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The North Poles fierce beauty has drawn many explorers to its unforgiving environment. Francis Latreille is one of the intrepid, having participated in expeditions there for the last 20 years, and in White Paradise he introduces readers to the regions inhabitants and surroundings, illustrating its dramatic allure with his photographs. More than a tribute to the Arctic Circle, Latreilles book covers the growing threat to the North Poles very existencglobal warmingand documents this phenomenons devastating effects, specifically the melting of the North Poles ice fields and gradual

diminishing of its massive glaciers. It includes work from the famous Mammuthus expedition in 1999, where a virtually intact mammoth carcass was extracted from the North Poles tundra. *White Paradise* is Abrams contribution to the International Polar Year, revealing with beauty and dedication this mysterious frozen corner of the world.

From BooklistA photographer for some of the most successful 1990s scientific expeditions to the Arctic, Latreille gorgeously confirms, in the spectacular images mounted in this volume, the common wisdom that the Far North is as beautiful as it is harsh. The low angle of the sun's rays, the vast white backdrops of snow and ice, and the clarity of the atmosphere, dehydrated by the cold, seem to intensify color as at no other place on the earth (but think of the brilliance of photographs made in space, which is yet more arid). The curves of reindeer antlers and mammoth tusks glow like amber. The blues of the sky are rich throughout their varied hues. The slightest bit of colored material or, during the brief summer, vegetation positively burns. And the sunsets, and the northern lights! Short, sober summary essays on Arctic exploration, research, peoples, and the current "heat wave" interrupt the pictures, and captions relate pictures to texts. The photos by themselves constitute the book's best argument for Arctic conservation. Ray OlsonCopyright American Library Association. All rights reservedAbout the AuthorThe author of several books, Francis Latreille is the veteran of many expeditions to the North Pole and Antarctica. He has contributed to magazines such as *Life*, *Time*, *Paris Match*, and *Go*, and is recipient of the World Press Photo award of 1998. Latreille lives in France.