

## BC Books From the Cariboo

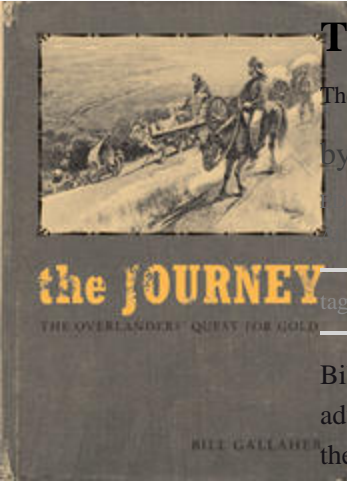
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Books from the Cariboo Region of BC.



## The Journey

The Overlanders' Quest for Gold

by Bill Gallaher

FORMAT: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

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tagged : historical

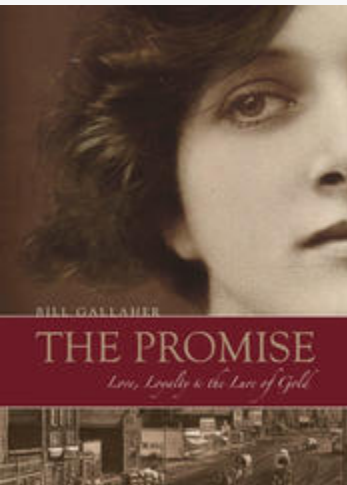
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Bill Gallaher's bestselling novel *The Journey* follows a group of three adventurous Overlanders—two young men and one remarkable woman—as they travel west in 1862, from the Manitoba prairies to the goldfields of the Cariboo.

With his gift for storytelling, Gallaher brings this intriguing era to the page as he vividly recounts the overland trek of the spirited Catherine Schubert, who made the trip in an undetected state of pregnancy; James Sellar, a combative young man of rigid determination ...

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# The Promise

Love, Loyalty & the Lure of Gold

by Bill Gallaher

EDITION: Paperback

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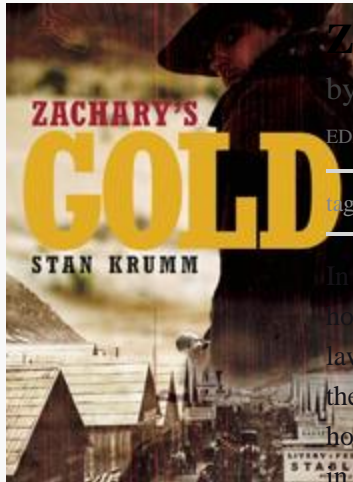
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It was 1862 and the Cariboo Gold Rush was in full swing. Sophia Cameron, the Beauty of Barkerville, lay dying of typhoid when her husband, John Cariboo Cameron, made one last promise to his fading young wife. *The Promise* is a compelling story of a great love and an epic struggle to honour a dying wife's final request: to take her body home to eastern Canada.

Told in the voice of Robert Stevenson, Cameron's friend and mining partner, the story travels with the two men as they leave the frozen go ...

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# Zachary's Gold

by Stan Krumm

EDITION: Paperback

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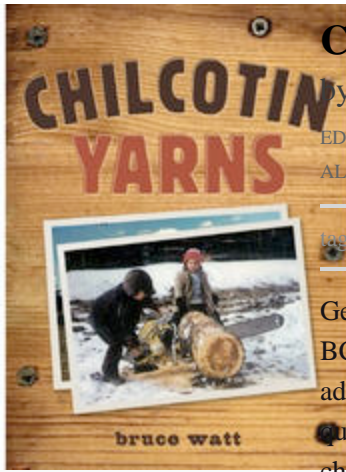
tagged : historical, action & adventure

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In 1864, headstrong Pinkerton man Zachary Beddoes is tired of guarding hotels and railway stations, so he decides to quit his life of private law-enforcement and head west for gold. In San Francisco, Zachary hears that the best goldfields are north, in British Columbia. Undeterred by warnings of how harsh and unforgiving the Barkerville goldfields can be, Zachary sets off in search of his fortune. But before he can stake his claim, Zachary unexpectedly becomes an outlaw. Forced to flee into the ...

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## Chilcotin Yarns

by Bruce Watt

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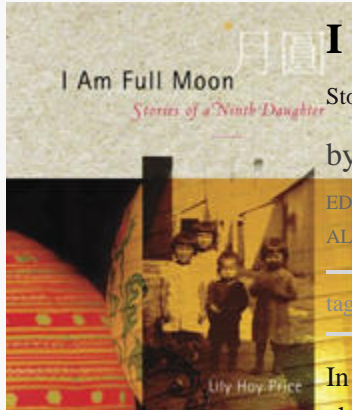
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : personal memoirs, rodeos

Getting three trucks and two horses stuck in the mud on "a good road" into BC's wild, remote interior was just the start of Bruce Watt's Chilcotin adventures—and it was his honeymoon, too. The wildlife, landscape and quirky, down-to-earth people captivated Bruce, and despite the hard work and challenging conditions, the Watts put down roots, raising a family, alongside herds of cattle and horses.

A consummate storyteller, Bruce tells it like it was—and perhaps still is for many people calli ...

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## I Am Full Moon

Stories of a Ninth Daughter

by Lily Hoy Price

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : women, cultural heritage

In this lyrical memoir, Lily Hoy Price writes with moving detail about her childhood and adolescence in a large Chinese Canadian family in the Cariboo country of northern British Columbia. The ninth daughter in a family of 12 children, Lily is an observant child who tucks away every image of life in rugged Quesnel during the 1930s for one unforgettable tale after another. She has carefully selected many of her father's early photographs to illustrate her stories. The celebrated pioneer photograp ...

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## Never Shoot a Stampede Queen

A Rookie Reporter in the Cariboo

by Mark Leiren-Young

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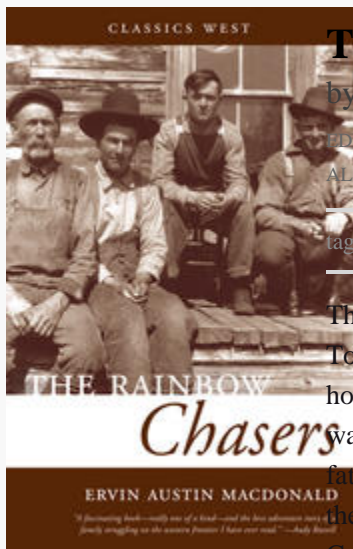
tagged : personal memoirs

Winner of the 2009 Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour

*The cops wanted to shoot me, my bosses thought I was a Bolshevik, and a local lawyer warned me that some people I was writing about might try to test the strength of my skull with a steel pipe. What more could any young reporter hope for from his first real job?*

The night Mark Leiren-Young drove into Williams Lake, British Columbia, in 1985 to work as a reporter for the venerable *Williams Lake Tribune*, he arrived on the scene of an armed ro ...

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## The Rainbow Chasers

by Ervin Austin MacDonald

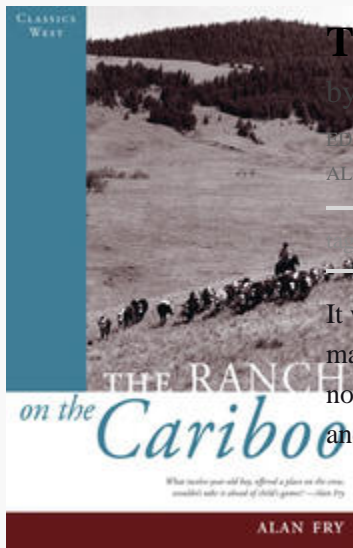
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tagged :

This first-hand account of a Canadian pioneer — the next title in TouchWood’s Classics West series — tells the story of a hard-won wilderness home and of the self-sufficient father and brothers who built it. Their tale of wanderlust begins in 1839 in Bytown, Ontario (later called Ottawa), with father Archie MacDonald, who reached his peak as an Ottawa Valley “bull of the woods” by age 29, prospected for silver and gold from Leadville, Colorado, to Sonora, Mexico, drove Montana cattle t ...

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## The Ranch on the Cariboo

by Alan Fry

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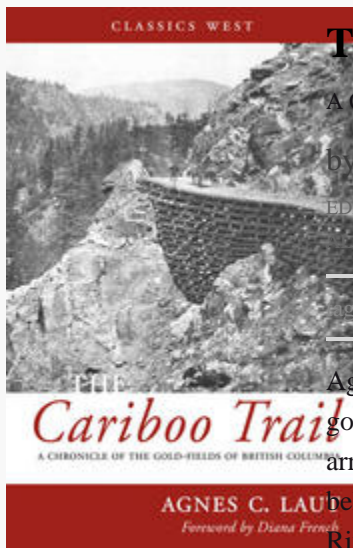
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Tagged :

It was the summer of '43 on a Cariboo ranch. He was 12 and had to become a man. If you were a man, you could become a cowboy. Join the author on this nostalgic look back on the joys, frustrations and observations of growing up and discovering where he belongs.

Excerpt from Eldon Lee's foreword: "This book by Alan Fry is probably the best book ever written on ranch life in the Cariboo. His account of everyday events is so perceptive and so true to the mark that all we country types yearn to r ...

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## The Cariboo Trail

A Chronicle of the Gold-fields of British Columbia

by Agnes C. Laut, foreword by Diana French

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

Tagged : expeditions & discoveries

Agnes C. Laut's *The Cariboo Trail* is a fascinating history of the Canadian gold rush that began in 1858. When, in early 1849, a group of ragged miners arrived in the sleepy town of Victoria from California, no one would have believed that a little over ten years later a gold rush would hit the Fraser River.

Between 1859 and 1871, thousands of miners and prospectors travelled north and east from the headwaters of the Fraser River, with the hopes of striking it rich. And many did—over the cours ...

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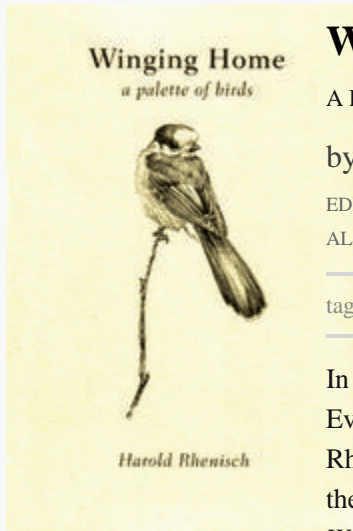
EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : survival stories, emotions & feelings

Robin can hardly wait for her cousin April and her Aunty Liz to come to the ranch for Christmas. When a devastating car accident sends Aunty Liz to the hospital for several months, Robin can't help but be overjoyed to learn that April will live with Robin and her family while her mother is recuperating. But April has changed, and Robin must deal with April's growing anger and resentment at being forced to leave her injured mother and her life in the city. Then Robin's little sister, Molly, disap ...

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Winging Home  
a palette of birds

Harold Rhenisch

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A Palette of Birds

by Harold Rhenisch

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : environmental conservation & protection, rich & famous

In British Columbia's remote and exotic Cariboo Plateau, "Everything is slow. Everything is happening at the same speed, which is no speed at all." Harold Rhenisch has spent eleven years watching birds every day from his house on the shore of 108 Lake—at this speed, but you wouldn't know it from reading *Winging Home*. Known as "one of Canada's master prose stylists," Rhenisch dissects avian behaviour with the ear of a poet and the mouth of a stand-up comedian. His blackbirds are a jug band in ...

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## All Those Drawn to Me

by Christian Petersen

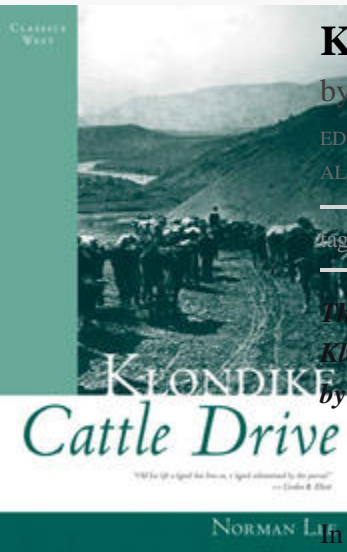
EDITION: Paperback

Tagged : canadian

The junction of Highways 20 and 97 forms a rough right angle around which lies the city of Williams Lake. These are the coordinates by which Christian Petersen's fiction can be charted. From the building of the Gaol at Soda Creek to ruminations on the origins of the Barkerville fire, *All Those Drawn to Me* explores the unpredictable, romantic and spiritual qualities of life in rural BC. The harshness of the wild west permeates Petersen's second collection of short fiction. In the story "Horse fro ...

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## Klondike Cattle Drive

by Norman Lee

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

Tagged :

*The latest addition to TouchWood Editions' Classics West Collection, Klondike Cattle Drive is the colourful tale of a formidable trek undertaken by legendary Cariboo rancher Norman Lee.*

In 1898, Lee set out to drive 200 head of cattle from his home in the Chilcotin area of B.C. to the Klondike goldfields—a distance of 1,500 miles. He was gambling both his cattle and his life. This is his story, derived from the journal he kept, his letters and the loyal men who accompanied him. Throughout th ...

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## Tenderfoot Trail

Greenhorns in the Cariboo

by Olive Spencer Loggins

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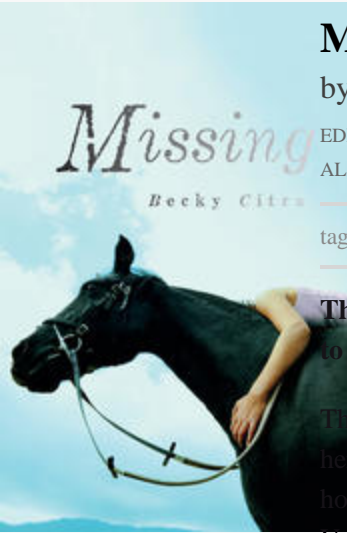
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## Missing

by Becky Citra

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

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tagged : law & crime, death & dying, horses

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**Thea and her dad are always on the move, from one small Cariboo town to another, trying to leave behind the pain of Thea's mom's death.**

They never stay long enough in one place for Thea to make friends, but when her dad gets work renovating a guest ranch on Gumboot Lake, she dares to hope that their wandering days are over. At the ranch she makes friends with Van, a local boy, and works hard to build the trust of an abused horse named Renegade. When Thea unearths the decades-old story of a four-y ...

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## Drugstore Cowgirl

Adventures in the Cariboo-Chilcotin

by Patricia Joy MacKay

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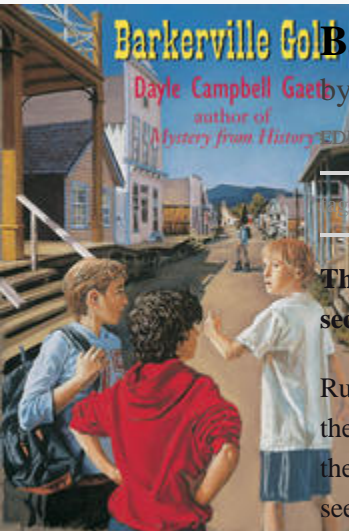
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : personal memoirs, women, western provinces, rodeos

In 1964, Patricia MacKay immigrated to Canada from England in search of the wild-open lands and cowboy culture that captivated her as a child. In the 1950s, the Wild West was still alive and kicking in the Cariboo-Chilcotin, although it had been tamed—a little. Old-time hospitality and helping anyone in need was the acknowledged way of life.

Pat learned the Cariboo-Chilcotin way of life first hand by spending her summers working on guest ranches and finding other jobs to keep her occupied dur ...

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## Barkerville Gold

by Dayle Campbell Gaetz

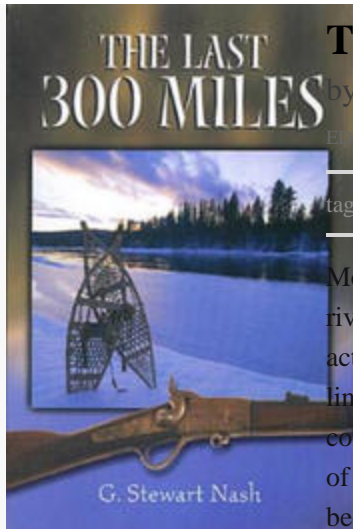
EDITION: eBook

tagged : mysteries & detective stories, horror & ghost stories

**This time the trio is in historic Barkerville, a gold rush town with a secret.**

Rusty, Katie and Sheila are sent out of town with Rusty's grandparents to keep them out of trouble. After witnessing what they take to be a ghost in the night, the three friends find themselves involved in a mystery from the past that seems to have a few other people interested as well. New information has come to light about a fortune in missing gold, a centuries-old curse and a missing miner. While the three budding ...

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## The Last 300 Miles

by G. Stewart Nash

EDITION: eBook

tagged :

Most of this novel is based on historical fact, including the actual names of rivers, mountains and towns — a few of which were christened by those who actually constructed the telegraph line. By early 1866, the overland telegraph line had been built to Fort Fraser, east of Prince George. Exploration had been conducted to a point a few miles north of Kispiox Village, near Hazelton, one of the Gitksan villages currently under land claim negotiations. Explorers had been sent northward out of For ...

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## Jacob's Prayer

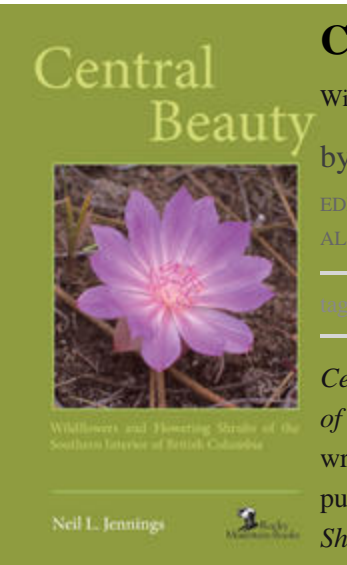
by Lorne Dufour

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : canadian, personal memoirs

In 1974 Lorne Dufour moved to Alkali Lake Reserve, a Shuswap community near Williams Lake in British Columbia, to help reopen the local elementary school. Like many First Nation communities across Canada, Alkali Lake had been ravaged by decades of residential schools and forced religion. Colonialism had robbed them of their language and culture and had left a legacy of abuse and alcoholism. But in 1972, Chief Andy Chelsea and his wife Phyllis took it upon themselves to lead their community on a ...

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## Central Beauty

Wildflowers and Flowering Shrubs of the Southern Interior of British Columbia

by Neil L. Jennings

EDITION: Paperback

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tagged : flowers

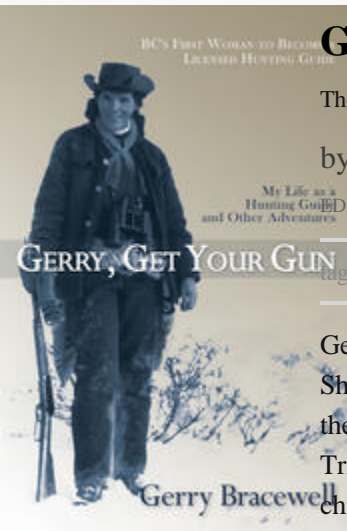
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*Central Beauty: Wildflowers and Flowering Shrubs of the Southern Interior of British Columbia* is a follow-up to three previous volumes on wildflowers written by Neil Jennings and published by Rocky Mountain Books. It is being published at the same time as *Coastal Beauty Wildflowers and Flowering Shrubs of Coastal British Columbia and Vancouver Island*, making a set of five books in the series.

All five books include exceptional photographs and interesting information about each plant. For ease o ...

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## Gerry, Get Your Gun

The Legendary Life of Hunting Guide Gerry Bracewell

by Gerry Bracewell

EDITION: Paperback

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tagged : women

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Gerry Bracewell has lived in the Chilcotin Valley for over seventy-five years. She helped pioneer the valley's early school system and was an advocate for the school district until 1974. Gerry worked and wrote for the Williams Lake Tribune for many years while continuing to run her ranch and raise four children. For five decades, Gerry was a sought-after guide in the Chilcotin. In 2004, she was inducted into the BC Cowboy Hall of Fame as a Pioneer Rancher.

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# Sonia

The Life of Bohemian Rancher and Painter Sonia Cornwall, 1919-2006

by Sheryl Salloum

EDITION: [Paperback](#)

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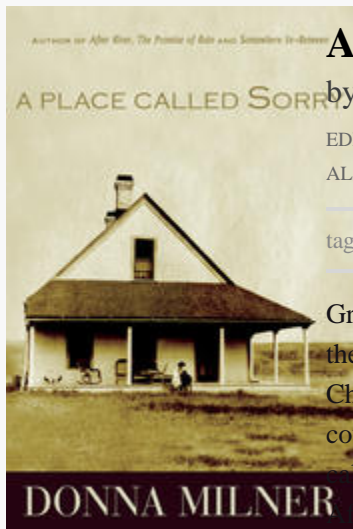
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After Sonia Cornwall's father died in 1939, her mother inherited the Onward Ranch and a huge debt. To make the ranch viable, a twenty-year-old Sonia traded paintbrush for pitchfork, labouring alongside the male ranch hands. But after marrying Hugh Cornwall in 1947, Sonia had time for painting once again. She learned techniques from some of Canada's most celebrated artists who came to visit the Onward Ranch, and later her home at the Jones Ranch, from Peter Aspell, Molly Bobak and Jack Hardman t ...

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# A Place Called Sorry

by Donna Milner

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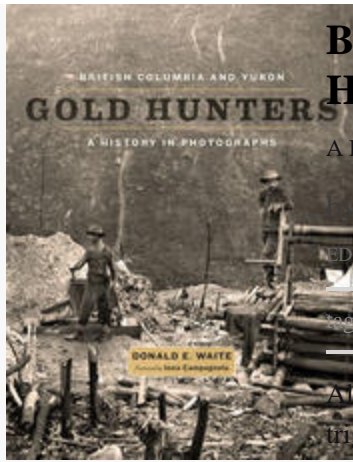
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Growing up in the 1930s, Adeline Beale knows little of the outside world or the looming shadows of a second world war. Addie-as her grandfather Chauncey Beynon Beale affectionately calls her- believes that everything she could ever want or need is to be found on his cattle ranch, the place her family calls home, or in the little town twelve bush miles away, a place called Sorry. When tragedy strikes her family, Addie holds her sorrows close to her heart. Only later will she learn that her grand ...

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## British Columbia and Yukon Gold Hunters

A History in Photographs

Donald E. Waite, foreword by Iona Campagnolo

EDITION: Paperback

Period: post-confederation (1867-), pre-confederation (to 1867)

Although the 1848 discovery of gold in California was the first bonanza to trigger an invasion of migrants to North America's Pacific Coast, it was relatively short-lived. Soon, grander findings farther north led to an even greater influx of gold hunters. In 1851, a twenty-seven-ounce gold nugget was found on Haida Gwaii, ushering in fifty years of gold fever that brought a wave of Californians to the Fraser River and then farther inland to the gold-laden creeks of the Cariboo.

In this masterfu ...

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# The Real Thing

The Natural History of Ian McTaggart Cowan

as told by Briony Penn, Ph.D

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

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tagged : ecology, environmental conservation & protection, science & technology

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**Winner of the 2016 Roderick Haig-Brown Regional Prize and the inaugural Mack Laing Literary Prize. Shortlisted for the 2016 Hubert Evans Non-Fiction Prizes.**

*The Real Thing* is the first official biography of Ian McTaggart Cowan (1910–2010), the “father of Canadian ecology.” Authorized by his family and with the research support and participation of the University of Victoria Libraries, Briony Penn provides an unprecedented and accessible window into the story of this remarkable naturalist. ...

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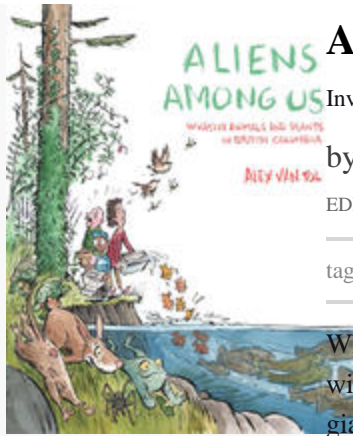
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## Aliens Among Us

Invasive Animals and Plants in British Columbia

by Alex Van Tol, illustrated by Mike Deas

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : environmental conservation & protection

What would you do if you came face to face with a large yellow waxwing, wild turkey or weather loach? Who would you call if common wall lizards or giant hogweed crept into your back yard?

Alex Van Tol can help. In *Aliens Among Us*, she identifies more than 50 species of alien animals and plants that have established themselves in British Columbia. With the help of colour photographs and Mike Deas's illuminating illustrations, Van Tol exposes the invaders, then explains how they got here and what t ...

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## New Perspectives on the Gold Rush

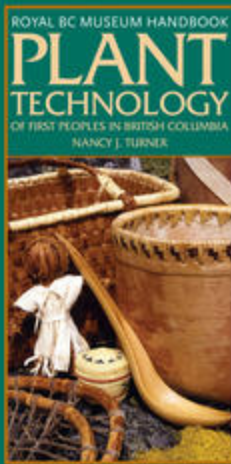
edited by Kathryn Bridge

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : south america, pre-confederation (to 1867)

In 1858, reports of gold found on the Fraser River spurred tens of thousands of people?mostly men?to rush into the territory we now call British Columbia. They came with visions of fortune in their eyes. The lucky ones struck it rich, but most left penniless or died trying for the motherlode. Some stayed behind and helped build the colony and the province of British Columbia.

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## Plant Technology of the First Peoples of British Columbia

by Nancy J. Turner

EDITION: Paperback

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tagged : native american

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In her third ethnobotany handbook, Nancy Turner focuses on the plants that provided heat, shelter, transportation, clothing, tools, nets, ropes, containers—all the necessities of life for First Peoples. She describes more than 100 of these plants, their various uses and their importance in the material cultures of First Nations in British Columbia and adjacent lands in Washington, Alberta, Alaska and Montana. She also shows how First Peoples have used plant materials to make decorations, scent ...

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## Trees and Shrubs of British Columbia

by T. Christopher Brayshaw

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: Paperback

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tagged : trees, botany

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*Trees and Shrubs of British Columbia* is the definitive guide to all native and naturalized woody plants in the province. T. Christopher Brayshaw describes almost 300 species of trees and shrubs, as well as many subspecies and varieties. His beautifully detailed illustrations of leaves, flowers, fruits and woody parts are arranged to show the distinguishing traits in similar species. Diagnostic keys, comparative diagrams and a selection of colour photographs help make identification easy.

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## Everyday Hero

by Kathleen Cherry

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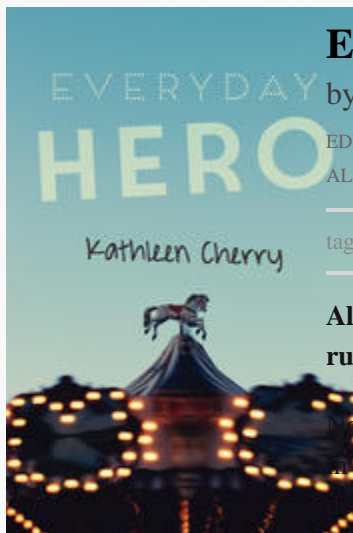
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**Alice doesn't like noise, smells or strangers. She does like rules. Lots of rules.**

Nobody at her new school knows she is autistic, and soon Alice finds herself in trouble because the rules here are different. When she meets Megan in attention, she doesn't know what to make of her. Megan doesn't smell, she's not terribly noisy, and she's not exactly a stranger. But is she a friend? Megan seems fearless to Alice; but also angry or maybe sad. Alice isn't sure which. When Megan decides to ...

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## A Guide to B.C. Indian Myth and Legend

by Ralph Maud

EDITION: Paperback

Subject : native american studies, cultural, native americans, fairy tales, folk tales, legends & mythology

Boas, Teit, Hill-Tout, Barbeau, Swanton, Jenness, the luminaries of field research in British Columbia, are discussed here in *A Guide to B.C. Indian Myth and Legend*, and their work in Indian folklore evaluated. Other scholars, amateurs and Native informants of the past and present are given ample consideration, making this book a comprehensive survey of myth collecting in B.C. The aim is to reveal the true extent of this neglected body of world literature, and to begin to sort out the more valua ...

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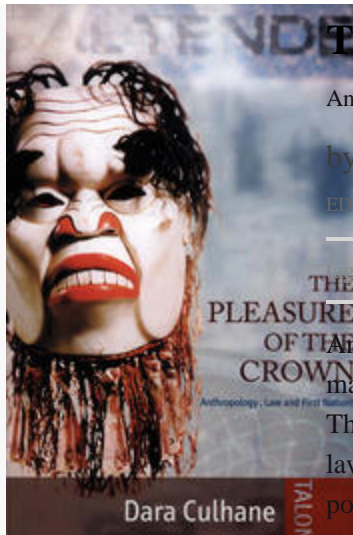
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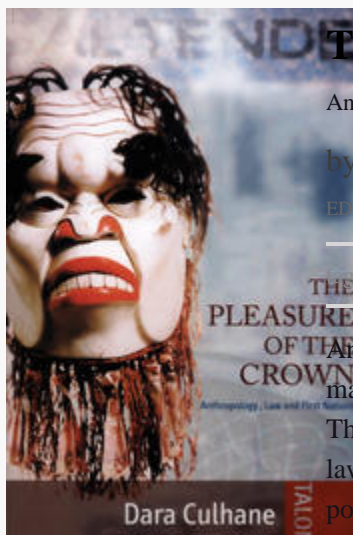
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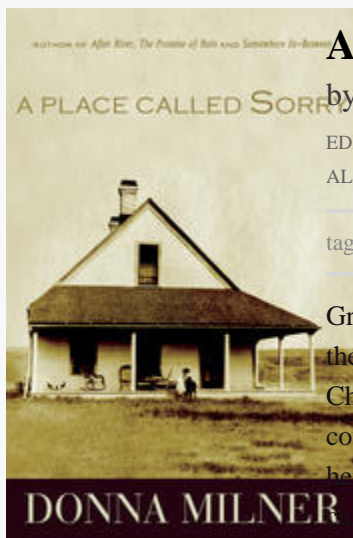
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This beautifully designed book features dramatic new photographs of the collections and exhibitions housed in western Canada's oldest, largest and most-loved museum. It is introduced by CEO Jack Lohman, who created the book as part of a far-reaching revitalization of the Royal British Columbia Museum. Lohman also contributes an insightful essay about the importance of museum collections and supports his argument with four more specific essays from Indigenous collections curator Martha Black, bot ...

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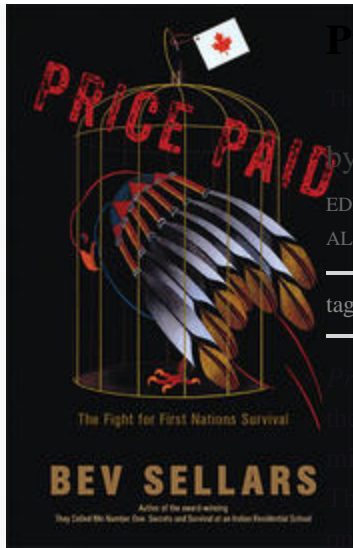
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Growing up in the 1930s, Adeline Beale knows little of the outside world or the looming shadows of a second world war. Addie—as her grandfather Chauncey Beynon Beale affectionately calls her—believes that everything she could ever want or need is to be found on Chauncey's cattle ranch, the place her family calls home, or in the little town twelve bush miles away, a place called Sorry.

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## Chilcotin Chronicles

Stories of Adventure and Intrigue from British Columbia's Central Interior

by Sage Birchwater

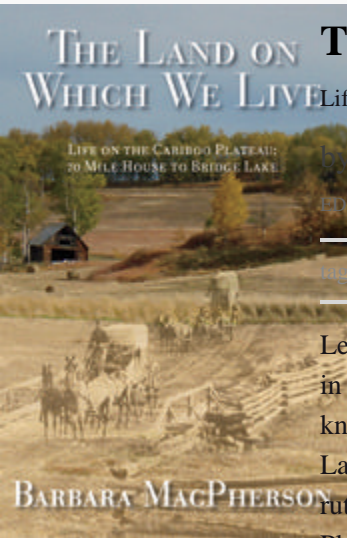
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A collection of historical stories about the early indigenous people, settlers, trappers, and adventurers of BC's Cariboo Chilcotin. A compilation of stories that meld both culture and bloodlines, *Chilcotin Chronicles* by Sage Birchwater is set in the wild and untamed country of central British Columbia's Chilcotin Plateau. West of the Fraser River, this high country is contained by an arc of impenetrable mountain ranges that separates it from the Pacific Coast. The first inhabitants of this regi ...

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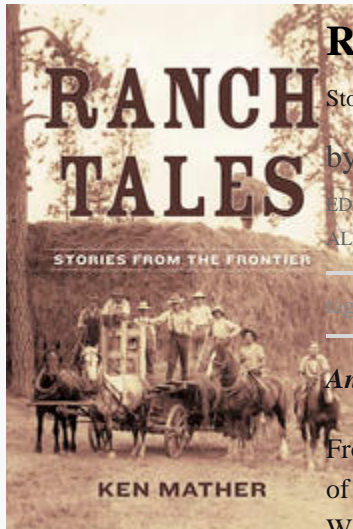
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Compelling and honest life of a stubborn BC rancher living tenaciously in the face of her Multiple Sclerosis condition. The devastating diagnosis of an incurable, debilitating disease does not ordinarily form the starting point of a triumphant story. This, however, is a triumphant story. Heidi Redl was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 2004 and immediately chose to fight the disease with the only tools available to her: sheer stubbornness and courage. Growing up on a pioneer ranch in the rou ...

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*An entertaining, fast-paced look at early ranching in British Columbia.*

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