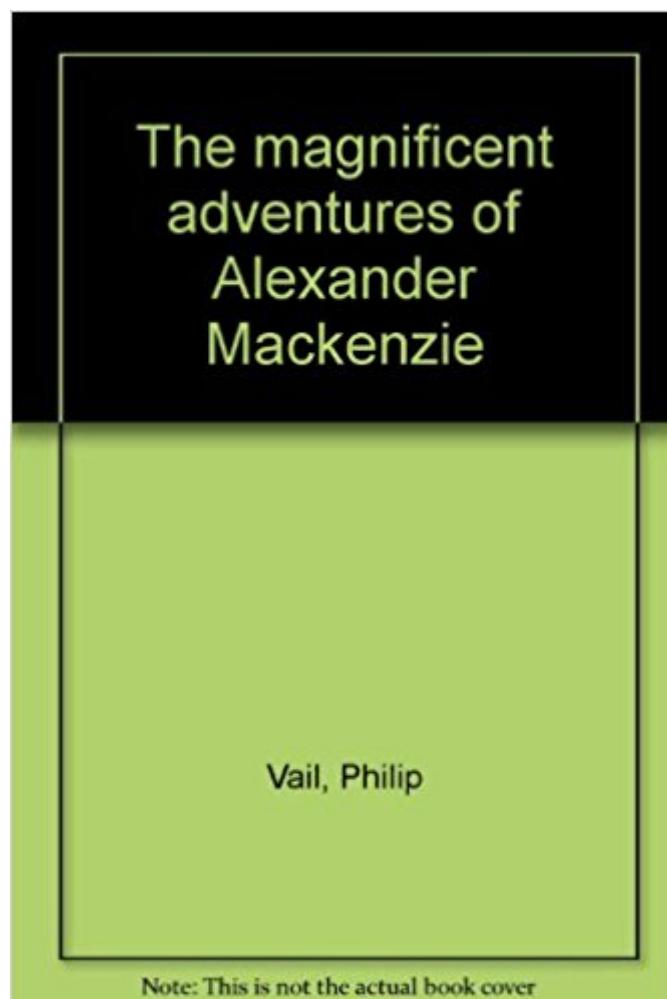


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the original reason I bought this book as I wanted to read another book by Samuel Edwards- turns out Philip Vail is a pseudonym for him. I read Barbary General;: The life of William H. Eaton, and thought Wow that is an amazing man in history that I had never heard of, wonder if there are more, well yes. The reading level on the book is more toward jr high age, but it doesn't talk down to ya, Very "G" rated. I believe the goal of this book was to get young people interested in history and still have the pizazz of an action adventure. Sir Mackenzie works for the North West fur trading company, and is looking for the northwest passage to the Pacific Ocean. He is doing this in 1792. he makes two trips into wild western Canada, "discovers" the Mackenzie River. On his second trip in the spring of 1793 he heads west again and accomplishes that goal that Lewis and Clark do 11 years later, and did it in less than 6 months. He used Indian guides and traded for food, portaged around dangerous rapids of the many rivers including the Peace River. The story is of his entire life, focusing on the journey to the Pacific Ocean.

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