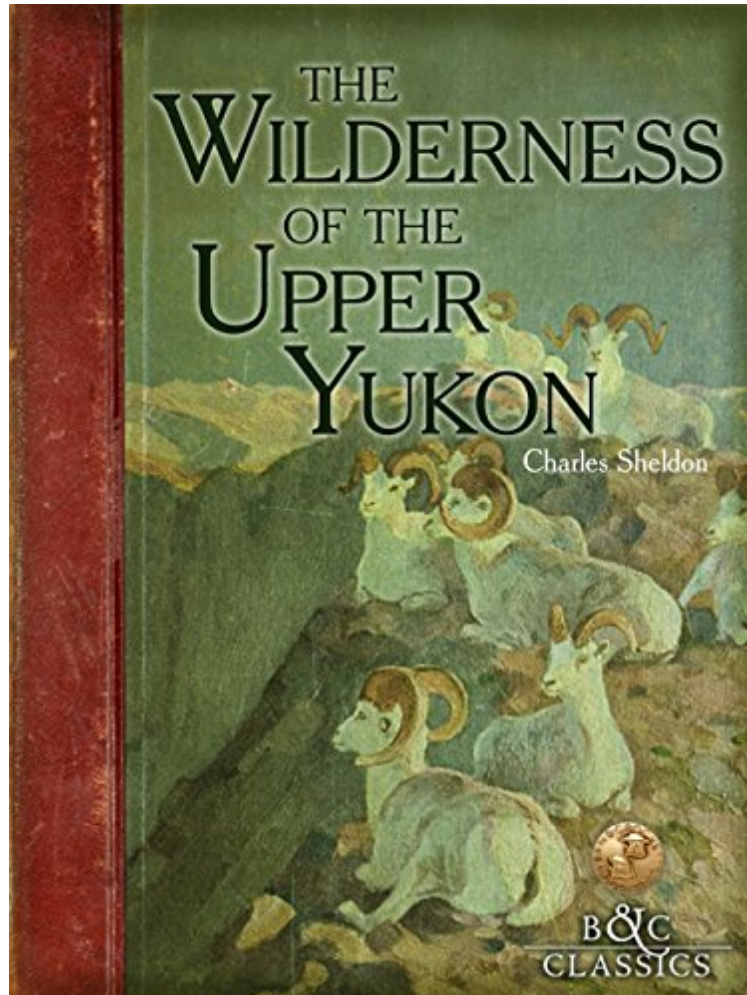


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18 of 18 people found the following review helpful. Charles Sheldon was THE man. By Jimmy Hayes The adventures of Charles Sheldon chronicled in the 4 or 5 books he wrote are simply stunning. It's as though he snuck in right at the beginning of the 20th century and explored the last unexplored places on earth. He traveled, hunted, kept logs, and later wrote of his exploits. A man of independent means, he accomplished his feats with no pretense or desire to exploit the areas he roamed. He fought tremendous obstacles of forbidding cold weather and extreme conditions with equipment and clothing we would laugh at today, but he never complained and only pushed himself harder when things got tougher. He must have been an extraordinary athlete. Although we, here, today will never have the opportunity that Sheldon had to explore the unexplored, we can come close to living it vicariously by reading his

amazing books.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Natural history collecting not trophy huntingBy CustomerYoung self-made millionaire Charles Sheldon devoted his time and wealth to natural history research. In this narrative Sheldon collects the hides and horns of as many distinctly different phenotypes of wild mountain sheep as he can find in mountain ranges of the Yukon and ships them to the Smithsonian for analysis. We must remember that 100 years ago zoologists weren't sure how many different species of wild sheep lived in North America, and particularly perplexing were what we now call Stone sheep that can sometimes have the coloration of the Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, but horns more like the Dall sheep. Sheldon emphasized that he wasn't trophy hunting by not posing himself or anyone else with the animals he shot. None-the-less, his adventures produced great stories of hunting not only mountain sheep, but also moose,caribou, and grizzly bear in a time and place where some bands of natives still lived a traditional subsistence lifestyle and lonely isolated white trappers were lucky to find a native wife to help them survive. His narrative is enriched by companions such artist Carl Rungius, and African natural history enthusiast Frederick Courtney Selous. Sheldon's narrative is a must for lovers of wild sheep and wilderness. I suspect that America's greatest outdoor writer and sheep hunting fanatic Jack O'Connor had a well-worn copy of "The Wilderness of the Upper Yukon" in which he found lots of inspiration. As it turns out, naturalists suffer the same hardship to collect big rams as do outdoor writers. Sheldon got to suffer a lot more and collect many more rams than did O'Connor.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Very interesting readBy fisherboyThis book is a gem. The author writes clearly and well and his exploits are amazing. They made them tough back then.What I really like is the high quality of his observations as well as his absolute love of the hunt.A good and informative read, recommended to lovers of hunting.

Join BC member Charles Sheldon in this wonderful book recording two years of field experiences while engaged in studying wild sheep of Yukon Territory from 1904 to 1905. This detailed account is strictly from the point of view of a hunter interested in natural history. Sheldon travelled by steamboat, canoe, pack horses and on foot as he was accompanied by other well known explorers of his generation such as Frederick C. Selous, William H. Osgood, and Carl Rungius.

One might anticipate a travelogue from a title like *The Wilderness of the Upper Yukon*; but such would actually be a wrong guess. This is a combination of scientific study of the wild sheep of Yukon Territory from 1904 to 1905 and a hunting saga and comes from the unusual perspective of a hunter interested in natural history and hunting adventure alike. Sheldon traveled by steamboat, canoe, pack horses and on foot and encountered explorers in the course of his investigations. Nearly 100 black and white photos and paintings from the trip, four detailed travel maps, and a wealth of wild sheep natural history accompanies his hunting stories. The result is a dual recommendation for sportsmen and naturalists alike: an unusual marriage between the two? Surprisingly the two are often entwined: consider *Ducks Unlimited*, for example. This concept is reinforced in a lively read recommended for any audience able to appreciate a hunter's enjoyment of nature. (D. Donovan, Senior eBook er Midwest Book , April 2015)