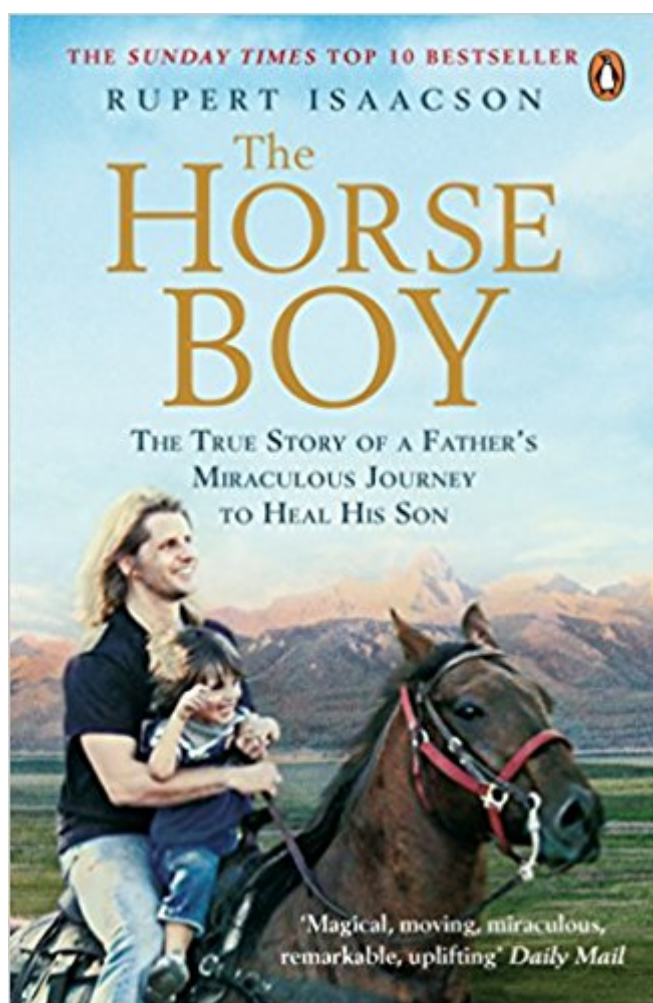


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Horse Boy: The True Story Of A Father's Miraculous Journey To Heal His Son



Synopsis

Rupert Isaacson's *The Horse Boy* is one family's epic journey to rescue their son. Rupert and Kirstin Isaacson were heartbroken when they learned that their two-year-old son Rowan was autistic. And with each passing day, Rowan's growing isolation, his uncontrollable fits, each failed treatment, filled them with despair. Then one day Rowan escaped and ran into a field of horses. Rupert watched in horror - but saw a miracle occur. The horses responded lovingly to Rowan - and he to them. Could Rowan's affinity with these animals save their son from his condition? The Isaacsons left their home in Texas and travelled to the plains and mountains of Mongolia - the spiritual home of the horse - risking everything - their happiness, future and sanity - on an arduous epic horseback journey in search of a cure for Rowan . . . 'An elegant, affecting narrative...a triumph of the human spirit' *Daily Telegraph* 'Captivating, incredible, a magical journey, an impossible dream' *Telegraph Weekend* 'It is probably only once in a critical lifetime that one will be moved almost to tears by [such] an account ... the excellence of his writing [creates an] elegant, affecting narrative ... a triumph of the human spirit' *Telegraph* 'Magical, miraculous, uplifting' *Daily Mail* Rupert Isaacson is British but lives with his family in Texas, USA. He is an ex-professional horse trainer and founding director of the Indigenous Land Rights Fund. He is the author of *The Healing Land: A Kalahari Journey* and his journalism and travel writing has appeared in the *Daily Telegraph*, *Esquire*, *National Geographic*, *Independent on Sunday*, *Conde Nast Traveller*, *Daily Mail* and *The Field*.

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"Isaacson charts his son's progress and regressions with an endearing tenderness.... Readers also follow the rare moments when Rowan expresses affection for his father, who is honest and humble throughout. And the author's chatty and self-deprecating storytelling adds a welcome buoyancy to a weighty experience. Meanwhile, Mongolia makes a fetching backdrop for this father/son love story.... Rooting for Rowan through all this... makes "The Horse Boy" an unexpected page turner." --
The Cleveland Plain Dealer

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Gave this magnificent book as a gift. It arrived on time and was greatly appreciated.

Not particularly well written. The mixed metaphors in the imagery were extremely annoying. However, I did find the insight into life with an autistic child interesting.

What a lovely story of a father's love for his son. His never give up attitude, not to change his son but only to have him be strong enough to be his own person. Listening to our natural intuition is sometimes all we need to correct what seems an impossible situation. BELIEVE

This fascinating book allows the reader into the home and feelings of a family whose child is autistic. The fortitude of the parents and the growth of the family unit is fascinating. The interaction between child and parent is in depth and at times breathtaking in the reality of description. One can only marvel at the patience and belief of the parents. The journey to the shamans is descriptive and enervating and the final outcome is a triumph for all concerned.

This book - as is the subject - fascinating. The book is well written with a lively pace. The subject of autism is very interesting to me. As a lay person, it feels like the diagnosis for autism has become something of an umbrella for a wide variety of problems. The 'cures' - or more to the point, the breakthroughs - are just as varied, this being one of the most intense and interesting ones I have

read about.

I would think this book could be considered "amust" for all parents, teachers and anyone in the healing fields. I also loved the DVD. Autism is a gift that we haven't begun to explore. After reading and viewing "The Horse Boy", I recommend Temple Grandin. May we embrace what we have feared and shunned.

What a remarkable story of courage and perseverance of a father and son. Laugh, cry, all emotions on view. Can't wait for the sequel to come out as an ebook.

Surprisingly good audio book

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