

The Longest Winter: Scott and Other Heroes of the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration

The Longest Winter is a book by Susan Solomon, which tells the story of the Scott expedition to the South Pole in 1910-1912. The book follows the expedition from its planning stages to its tragic end, and tells the story of the men who took part in it.

The expedition was led by Robert Falcon Scott, a British naval officer and explorer. Scott had previously led an expedition to the Antarctic in 1901-1904, and he was determined to be the first person to reach the South Pole.



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The expedition set out from England in June 1910, and arrived in Antarctica in January 1911. The team spent the next nine months preparing for their journey to the Pole. They built a base camp on Ross Island, and they trained for the long journey ahead.

In November 1911, the expedition set out from Ross Island for the South Pole. The team traveled on foot, pulling sleds laden with supplies. The journey was long and difficult, and the team faced many challenges along the way. They had to contend with extreme cold, high winds, and treacherous ice. They also had to deal with the threat of scurvy and other diseases.

On January 17, 1912, the expedition reached the South Pole. Scott and his team were the first people to reach the Pole, but their joy was short-lived. They soon realized that they had been beaten to the Pole by a Norwegian team led by Roald Amundsen.

The return journey to Ross Island was even more difficult than the journey to the Pole. The team was exhausted and weakened by disease. They also had to contend with even more extreme weather conditions.

On February 17, 1912, Scott and his team died in a blizzard. They were only 11 miles from safety.

The story of the Scott expedition is a tragic one, but it is also a story of heroism and determination. Scott and his team faced incredible challenges, and they never gave up. Their story is an inspiration to us all.

The Other Heroes of the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration

In addition to Scott, there were many other heroes of the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration. These men and women risked their lives to explore the unknown, and they made many important discoveries.

Some of the other heroes of the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration include:

- Roald Amundsen: The Norwegian explorer who was the first person to reach the South Pole.
- Ernest Shackleton: The British explorer who led three expeditions to the Antarctic.
- Douglas Mawson: The Australian explorer who led the Australasian Antarctic Expedition.
- Richard Byrd: The American explorer who made several expeditions to the Antarctic by airplane.

These are just a few of the many heroes of the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration. These men and women were pioneers, and they played a major role in our understanding of the Antarctic.

The Longest Winter is a fascinating and inspiring book. It is a story of heroism, determination, and tragedy. It is a book that will stay with you long after you finish reading it.



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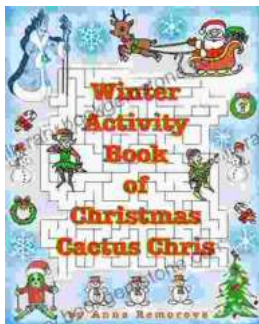
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