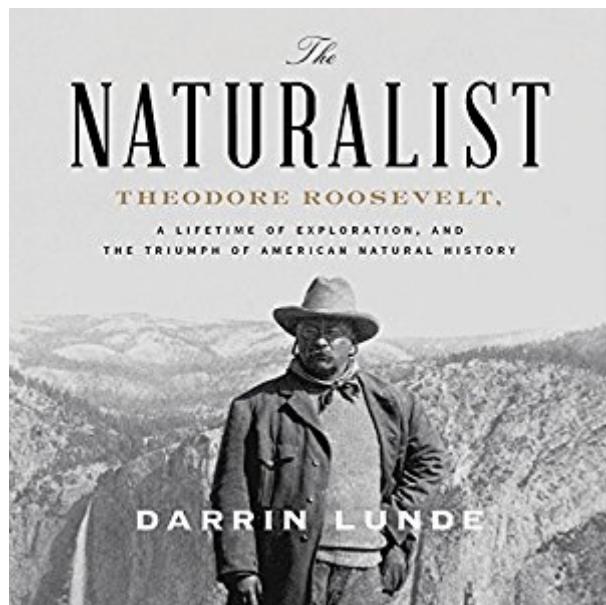


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The Naturalist: Theodore Roosevelt And The Rise Of American Natural History



Synopsis

The surprising story of intrepid naturalist Theodore Roosevelt and how his lifelong passion for the natural world set the stage for America's wildlife conservation movement. Perhaps no American president is more associated with nature and wildlife than Theodore Roosevelt, a prodigious hunter and adventurer and an ardent conservationist. We think of Roosevelt as an original, yet in *The Naturalist*, Darrin Lunde shows how from his earliest days Roosevelt actively modeled himself in the proud tradition of museum naturalists - the men who pioneered a key branch of American biology through their desire to collect animal specimens and develop a taxonomy of the natural world. The influence these men would have on Roosevelt would shape not just his personality but his career, informing his work as a politician and statesman and ultimately affecting generations of Americans' relationships to this country's wilderness. Pulling from Roosevelt's diaries and expedition journals, Lunde constructs a brilliantly researched, singularly insightful history that reveals the roots of Roosevelt's enduring naturalist legacy through the group of little-known men whose work and lives defined his own.

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Customer Reviews

Good book though on the short side for a new book price. Nice to know a little bit about another side of Mr. Roosevelt, the outdoor side. Good reading.

This book is well written and does provide insight on areas of TR that many books don't cover. The

best example is his time in Africa. I have a very hard time figuring out how the author can write a book about TR the Naturalist and not include one sentence on John Muir and TR's time with Muir in Yosemite. THE COVER IS FROM THIS TRIP TO YOSEMITE!!! This is the reason the book gets 2 stars. This book leaves out huge gaps in Roosevelt's legacy of being a naturalist. This book was badly in need of a content editor.

Very interesting account of Theodore Roosevelt's rise as a naturalist from his childhood to the African hunting after his presidency.

Great look at a side of TR I hadn't read about. Enjoyed it immensely.

Used, but great quality. Accurate description of wear and tear.

For future buyers, this book is about Theodore Roosevelt as a hunter-naturalist. It does not really go into his time in the military or as president. If you like to hunt yourself, or you just want to learn some interesting things about natural history and conservation, this a nice book to pick up.

Great book on an interesting man.

Love this book. Love Teddy

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