

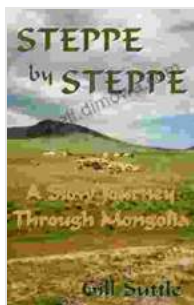
Steppe by Steppe: A Slow Journey Through Mongolia



Mongolia is a land of vast, open spaces and ancient traditions. It is a country that has been shaped by the nomadic lifestyle of its people, who have roamed the steppe for centuries. In "Steppe by Steppe: A Slow Journey Through Mongolia," author Michael Kohn takes readers on a journey through this unique and fascinating country.

Kohn's journey begins in the capital city of Ulaanbaatar, a bustling metropolis that is home to over half of Mongolia's population. From there,

he travels to the remote western provinces of Bayan-Ulgii and Khovd, where he meets with nomadic families and learns about their traditional way of life. He also visits the Gobi Desert, a vast and unforgiving landscape that is home to a variety of wildlife, including the endangered Gobi bear.



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Mongolia by Gill Suttle

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Throughout his journey, Kohn is struck by the beauty of Mongolia's landscape and the resilience of its people. He writes about the challenges that Mongolians face, including poverty, environmental degradation, and the loss of traditional culture. But he also finds hope in the country's young people, who are working to preserve their heritage and build a better future for their country.

A Journey Through Time

Mongolia is a land with a rich and complex history. It was once home to the Mongol Empire, which ruled over much of Asia in the 13th and 14th

centuries. The empire's founder, Genghis Khan, was one of the most successful military leaders in history. Today, Mongolia is a democracy with a population of about 3 million people.

Kohn's journey takes him through some of Mongolia's most important historical sites. He visits the ruins of Karakorum, the capital of the Mongol Empire, and the Erdene Zuu Monastery, one of the oldest Buddhist monasteries in the world. He also learns about the country's more recent history, including the communist revolution of 1921 and the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991.

A People of the Steppe

The people of Mongolia are a diverse group, but they share a common nomadic heritage. For centuries, Mongolians have roamed the steppe, herding their animals and living in felt tents. Today, many Mongolians still live a traditional nomadic lifestyle, but others have settled in cities and towns.

Kohn spends time with several nomadic families during his journey. He learns about their daily lives, their customs, and their beliefs. He also witnesses the challenges that they face, including the harsh climate and the lack of access to basic services.

The Gobi Desert

The Gobi Desert is one of the most iconic landscapes in Mongolia. It is a vast, arid region that covers over 1 million square kilometers. The Gobi is home to a variety of wildlife, including the endangered Gobi bear.

Kohn travels to the Gobi Desert in search of the Gobi bear. He spends several days trekking through the desert, but he is unable to find any bears. However, he does encounter other animals, including gazelles, wolves, and foxes.

A Changing Country

Mongolia is a country that is undergoing rapid change. The country's economy is growing, and new industries are emerging. However, Mongolia also faces a number of challenges, including poverty, environmental degradation, and the loss of traditional culture.

Kohn writes about the challenges that Mongolia faces, but he also finds hope in the country's young people. He believes that Mongolia's future is bright, and he is confident that the country will overcome its challenges and build a better future for its people.

"Steppe by Steppe: A Slow Journey Through Mongolia" is a beautifully written and insightful book that provides a unique perspective on this fascinating country. Kohn's journey takes readers through Mongolia's history, culture, and landscape, and he introduces them to the people who call Mongolia home.

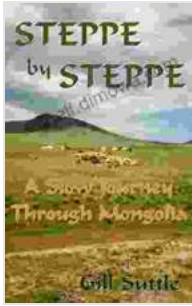
The book is a must-read for anyone who is interested in Mongolia or who is looking for an inspiring travel story. It is a book that will stay with readers long after they finish reading it.

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