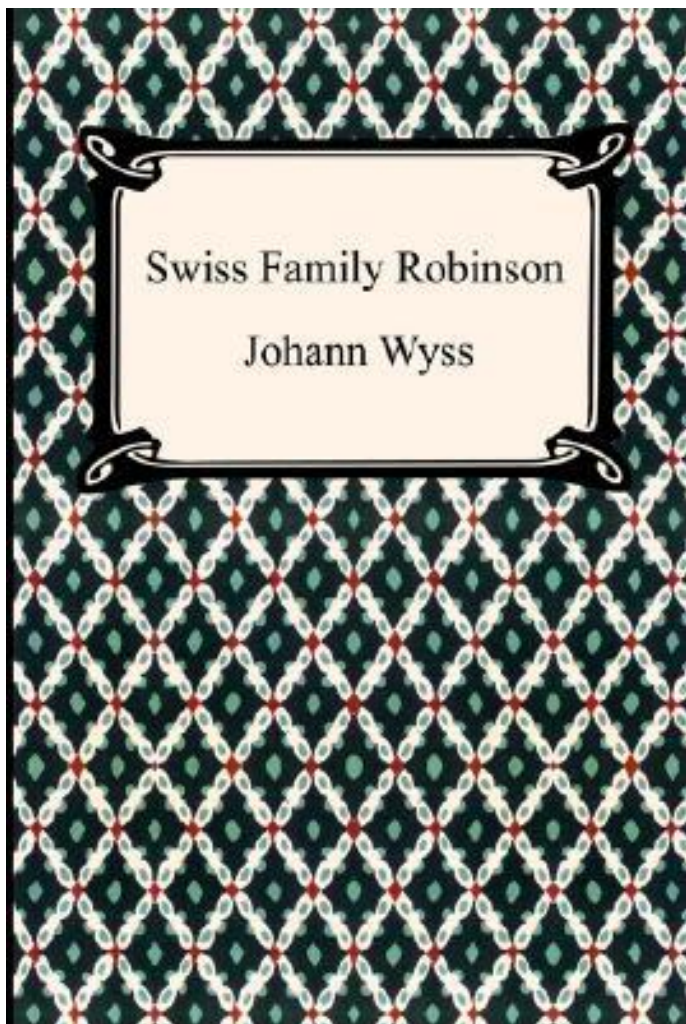


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## Swiss Family Robinson



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## Description

"Swiss Family Robinson" is the classic tale of a Swiss pastor, his wife and their four sons who find themselves shipwrecked on an isolated tropical island. Along with a couple of dogs, some livestock, pigeons and geese, "Swiss Family Robinson," is the story of a family's struggle to survive in a foreign land isolated from society. Everyday brings a new adventure and a new obstacle to overcome. Above all, "Swiss Family Robinson" is a classic tale of adventure that can be enjoyed by readers both young and old.

## Insightful reviews

Jama: This is a book for kids, and my boys really like it a lot.

Many of the negative reviews posted about this book are totally correct. The Swiss Family is a product of its time. They treat the island like their playground, killing and domesticating everything in sight. They mention god a lot. They never name the mother, and she stays in the background cooking and mending things while the father and boys go out adventuring, but in all fairness, none of the characters have real fleshed out personalities. Besides the fact that one boy is more scared than others, one is young and often left out, and one is slightly lazy, they are all basically the same blank slate into which the child reader can insert themselves and imagine surviving in the bounteous plentiful island where death and disease do not exist (human death, that is.)

When I read this to my kids ( this is my second time, right now I'm reading to the 7 and 10 year old), we talk about the characters' dated historical attitudes. We mock the unrealistic success of every project they tackle. We laugh at the preposterous confluence of animals and plants from every continent on earth. Yet they really get something out of the story. If it was up to me, I would stop reading it in a heart beat, but I read it for them. And at least the version we have uses great vocabulary and wording I am happy to expose them to.

My sons would rate this 5 stars. I would rate this 2. I could never read this on my own. But reading it to them ups it a star.

Jason Koivu: More appropriate title suggestion: *SHOOT TO KILL!* A less catchy but even more precise title would be *We Killed a Lot of Animals: The Story of a Family Stranded on an Island, Who Were Never in Serious Danger and Who - I Believe It Has Been Mentioned, Yet Bears Repeating - Killed a Lot of Animals*. The way they hauled off and shot at the slightest movement in the bushes was nearly worse than the drunken yahoos I've known who seemed to be purposefully trying to give hunters a bad name.

Infinite supplies of gunpowder, a murderous contempt for all non-human life upon the island and a ton of other nonsense aside, *The Swiss Family Robinson* is a family adventure story whose time has surely passed. Oh sure, I recall enjoying the old movie version. That was entertaining, but so much of this book just flat out isn't. I can't imagine the child young enough to stomach this bunk and yet still have the mature patience to stick with the lulls in the action. I mean, even

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I can't believe I was a silly enough sod to stick around to the very end!

Good grief, this book, I tell ya. I am learning not to like titles with the name Robinson in them...

<http://www.goodreads.com/review/show/...>

PS: Did anyone else catch the line when the dad said that they'd sailed all the way from Switzerland? Must've been one of those amphibious boats.

carrie: \*\*\*\*\*SPOILER ALERT \*\*\*\*\*

I've read it now, and it does not measure up to the Disney movie. It was so ridiculous! The boys shoot every animal they see, which range from inhabitants of the African savannah, Australia, and the American northwest -- yes, hippos, rhinos, lions, tigers, kangaroos, bears, elephants, the duck-billed platypus, you name it, they're on the island. The father knows absolutely everything about every plant and animal, and sums up every situation correctly before it happens. He recognizes plants like flax and wax bushes. For a deserted island, it's interesting that there is absolutely everything that they could possibly need and that the father who has never lived in the West Indies recognizes it all at a glance. Oh -- also, their European trees (that happened to be on the ship) grow just fine in the blazing tropical sun. There is no conflict (because the father knows his way out of any trouble), and the only story is "we went here, shot this animal, made this hut, etc." The characters all speak the same (even the little boy talks just like his dad and uses the same adult phrases and big words). The last chapter was the most interesting. I could see a young boy (who doesn't mind old-fashioned language) who's into hunting and survival liking this book but that's about it, so I'll keep it just in case Ethan falls into that category. There is no hot girl for the boys to fight over either! I read at the end that the author thought of the story to give his sons survival ideas, and I don't think that's so bad, but if you're going to set a novel in the West Indies, and you know so much about flora and fauna, you could try to make the flora and fauna of the island authentic. There -- I'm done venting, and very glad to be done with the book!

Lisa Kay: ??½?? Torture to get via to the end. discuss delusion Island. And they, or their dogs, killed every little thing they got here across. Ugh. loved the motion picture more. (Did I simply say that?)New SwitzerlandPer Wiki:But the unconventional differs in that it really is modeled on Defoe's Robinson Crusoe, a real event story, and provides a geographically most unlikely array of mammals, birds, reptiles, and crops (including the bamboos, cassavas, cinnamon trees, coconut palm trees, fir trees, flax, Myrica cerifera, rice, rubber plant potatoes, sago palms, and a completely fictitious form of sugarcane) that most likely may by no means have existed jointly on a unmarried island for the kid's edification, nourishment, garments and convenience. Still, this is often what I got:Sago Palmsonager subspecies (Equus hemionus kulan, the Turkmenian kulan)Ruffed Grouse (Bonasa umbellus) Tree Crab (Caribbean hermit crab, Coenobita clypeatus) Blue Penguin AKA Little Penguin (Eudyptula minor) or Fairy Penguin

Rachel Terry: Now I comprehend why there are such a lot of abridged variants of this book. it really is repetitive and tedious and is held by means of this sort of tenuous thread of a plot that you just slightly care what will occur next.I have get a hold of another titles for this book, simply

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The Book Queen: I had no proposal this one had such a lot of detrimental reviews... oh well, it sounds as if i'm once more within the minority, even if funnily sufficient now i am it sounds as if the single one that loves this, whereas each person else hates it. by no means mind, a person has to carry down the fort.This has regularly been my favorite classic; I learn this primary whilst i used to be approximately ten and i have re-read it sometimes ever since. i feel this can be my fourth or 5th time re-reading it. it truly is great.This is the way you write a narrative a couple of shipwreck on a barren region island with no being exceptionally boring, trace trace MR. LOUIS STEVENSON.

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