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Across The Ravaged Land





Synopsis

Across the Ravaged Land is the third and final volume in Nick Brandtâ [™]s trilogy of books documenting the disappearing animals of eastern Africa. The book offers a darker vision of this world, still filled with a stunning beauty but now tragically tainted and fast disappearing at the hands of man.In addition to a range of starkly powerful animal portraits, Brandt introduces some new themes, as humans make an appearance for the first time. He also contributes two essays summing up his photographic odyssey, which has taken more than a decade of intensive work to complete.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Even without reading the forewords of Nick Brandt, this book is riveting and very often in a painful way. Some of the images are extremely strong and very hard to shake. Add his text and you have something that will scar your soul. From a purely photographic viewpoint, his photos are downright amazing. They are not flashy in any way; all are black and white with a sepia tone with a very high resolution. His pictures spoke to me because I feel they exhibit the soul of the artist, they are real, very real.Last, but not least, the print is sumptuous; all are very matt and are of the best quality I have ever seen. In every aspect, this is an amazing book.

I received this much anticipated book today and it was all that I expected and more. Frankly, although less voluminous than Genesis by author Sebastiao Salgado, the imagery had a much more profound impact on me on an emotional level. There were no filler images, every image included was just the right amount to convey the emotion desired. My only complaint and it is a major fault for such a great book, was that arrived with corrugated and bent cover sheet. The folks who packaged before shipping did a lousy job of protecting the book on it's voyage.

Nick Brandt's photography has no equal. Be warned: this is a sad book. But beautiful, full of meaning and mandatory for those who want to understand that the world is not a theme park. Indeed, the world is a mess as a result of the predatory nature of the dominant species (humans). Exquisite, tragic, essential.

The book, Across the Ravaged Land by Rick Brandt is heart breaking and haunting. The lines of elephant tusks are sickening, and heart breaking. To think that a creature as noble and elegant as the African Elephant must give up its life (91 African elephants were murdered, poisoned at a watering hole in Zimbabwe, just last week) to be fashioned into desk ornaments, jewelry and other trinkets is disgusting and shameful. The book itself is beautiful in photography and concept. A hard one to review, totally spot on in its defense of these noble creatures and wonderful in its beauty. I could not turn a page without tears filling my eyes. As the keepers of this earth and its creatures we all need to be held responsible and to open our eyes wider to the plight of the African elephants, lions, tigers, etc. This book in itself demonstrates the glorious beauty that we all are losing, everyday. The brutal slaughter of a giant land animal for trinkets and objets d'arts, is not only shameful, wasteful and ridiculous it is a scar on this wonderful land. Mr. Brandt's series of books are magnificent and haunting. How he must have suffered upon seeing these terrible lines of tusks, because behind everyone is murdered elephant.

Stunningly haunting book and had been wanting this for some time. Bought it used and couldn't be in better shape. Nick Brandt's work is unsurpassed and as a wildlife photographer having travelled to Africa many times, this book stirs the soul and his outlook and belief in what is coming is more than disturbing. We must stop what is happening on this continent with the senseless and continued killing of it's wildlife. Brandt is in my opinion, one of the greatest photographers out there.

This is a wonderful book in a wonderful series !! The photos are beyond incredible !! Please EVERYONE give your support to Big Life Org, they are doing Great work !!! Although, I wanted this book, I was excited to see it advertised to be autographed by the author. I was very disappointed to receive my purchase, open the cover, and see that it was autographed to "FRANK". Which is of I highly recommend this book for the photography and art enthusiast. It's beautiful, moving, and inspiring.Just keep in mind that the dimensions are pretty large, and it may not fit on your bookshelf. It makes for a great coffee table book, but I like it so much, I'm hesitant to keep in my coffee table so it doesn't ruined.

Worth every penny and then some! Excellent print quality. I'm dumbfounded at how Nick manages to get such wonderful photos. Its also an insanely powerful book that will wrench at your heart for the cause of conservation. This book shows the power of photography to effect global change.

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