

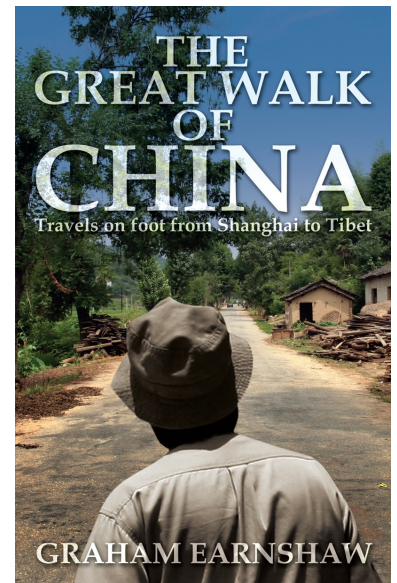
The Great Walk of China: Travels on foot from Shanghai to Tibet

TRAVEL / CHINA by Graham Earnshaw

How long would it take to walk across the world's most populous country?

The Great Walk of China is a journey into China's heartland, away from its surging coastal cities, where the ripples of prosperity are only just beginning to be felt and many find themselves left behind.

Through his conversations with the people he meets along the way, the Chinese-speaking Earnshaw paints a portrait of a nation struggling to come to terms with its newfound identity and its place in the world. Our wandering guide never backs away from sensitive and sometimes uncomfortable topics, and captures the essential kindness and generosity of the Chinese people with brilliant clarity.



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"A ramble into a country's heart and soul... Earnshaw's deceptively simple travelogue reveals the complexities of an eternal China coming to terms with the forces of change. Lyrical, witty and wise, *The Great Walk of China* will rank among the great travel classics." — Adam Williams, author of *The Emperor's Bones*

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