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Captain Terry Reece



Synopsis

How can one pilot cram so much into a single lifetime? Climb into Captain Terry Reece's cockpit, fasten your seatbelt, and hold on for an exciting journey into the world of aviation. Born to a family of transplanted North Carolinians who moved to Washington State, a young Reece explored the hills of the Pacific Northwest. Hiking in the mountains and being a fire lookout gave him a taste of adventure, but he craved more - and he got it. Reece's first flying lesson ended in a cloud of billowing dust, ripped metal, and broken Plexiglas. But that didn't keep him grounded. Over the next few years, he navigated his Lockheed C-130 to steamy nights in Rangoon, risky undercover aircraft deliveries to Libya, icy Arctic expeditions, and desperate flights out of the desert with machine guns pointed at his gut, to landing Boeing jets on short, icy runways on Alaska's Aleutian Chain. Reece's entertaining biography delves into the fast-paced world of aviation and is filled with compassion, danger, bits of humor, and the follies of youth. It's also the remarkable tale of how Reece and his wife, Nancy, sought to keep his dream of flying alive through the years. From the freezing, isolated North Pole to the heat and heart of Africa, Flying North South East and West takes you to every direction on the compass and leads you to the adventure of a lifetime.

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Customer Reviews

A great read that makes you feel as if you are riding along in the cockpit looking for that lone beam of guiding light. The book is full of information about Alaska and other parts of the aviation world. Breaking through all this information is sensitivity, humor and a lot of humble pie. I loved flying along!

Entertaining and real. Loved the book!

ENGROSSING READ

This book is a history of bush flying in Alaska and other places. The author flies light planes and C-130's into a series of adventures. I particularly enjoyed it because I lived in Alaska for a long time and learned to fly there. But most of all I enjoyed the writing. Captain Reece is a good story teller. I will often put a book down in the middle if the writing is poor or if the story is not well presented. I read this through and thoroughly enjoyed it.

Loved it as a retired Canadian bush pilot. Brought back fond memories of days gone bye.

Good read.

Well researched and presented. A great account of some of the early flying pioneers of Alaska and byond.

A great read!

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