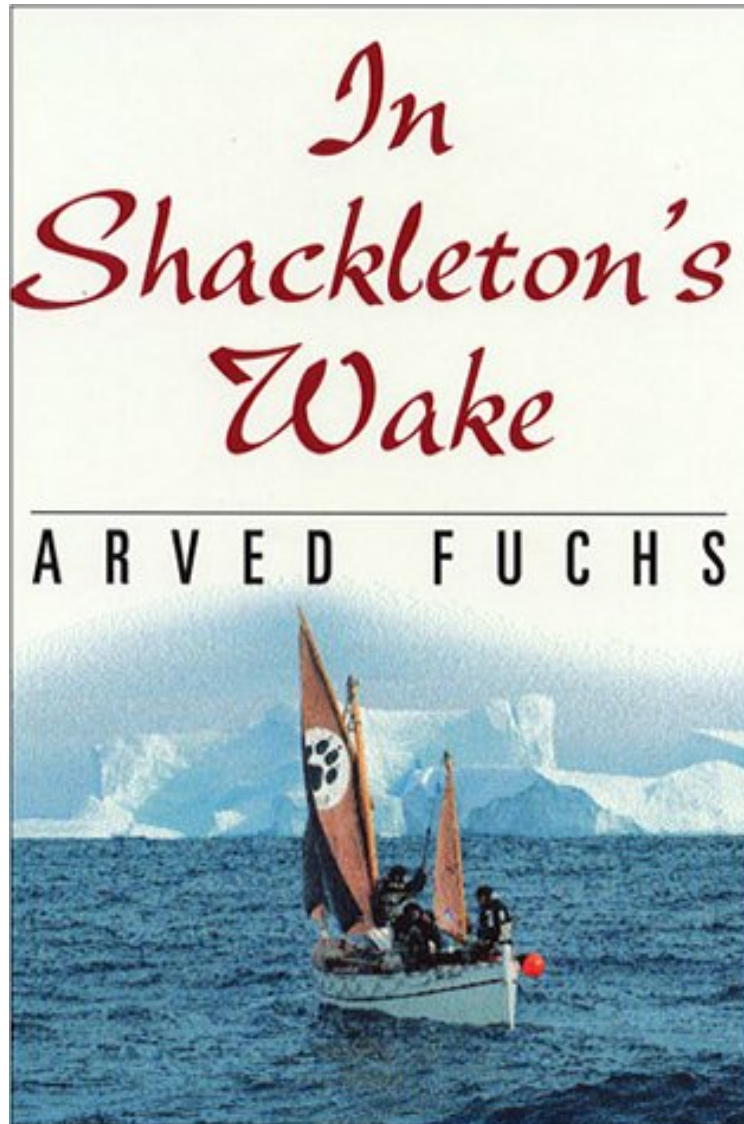


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**Arved Fuchs : In Shackleton's Wake** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised In Shackleton's Wake:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Interesting recreation of the 1916 voyage By Brad Smith This German explorer and his team tell of their attempts to recreate the voyage and subsequent shipwreck of the WW1-era Shackleton expedition to the South Pole. Mostly, they tried to relive what it was like to survive in a tiny boat in the Antarctic, then trek over the rugged South Georgia Island. Though this is a translation, it reads very well, if a bit heavy with sailing terminology. They don't do the voyage exactly as the real one went off, but this is an interesting account

of a modern polar expedition. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. I'll never understand why . . . By Danton M. people feel the urge to risk their lives in endeavors like this one! I had to wonder about the incredible amount of money that must go to re-enact such a dangerous voyage, too. But the story makes fascinating reading. A first-person account of sailing some of the most treacherous seas in the world really brings out the dangers faced--involuntarily--by Ernest Shackleton and his men. One change I wish for the book: a detailed map comparing Fuchs' journey with Shackleton's. Fuchs mentions several options Shackleton might have taken, but without a map, I can't see them for myself. Otherwise, this is a very readable (though I did have trouble with nautical terms, not being a sailor myself) and interesting addition to the literature of polar adventure.

Arved Fuchs is a well-known German adventurer, sailor, and author.

From Booklist Fuchs, one of the first two men to cross the Antarctic on foot, decided to reenact the boat journey of Shackleton's 1915-16 Antarctic expedition, after its ship *Endurance* sank, to refuge on Elephant Island and later to South Georgia, the subject of many books, including Shackleton's own *South* (1919) and Melinda Mueller's riveting poem, *What the Ice Gets* (2000). His replica of Shackleton's lifeboat *James Caird* rode south aboard a containership and, on the final leg, a cruise liner. Fuchs is conscious of the irony in that and in being in satellite communication at all times as well as with an escort vessel bearing a film crew documenting the voyage. But he is also conscious of Shackleton's leadership qualities and the serious technical errors he made, which required, along with courage and (another irony) endurance, almost miraculous good luck for the expedition members' survival. A worthwhile addition to any collection of true sea adventures. Roland Green Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved "A worthwhile addition to any collection of true sea adventures." -- A.L.A. Booklist "In Shackleton's Wake is a terrific adventure story and a great read..." -- *Sailing*, April 2002 "This book's a keeper. It is full of interesting facts and information, told in a very readable style." -- *Good Old Boat*, Jan./Feb. 2002 From the Publisher-Illustrated with bw photos of the Shackleton expedition and stunning color shot from the Fuchs team. -Highly dramatic story of Antarctic exploration. -The author relives and analyzes Shackleton's feat. -Continuing interest in Shackleton's expedition and the *Endurance* saga. -Current IMAX picture and museum exhibits.