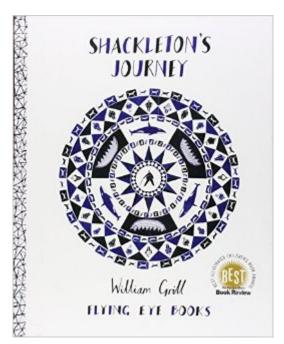
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# **Shackleton's Journey**





## Synopsis

Winner of the 2015 Kate Greenaway MedalA New York Times Best Illustrated Book of 2014Best Children's Book of 2014, Wall Street JournalBest Children's Book of 2014, Brain PickingsA 2015 USBBY Outstanding International BookYoung, up-and-coming illustrator William Grill weaves a detailed visual narrative of Shackleton's journey to Antarctica.Grill's beautiful use of colored pencils and vibrant hues effortlessly evokes the adventure and excitement that surrounded the expedition. His impeccably researched drawings, rich with detail, fastidiously reproduce the minutiae of the expedition.Children will love examining the diagrams of the peculiar provisions and the individual drawings of each sled dog and packhorse. This book takes the academic and historical information behind the expedition and reinterprets it for a young audience.

#### **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 1140 (What's this?) Hardcover: 80 pages Publisher: Flying Eye Books (February 18, 2014) Language: English ISBN-10: 1909263109 ISBN-13: 978-1909263109 Product Dimensions: 10 × 0.6 × 12.3 inches Shipping Weight: 1.4 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (23 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #52,602 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #7 in Books > Travel > Polar Regions > Antarctica #8 in Books > Children's Books > Comics & Graphic Novels > History #22 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > History > Exploration & Discovery Age Range: 7 - 8 years Grade Level: Preschool - 2

### **Customer Reviews**

Read my rent-a-kid's copy to him -- he is 12.Twelve years ago I was lucky enough to go on a ten day cruise to Antarctica, South Georgia and the Falklands, and am very familiar with many of the leading sources of literature -- one of the speakers on the boat was a nephew of one of the five men on the Scott's fatal expedition and was obsessed with exploration of the area. It is perhaps unfair for me to review this book -- I got caught up with details that were wrong -- the boat journey took 16 days, not 10; they had provisions for four weeks, not six months; and after sliding down the mountain side, they still had great difficulties reaching the whaling station. (Having stood at the base of that mountain, and then traveling for an hour on our ship to the station itself -- I was amazing they could cross the river between the mountain and the station, for example. I wanted to trace their path but our guides said "That's impossible.") And, of course, once you have seen South with Endurance: Shackleton's Antarctic Expedition 1914-1917 with its incredible 500 photographs, and you remember how many of the plates were saved as the ship sank -- well, it isn't fair to compare the illustrations in this "kid's book".Nonetheless, my rent-a-kid loved the book. We discussed the dogs and their names and reflected on Scott rejecting Amundsen's and Nansen's advice: "Dogs, Scott, take dogs." He took over the reading from time to time. We spent three delightful hours, and he took the book home with him very happily.

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