

Top of the World Books

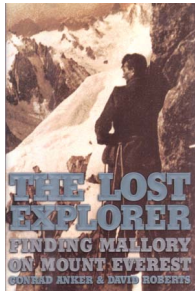
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The 1924 British Mount Everest Expedition The Disappearance, Search, & Discovery of Mallory & Irvine

On June 8, 1924, George Leigh Mallory and Andrew 'Sandy' Irvine were last seen disappearing into the mist in their attempt to be first to reach the summit of Mount Everest. Over the intervening years many climbers, and authors, have attempted to answer what happened on that fateful day. Did they get near the top? Did they reach the summit? Did they fall on their way up or down? Was a body discovered by the Chinese and removed? And, what happened to their camera?

The books below describe the expedition and members, Mallory and Irvine's disappearance, the searches, the discovery of Mallory, and the ongoing search for Irvine. With the recent discovery of one of Irvine's climbing boots the hopeful discovery of their camera remains a tantalizing find. Additional information and/or photos is available upon request.

Anker, Conrad & David Roberts. **The Lost Explorer: Finding Mallory on Mount Everest.** 1999 US, 1st, 8vo, pp.191, 21 bw photos, brown/white cloth; signed Anker & Roberts, dj & cloth new. #18549, \$49.-

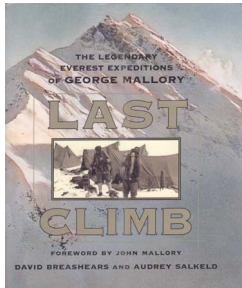


Seventy-five years following George Mallory's disappearance on Mt. Everest, heading for the top, Conrad Anker discovered Mallory's body lying face down in the scree at 27,000 feet. Seventeen days later Anker free-climbed the notorious Second Step. Reflecting on the climb, Anker describes his discovery and explains why he thinks Mallory and Sandy Irvine failed to make the summit and expresses his admiration for their achievement with the primitive

equipment of the time. Jochen Hemmleb, via his investigative work, was the impetus for the trip which was led by Eric Simonson.

— another copy.dj & cloth new. #17832, \$15.-

Breashears, David & Audrey Salkeld. **Last Climb: The Legendary Everest Expeditions of Mallory and Irvine.** 1999 US, 1st, 4to, pp.240, color frontis, 31 color (1 fldg) & 95 bw (2 fldg) photos, 4 maps, black/green cloth; signed Breashears & Salkeld, dj unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine. #19535, \$79.-



Breashears and Salkeld, experts in historical mountaineering and Everest, examine the story of George Mallory, and his three expeditions to explore and climb Everest, who along with Andrew Irvine disappeared in 1924. This wonderful book includes many vintage

photographs, many of which have never been published, as well as images from the 1999 Mallory & Irvine Research Expedition which discovered Mallory's body.

— another copy. 1999 US, Deluxe Ed, 4to, pp.240, color frontis, 31 color & 95 bw photos, 4 maps, page-ribbon, aeg, gilt-dec brown-padded cloth w/ photo insert; dj & cloth new. #26145, \$35.- \$24.95

— another copy. 1st ed, black/green cloth; dj unclipped, fine, cloth edges lightly foxed, tight, fine. #17050, \$35.- \$12.-

Carr, Herbert. **The Irvine Diaries: Andrew Irvine and the Enigma of Everest 1924.** 1979 Gastons-West Col, Goring, 1st, 8vo, pp.143, photo frontis, 13 bw photos, map, blue cloth; dj lightly rubbed, unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine. #9574, \$125.-



Interesting biography of Irvine who, along with George Mallory, disappeared on Everest in 1924. Much of this is from Irvine's diaries and includes his early life, rowing at Oxford, ski racing at Mürren, Spitsbergen (1923), and Everest (1924).

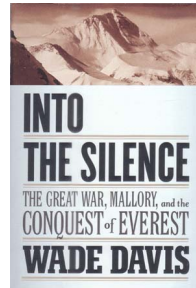
2012 Boardman-Tasker Award Shortlist

2012 Banff Mountain Book Festival Award Finalist

2012 Samuel Johnson Prize for Non-Fiction Winner

2023 Baillie Gifford Winner of Winners Award Shortlist

Davis, Wade. **Into the Silence: The Great War, Mallory, and the Conquest of Everest.** 2011 US, 1st prtg, thick 8vo, pp.xiv, 655, 41 bw photos, 2 maps, map eps, black/grey cloth; dj w/ small delamination bottom cover, else dj & cloth new. #25843, \$32.50



In this magisterial work of history and adventure, based on more than a decade of prodigious research in British, Canadian, and European archives, and months in the field in Nepal and Tibet, Davis vividly re-creates British climbers' epic attempts to scale Everest in the early 1920s. With new access to unpublished letters, diaries, regimental records, and

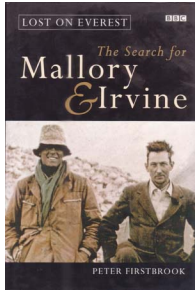
Tibetan monastery accounts, Davis recounts the heroic efforts of George Mallory and his fellow climbers to conquer the mountain in the face of treacherous terrain and furious weather. Into the Silence sets their remarkable achievements in sweeping historical context: Davis shows how the exploration originated in nineteenth-century imperial ambitions, and he takes us far beyond the Himalayas to the trenches of World War I, where Mallory and his generation found themselves and their world utterly shattered. In the wake of the war that destroyed all notions of honor and decency, the Everest expeditions, led by these scions of Britain's elite, emerged as a symbol of national redemption and hope. This is a massive and meticulously researched work.

Finalist 2012 Banff Mountain Book Festival Mountain & Wilderness Literature, Shortlisted for 2012 Boardman-Tasker Award for

Mountaineering Literature, Winner 2012 Samuel Johnson Prize for Non-Fiction, Shortlisted for 2023 Baillie Gifford Winner of Winners Award.

— another copy. 2011 3rd prt, dj unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine. #27579, \$9.95

Firstbrook, Peter. **Lost on Everest: The Search for Mallory & Irvine.** 1999 UK, 1st, 8vo, pp.224, 40 bw photos, 4 maps, appendices, black cloth; dj & cloth new.

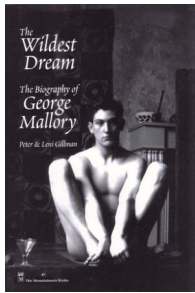


#17498, \$24.95 \$22.45
Firstbrook, producer of the BBC film 'Lost on Everest', explores the events that led up to the fateful expedition, traces the momentous eventful history of Everest climbs, and concludes with the exciting story of the search for Mallory and Irvine and the attempt to resolve one of mountaineering's greatest mysteries.

2000 National Outdoor Book Award Winner

2000 Boardman-Tasker Award for Mountaineering Literature Winner

Gillman, Peter & Leni. **The Wildest Dream: The Biography of George Mallory.** 2000 US, 1st, 8vo, pp.288, 46 bw photos, map, appendices, grey/white cloth; signed Peter & Leni Gillman, dj unclipped, very fine, cloth tight, very fine. #21181, \$45.-

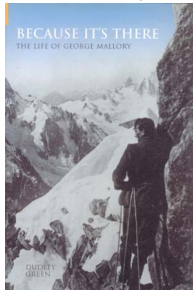


The most comprehensive biography of Mallory yet written. The Gillman's examine Mallory's early years and associations, his climbing accomplishments, and each of the three Everest expeditions of which he was a member.

Winner of the 2000 Boardman Tasker Mountaineering Literature Award and 2000 National Outdoor Book Award in the History/Biography category.

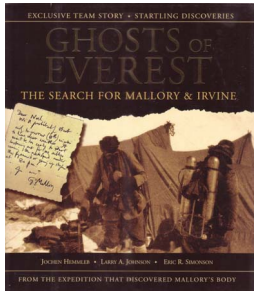
— another copy. signed Peter Gillman, dj & cloth new. #20919, \$32.-

Green, Dudley. **Because It's There: The Life of George Mallory.** 2005 UK, 1st, 8vo, pp.192, 61 bw photos, map, black cloth; dj & cloth new. #24504, \$35.-



This new and updated edition of Green's earlier softcover work 'Mallory of Everest' (1990) brings us up to date through the finding of Mallory's body in 1999. Contains images which have not been featured in a mainstream publication before.

Hemmleb, Jochen, Larry A. Johnson, & Eric R. Simonson. **Ghosts of Everest: The Search for Mallory and Irvine.** 1999 US, 1st ed, 1st prt, 8vo, pp.206, photo frontis, 84 color & 26 bw photos, 3 maps, black/brown cloth; signed Jochen Hemmleb & Brad Washburn, dj w/ 1/4" tear top front, else dj & cloth new. #22022, \$45.-



Set against the backdrop of the 1924 British Mount Everest Expedition, and historical clues from subsequent expeditions, 'Ghosts of Everest' brings to life the events surrounding the ill-fated Mallory/Irvine climb, while following the 1999 Mallory & Irvine Research Expedition team as it retraced the route up the North Col and made a discovery that rocked the world - George Mallory's body at 27,000 feet. From early preparations to the day-by-day, blow-by-blow events of both expeditions, the narrative weaves through time bringing together past and present to create a seamless adventure narrative that captures the voices and action as it unfolded on the mountain. Meticulously researched and with new evidence and artifacts found on the mountain, this narrative sheds a revealing light on the seventy-five-year-old Mallory/Irvine mystery. Simonson summited Everest in 1991,

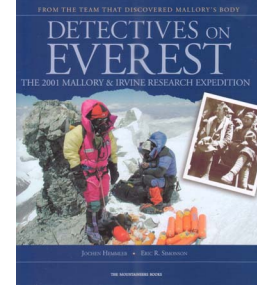
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led the 1999 and 2001 Mallory & Irvine Research Expeditions, and has climbed all eight of the Seven Summits. Hemmleb, via his investigative work, was the impetus for the expedition.

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Limited Edition of 300 Hardcovers

Hemmleb, Jochen & Eric Simonson. **Detectives on Everest: The 2001 Mallory & Irvine Research Expedition.** 2002 US, ltd ed 300, 1st, 4to, pp.206, photo frontis, 13 color & 117 bw photos, 3 maps, appendices, pale blue cloth; signed Hemmleb & Simonson, dj & cloth new. #22693, \$75.-

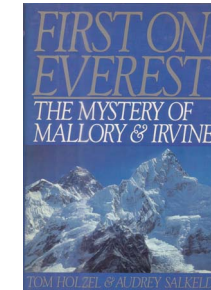


The story of the 2001 Mallory and Irvine expedition is a step-back-in-time look at a number of the earlier Everest expeditions. The team managed to find early camps and uncovered archeological material from the '22, '24, and '33 British teams and the '60 and '75

Chinese expeditions. The team also made a life-saving rescue of four climbers very high on the mountain for which they were awarded the AAC Sowles Award. After the expedition, Hemmleb and Simonson traveled to China to interview several aging members of the 1960 and 1975 expeditions and made further remarkable discoveries regarding Mallory and Irvine. Simonson summited Everest in 1991, led the 1999 and 2001 Mallory & Irvine Research Expeditions, and has climbed all eight of the Seven Summits. This is one of only 300 hardcover copies.

— another copy. inscribed Andy Politz, dj unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine. #27577, \$45.-
— another copy. wraps; signed Hemmleb, tight, near fine. #22430, \$14.95

Holzel, Tom & Audrey Salkeld. **First on Everest: The Mystery of Mallory and Irvine.** 1986 Holt, NY, 1st, 8vo, pp.x, 322, 35 bw photos, map, blue cloth; signed Salkeld Banff November 1999, dj unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine. #12658, \$45.-



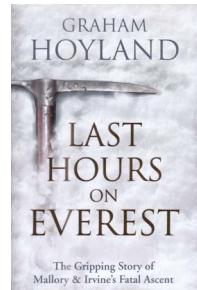
Holzel proposed, in 1971, that George Mallory may have reached the summit of Everest in 1924 after leaving Andrew Irvine behind. Here he, and noted Everest historian Salkeld, delves into these new theories. Holzel was a member of a fall 1986 Everest expedition, led by Andy Harvard, which undertook a search for Mallory and Irvine. David Breashears was the filmmaker for this expedition.

This is the first book to undertake a deep analysis about the disappearance of Mallory and Irvine. See Neate a22, SB H23.

— another copy. dj unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine. #13395, \$29.-
— another copy. signed Richard Irvin, dj unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine. #23924, \$29.-

From the collection of American mountaineer Richard Irvin with his signature.

Hoyland, Graham. **Last Hours on Everest: The Gripping Story of Mallory & Irvine's Fatal Ascent.** 2013 UK, 1st, 8vo, pp.x, 310, 13 color & 25 bw photos, blue cloth; dj & cloth new. #26477, \$39.95

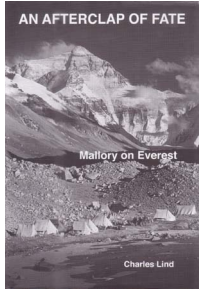


Hoyland has a close association with Everest. He climbed the mountain in 1993 and is the grandnephew of Howard Somervell, who loaned his camera to George Mallory for his summit day. Hoyland was a member of the 1999 Mallory & Irvine Research Expedition and returned in the fall of 2001 to look further for clues relating to Mallory and Irvine. Here is the most detailed reconstruction of what happened after the two English climbing legends left the camp on that fateful day.

Combining personal experience, the physical evidence found on the mountain and an insight into the hearts and minds of the two climbers, Hoyland produces the most compelling description of what actually happened on that day and the answer to that most intriguing of questions - did they actually climb Everest?

2006 Boardman-Tasker Award for Mountaineering Literature Winner

Lind, Charles. **An Afterclap of Fate: Mallory on Everest.** 2006 UK, 1st, 8vo, pp.126, blue cloth; dj & cloth new.

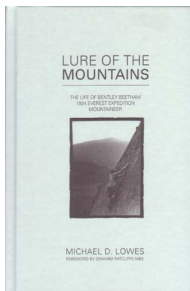


#24515, \$29.95

The perennial mystery of Mallory and Irvine on Everest receives an intriguing twist in a reconstruction of their fateful climb written virtually in Mallory's own words, drawn from the climber's letters, writing, and his background as a classicist. The reader is taken in the stream of Mallory's consciousness, into and through a vivid reliving of the detail of the climb itself, that leads into the heart and soul of Mallory himself. From his earliest childhood memory to moving recollections of the Somme - up to the realisation of the dream - the summit of Mt. Everest. A near forensic examination of the evidence points to one firm conclusion.

Winner of the 2006 Boardman-Tasker Award for Mountaineering Literature.

Lowes, Michael D. **Lure of the Mountains: The Life of Bentley Beetham 1924 Everest Expedition Mountaineer.** 2014 UK, 1st, small 8vo, pp.155, 36 bw photos, blue cloth; issued w/o dj, cloth new.

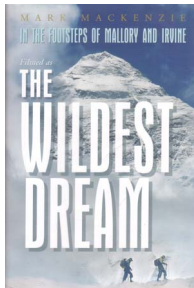


#26742, \$27.95

Beetham (1886-1963), a schoolmaster, naturalist, rock climber, ornithologist, and writer, was the primary photographer of the British Everest expedition of 1924. This is the first published biography of Beetham and charts his life from childhood in Darlington, to rock climbing in the Lake District and selection by the Mount Everest Committee as a member of the infamous and ill-fated 1924 Everest Expedition on which George Mallory and Sandy Irvine disappeared

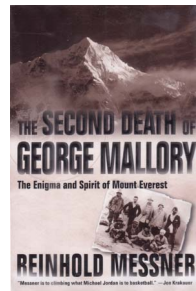
high on the mountain. Many of Beetham's images, including those made on the 1924 expedition, were for over 25 years curated by Michael Lowes and are reproduced in this book. His images of Tibet are 'an important historical record of Tibetan culture and a way of life that in modern times has rapidly begun to disappear'. Beetham was a highly skilled rock climber and a pioneer of new routes in the Borrowdale Valley, where he established such notable climbs as Little Chamonix on Shepherd's Crag, and Corvus on Raven Crag. Lowes, like many other pupils Beetham inspired, was introduced to climbing by his teacher in the Lake District on club trips, and over the years he became a valuable source of information and expert on Beetham's life and work.

Mackenzie, Mark. **In the Footsteps of Mallory and Irvine: The Wildest Dream.** 2009 UK, 1st, 8vo, pp.viii, 248, 21 color & 3 bw photos, blue cloth; dj & cloth new.#25281, \$39.95



The story of the 2007 Altitude Everest Expedition which attempted to determine whether Mallory and Irvine could have reached the summit of Everest in 1924. Using period clothing and equipment, Conrad Anker and Leo Houlding followed in the footsteps of the early British climbers, including attempting to free climb the Second Step without the use of the current ladder system. A well-written and detailed account.

Messner, Reinhold. **The Second Death of George Mallory: The Enigma and Spirit of Mount Everest.** 2001 US, 1st, 8vo, pp.221, photo frontis, 63 bw photos, 9 sketches, 2 maps, photo/map eps, black cloth; signed, dj unclipped, very fine, cloth tight, very fine.



#27204, \$125.-

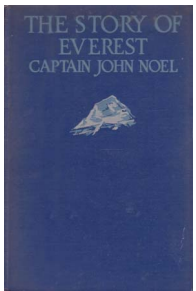
Messner wades into the Mallory fray with his accounting of the tragic demise of Mallory and Irvine in 1924. Includes accounts of the early British attempts as well as the 1960 and 1975 Chinese ascents. Signed copies are uncommon.

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#20773, \$23.95 \$7.95

With a Scarce Inscription by 1924 Expedition Member Noel

Noel, John. **The Story of Everest.** 1927 Little, Brown, Boston, 2nd prt, 8vo, pp.xiv, 258, photo frontis, 37 bw photos, appendices, blue cloth; inscribed 'B. Lewishon (?) In appreciation of our meeting & friendship John Noel Mt. Everest Expeditions on title page, cloth rubbed, spine slightly darkened, light spots on back cover, tight, very good.



#15961, \$795.-

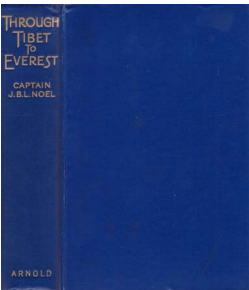
Noel, photographer on the British Everest expeditions of 1922 and 1924, gives accounts of his 1913 reconnaissance expedition and the first three Everest expeditions (1921, 1922, 1924). This was published in the UK as 'Through Tibet to Everest'. Copies signed/inscribed by Noel are quite scarce. Neate N22, SB N13, Yak N56.

— another copy. signed John Noel Mt. Everest Expedition Lawrence, Mass 5-?-28 on ffeep, cloth worn top spine, rubbed, tight, name dated 1927, very good.

#15961, \$595.-

A very, nice, bright copy!

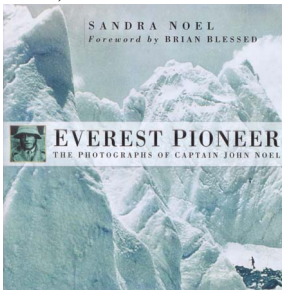
Noel, John. **Through Tibet to Everest.** 1927 Arnold, London, 1st, 8vo, pp.302, 16 ads, photo frontis, 21 bw photos, 4 illus, appendices, blue cloth; cloth bright, tight, fine.



#24924, \$395.-

Noel, photographer on the British expeditions of 1922 and 1924, gives accounts of the first three Everest expeditions. A very nice copy. This was published in the US as 'The Story of Everest'. SB N13, See Yak N56.

Noel, Sandra. **Everest Pioneer: The Photographs of Captain John Noel.**

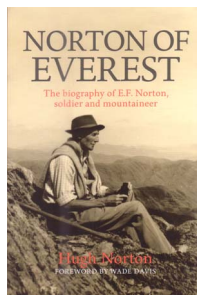


2003 UK, 1st, 4to, pp.xvi, 176, photo frontis, 13 color & 143 bw photos, 4 maps, sketch, black cloth; dj & cloth new.#23065, \$49.95

Sandra Noel is the only child of John Noel, official photographer of the 1922 and 1924 British Everest expeditions. Drawing together his work for the first time, this book presents a unique collection of his stunning images taken despite the complex technical demands of high altitude, cold, and fatigue. This is a nice book to accompany those of the early expeditions.

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Norton, Hugh. **Norton of Everest: The Biography of E. F. Norton, Soldier and Mountaineer.** 2017 UK, 1st thus, 8vo, pp.xix, 183, 12 color & 24 bw photos, illus, 3 bw maps, appendices, wraps w/ French flaps; signed, new. #27238, \$39.-



E. F. Norton lived a life of distinction in the declining years of the British Empire. Born into an accomplished, well-travelled family, he followed his heart and enlisted for a professional career as a soldier. A distinguished military career followed, punctuated with indulgences in his passion for exploration and mountaineering. The British Empire was starting to crumble, and Norton would be called

upon more than once to rise to a variety of challenges.

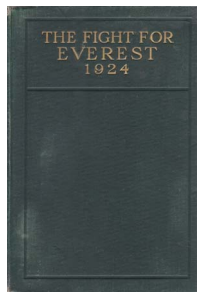
Norton's gift for leadership was first demonstrated via his rapid progression through the ranks in the First World War, which paved the way for future leadership appointments, having earned the confidence and respect of those under his command. Events in the Second World War followed suit, when Norton was abruptly assigned the post of acting governor of Hong Kong, entrusted to save the civilian population from imminent Japanese invasion.

The 1924 Everest expedition also exemplifies the pattern of having had leadership thrust upon him – in this case when General Charles Bruce was struck down by malaria on the approach march. Leading from the front, Norton set an altitude record for climbing on Everest without supplementary oxygen – a record only bettered in 1978 when Reinhold Messner and Peter Habeler made the first ascent of Everest without oxygen. Yet tragedy would follow Norton's achievement, when George Mallory and Andrew Irvine disappeared high on the mountain.

In Norton of Everest, Hugh Norton has written sensitively and knowledgably about his father's remarkable life as mountaineer, soldier, naturalist, artist and family man. As on Everest, the real story is not only the death of the gallant, but also the heroics of the quiet survivors like E. F. Norton.

Shortlisted for the 2018 Kekoo Naoroji Book Award for Himalayan Literature from the Himalayan Club.

Norton, Lieutenant-Colonel E. F. **The Fight For Everest: 1924.** 1925 Arnold, London, 1st, thick 8vo, pp.xi, 372, color frontis, 7 color illus & 24 bw photos, 2 fldg maps (1 color), uncut, green cloth; cloth w/ light wear, pulled top/bottom spine, maps w/ orig folds & no tears, very good+. #27948, \$450.-



One of the most amazing stories in mountaineering history! The third British Everest Expedition of 1924 which saw George Mallory and Andrew Irvine heading into the clouds for the top. This is one of the classics of mountaineering literature. Anyone with a true interest in Everest should read the early books to

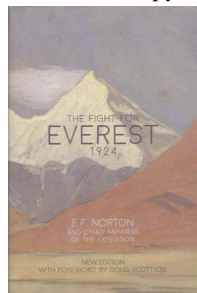
understand what it took to first explore and come to grips with this mountain. Neate N31, SB N16.

— another copy. cloth rubbed top/bottom spine, faint trace of label on fep, foxing throughout, maps w/ orig folds, no tears and hinge reinforced, good+. #18969, \$295.-

— another copy. 1925 Longmans, Green, NY, 1st, thick 8vo, pp.xi, 372, color frontis w/ tissue guard, 7 color illus & 24 bw photos, 2 maps (1 color fldg), uncut, blue cloth; cloth lightly pulled top/bottom spine, no foxing, tight, maps w/ orig folds & tear along fold line, fine. #24927, \$495.-
Neate N31, SB N16.

— another copy. 1995 Cosmo Publications, New Delhi, reprint, 8vo, pp.viii, 372, 16 bw photos, sketch, large fldg map in back, blue cloth; minor corner bumps, this copy missing the photo spread, else dj & cloth new. #21945, \$27.- \$19.-

— another copy. 2015 UK, 1st thus, 8vo, pp.xiv, 305, 9 color & 30 bw photos, 24 color & 9 bw illus, diagram, map, map eps, brown cloth; signed Christopher Norton, dj & cloth new. #27018, \$67.95



This is the first UK reissue of Edward Norton's classic 'The Fight for Everest 1924', with new, additional content. In 1924 Everest remained unclimbed. Two British expeditions had already tackled what was known to be the highest mountain on Earth. The first, in 1921, found a route to the base. The second, in 1922, attempted the summit, reaching a record height of 27,320' before retreating. Two years later, a team

that included Colonel E. F. Norton, George Mallory and Andrew Irvine returned to the Himalaya.

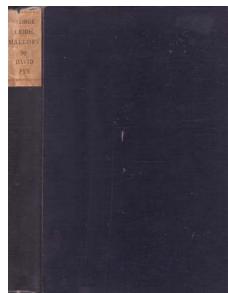
Armed with greater knowledge and experience, confidence was high. But they were still climbing into the unknown. How high could they climb without supplementary oxygen? Would the cumbersome oxygen equipment help them climb higher? Could they succeed where others had failed, and make the first ascent of the highest mountain on Earth? Before they could find out, tragedy struck - George Mallory and Andrew Irvine, climbing high on the mountain, vanished into the clouds.

First published in 1925, and reissued now for only the second time, 'The Fight for Everest 1924' is the official record of this third expedition to Everest. The compelling narrative by Norton and other expedition members, and Mallory's vivid letters home, present a gripping picture of life in the Himalaya. Notes and observations from the entire team show how far knowledge of the mountain and of high-altitude climbing had advanced by 1924, and make recommendations for future Everest attempts.

As well as the full original text and illustrations, this new edition reproduces some of Norton's superb pencil sketches and watercolours along with previously unpublished materials from his private archive. These include original planning documents from the expedition, Mallory's last note to Norton, and a moving letter to Norton from Mallory's widow. Together, they add up to complete one of the most fascinating mountaineering books ever written.

This is one of only 30 copies signed by Norton's grandson Christopher. Foreword by Doug Scott.

Pye, David. **George Leigh Mallory: A Memoir.** 1927 Oxford Univ Press, London, 1st, 8vo, pp.183, photo frontis w/ tissue guard, 5 bw photos, spare spine label, blue cloth; cloth rubbed, paper spine label chipped, name, very good. #14360, \$85.- \$79.-



Pye climbed with Mallory and here presents one of the most touching portrayals of him. Neate P112.

— another copy. 2002 Thailand, 1st thus, 8vo, pp.183, photo frontis, 5 bw photos, green cloth; dj & cloth new. #22970, \$31.95

Back in print! First published in 1927, Pye climbed with Mallory and here presents one of the most touching portrayals of him. This new edition contains a foreword by George Mallory II and a new introduction by Pye's son Tristram. Neate P112.

Rideout, Tanis. **Above All Things.** 2013 US, 1st, 8vo, pp.387, blue/green cloth; dj & cloth new. #26442, \$26.95



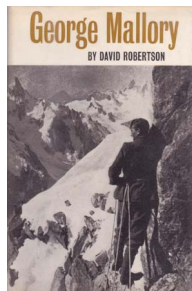
Rideout's debut novel of obsession and divided loyalties weaves together the harrowing story of George Mallory's ill-fated 1924 attempt to be the first man to conquer Everest with that of a single day in the life of his wife as she waits at home in England for news of his return. A captivating blend of historical fact and imaginative fiction, 'Above All Things' moves seamlessly back and forth between the epic story of Mallory's legendary final expedition and a heartbreaking account of a day in the life of Ruth Mallory. Through George's perspective, and

that of the newest member of the climbing team, Sandy Irvine, we get an astonishing picture of the terrible risks taken by the men on the treacherous terrain of the Himalaya. But it is through Ruth's eyes that a complex portrait of a marriage emerges, one forged on the eve of the First World War, shadowed by its losses, and haunted by the ever-present possibility that George might not come home. Drawing on years of research, this powerful and beautifully written novel is a timeless story of desire, redemption, and the lengths we are willing to go for honour, glory, and love.

Robertson, David. **George Mallory**. 1969 Faber & Faber, London, 1st, 8vo, pp.279, photo frontis, 20 bw photos, 5 maps, blue cloth; dj unclipped, fine, cloth tight, fine.

#14361, \$125.-

The definitive biography of George Mallory written by his son-in-law. Based largely on Mallory's own writings this book provides a broader picture of Mallory than as just a mountaineer. See Neate R51.



— another copy. 1999 Thailand, rep, 8vo, pp.279, photo frontis, 25 bw photos, 5 maps, wraps; signed, new.

#19026, \$39.-

Long out of print, this is a new printing of the definitive biography of George Mallory written by his son-in-law. Based largely on Mallory's own writings this book provides a broader picture of Mallory than as just a mountaineer. See Neate R51.

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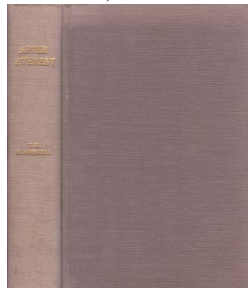
#22587, \$12.95

Somervell, T. Howard. **After Everest: The Experiences of a Mountaineer and Medical Missionary**. 1936 Hodder & Stoughton, London, 1st, 8vo, pp.xiii, 339, photo frontis w/ tissue guard, 21 bw illus, fldg map, appendix, grey cloth; cloth spine lightly faded, bookplate "From the Library of Major William D. Hackett U.S. Army, Retired", tight, map w/ orig folds & no tears, near fine.

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Somervell was the doctor on the 1922 and 1924 British Everest expeditions, climbed in the Kangchenjunga region after leaving Everest in 1922 and again in 1928, attempted to reach

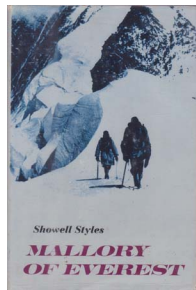
Nanda Devi in 1926 (eight years before Shipton and Tilman's exploration), and was president of the Alpine Club. Bill Hackett (1918 – 1999) had a long list of mountaineering and polar achievements including numerous expeditions to McKinley, the continental high points, and north and south poles. Neate S142, SB S47, Yak S306.



Styles, Showell. **Mallory of Everest**. 1967 Macmillan, NY, 1st, 8vo, pp.174, photo frontis, 16 bw photos, sketch, 3 bw maps, pictorial cloth; dj clipped, near fine, cloth tight, fine.

#11888, \$15.-

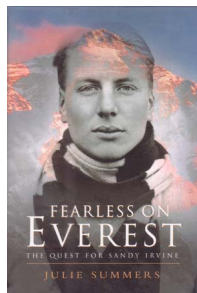
Mallory disappeared, along with Andrew Irvine, on the 1924 British Everest Expedition, last seen going for the top. Amazingly, he was found in spring 1999, leaving many questions still unanswered. Neate S189, SB S56, Yak S385.



Summers, Julie. **Fearless on Everest: The Quest for Sandy Irvine**. 2000 UK, 1st, 8vo, pp.xii, 290, photo frontis, 37 bw photos, 3 maps, appendices, blue cloth; signed, dj unclipped, very fine, cloth tight, very fine.

#21270, \$49.-

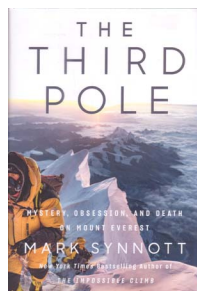
Summers is the great-niece of Sandy Irvine who disappeared on Everest in 1924 in the company of George Mallory. She uses newly discovered letters and photos, both produced by Irvine while on the mountain, to show that Irvine's drive to reach the summit may have been their downfall. This first UK hardcover edition is now out of print.



Synnott, Mark. **The Third Pole: Mystery, Obsession, and Death on Mount Everest**. 2021 US, 1st, 8vo, pp.xviii, 429, 29 color & 5 bw photos, sketch, 4 bw maps, blue/grey cloth; dj & cloth new.

#27796, \$28.95

A hundred-year mystery lured veteran climber Synnott into an unlikely expedition up Everest during the spring 2019 season, which came to be known as the year Everest broke. What he found was a gripping human story of impassioned characters from around the globe, and a mountain that will consume your soul—and your life—if you let it.



The mystery? On June 8, 1924, George Mallory and Sandy Irvine set out to stand on the roof of the

world, where no one had stood before. They were last seen eight hundred feet shy of Everest's summit still "going strong" for the top. Could they have succeeded decades before Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay? Irvine is believed to have carried a Kodak camera with him to record their attempt, but it, along with his body, had never been found. Did the frozen film in that camera have a photograph of Mallory and Irvine on the summit before they disappeared into the clouds, never to be seen again? Kodak says the film might still be viable. . . .

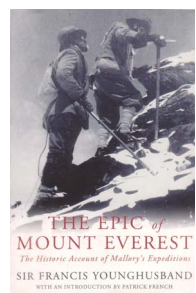
Synnott made his own ascent up the North Face along with his friend Renan Ozturk, a filmmaker using drones higher than any had previously flown. Readers will witness firsthand how Synnott's quest led him from oxygen-deprivation training to archives and museums in England, to Kathmandu, the Tibetan high plateau, and up the North Face into a massive storm. The infamous traffic jams of climbers at the very summit immediately resulted in tragic deaths. Sherpas revolted. Chinese officials turned on Synnott's team. An Indian woman miraculously crawled her way to frostbitten survival. Synnott himself went off the safety rope—one slip and no one would have been able to save him—committed to solving the mystery.

Eleven climbers died on Everest that season, all of them mesmerized by an irresistible magic. The Third Pole is a rapidly accelerating ride to the limitless joy and horror of human obsession.

Younghusband, Sir Francis. **The Epic of Mount Everest: The Historic Account of Mallory's Expeditions**. 2000 UK, rep, 8vo, pp.xviii, 254, 16 bw photos, 2 maps, wraps; fine.

#11736, \$5.-

A summary of the first three British expeditions to Everest by one of the major organizers. Neate Y27, SB Y09, Yak Y15.



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