

The Travels of Marco Polo

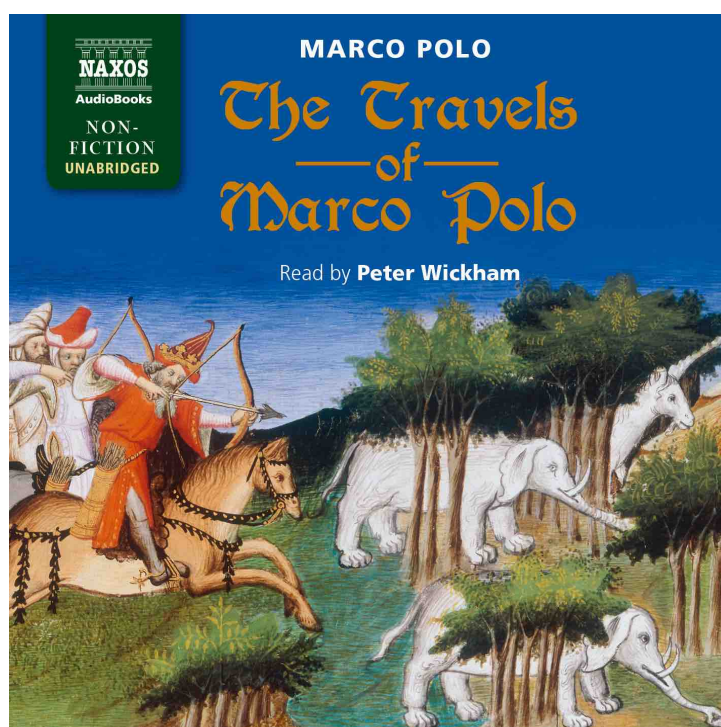
By Marco Polo
Unabridged
Read by Peter Wickham

DESCRIPTION

The Travels of Marco Polo is the classic account of Marco Polo's journey to China from Venice, and his discoveries as an emissary to the great Kublai Khan. Polo explores everywhere from Baghdad, Armenia and Russia to the Caspian Sea, the Gobi Desert and the small fishing villages of China, describing the geography, architecture and customs of these exotic places. He tells stories of assassins, cannibals, fantastical animals, feasts and battles, and gives a fascinating account of the multicultural empire of Kublai Khan. *The Travels* is said to have inspired the voyages of Magellan and Columbus, the latter having kept an annotated copy among his belongings. It remains one of the most entertaining travelogues in existence.

SALES AND MARKETING POINTS

- Peter Wickham's elegant reading evokes the time and landscape of Marco Polo's adventure, and complements his rich descriptions of the Far East.
- An exciting addition to our collection of non-fiction adventure/travel books, including T.E. Lawrence's *Seven Pillars of Wisdom*, Wilfred Thesiger's *Arabian Sands* and Ted Simon's *Jupiter's Travels*.



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