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The Best American Travel Writing (Paperback)

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Mariner Books, United States, 2007. Paperback. Condition: New. 2007 ed.. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. ?Travel is not about finding something. It?s about getting lost -- that is, it is about losing yourself in a place and a moment. The little things that tether you to what?s familiar are gone, and you become a conduit through which the sensation of the place is felt.? -- from the introduction by Susan Orlean The twenty pieces in this year?s collection showcase the best travel writing from 2006. George Saunders travels to India to witness firsthand a fifteen-year-old boy who has been meditating motionless under a tree for months without food or water, and who many followers believe is the reincarnation of the Buddha. Matthew Power reveals trickle-down economics at work in a Philippine garbage dump. Jason Anthony describes the challenges of everyday life in Vostok, the coldest place on earth, where temperatures dip as low as minus-129 degrees and where, in midsummer, minus-20 degrees is considered a heat wave. David Halberstam, in one of his last published essays, recalls how an inauspicious Saigon restaurant changed the way he and other reporters in Vietnam saw the world....



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