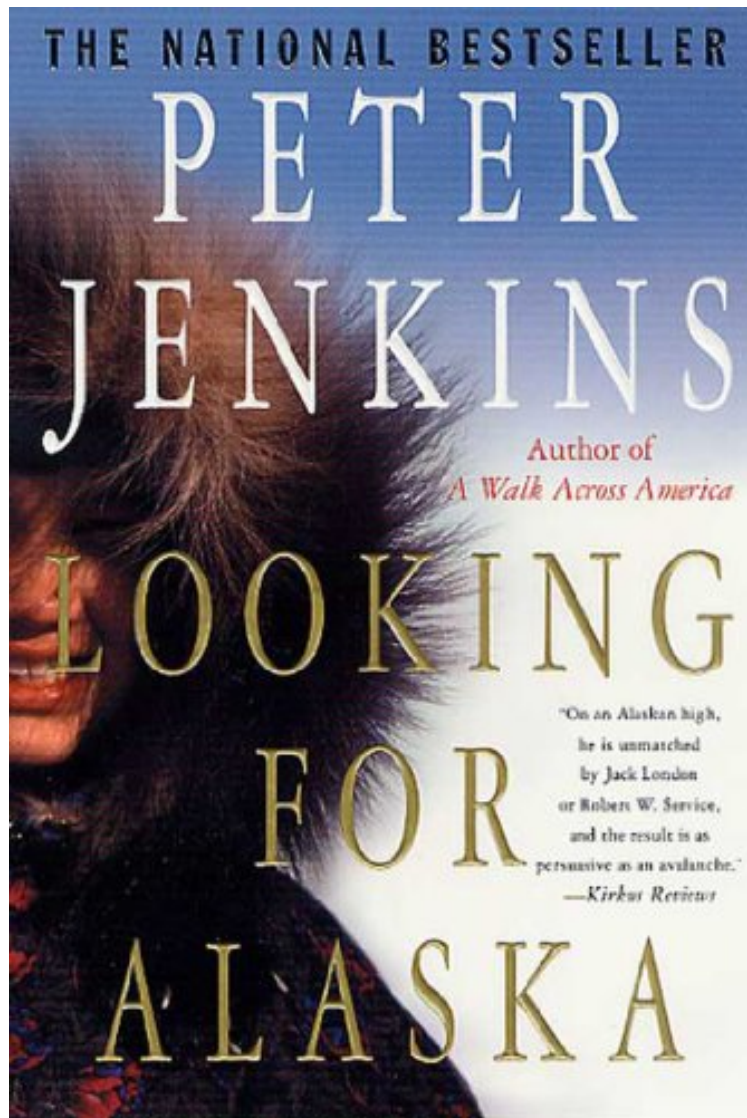


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The Great PerhapsVon StefanieFreigerichtA book that should not be wasted (sorry) only on teenagersMiles Halter is sixteen when he succeeds in persuading his parents to send him to Culver Creek, the boarding school that is a tradition in his dads family. He hopes forwell, more: Something of a loner, with no real friends at his old school, his hobby is reading biographies and collecting famous persons last words on their dying beds.He argues with his parents: I go to

seek a Great Perhaps. p. 8, PERHAPS not what he is living with now. Miles starts in Birmingham, Alabama, comes with roommate The Colonel and a very pretty girl named Alaska who offers more than just a little danger to the peace of mind. Well, Miles might collect last words but moody and somewhat unpredictable Alaska is an avid reader and soon challenges him: on death, life, pulling of a prank, the sense of everything. Something of the trouble raiser she is, she pulls him into her world, Sometimes you lose a battle. But mischief always wins the war. p. 71, Miles still feels deeply attracted. Or, as the Colonel puts it: I just did some calculations, and I've been able to determine that you're full of shit. p. 98 Both, his teachers, the school and his new friends prove to be demanding for Miles, and his former attitude of shrugging everything off and rather living a lonely life where nothing might really matter. Things do begin to matter, though, and Miles and his friends do have to make up their minds as they will be forever shaken by what happens. The tone is light, the book is an easy read but it comes up with a good set of intelligent questions on life, death, loyalty, meaning, loss, and friendship without giving too easy answers but rather offering a guideline along the way. Clearly dedicated for teens, I still found it enjoyable even as a grown-up (somewhat to my surprise, I did not like teen lit much even when I was a teen). One might find some persons lacking more detail but then, just as they are, I guess they offer better potential for simply more identification, so I liked the book as it is! Author John Green does not shy of really getting to the matter may it be teenage drinking, smoking, loss, death, or first sexual experiences. I will never ever look at my tooth paste innocently again! Recommendation particularly for the 10th anniversary edition. Not only does it look sophisticated (and that coming from me, I HATE cover shopping) with its gold and black and white style, the metallic look and the slight embossing of details, gorgeous with its black edge and black flyleaf/endpaper (yes!). It also comes with an extra introduction and an attachment which will help you better understand the story and its making. Follow up: Movie: Harvey (deutsch: Mein Freund Harvey) James Stewart. No other version allowed. Mein Freund Harvey [Blu-ray] Book: Colin Higgins: Harold and Maud (Harold und Maud). There also is a decent movie for it, the book goes slightly deeper, the movie has got very apt music. Harold und Maude [Blu-ray] Harold and Maude: (Fremdsprachentexte) (Reclams Universal-Bibliothek) Deuce. Or, as Alaska would recommend: Gabriel Garcia Marquez "The General in His Labyrinth" The General in His Labyrinth (Everyman's Library Classics) 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Welt-Klassiker Von Alfred Laut Was sagt der Psychiater, wenn ein 64-jähriger von einem Jugendbuch hin und weg ist? Ist mir egal! Der Roman ist eine Wucht - es stimmt einfach alles: Inhalt, Form (genial), Sprache (jedenfalls das amerikanische Original, das ich gelesen habe). Es ist nichts ber-, nichts untertrieben, immer cool, selbst der beinahe-Mordversuch am Anfang noch glaubhaft. Fr mich auf einem Niveau mit dem "Fnger im Roggen". Und da ich kein Auto habe, freut mich natrlich auch die "Moral": Wie schn wre unsere Welt, wenn es keine Autos gbe! 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Konnte das Buch nicht weglegen! Von MJBuch kam in 1a Zustand bei mir an. Habe die englische Version bestellt und war super happy damit. Nicht ein Buch, welches super actionreich ist, aber zum Nachdenken anregt. Wrde es jedem empfehlen!!

Kurzbeschreibung More than twenty years ago, a disillusioned college graduate named Peter Jenkins set out with his dog Cooper to look for himself and his nation. His memoir of what he found, *A Walk Across America*, captured the hearts of millions of Americans. Now, Peter is a bit older, married with a family, and his journeys are different than they were. Perhaps he is looking for adventure, perhaps inspiration, perhaps new communities, perhaps unspoiled land. Certainly, he found all of this and more in Alaska, America's last wilderness. *Looking for Alaska* is Peter's account of eighteen months spent traveling over twenty thousand miles in tiny bush planes, on snow machines and snowshoes, in fishing boats and kayaks, on the Alaska Marine Highway and the Haul Road, searching for what defines Alaska. Hearing the amazing stories of many real Alaskans--from Barrow to Craig, Seward to Deering, and everywhere in between--Peter gets to know this place in the way that only he can. His resulting portrait is a rare and unforgettable depiction of a dangerous and beautiful land and all the people that call it home. He also took his wife and eight-year-old daughter with him, settling into a "home base" in Seward on the Kenai Peninsula, coming and going from there, and hosting the rest of their family for extended visits. The way his family lived, how they made Alaska their home and even participated in Peter's explorations, is as much a part of this story as Peter's own travels. All in all, Jenkins delivers a warm, funny, awe-inspiring, and memorable diary of discovery--both of this place that captures all of our imaginations, and of himself, all over again..de In 1999, Peter Jenkins and his family left their farm in Tennessee to live in Alaska for a few seasons, eventually renting a house in Seward, Alaska (pop. 2,830) on the Kenai Peninsula. The principal aim of the trip was for Jenkins to write a travelogue, but he also saw it as an opportunity to end a period of personal stagnation. It appears to have worked, for *Looking for Alaska* is filled with a vibrancy that can only come from one with a fully charged battery. Recognizing that "This giant place is filled with people determined to live as free as possible of others' intervention," he employed the same low-key approach to research that made his bestselling book *A Walk Across America* (1979) so engaging--he made friends wherever he went and allowed people to share their stories in their own way and in their own time. Part of Jenkins's charm is that he never pretends that he's figured the place out; he readily cops to his outsider status and invites readers to experience his sense of awe and surprise with

him. During his 18-month stay in the Last Frontier, Jenkins spent time with wildlife rangers, recreation guides, native whalers, fishermen, and dogsled mushers, all of whom showed Jenkins and his family glimpses of their own private Alaska. (They also shared their bear stories; it seems nearly everyone in the state has had at least one run-in with the giant predator). "No one is ever the same after coming back from Alaska," he writes and after reading his book, it's easy to believe him. --Shawn Carkonen

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