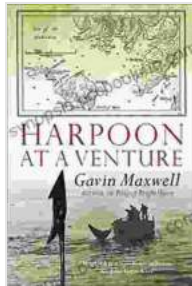


Harpoon at Venture: A Journey of Whales and Men



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Maxwell's journey begins in the remote Scottish Hebrides, where he meets the crew of the whaling ship *Balaena*. The *Balaena* is bound for the Antarctic, and Maxwell signs on as the ship's naturalist. As the ship sails south, Maxwell observes the whales that inhabit the Southern Ocean. He is awed by their size and grace, and he begins to understand the complex relationship between whales and humans.

The Balaena eventually reaches the Antarctic ice pack, and the crew begins to hunt whales. Maxwell is horrified by the slaughter, but he also understands the economic necessity of whaling for the people of the Hebrides. He witnesses the skill and courage of the whalers, and he comes to admire their resilience in the face of danger.

Maxwell's time on the Balaena is a life-changing experience. He learns about the natural history of whales, the whaling industry, and the people who work in it. He also develops a deep respect for the whales themselves, and he becomes an outspoken advocate for their protection.

Harpoon at Venture is a powerful and moving account of one man's journey into the heart of the whaling industry. Maxwell's writing is both beautiful and informative, and his photographs are stunning. Harpoon at Venture is a must-read for anyone interested in whales, the Antarctic, or the history of whaling.

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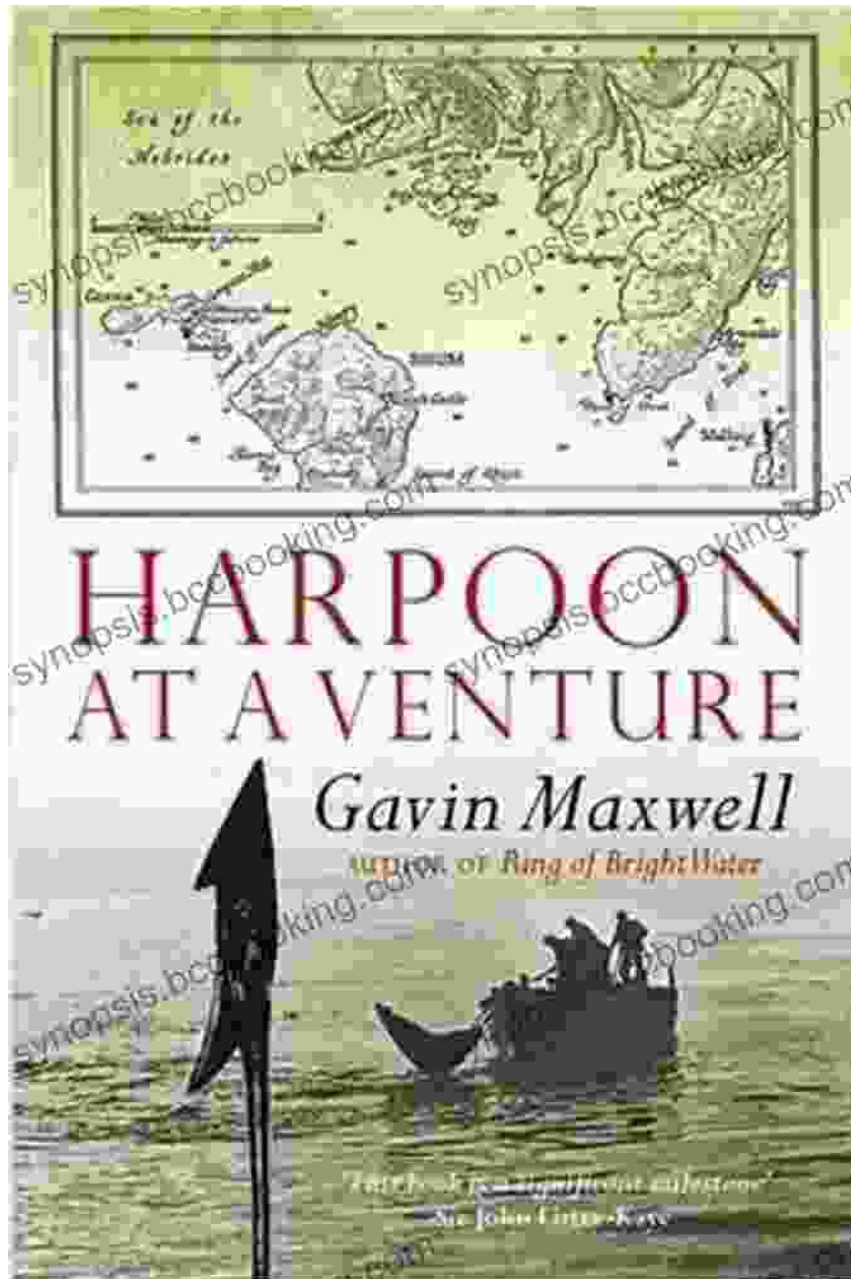
Gavin Maxwell (1914-1969) was a Scottish naturalist, writer, and photographer. He is best known for his work on otters, and for his books *Harpoon at Venture* and *Ring of Bright Water*. Maxwell was a passionate advocate for the protection of whales, and he played a key role in the establishment of the International Whaling Commission.

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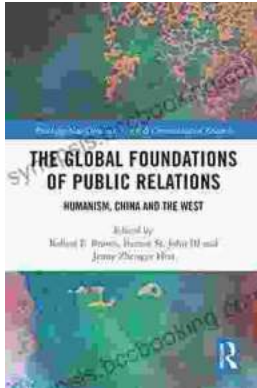
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