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Editorial Review

Review

"A thought provoking and challenging insight into an aspect of equine nature that we are unwilling to even acknowledge."

Garry Ashton-Coulton - Art Editor, Horse & Hound magazine, London.

"The renowned expert CuChullaine O'Reilly offers startling and revelatory insight about equines that appears irrefutable... the horse as herbivore is a matter of conditioning, not necessarily preference."

Dr. Ruth Carter - Professor of International Studies at Georgia State University.

"With relentless research, O'Reilly has put together a body of evidence on meat-eating horses that should have encyclopedia editors all over the world scrambling to re-edit their chapter on the horse." Geoff Young - Publisher/Editor, Horse Connection magazine.

"Deadly Equines' investigation of the historical recurrence of omnivorous horses makes for compelling reading."

Dr. David R. Dorondo - Department of History, Western Carolina University.

"What a fantastic story! There is a message here which has been suppressed over the years." Robin Hanbury-Tenison OBE - Long Rider and author of The Oxford Book of Exploration.

About the Author

CuChullaine O'Reilly is an investigative reporter who has spent more than thirty years studying equestrian travel techniques on every continent. After having made lengthy trips by horseback across Pakistan, he was made a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and the Explorers' Club. O'Reilly is also the author of Khyber Knights. This equestrian travel tale has been described as a "masterpiece" and the author as "Jack London in our time".

O'Reilly founded the Long Riders' Guild, the world's first inter-national association of equestrian explorers. The organization has Members in forty-two countries, all of whom have made a qualifying equestrian journey of at least one thousand miles. The Guild has supported more than a hundred equestrian expeditions on every continent except Antarctica.

The author and his wife are the webmasters of The Long Riders' Guild website. At three-thousand plus pages, and still growing, and having now been visited by more than three million people world-wide, this website is the repository of the largest collection of equestrian travel information in human history. After ten years of unparalleled intellectual growth, The Long Riders' Guild became a movement for change in the wider equestrian world when the O'Reillys launched The Long Riders' Guild Academic Foundation. The world's first open-source academic equine website is devoted to the study of all hippological arts and sciences and provides a forum, free of commercial influence, wherein equine-related articles are provided at no cost to scholars, students and equine enthusiasts. Every type of horse-related knowledge is being investigated and published at this exciting website, whose motto is "Science not Superstition."

Deadly Equines is the first title in a new series of equestrian investigations undertaken by the author.

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