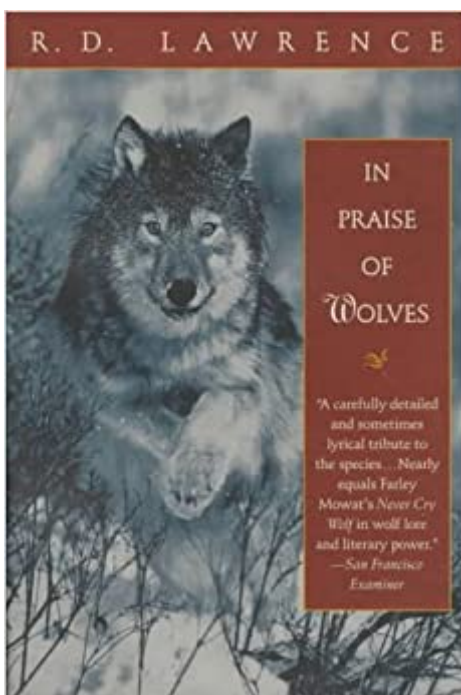


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# In Praise Of Wolves



## Synopsis

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Wolf aficionados may enjoy this book in which Lawrence, a well-known Canadian conservationist and writer, describes his love affair with wolves and details his many adventures with them. Others will find the book wordy, overly anecdotal, rambling, and tedious. Libraries that own L. David Mech's classic *The Wolf* (LJ 6/1/70) and Durward L. Allen's *Wolves of Minong* (LJ 4/15/79) do not really need this one. Nichols J. Volkman, Point Reyes Bird Observatory, Stinson Beach, Cal. Copyright 1986 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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I found this book interesting, fascinating well written. R D Lawrence's love and respect for wolves and Nature is tangible throughout the book.

I read this book from the library, but soon I will try to buy one for myself, because it is very special. I refer to it and forward what I remember from it onto various email lists all the time. The author includes substantial detail of the sort there is usually not enough of in wolf books, without overwhelming with boring or inaccurate statistics, or losing a good writing style. The author respects and loves the wolf FOR WHAT IT IS INHERENTLY. If you are studying dog or wolf behavior as a "serious layperson" this is a must have. The kind of detailed insight this book has is hard to find, one of the rare similar books is CALMING SIGNALS ... by Turid Rugaas(sp?), which is about dog body language (and therefore based on wolf pack language).

Lawrence focuses on two wolves that he raised from babyhood. He obviously loved wolves and did a lot of things to help them survive in a hostile world.

Like Dr. Mech and many others who has been writing with authority and intimacy about these "Special/Majesty Creatures called Wolves" . Strongly recommended , doubtless ...

I ordered this book for a research project on wolves that i was doing and found loads of information and it was written in a form that kept me more than interested

I LOVE THIS BOOK !!!!! This is one of the most information filled books I have ever read! It was easy to read and I didn't want to put it down!

This is a wonderful book about Wolves written by a man that raised 2 wolf pups from birth in a somewhat wild environment but he was able to control their lives and protect them from people who hate wolves without really understanding them! Certainly wolves have taken a bad rap for just trying to survive in the wild. People usually have no basis for their extremely prejudiced feelings toward them. I learned so much about wolves from Mr. Lawrence's book that I look at wolves quite differently now. It is a sin as to what is happening to the wolves in the western part of the U. S.. Our government spends a lot of money in a non-stop hunt to kill and exterminate wolves as much as they can. I understand ranchers viewpoints, but they just don't even try to understand the wolves.As for our government, they just don't care and proceed to kill wolves in unbelievable numbers. They

hunt out the Alpha males and females all the time, which is disastrous to wolf packs and how they live. Frankly, if you read this book, you will understand that wolves have a "society" that lives by rules that are quite admirable. In fact, if humans lived like wolves, we would have a much better world. The wolves respect their rulers and accept that the Alpha males & females have earned their place in the pack, for the good of the whole family! This is a wonderful book on so many levels, not just boring facts - I would recommend this book to anyone that wonders just what it is like to be a wolf in this hard cruel world of today !!!

Being the first book on wolves that I read, 'In Praise of Wolves' is very enlightening and informative. The relationship that the author had with the wolves and all the personal encounters, both with the people involved and the wolves, are very touching. I think the author has done a marvelous job in explaining to us about this much-misunderstood species. The book is written in a 'story' form, thus making it, i think, an informative but yet 'light' book to read during pleasure time. And for those who are not much familiar with the wolves like myself, this book does not contain too much scientific writings that are too overwhelming and hard to digest. And in cases where there are, the author dealt it with much comprehension thus making it very easy to understand especially to those who are ignorant to that certain aspect. Personally, I had a wonderful time reading this book and it got me into reading many other wolves books.

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