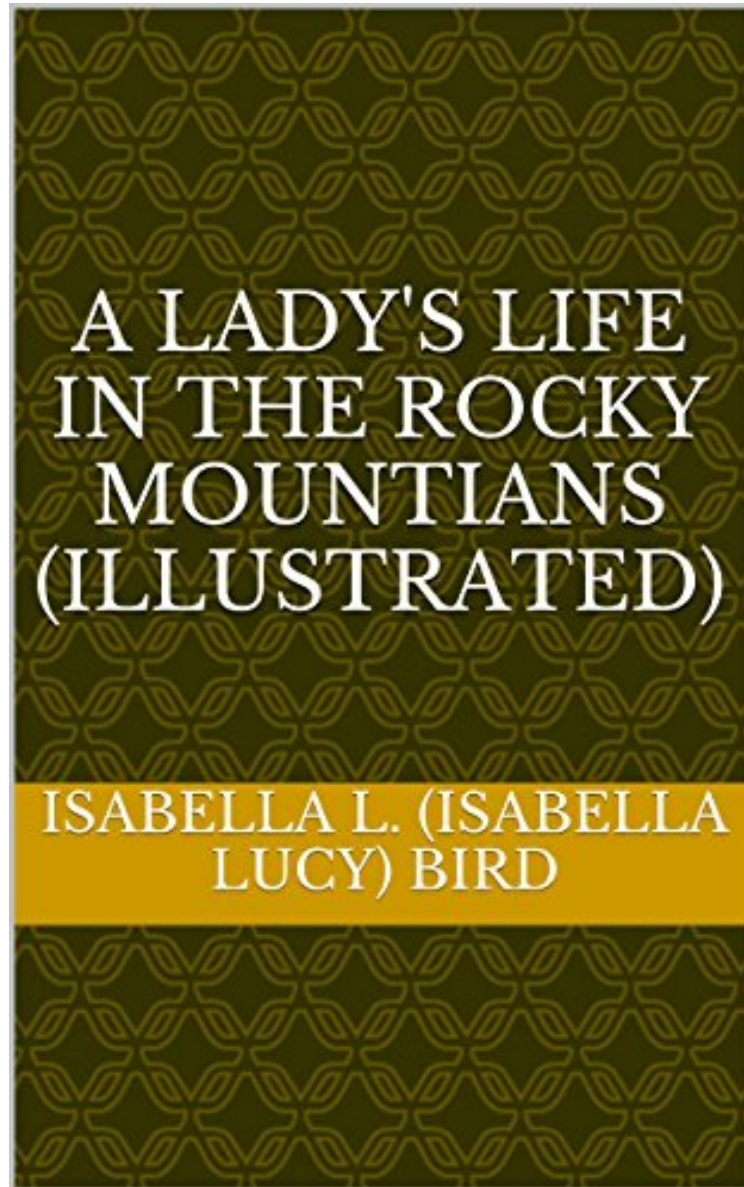


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**Von Isabella L. (Isabella Lucy) Bird : A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountians (Illustrated) (English Edition)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountians (Illustrated) (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Terrific book of courage and adventureVon Ein KundeIsabella Bird's adventures in the 1870's west are amazing. She travels courageously across the Rockies by horseback, alone, as a woman, and dressed in garb which should have resulted in her death from exposure. Yet she is very matter-of-fact about her travels, detailing a vivid life of Western pioneers - their isolation, their poverty, their difficulties as immigrants, in the post-Civil War time period. I'm surprised this didn't make the San Francisco Chronicle's list of best non-fiction books about the West.1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Entertaining and educatingVon Ein KundeEvelyn Kaye gives a delightfully entertaining glimpse of what travelling was like in the 1800's. I found the book inspirational in that the subject, Isabella Bird, was determined to find adventure at every turn - and it really came out in Kaye's book. Well worth space on your home library shelf.

KurzbeschreibungIsabella Lucy Bird (1831-1904) was a nineteenth-century English traveller, writer, and a natural historian. Bird finally left Britain in 1872, going first to Australia, which she disliked, and then to Hawaii (known in Europe as the Sandwich Islands), her love for which prompted her second book (published three years later). While there she climbed Mauna Loa and visited Queen Emma. She then moved on to Colorado, then the newest member of the United States, where she had heard the air was excellent for the infirm. Dressed practically and riding not sidesaddle but frontwards like a man (though she threatened to sue the Times for saying she dressed like one), she covered over 800 miles in the Rocky Mountains in 1873. Her letters to her sister, first printed in the magazine Leisure Hour, comprised her fourth and perhaps most famous book, A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains. Bird's time in the Rockies was enlivened especially by her acquaintance with Jim Nugent, a textbook outlaw with one eye and an affinity for violence and poetry. "A man any woman might love but no sane woman would marry," Bird declared in a section excised from her letters prior to their publication. Nugent also seemed captivated by the independently-minded Bird, but she ultimately left the Rockies and her "dear desperado" Nugent was shot dead less than a year later. At home, Bird again found herself pursued, this time by John Bishop, an Edinburgh doctor in his thirties. Predictably ill, she went traveling again, this time to the far east: Japan, China, Vietnam, Singapore and Malaysia.PressestimmenThere never was anybody who had adventures as well as Miss Bird (SPECTATOR)This book is an unputdownable record of a truly astounding journey (Dervla Murphy, Irish Times)Werbetext\* 'This book is an unputdownable record of a truly astounding journey' Dervla Murphy, THE IRISH TIMES