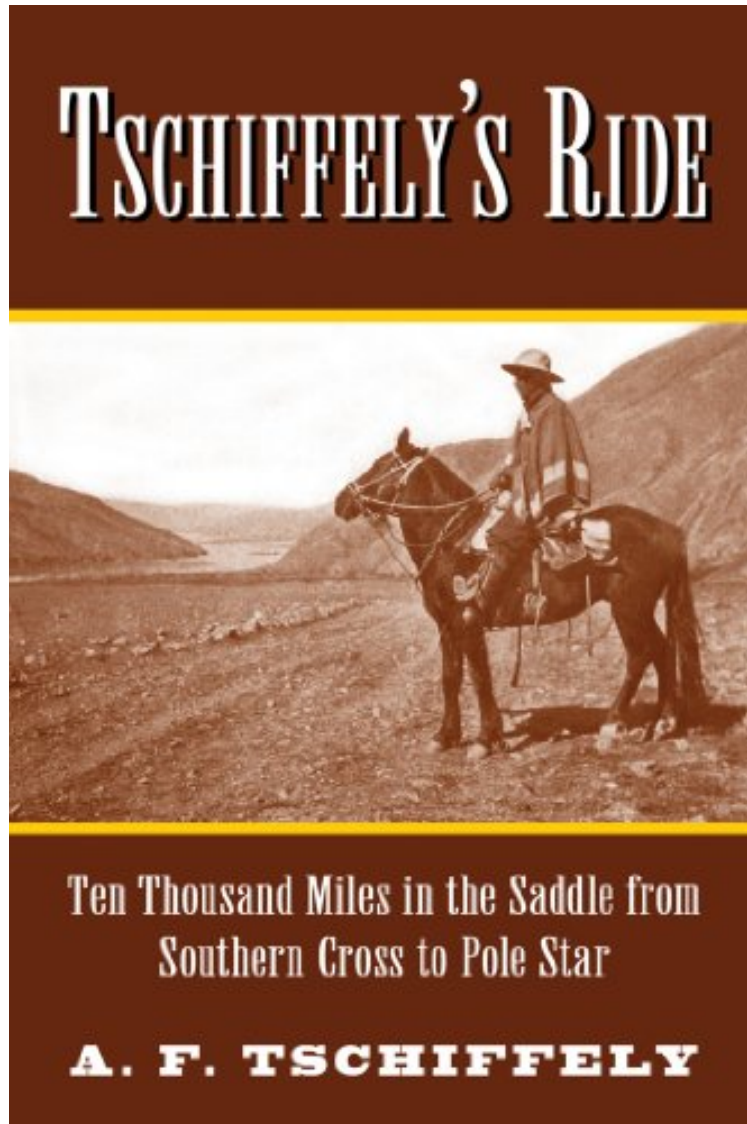


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Aim Tschiffely : Tschiffely's Ride: Ten Thousand Miles in the Saddle from Southern Cross to Pole Star before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Tschiffely's Ride: Ten Thousand Miles in the Saddle from Southern Cross to Pole Star:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Journey of a Lifetime. A wonderful read. By Richard May Clearly, one of the best "travel" stories ever written. I read this book for the first time in 1957 as a young boy and it left a

lasting impression on me as a beacon for exploration. The world was quite a bit different in those days, but it was nice to see complete strangers lend a helping hand as Tschiffely journeyed north on his two horses. I had been looking for this book for some time and thrilled that it was re-printed.³ of 3 people found the following review helpful. A classic which deserves rediscovery

By Dr. P. M. Johnson A friend of mine from Paraguay recommended this book to me, and I have thanked him profusely since having completed it. Tschiffely achieves two things in writing this diary. First, he gives a fascinating account of what life was like on the trail through the Americas in the 1920's, an era of transition from the horse to the automobile, from undiscovered lands to thoroughly mapped and surveyed developments, from untouched communities to homogenized modernity. Second, he writes before the age of political correctness and his observations, though not mean-spirited, are totally honest and telling. This is no dreamy-eyed travelogue. The book is not about horses per se, but if you have any affinity for equestrianism you will not be disappointed. The quiet bond that forms between Tschiffely and his two horses is touching, and his love of animals in general is not rooted in slobbering sentimentalism, but in respect and understanding of the magnificent creatures which contribute so much to our lives. This book is for those who want to be transported to another world and gain insight into what we have lost as a culture, both good and bad. Truly this story needs to be rediscovered!

!0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The trip had both amazing and horrible times

By D. Austin It was fascinating to follow along as he made his way north. The trip had both amazing and horrible times. It would be impossible for anyone to accomplish this these days mostly due to political unrest.

From the southeast coast of South America through an expanse of Peruvian sands en route to the West Coast, then onward through Central American jungles and rainforest, and finally to New York, Tschiffely's journey was considered impossible and absurd by many newspaper writers in 1925. However, after two and a half years on horseback with two of his trusty and tough steeds, this daring trekker lived to tell his best-selling tale. Tschiffely's 10,000-mile journey was filled with adventure and triumph, but it also forced the traveler to deal with tremendous natural and man-made obstacles, as many countries in Central America were war-torn. He traversed rivers and mountains in hurricanes and hail storms, stopping to stay the night with farmers and villagers in huts who often shared their mysterious and superstitious tales. He ate dried goats meat in a desolate town of Santiago del Estero, watched illegal cockfights and vicious machete battles between plantation workers in Jujuy, and was healed by an Indian herb doctor in the mountains of Bolivia for his infection after excavating graves; these obstacles have captured the hearts of people from around the world. In addition to the remarkable details of his travel expedition, Tschiffely's relationship with his horses, Mancha and Gato, is perhaps the most endearing element of the book, and his photos of the people and places he encountered make Tschiffely's Ride the perfect travel companion for adventure enthusiasts.

About the Author Aim Tschiffely (1895-1954) was a Swiss-born teacher, writer, and travel enthusiast. After a brief stint in professional football and boxing in England during his early twenties, he moved to Argentina to teach and eventually serve as the temporary headmaster of the Buenos Aires English High School. His schedule allowed time for treks throughout the surrounding Pampas. He is the author of *A Tale of Two Horses*, *Coricancha*, and *This Way Southward*.