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Von Edward Whymper : Scrambles amongst the Alps (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Scrambles amongst the Alps (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Edward Whymper made many first alpine ascents, including the Matterhorn in 1865 which ended in tragedy on the descentVon Jerome RyanOriginally Published in 1871. Whymper details his Alps climbs in the 1860s with many first ascents including Mont Pelvoux in 1861, Barre des crins in 1864, Mont Dolent and Aiguille d'Argentire in 1864, and Grand

Cornier, Pointe Whymper on the Grandes Jorasses, and Aiguille Verte in 1865. But Whymper will always be remembered for the first ascent of the Matterhorn on July 14, 1865. The Matterhorn was considered to be mountaineering's biggest challenge at the time, and Whymper met with failure again and again. Finally on his eighth attempt he finally succeeded, becoming the first man to reach the summit on July 14, 1865. On the descent, tragedy struck when four members of the party slipped and were killed, and only the breaking of the rope saved Whymper and the two remaining guides from the same fate. A controversy ensued as to whether the rope had actually been cut, but a formal investigation could not find any proof. The accident haunted Whymper: "Every night, do you understand, I see my comrades of the Matterhorn slipping on their backs, their arms outstretched, one after the other, in perfect order at equal distances - Croz the guide, first, then Hadow, then Hudson, and lastly Douglas. Yes, I shall always see them." I thoroughly enjoyed the parts of the book dedicated to climbing and was struck by Whymper's adventurous spirit, and his dedication and perseverance. The book does drag on a bit in a few parts with chapters on the technical details about glaciers and railway tracks. The 130 illustrations, many woodcut by Whymper himself, bring the story to life, and are almost as good as photographs. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Scrambles Amongst the Alps Von Colin McDougall First of all the condition of the book is excellent - much better than the seller claimed and much better than I had expected. Top marks there! I've only read the first chapter of the book but that is very well-written and there are aspects of humour which I had not expected. I'm looking forward to reading the rest of the book.

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