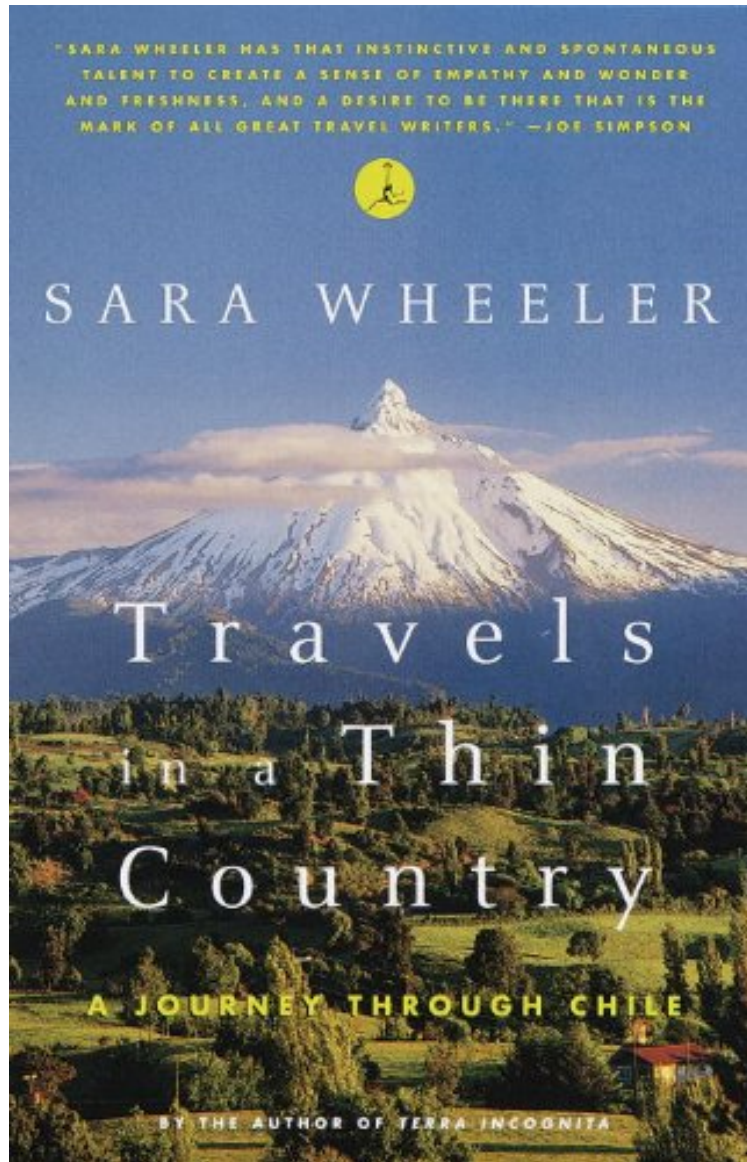


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Buckley This a well-written and interesting travelogue. I did enjoy it, but prefer to read travels memoirs by ordinary people who do not have the advantages that Ms Wheeler has all along her journey. She has wealthy and influential contacts which the average traveler just does not have. Staying in a million dollar hacienda must be nice, but how many of us can actually do that? I will stick to the memoirs of the average traveler struggling to find their way in a strange land. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Sipping Piscos and hanging in clubs seemed to be a favorite pastime. Even though I had hoped for more ... By Linda Ballou I felt deceived by the cover of this book which was of the famous spires in Torres De Pines. Sara spent one day in the park and devoted one page in her book to the part of Chile I was most interested in. She spent a lot of time in impoverished villages, and even two weeks living in slums of Santiago. It seems she was intent on being a traveler rather than a tourist. In her romp sponsored by the Chilean tourist board and the U.S. Navy and the help of a few well-placed friends in London she did see the country. A lot of time was spent on the politics and corruption of the government. Obviously, extremely well-read and informed about the regions and history the book is educational. Sipping Piscos and hanging in clubs seemed to be a favorite pastime. Even though I had hoped for more on the Lakes District, a place I would like to visit, and the famous Torres des Pines, I was pulled forward by her descriptive powers and back-handed sense of humor. Perhaps, it should have been titled Brit on the Road in a Long Thin Country with a picture of her driving a Hertz Hummer on a rough track. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good for the Solo Adventurer I read this book as ... By Jennifer S. Buehler Good for the Solo Adventurer I read this book as I explored Peru on my own an many years older than Sara. The connection of place and experience was energizing. If the book has any flaws, it is that we are left with so many unanswered questions about Sara. How did she end up in all the places she eventually landed, many quite luxurious, with whose help? I was very enchanted by her determination to do this journey and her refusal to leave any of the length of Chili unconnected during her visit. You learn a lot as a reader by reading this book.

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