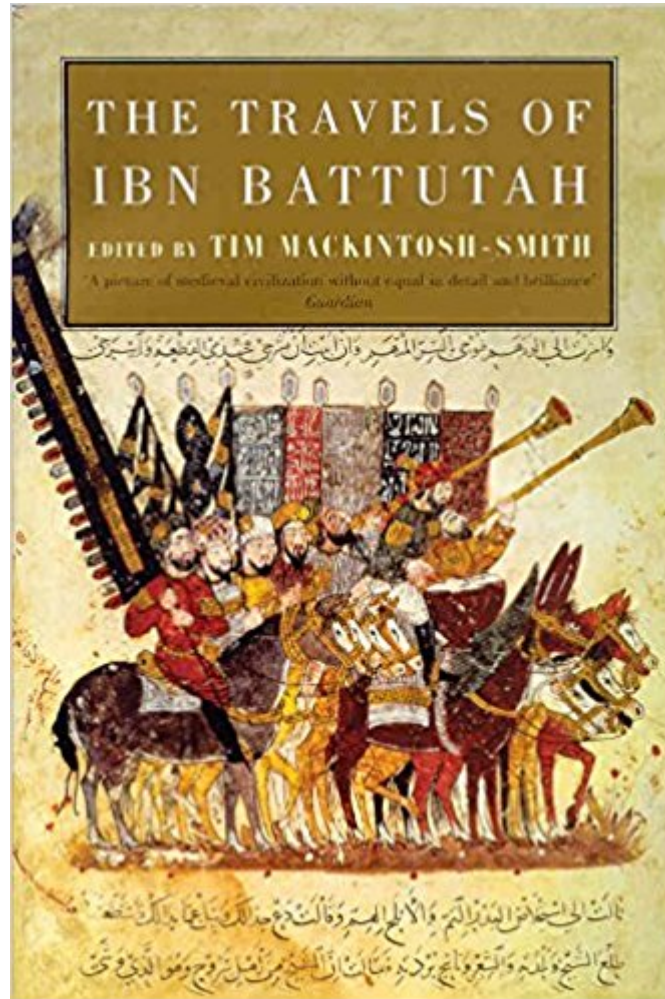


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# The Travels Of Ibn Battutah



## Synopsis

Ibn Battutah's ethnographer, biographer, anecdotal historian and occasional botanist was just 21 when he set out in 1325 from his native Tangier on a pilgrimage to Mecca. He did not return to Morocco for another 29 years, traveling instead through more than 40 countries on the modern map, covering 75,000 miles and getting as far north as the Volga, as far east as China, and as far south as Tanzania. He wrote of his travels, and comes across as a superb ethnographer, biographer, anecdotal historian, and occasional botanist and gastronome. With this edition by Mackintosh-Smith, Battuta's Travels takes its place alongside other indestructible masterpieces of the travel-writing genre.

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Tim Mackintosh-Smith has lived in San'a, the Yemeni capital, for the last twenty years. His acclaimed *Travels with a Tangerine: A Journey in the Footnotes of Ibn Battutah* won him a Thomas Cook/Daily Telegraph Travel Book Award.

I read something by IB years ago that was a straight-forward description of some ruins he visited. He mostly stated facts and avoided fantastical descriptions. So I read this book recently and enjoyed most of it. He seems to mainly write when he is travelling, but doesn't write much while he is staying somewhere (stayed in Delhi for years but not much mentioned). His descriptions of sites that still exist today are what I found to be the most interesting. I would look up pictures of these sites on google after reading IB's description. The book also has a map of IB's travels and lots of

useful footnotes.

I read this book in college a million years ago - it's such an amazing journey and I hope it inspires readers as much as it did me to explore the world, learn another language or two and love different cultures.

Loved it

The closest you can get to his stories in his own words. The quality of book is also good.

Must read for everyone.... Classic!!!

There are few books that after I read them, I remember them these days. However, this is one I will never forget. So many details of the names of people he met along the way of his life-long travel are unimportant to the general reader, but his impressions and activities and the encounters with strange customs in that time era are an eye-opener.

Excellent

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