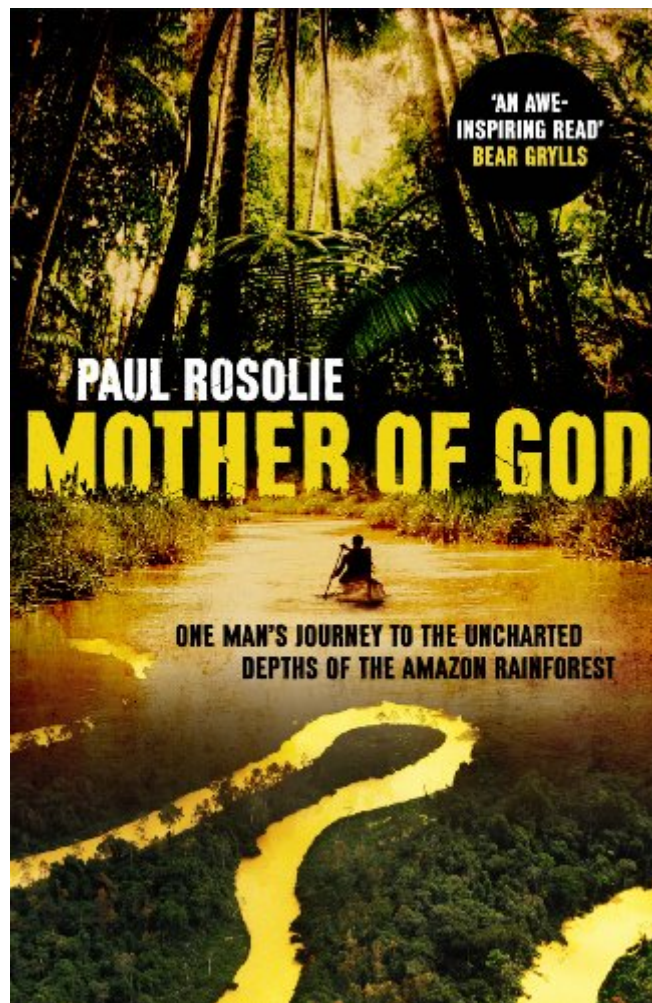




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Madre de Dios Mãe Mãe Mother of God Mãe Mãe is a place where the Andean Cloud Forest intermingles with the steaming tropical jungle at the head of the river. Here can be found the greatest proliferation of living species that has ever existed on Earth, ever. And it is a place which is now under grave threat. Paul Rosolie has travelled to the very heart of this wilderness in search of rare flora and fauna. His adventures Mãe Mãe with giant anacondas, huge cayman, the mighty jaguar and one very small anteater Mãe Mãe are by turn thrilling, terrifying and revelatory. Paul crosses some of the world's harshest terrain and encounters some of its most extreme weather conditions. He battles with life-threatening tropical diseases and the extreme mental challenges presented by being alone in the heart of the jungle. Mother of God is an astonishing tale of adventure and survival, set in one of the world's few remaining truly wild places. It's a story of nature, red in tooth and claw, and how we must both respect its awesome power and protect its extraordinary glory.

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Customer Reviews

I was fascinated by this book, which I read on my Kindle. I was searching for books on Peru, principally those related to pre-Columbian cultures, and found and was hooked by the title, since my wife and I have traveled to Peru three times (and also Ecuador two times), including a couple times in the region. And the initial reviews enticed me to read this book. The author's descriptions of the rainforests were at once realistic and poetic, with a very real important emphasis on what this world is doing, and not doing, to destroy, or to allow by apathy the destruction of the essential wholeness of the rainforests, to the world's and not just Peru's great peril. There is no doubt of his devotion to the and wish to preserve it, including what he is doing now, both by writing the book, and also continuing to help run, with others, including citizens of Peru, the Las Piedras Biodiversity Station, helping to lead its efforts to both study and preserve the region. I especially loved the descriptions of the animals, reptiles and birds of the still-for-now pristine regions of the Madre de DÃfÂ- os that most of us will never see, or unfortunately, ever see again. I also liked the fact that the author was self-deprecating about his adventures, including recognizing where he was perhaps brash and not paying attention to the possible dangers of the situations he was putting himself in. And then there is the interesting back-story of the author's personal and educational development from his days in New York, to his early attempts to establish himself in the region, but, with his parents help and encouragement, to go to college and complete his education to make himself more valuable in the responsibility he would then assume in Peru. This is absolutely a marvelous book. I would very much like to read whatever his next book might be. And I will no doubt re-read this one soon.

At first i thought he was making it up and adding lots of embellishment. But the more I read, the more I realized his story is true. Why? because myself as a world traveler and going off the beaten path was quite similar.in a sense, I ended up in some strange places because I trusted those that invited me. Nothing bad ever happen, In fact, I still can't beleive where I ended up sometimes and all was fascinating and the only American probably ever.Been to the myself, Why I bought it. Never went nearly as far into it as Paul. And his passion and the sense it will all be OK is something I understand already. So, I really could relate. Plus, I am going to write my own book on travel adventures. But if your simply an armchair traveller at home sitting in front of the fireplace, you can enjoy this adventure too.

Very interesting picture of one of the most remote areas of the world and the plants, people and animals within. My criticism would be the repetitious preaching to the choir concerning loss of

habitat, poaching and encroachment. I found myself fast forwarding multiple pages explaining the same thing over and over.

Wow, what an amazing adventure! I have done lots of hiking, camping, and enjoying the great outdoors, but this book took me on an incredible journey! I was fascinated right up to the end. I sure hope Paul writes a sequel to this amazing adventure!

My partner and I spent 4 days on a small tour down the Madre del Dios, so I was attracted by the title. Rosolie did deep and sometimes solo explorations, harkening to earlier times, yet I could recognize his descriptions for my experience. It was a good read.

I have read just about every book I can get my hands on about the in preparation for an upcoming journey of my own. This gem of a story reads like a novel. It captured my attention in the first pages and then gave me that feeling I love of wanting to return to it in each spare minute. There are many great non-fiction books that explain the history and ecology of the region. This brisk little volume does not attempt to duplicate those noble efforts. Instead it concisely conveys the feelings of awe the author experienced on his remarkable journeys. I felt like I was there with him as the pages raced by. I definitely recommend this book.

Paul Rosolie does a beautiful job using his words to pull you into his journey. It feels as if you are right there experiencing every sensory detail that he experienced. Paul not only captures the adventurous spirit of exploration in his writing, but also does an exceptional job passionately expressing the absolute requirement of conservation of the places he explores. If you've never traveled to the before you will finish this book wanting to visit as soon as possible.

Absolutely astonishing! Paul Rosolie's curiosity for the rainforest is brought to our lives through a thrilling and beautifully written text. His passion burns for a living thing that can't speak for itself. He not only brings awareness to the destruction humans have inflicted on nature, but brings hope to all of us who can be a part of the solution, not the problem. I can't say enough good things this man has done for this planet and hope others may take a chance to look into this.

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