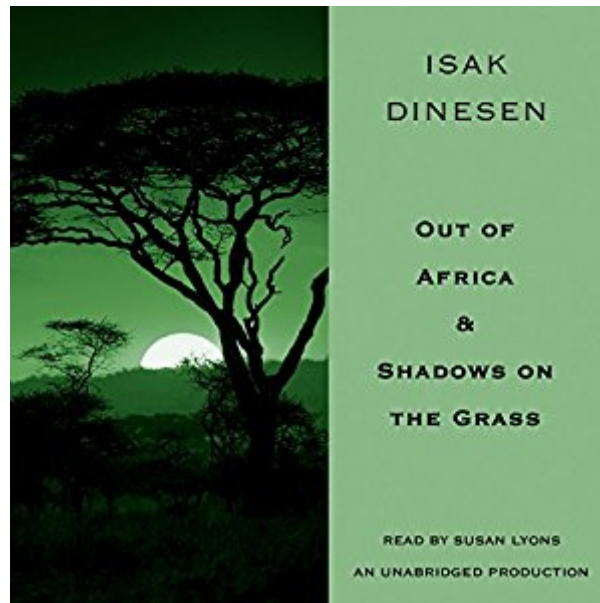




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Out Of Africa & Shadows On The Grass



Synopsis

Out of Africa: In this audiobook, the author of Seven Gothic Tales gives a true account of her life on her plantation in Kenya. She tells with classic simplicity of the ways of the country and the natives; of the beauty of the Ngong Hills and coffee trees in blossom; of her guests, from the Prince of Wales to Knudsen, the old charcoal burner, who visited her; of primitive festivals; of big game that were her near neighbors - lions, rhinos, elephants, zebras, buffaloes; and of Lulu, the little gazelle who came to live with her, unbelievably ladylike and beautiful. Shadows on the Grass: Isak Dineson takes up the absorbing story of her life in Kenya begun in the unforgettable Out of Africa, which she published under the name of Karen Blixon. With warmth and humanity, these four stories illuminate her love for the African people, their dignity and traditions, and the beauty and wildness of the landscape. The first three were written in the 1950s and the last, "Echoes from the Hills", was written especially for this volume in the summer of 1960, when the author was in her 70s. In all they provide a moving final chapter to her African reminiscences.

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Customer Reviews

After obtaining the decade old movie, "Out of Africa" and watching it at least three times, I simply had to read something that this author had written and was delighted to discover that she had written a book with the same title as the movie. While the only mention of her marriage to Baron Bror Blixen was on the very last page of this book, written in a simple paragraph. I have yet to read a book, then see the film based on the same, and be able to say the movie is better than the book. The book gives more personal details and always provides more information. I enjoyed both but

must once again declare that the book is better!

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A touching account written with some depth about others, but superficially when she was discussing her own life. Most authors wrote that way in her day so it's to be expected. (Thanks be to God that someone made it into a movie and John Barry wrote the theme music.)

Very good book. Would like larger type.

Fabulous book

One of my all-time favorites. If you live African adventures, you'll love Dinesen's real-life account of life on a coffee farm. Beautiful.

Bought this to have a copy in print that I can use to refer to specific examples of exceptional writing. Opening and ending 'narratives' are the most poetic prose I've ever read.

I read this for book club. Interesting, but it's not my usual genre, so I can't really recommend it.

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