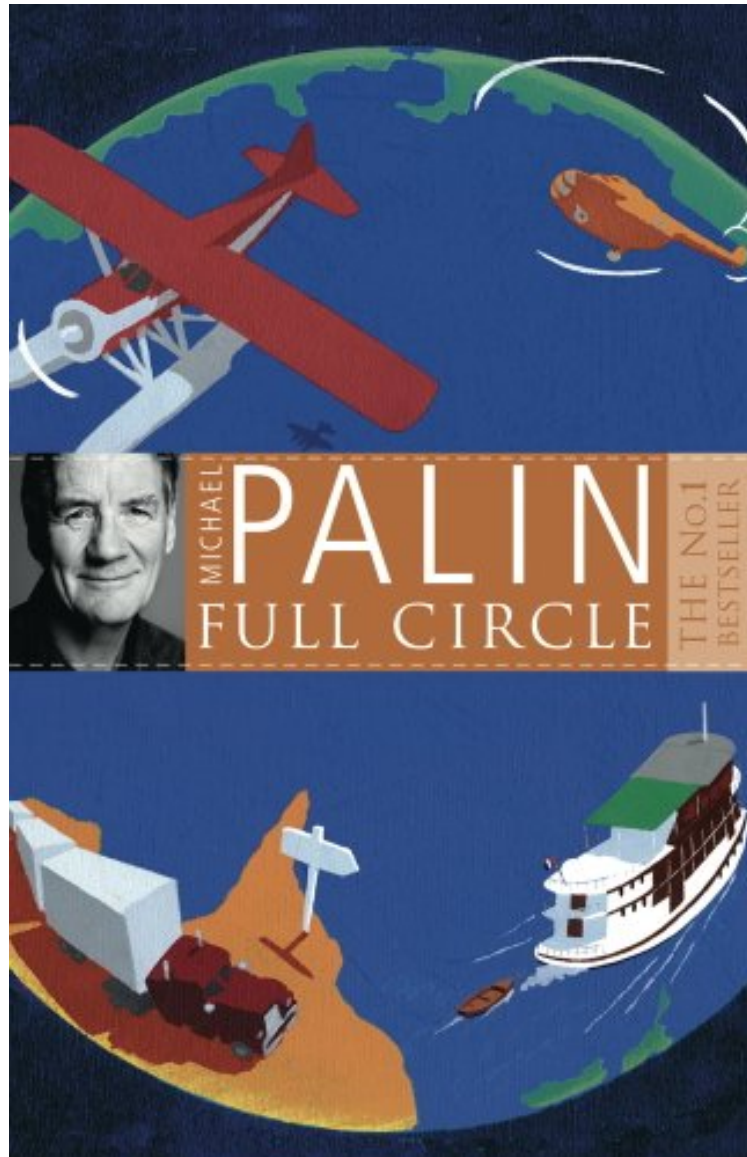


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Von Michael Palin : Full Circle (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Full Circle (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. What you would have seen in the PacificVon Ryan HennessyI've seen the 10-part Full Circle tv series, and I had a serious addiction from the start. When it ended, I went through a withdrawal period. I silently rocked myself in a chair in my room repeating "I must get the book,... must find book...must read book." I've got it now and I'm back on a Full Circle

high. The book goes into details that they never had time for on the series. It tells you everything that you would have noticed had you been in Japan or Australia or Chile. Ahh... I can imagine myself right now on the streets of China getting a massage from a blind man. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An enlightening tour of the Pacific Rim countries. Von Ein Kunde Michael Palin does it again with Full Circle. Starting in Alaska Michael travels anti-clockwise around the rim of the Pacific Ocean visiting countries as diverse as Russia, Korea, Viet Nam, New Zealand, Colombia and the west coast of North America. He tells of his adventures getting to and exploring some fantastic natural wonders, visiting a Russian gulag with a former inmate, the relief of Japan, the Vietnamese reactions to a westerner, the bigness of Australia and the hardworking people of South America. The section on the United States is short and not always sweet. Palin is taken aback by the physical bigness of Americans, and rush, and loudness. By the time he reaches Canada and attends a "lumberjack" fair (no singing Mounties included!) he really "wants to go home". We also learn a bit about how the series and book were produced, his wife Helen and their children, and that being on a job for the BBC doesn't always mean smooth sailing! Michael's friend Basil Pao took the photographs - he also joined Michael on "Around the World in Eighty Days". I can highly recommend this book and not only to fans of Monty Python - it doesn't end how you might expect! 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. How to travel 50,000 miles without ever leaving your chair Von Ein Kunde I have to say the only reason I gave this book a 9 instead of a 10 is because I saw the video series first and nothing can top that. One night, I flipped on PBS and was drawn into this program of Michael Palin traveling 50,000 miles around the Pacific Rim. First I wondered who would be crazy enough to do this. Then I wondered why anyone would do it AND film it. Then, I have to admit, I was so enthralled with this journey that I started looking for each episode to appear in my weekly TV Guide so I could write it out in bold letters on my calendar. I was hooked. Once the series was over, I was dejected until I walked into the bookstore one day and there was the companion book to the series. Of course I snatched up a copy and took it home. I have read it from cover to cover and loved every bit. It is an unflinching account of the journey, detailing the most mundane to the awe-inspiring, and Palin has a nice way of telling his story with just enough humor to stomach the realities of this trip. There are many times I feel as if I am right there with the author, experiencing everything he is....but I get to do it from the comfort of my armchair.

Kurzbeschreibung Michael Palin's terrific account of his journey through 18 countries bordering the Pacific Ocean, published by Phoenix for the first time. For almost a year, Michael Palin travelled through 18 countries on the perimeter of the world's largest ocean, in a spectacular journey of contrasts, drama and beauty. From head-hunters in Borneo to a meal of maggots in Mexico, his route takes him to some of the most politically volatile and physically demanding places on Earth. Whether climbing the Exalted Mountains in China, dodging icebergs in Chile, or being taken short on the banks of the , Michael Palin paints a vivid picture of the people and places around him. It was a journey of dazzling surprises and jarring extremes. Beauty and ugliness, sophistication and squalor, unceasing urban noise and monastic tranquility ... This is a record of a year of wonder' Michael Palin.. de Michael Palin has certainly been busy since his days with Monty Python's Flying Circus. In Full Circle, Palin and a film crew go on a year-long adventure visiting 18 countries along the Pacific Rim. The film was eventually made into a 10-part PBS series, to which this book serves as a companion. Not for nothing is this part of the world called the "Ring of Fire"; volcanoes punctuate the landscape, and Palin even climbs one still smoking from a recent eruption. But the difficult landscape is only one challenge in this at times hair-raising, at times hilarious, always fascinating journey around the world's largest ocean. In the Philippines, Palin witnesses "psychic surgery": on the Urubamba River, Palin simultaneously clings for his life to a dugout canoe as he shoots the rapids and keeps up with England's progress in the World Cup via shortwave radio. Whether he's visiting a Gulag camp in Siberia or chowing down on maggots in Mexico, Palin meets the challenges of rough travel with grace, courage, and more than a little humor. Full Circle is fun to read, includes many color photographs from Palin's adventures, and makes a terrific addition to the armchair traveler's bookshelf. Werbetext Michael Palin's terrific account of his journey through 18 countries bordering the Pacific Ocean, published by Phoenix for the first time.