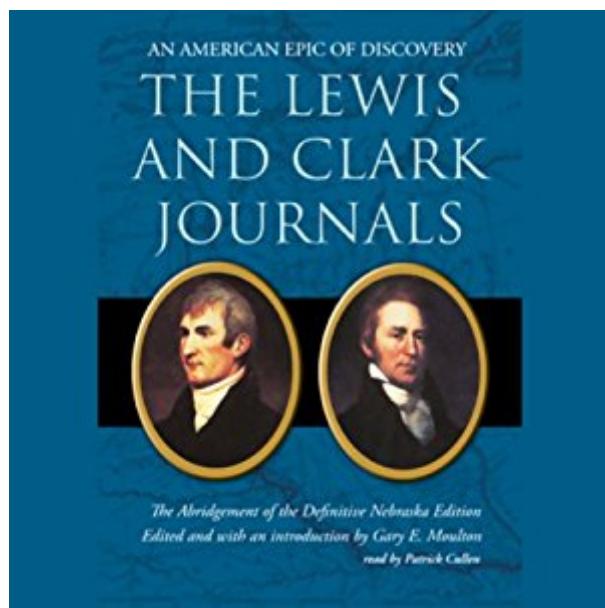


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Following orders from President Thomas Jefferson, Captains Meriwether Lewis and William Clark set out from their wintering camp in Illinois in 1804 to search for a river passage to the Pacific Ocean. This is the riveting account of their journey. In their own words, recorded in the famous journals of Lewis and Clark, the members of the Corps of Discovery tell their story with an immediacy and power missing from secondhand accounts. All of their triumphs and terrors are here: the thrill of seeing the vast herds of bison, the fear the captains felt when Sacagawea fell ill, the ordeal of crossing the Continental Divide. The natural wonders of an unspoiled America are here, and the lives and customs of its native peoples also vividly come to life, making for a living drama that is humorous, poignant and, at least once, tragic. Editor Gary E. Moulton blends the narrative highlights of his definitive Nebraska edition of the Lewis and Clark journals to bring forth the voices of the enlisted men and of the Native Americans, heard for the first time alongside the words of the captains. --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

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This edition of the Lewis & Clark Expedition was based, not solely on the Nicholas Biddle's book written in 1814, as were all other renditions since then. He didn't have access to all the journals of members of the expedition other than Lewis & Clark themselves that later became available, one as late as the 1960s. Many entries, particularly by Clark, have phonetic spellings that slow the reading. But one can imagine it is more historically accurate and gives a sense of how people of that era spoke and spelled. Sometimes the language is flowery and poetic. The spelling just wasn't settled

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This is a book for those who want more than a summary and want to see the actual text of the writing, but in a way that you can understand what is being said and what they are meaning. This is much less detailed than all of the journal writing, but most of it you do not want to read (full journals) anyway. This gives the best account I have seen yet.

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GREAT book

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