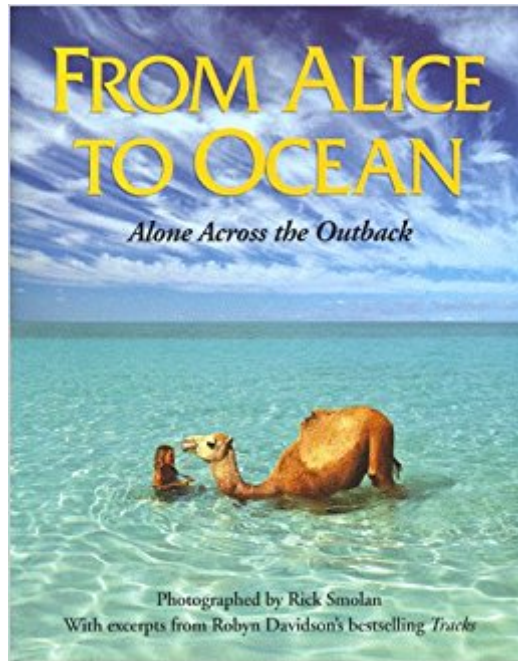


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# From Alice To Ocean: Alone Across The Outback



## Synopsis

Excerpts from *Tracks*, the author's best-selling account of her heroic journey across Australia, are complemented by photographs by the creator of the *Day in the Life of Australia* and a CD containing sounds of the outback. 50,000 first printing.

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## Customer Reviews

The astounding story of a twenty-seven-year-old Australian woman who set off to cross the desolate outback, accompanied only by four camels and a dog. It was a trip that began as a pure and (many said) lunatic gesture of independence and quickly turned into an all-out battle of wits against the forces of both nature and civilization. Cocky and outspoken, Robyn Davidson's tale is at once the probing journal of a daring and stubborn woman and a wilderness adventure of the most exhilarating sort. Rick Smolan, the photographer, had his own adventure tracking Robyn down to document her trip for National Geographic magazine. The outback of Australia, seen through Rick's cameras and Robyn's words, is an ancient awesome landscape swept by rain, heat and dust and inhabited by all varieties of marauding life, from poisonous snakes and wild bull camels to swarms of tourists clamoring after their newest heroine, the "Camel Lady." When Robyn and her caravan reach their destination six months and 1700 miles of outback later, their arrival marks the end of a true odyssey and an unforgettable book. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

In April 1977, Robyn Davidson set out with four camels and a dog to cross the deserts of Western Australia--1700 miles from Alice Springs to the Indian Ocean. Her sponsor, National Geographic ,

arranged for photographer Rick Smolan to meet her at various locations along the way. Davidson's riveting account of her journey, *Tracks*, won awards and became a bestseller. Here, Smolan presents his color photographs alongside excerpts from *Tracks*. It is a rewarding combination that dramatizes the hardships Davidson encountered and the stark beauty of a hostile landscape. Smolan, creator of the *Day in the Life* series, photographed tourists, aborigines, scenery and Davidson with her animals--riding, resting, playing. His images make a great adventure even more memorable. Copyright 1992 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Although I ordered the paperback version, I rec'd the hardcover version. Very large - coffee table-like book. Very pleased

What a story, so well put together, a really fun "read".

Picked this up in a Salvation Army years ago and was completely enthralled by this incredible true story. This really is a unique book. It's big. It's historical, and there's no doubt Robyn Davidson was hot (and I don't mean just sweaty) when she made this journey in her 20's. If you can find this book, get it, you will not be disappointed.

A fine job and an inspiring story. A perfect collaboration to see some of the Australian marvels. Thanks to photographer and author/adventurer for enlightening us!

Love the gorgeous photos and the writings of the young woman who crossed Australia with 3 camels and a dog. Coffee table book.

I can't remember when I've enjoyed a book so much! The story is gripping and well written and the photographs are outstanding. I am amazed at how courageous this young woman is.

This book is absolutely beautiful. Rick Smolan is indeed a wonderful photographer and his pictures will take you on a beautiful trip thru Australian desert.

Saw the movie and had to have the book. There is quite a bit on line about the real Robin but being able to read her book *Tracks* and then look at these incredible photos is a great added experience.

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