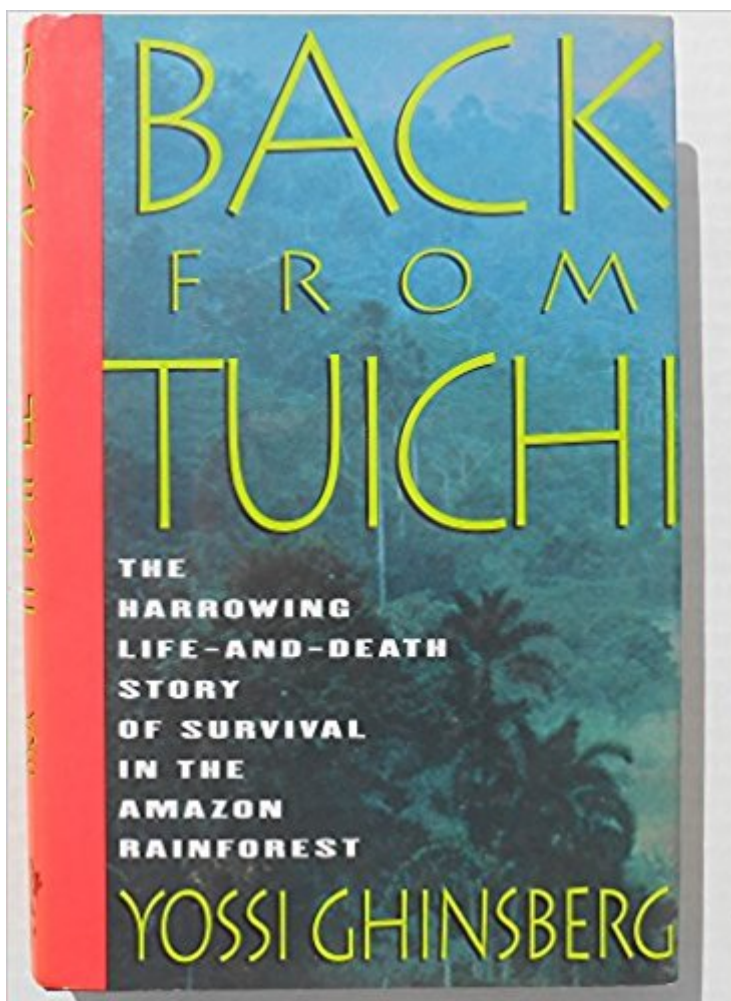


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# Back From Tuichi



## Synopsis

The author describes how he and three of his friends set off without a map through the jungles of Bolivia, and how, after an accident, he was left alone to endure a three-week struggle for survival against nature's elements. 12,500 first printing.

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When their raft hung up on a rock in the rapids of the 's Tuichi River, one adventurer tried to dislodge it and fell overboard. He swam to shore. Strong currents swept the raft downstream, sending the author over the falls below. The ill-fated journey had begun in Bolivia a month earlier, in the early 1980s, when Ghinsberg, an Israeli, and a Swiss and an American companion agreed to go into the interior with an Austrian who had worked there for several years. They moved off the beaten track of backpackers and went into the jungle, but soon split up; two headed back to La Paz, while Ghinsberg and the American, identified only as Kevin, continued downriver. They had no map, compass or gun. Ghinsberg survived the falls and made it to shore, recovering the small "life pack" with a first aid kit, flashlight, matches, a poncho and small amount of food. For 20 days he wandered the river; he encountered no humans. He was near starvation when he was rescued by Kevin, who had mustered a search party of Indians. No trace has ever been found of the other two. A remarkable tale of daring. Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Ghinsberg narrates a chilling tale of an adventure that takes an unexpected twist. On a trip with newfound friends, he suddenly finds himself lost and alone in the Bolivian jungle. His lively and

descriptive narrative of his travels beautifully captures the atmosphere of the jungle and candidly depicts his feelings and experiences during his fight for survival. The result is an exciting story, all the more suspenseful because it is true, filled with mysterious events that hold the reader's interest throughout. The need for loyalty and the extremes of physical and emotional limits are vividly portrayed. This is no ordinary autobiographical travel book, instead providing true drama, keen observation, and absorbing writing. Well recommended for public libraries.- Jo- Anne Mary Benson, Osgoode, Ontario Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc.

great narration & gripping story

I read this book in 2 days and didn't want to put it down until I was done because it was so interesting and exciting. I read Back From Tuichi by Yossi Ghinsberg which I believe was later released as Heart of the . Great! Great! Great! Just goes to show that life is often more exciting and interesting than fiction. The author did a great job and you really feel what he is going through.

Not what I expected. An interesting true story.

As I write my first book related to travel, I tried to think how this travel spark begun in me, and then suddenly, I remembered this book that I read over a decade ago that activated my desire to travel the world! Amazing book

I picked up this book whilst looking for my usual crime novel thinking I may not like the change. But to my amazement, I couldn't put this book down and read it in two days. (A record for me) This book is a very well written true and insperational story of survival. The stories along the way, about the different villages, local people, customs, plants, animals and cities gave me great insite to many regions of South America. I cried, held my breath and imagined myself in many of the beautiful places that they travelled. I would recommend this book to any one. It amazes me how one can survive such harrowing conditions. The strong friendship between Kevin & Yossi should be an example to us all. It makes me realise that my life is an easy one. Congratulations and thank you to the author, Yossi Ghinsberg for sharing this story with us.

This book is a real sleep stealer and heart-stopper. Once Yossi was lost I could not put it down. His amazing, ian adventure, told in graphic, hair-raising detail, but without pity, illustrates the human

spirit at its most magnificent. Sheer will, faith and a refusal to be beaten allow him to endure privations and setbacks that would have been the end of a lesser man. Read it if you like adventure, read it if you need to restore your faith in humanity or read it just because you enjoy a good book, but do read it. In many ways the best part of the book comes at the very end. A Yossi humbled and enlightened by his experiences gives an insight into some of his perceptions of life. There are words here that found a strong echo in my own heart. I am the richer for having read his book.

I don't read books... so you ask yourself why I am writing this review? It normally takes me months or even years to complete a book. Heart of the had me hooked from start to finish - and can you believe that it took me just 1 week!!! This made my fascination for the even stronger. The courage and strength of these 4 young men leaves me speechless. If you have any sense this is one book that must be read and take it from an expert, it won't take you years to read!!!

I bought this book after hearing Yossi Ghinsberg tell his tale at a conference I attended. He is even more incredible in person, and adds humor and reflection on the events that took place in the jungle. Many people left wondering if his story were true. It's an incredible story, and I was thrilled to find that while I read the book, I could hear Yossi's voice in my head, telling his story again.

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