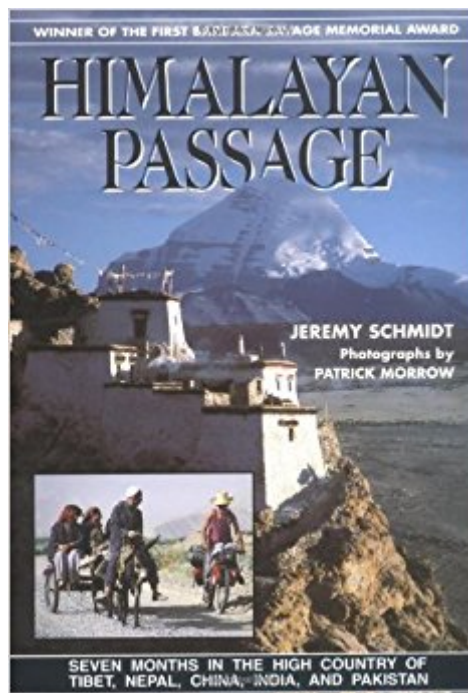




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Schmidt and Morrow's account of their circumambulation of the Himalayas provides travel and adventure par excellence. Photos. Copyright 1992 Reed Business Information, Inc.

This narrative, winner of the first (1990) Barbara Savage/ Miles from Nowhere Memorial Award for adventure travel writing, tells of a 1987 trip around the Himalayas by truck, mountain bike, local bus, and foot. Accompanied by their wives, Schmidt, a journalist, and Morrow, a photographer, set out to circumnavigate the Himalayas. Their journey began in Lhasa and should have ended there, but like

a similar attempt (Ned Gillette and Jan Reynolds's Everest Grand Circle , LJ 11/1/85), political events terminated the quest in Sikkim. Schmidt is particularly good describing landscapes and the natives of Tibet and Nepal. He is somewhat less sympathetic and colorful in describing Indian and Pakistan portions of an off-the-beaten-path journey and reveals almost nothing about the four travelers themselves. Growing interest in adventure travel may make this a desirable purchase for large public libraries.- Paula M. Strain, MLS, Rockville, Md.Copyright 1991 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Jeremy Schmidt took an adventure tour of the valleys and towns and the mountains of the Himilayan massif, and wrote a great book about it. The accompaning photos are quite nice too. I had the good fortune of hiking through Nepal back in the '90. This book brought back my memories of that great experience. Highly Recommended.

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