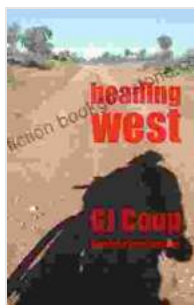


An Almost Epic Bike Journey Across Australia: A Long and Winding Road

In the annals of cycling, there are few journeys as iconic as the trans-Australian crossing. It's a rite of passage for serious cyclists, a test of endurance and determination that takes riders through some of the most remote and unforgiving terrain on Earth. I've always been drawn to the idea of tackling this challenge, but it wasn't until last year that I finally made it a reality.



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I set off from Perth in Western Australia in early September, with nothing but my bike, a tent, and a few essential supplies. I had no set itinerary, no support crew, and no idea how long it would take me to reach the other side of the country. I was simply going to ride until I couldn't ride any more.

The first few days were relatively easy. The terrain was flat and the weather was mild. I made good progress, covering over 100 kilometers each day. But as I ventured further into the outback, the conditions became more challenging. The heat was relentless, the wind was often strong, and the roads were often rough. There were times when I thought I might not be able to make it.

But I kept going, one pedal stroke at a time. I told myself that I would never know what I was capable of if I didn't push myself to the limit. And so I pushed on, through the pain and the exhaustion, through the heat and the wind.

After three weeks of riding, I reached the Nullarbor Plain, a vast expanse of treeless desert that stretches for over 1,000 kilometers. It was the most challenging part of the journey, but it was also the most rewarding. The scenery was stunning, and the sense of isolation was exhilarating. I felt like I was the only person in the world, and that I was truly experiencing the raw beauty of Australia.

Finally, after 50 days of riding, I reached Cape York, the northernmost point of Australia. I had done it. I had crossed the country by bike. It was an incredible feeling of accomplishment, and I was so proud of what I had achieved.

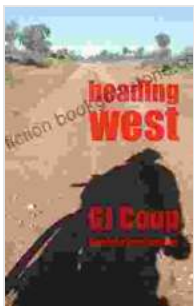
The trans-Australian crossing is not for the faint of heart. It is a physically and mentally challenging journey that requires a lot of preparation and determination. But if you are up for the challenge, it is an experience that you will never forget.

Here are some tips for planning your own trans-Australian bike journey:

- Start training well in advance. You will need to be in good physical condition to complete the journey.
- Choose the right bike for the job. A touring bike is the best option for long-distance riding.
- Pack light. You will need to carry everything you need on your bike, so it is important to pack light.
- Be prepared for the weather. The weather in Australia can be unpredictable, so be prepared for rain, heat, and wind.
- Be self-sufficient. You will need to be able to fix your bike and take care of yourself in remote areas.
- Don't give up. There will be times when you want to quit, but don't give up. Keep going, one pedal stroke at a time.

I hope this article has inspired you to take on your own trans-Australian bike journey. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Happy riding!



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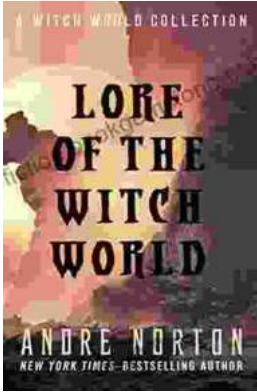
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