

Arthur Ransome And Captain Flints Trunk

Arthur Ransome is best known for the twelve immortal Swallows and Amazon, idyllic children's novels he wrote on his return from Russia in 1928. From his prose he seems a genial and gentle Englishman, who, like his protagonists, pursued benign maritime adventures. However this was not the complete story. From 1917 to 1924 he was the Russian correspondent for two English newspapers, and his sympathy for the Bolshevik regime gave him unparalleled access to its leaders, policies, politics and plots. He was also the lover, and later the husband of Evgenia Shelepina, Trotsky's private secretary. His contacts earned him not only the admiration of liberals, both in the UK and US, but a place in the British Secret Intelligence Service.

'Why do they call him Black Jake? Is it because of his hair?' Titty asked. 'Because of his heart' said Peter Duck. The Swallows and Amazons, as well as Captain Flint and the ancient able seaman Peter Duck, set sail on the Wild Cat bound for the Channel. But they are shadowed by the Viper, manned by none other than Black Jake - a beastly pirate with a dark plan. Can the children race ahead and uncover the buried treasure before the pirate? Can they survive storms, earthquakes, crabs and even a waterspout and make it home? **BACKSTORY:** Find out if you would be a good sailor aboard the Wild Cat and learn all about the real location that inspired the author.

Follows the adventures of two groups of children who spend a winter holiday by a great lake next to the mountains.

Christina Hardyment here provides a fabulous evocation of the glamorous, roller-coaster existence of one of the most influential authors in the English language and the turbulent times in which he lived.

From Arthur Ransome to Gene Kemp

Swallows and Amazons Series, Children's Books, Literary Studies and Historical Writings

The Other Arthur Ransome

Reading Series Fiction

The Big Six (Swallows and Amazons #9)

After their mother goes off sailing in the North Sea with Captain Flint, the two Blackett sisters find their eagerly awaited solo holiday at the lakeside interrupted by a visit from Great Aunt.

In 1973 Sophie Neville was cast as Titty alongside Virginia McKenna, Ronald

Fraser and Suzanna Hamilton in the film *Swallows & Amazons*. Made before the advent of digital technology, the child stars lived out Arthur Ransome's epic adventure in the great outdoors without ever seeing a script. Encouraged by her mother, Sophie Neville kept a diary about her time filming on location in the lakes and mountains of Cumbria. Bouncy and effervescent, extracts from her childhood diary are interspersed among her memories of the cast and crew as well as photographs, maps and newspaper articles, offering a child's eye view of the making of the film from development to premiere - and the aftermath.

When their boat is burned and they are cast adrift in the South China Sea, Titty, Roger, Peggy, John, Nancy, Susan, and Captain Flint make their way to land only to find themselves the captives of the redoubtable Misse Lee, one of the last pirates operating off the China coast.

The fictional Walker children, are much loved characters in Arthur Ransome's *Swallows and Amazons*, a quintessentially English family in an archetypal English children's classic. However, it was an Anglo-Armenian family from Aleppo who were the catalyst and inspiration. *Swallows and Armenians* is a book of short stories and essays which firmly re-establishes the connection, using newly-appraised correspondence and diaries. 'With her beautifully researched complement to Arthur Ransome ' s classic and still best-selling series, Karen Babayan has opened a much-loved children ' s adventure epic, set in the iconically British Lake District, to an enriching cross-cultural re-worlding. By revealing the Anglo-Armenian identity of the children who inspired the gripping tale of sailing, piracy and intrigue, she has created new stories resonant in our own times of conflict, displacement, and dangerous nationalisms. Unveiling Ransome ' s anglicization of the Altounyan children, Karen Babayan restores them to their central place in British literature. She also links their crossing of Syrian Aleppo and Armenian cuisine with a once-Viking Cumbria to her own bi-cultural identity and traumatic familial experience of displacement and migration, loss and adaptation, all shadowed by the terror of the Armenian genocide (1915-17). By creative storytelling, *Swallows and Armenians* intervenes as much in diasporic Armenian as British cultural memory by vibrantly reanimating the voices of these extraordinary children who speak back across her pages from a past she has recreated to a present that needs them now.' Professor Griselda Pollock, Laureate of the Holberg Prize for Arts and Humanities 2020

Children ' s Literature

Approaching Arthur Ransome

Swallows and Armenians

The Picts & the Martyrs

Swallows, Amazons and Coots

Racundra's First Cruise is Arthur Ransome's account of Racundra's maiden voyage, which took place in August and September 1922. The cruise took him from Riga, in Latvia to Helsingfors (Helsinki) in Finland, via the Moon Sound and Reval (Tallinn) in Estonia and back. His first book on sailing, it was also the first of his titles that achieved such high levels of success. Although reprinted many times

in various editions and formats, Fernhurst Books' hardback edition of the title (2003) was the first to use the original text in its entirety - with the original layout, maps and photographs - and also includes an excellent introduction by Brian Hammett containing a treasure trove of previously unpublished writings, essays and photographs. Ransome's first attempts at Baltic sailing, in his two previous boats, Slug and Kittiwake, are also explained in detail using his writings and illustrations. The life of Ransome's beloved Racundra is chronicled to its conclusion and there is an explanation of how he came to write the book. The original illustrations are enhanced by the inclusion of present day photographs of the same locations. Having gone out of print in 2012, this new paperback edition retains all of the original and additional features; bringing back to life Ransome's epic first cruise in his pride and joy, his treasured Racundra.

The twelfth and final book in Arthur Ransom's Swallows and Amazons series. In this one children set out on an adventure off the coast of Scotland to save a pair of loons not previously known to nest in British waters.

This meticulously edited Arthur Ransome collection includes his best known "Swallows and Amazons" series of children's adventure novels, as well as other children's books, his literary studies and historical writings. This unique collection is formatted for your eReader with a functional and detailed table of contents: `_x000D_ Swallows and Amazons Series: _x000D_ Swallows and Amazons _x000D_ Swallowdale _x000D_ Peter Duck _x000D_ Winter Holiday _x000D_ Coot Club _x000D_ Pigeon Post _x000D_ We Didn't Mean To Go To Sea _x000D_ Secret Water _x000D_ The Big Six _x000D_ Misse Lee _x000D_ The Picts and the Martyrs: Or Not Welcome At All _x000D_ Great Northern? _x000D_ Children's Books: _x000D_ Old Peter's Russian Tales _x000D_ The Soldier and Death _x000D_ Pond and Stream _x000D_ The Child's Book of the Seasons _x000D_ Other Writings: _x000D_ Russia in 1919 _x000D_ The Crisis in Russia _x000D_ Oscar Wilde - A Critical Study _x000D_ Open Letter to America`

Jibbooms and bobstays! Those two Blackett sisters are back at it again, and Nancy is right there in the thick of it. Their mother (doubtless suffering from exhaustion) has gone off sailing in the North Sea with Captain Flint on a rest cure, but she has allowed her two daughters to stay a fortnight at Beckfoot on the lakeshore with their trusty cook. She's also permitted their two old friends, Dick and Dorothea Callum, to come up for a visit. But when their redoubtable Great Aunt (aka G. A.) hears of their abandonment, she's horrified and off on the next train. The Amazons are dismayed; not only will their solo holiday be ruined but now they'll have to hide their two guests in the woods in an abandoned shepherd's cottage (where they'll be forced to live off the land like savages, ergo "The Picts") while they'll be required to dress up in white pinafores, practice the pianoforte, and recite reams of parlor poetry aloud (ergo "The Martyrs"). Not much stretch here; no one dares trifle with the G.A. As usual with Ransome, the fun is gentle, the action

nonstop, and the instructions on everything from tickling trout to setting anchors are precise and informed. Even the formidable maiden aunt proves to have virtues, not the least of which is her ability to say she's sorry. This is the eleventh title in a beloved series that have endeared themselves to three generations of readers, books as credible today as when Ransome penned them on the shores of his beloved Lake District in the 1930s.

Arthur Ransome and Captain Flint's Trunk

Or Not Welcome at All

A Thoroughly Mischievous Person

Great Northern?

Winter Holiday

The ultimate children's classic - long summer days filled with adventure. John, Susan, Titty and Roger sail their boat, Swallow, to a deserted island for a summer camping trip. Exploring and playing sailors is an adventure in itself but the island holds more excitement in store. Two fierce Amazon pirates, Nancy and Peggy, challenge them to war and a summer of battles and alliances ensues. 'My childhood simply would not have been the same without this book. It created a whole world to explore, one that lasted long in the imagination after the final page had been read' - Marcus Sedgwick

The Walker children (John, Susan, Titty and Roger) are staying at a farm near a lake in the Lake District of England, during the school holidays. They sail a borrowed dinghy named Swallow and meet the Blackett children (Nancy and Peggy), who sail a dinghy named Amazon. The Walkers camp on an island in the lake, while the Blacketts live in their house nearby. When the children meet, they agree to join forces against a common enemy – the Blacketts' uncle Jim Turner whom they call "Captain Flint." The book relates the outdoor adventures and play of two families of children. These involve sailing, camping, fishing, exploration and piracy.

Children's Literature: New Approaches is a guide for graduate and upper-level undergraduate students of children's literature. It is structured through critics reading individual texts to bring out wider issues that are current in the field. Includes chronology of key events and publications, a selective guide to further reading and a list of Web-based resources.

Six intrepid brothers and sisters crew out on the high seas where they brave every imaginable danger.

The Double Life of Arthur Ransome

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Swallows & Amazons - Boxed Set

Pigeon Post

Arthur Ransome - Ultimate Collection

Arthur Ransome and Captain Flint's Trunk Jonathan Cape Arthur Ransome and Captain Flint's Trunk

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DigiCat Publishing presents to you this special edition of "Swallowdale" by Arthur Ransome. DigiCat Publishing considers every written word to be a legacy of humankind. Every DigiCat book has been carefully reproduced for republishing in a new modern format. The book is available in print, as well as ebooks. DigiCat hopes you will treat this work with the acknowledgment and passion it deserves as a classic of world literature.

First published in 1930, Swallows and Amazons secured Arthur Ransome's reputation as one of the most influential children's authors of all time, yet prior to writing fiction he had had a turbulent career as a journalist and war correspondent in revolutionary Russia. In this

refreshing account of Ransome's work, Alan Kennedy sets out to explain his enduring appeal by combining literary criticism with psychological expertise. Not only did Ransome apply a narrative theory to his works, his use of symbolism aligning them more with the modernist tradition than with the event-driven children's literature of contemporaries such as Richard Crompton and Enid Blyton, but his novels are also more than usually autobiographical. Kennedy ably demonstrates with reference to three particular challenges Ransome faced in his seriously conflicted life: his father's untimely death, his abandonment of his infant daughter in order to escape his catastrophic first marriage, and the innumerable compromises that kept him alive during his Russian exile. *A Thoroughly Mischievous Person: The Other Arthur Ransome* is the first study to tackle this matter systematically, giving casual and scholarly readers alike valuable insights into this fascinating figure.

A prolific 20th-century author, editor, critic, reviewer and foreign correspondent, Arthur Ransome is historically considered one of the most important English children's writers of the interwar period. This first comprehensive bibliography describes in detail the various editions of the books he wrote and to which he contributed. Included in this work are more than 1,500 contributions by Ransome to newspapers and magazines, with extensive notes on their publication history. Among these contributions are controversial reports from Russia during World War I and the rise of the Bolsheviks.

The Making of Swallows and Amazons (1974)

Swallowdale

Children's Adventure Novel

A Reading of Arthur Ransome

Swallows and Amazons (Book 1-12)

The Swallows and Amazons series includes twelve adventure novels by English author Arthur Ransome. Set in the interwar period, it involves group adventures by children, mainly in the school holidays and mainly in England. They revolve around outdoor activities, especially sailing. The series begins with the Walker children from London, who stay at a lakeside farm in the school holidays, sail a dinghy named Swallow, while the local Blakett girls, living on the opposite shore, have one named Amazon. The Walkers see themselves as explorers, while the Blacketts declare themselves pirates. Contents: *Swallows and Amazons Swallowdale Peter Duck Winter Holiday Coot Club Pigeon Post We Didn't Mean To Go To Sea Secret Water The Big Six Missee Lee The Picts and the Martyrs: Or Not Welcome At All Great Northern?*

In 1929, Arthur Ransome (1884-1967), a journalist and war correspondent who was on the books of MI6, turned his hand to writing adventure stories for children. The result was Swallows and Amazons and eleven more wonderful books followed, spanning in publication the turbulent years from 1930 to 1947. They changed the course of children's literature and have never been out of print since. In them, Ransome creates a world of escape so close to reality that it is utterly believable, a world in which things always turn out right in the end. Yet Swallows, Amazons and Coots shows that, to be properly appreciated today, the novels must be read as products of their era, inextricably bound up with Ransome's life and times as he bore witness to the end of Empire and the dark days of the

Second World War. In the first critical book devoted wholly to the series, Julian Lovelock explores each novel in turn, offering an erudite assessment of Ransome's creative process and narrative technique, and highlighting his contradictory politics, his defence of rural England, and his reflections on colonialism and the place of women in society. Thus Lovelock demonstrates convincingly that, despite first appearances, the novels challenge as much as reinforce the pervading attitudes of their time. Written with a lightness of touch and enlivened by Ransome's own illustrations, Swallows, Amazons and Coots is both fresh and nostalgic. It will appeal to anyone who has enjoyed the world of Swallows and Amazons, and there is plenty here to challenge both the student and the Ransome enthusiast.

Following up clues found amongst the contents of Ransome's old trunk which was bequeathed to Leeds University, Christina Hardyment set out to settle once and for all the questions that have tantalised generations of readers of the Swallows and Amazons books. Are the people real? Are the places true? Following in their footsteps, sailing in their wake, she resolves nearly all of the big questions. She has talked to the Swallows, untangled the mysteries, determined and identified the myriad influences, incidents and locations which Ransome incorporated into his narratives. Now fully revised to account for a further twenty years of research, and newly illustrated with many extra drawings and previously unpublished photographs, this book is not only an essential companion to the Ransome books but a magical transposition of story into reality which will enchant and bewitch Ransome's millions of readers of all ages.

For anyone who loves sailing and adventure, Arthur Ransome's classic Swallows and Amazons series stands alone. Originally published in the UK over a half century ago, these books are still eagerly read by children, despite their length and their decidedly British protagonists. We attribute their success to two facts: first, Ransome is a great storyteller and, second, he clearly writes from first-hand experience. Independence and initiative are qualities any child can understand and every volume in this collection celebrates these virtues.. The third book in Arthur Ransome's wonderful series for children, Peter Duck takes intrepid explorers John, Susan, Titty, and Roger Walker and fearsome Amazon pirates Nancy and Peggy Blackett onto the high seas. Under the command of the infamous Captain Flint (Nancy and Peggy's Uncle Jim), the children brave a real-life pirate and his cutthroat crew, fog, sharks, and the ravenous crabs of Crab Island in the search of buried treasure.

Malory

Tracing the Development of the Pirate Motif with Disney's Pirates of the Caribbean

The Life and Times of King Arthur's Chronicler

Postmodern Pirates

Swallows and Amazons

‘ So long, ’ called the harbourmaster. ‘ Don ’ t run into Misse Lee! ’ The Swallows, Amazons and Captain Flint don ’ t pay much heed to the harbourmaster ’ s friendly warning as they set off for China. They are on a round-the-world voyage aboard the Wild Cat and it ’ s been plain sailing for a hundred ports. But when Gibber, the ship ’ s monkey, accidentally sinks their faithful boat things take a serious turn for the worse.

Separated, captured, miles from home, the Swallows and Amazons are about to meet their fate and the pirate who holds it: the legendary Mischeve Lee... In the 'Backstory' you can learn to decipher Nancy's Morse code and find out about the real life inspirations for Mischeve Lee Vintage Children ' s Classics is a twenty-first century classics list aimed at 8-12 year olds and the adults in their lives. Discover timeless favourites from The Jungle Book and Alice ' s Adventures in Wonderland to modern classics such as The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas and The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time. For anyone who loves sailing and adventure, Arthur Ransome's classic Swallows and Amazons series stands alone. Originally published in the UK over a half century ago, these books are still eagerly read by children, despite their length and their decidedly British protagonists. We attribute their success to two facts: first, Ransome is a great storyteller and, second, he clearly writes from first-hand experience. Independence and initiative are qualities any child can understand and every volume in this collection celebrates these virtues. Swallowdale (originally published in 1931) is the second title in Arthur Ransome's classic series for children, for grownups, for anyone captivated by the world of adventure and imagination. It follows the Walker family and friends through a shipwreck, a camp on the mainland, a secret valley and cave, and a thrilling mountain hike.

Originally published: London; New York: Jonathan Cape, 1930.

A group of vacationers hunts for a lost gold mine and avoids a mysterious man they refer to as "squashy hat," with the help of their carrier pigeons, Homer, Sophocles, and Sappho

The Last Englishman

The Picts and the Martyrs

Swallows and Amazons (Swallows and Amazons Series #1)

Winter holiday

Not Welcome at All

"Recundra -- Nancy Blackett -- Lottie Blossom -- Peter Duck -- Selina King -- Swallow"--Cover.

John, his brother Roger, and his sisters Susan and Titty, spend the summer at Holly Howe farm exploring the lake on the sailboat Swallow.

Postmodern Pirates offers a comprehensive analysis of Disney's Pirates of the Caribbean series and the pirate motif in British literature and Hollywood movies through the lens of postmodern film theories.

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A Treasure Hunt in the Caribbees

New Approaches

Children's Adventure Novel (Swallows and Amazons No. 6)

The Swallows and Amazons in the China Seas

Peter Duck

The Walker family endures a shipwreck, discovers a secret cave and valley, builds a camp on the mainland, and goes hiking in the mountains.

This book investigates the 'series' in children's literature. The works of several well-known children's authors - UK and the US, traditional and contemporary - are analyzed, and using these examples the book explores the special nature and appeal of series writing for children. As well as providing a historical overview of the series, the author raises important questions about the nature of literary criticism applied to children's literature.

Pigeon Post is the sixth novel in the Swallows and Amazons series that follows the adventures of the Walker siblings (Swallows) and Blackett sisters (Amazons). The Swallows, Amazons and Ds are camping in the Blackett family's garden at Beckfoot. Their vessel Swallow is not available for the day as James Turner (Captain Flint) has sent word that he is returning from an expedition to South America prospecting for gold. Slater Bob, an old slate miner, tells them a story about a lost gold vein in the hills. As Captain Flint has been unsuccessful in his prospecting trip, the children plan to prospect for gold on High Topps instead, as a surprise for Flint. They eventually find a spring by dowsing, and they move closer to the Topps. They send daily messages home by pigeon.

Arthur Ransome

Racundra's First Cruise

A Bibliography

Arthur Ransome Under Sail