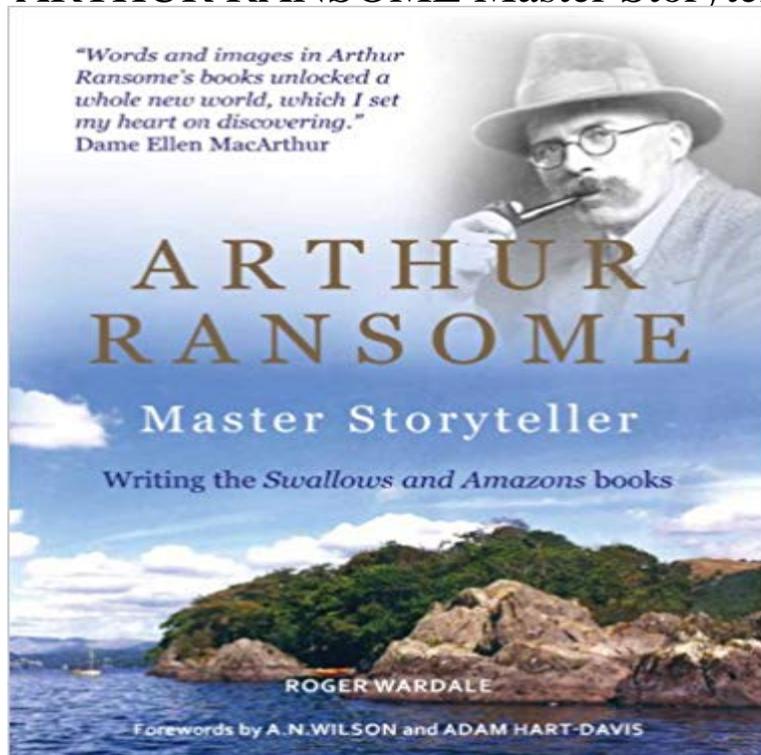


ARTHUR RANSOME Master Storyteller



ARTHUR RANSOME Master Storyteller by Roger Wardale Forewords by A.N. Wilson and Adam Hart-Davis

The story of how a master craftsman, who excelled in the sublime art of storytelling, created twelve timeless novels: *Swallows and Amazons*, *We Didn't Mean to Go to Sea*, *Swallowdale Secret*, *Water Peter Duck*, *The Big Six*, *Winter Holiday*, *Missee Lee*, *Coot Club*, *The Picts and the Martyrs*, *Pigeon Post*, *Great Northern?* Many are those whose lives have been shaped by reading the *Swallows and Amazons* series: Clare Francis, the famous yachtswoman, was inspired by the books. Dame Ellen MacArthur took up sailing after reading them. She is now the Patron of the Nancy Blackett Trust, which owns and operates Ransomes yacht, *Nancy Blackett*. David Bellamy, the naturalist, comments: Arthur Ransome set me on the road to becoming a botanist. By the time I was fourteen, I'd read all his books and saved up so that I could go to the Lake District to camp and learn to sail. It tipped me towards natural history. Arthur Ransome's delightful adventure series, *Swallows and Amazons*, has captured the imagination of children and adults alike ever since publication began in 1930. Today, over eighty years later, the series remains as popular as ever. Well over five million copies have been sold in the English language alone. They remain among the most highly acclaimed books in children's literature, and thousands of tourists are attracted to places in the Lake District, the Broads and the Hebrides that are so faithfully depicted in the stories. Ransome once described writing books for children as like reliving the best part of childhood, but this was far from the whole truth. His genius as a storyteller stemmed from an almost infinite capacity for painstaking perfectionism. Once Ransome had completed the first draft, he would then settle down to write a complete revision

and the most difficult chapters were written over and over again. Using primary sources, including letters, diary entries and Ransomes working notes, Roger Wardale pieces together a fascinating narrative. He relates how the twelve Swallows & Amazons books came to be written against the odds over seventeen demanding years. It is an amazing story of a dedicated writer battling against the problems of ill health, a critical and argumentative wife, his own perceived shortcomings and an expectant publisher. Roger Wardales wonderfully illustrated account provides a new look at the enduring Swallows and Amazons series, and how and why the books came into being. It is a must-read for every Ransome fan.

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