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*Charles M. Russell*

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**Charles M. Russell : Trails Plowed Under with Illustrations in Color and Line** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Trails Plowed Under with Illustrations in Color and Line:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Trails Plowed Under: the Source for stories of the old westBy ShooshieThis book, published in 1927, was on our bookshelves when I was a kid. It's now mine, and I often pull it out for visitors. More than once I've been asked if they could borrow it. Well, this book was simply too valuable for me to let out of my sight, so I bought two more. THOSE I don't mind lending. Only one of them has not come back.Be sure, if you buy one, that the original color plates are still intact. Sometimes they are missing. Ask the seller to check.The contents of this book are priceless. These are the stories of the old west; stories of bravery, unexpected heroism, the mixing of races among immigrant Americans and Native Americans, the rough life of a trail rider, the getting drunk and getting rolled in town on the weekend, the shooting up of a saloon, and all you need to know about outfitting your transportation of the day, who was also most likely your best friend: your horse. Charley Russell was there, and the things he witnessed were the stuff you previously have only seen in movies. My guess is that the movies got their ideas from this book, either directly or indirectly through someone else who did.There is no better source, in my opinion, than the stories and pictures of Charley Russell. By the way, I'm spelling his name the way that Will Rogers spelled it in the introduction. Rogers' words are also endearing. You can tell that he cared disproportionately a lot for CM Russell, a friend whom Rogers had the good sense to look up to. If you care about the old west, and if you care

about history especially the history of this country you can do no better than to own and read this book and its companion, Good Medicine, Russell's illustrated letters. Shooshie1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great stories by a great man By Franklin Joel Theodosia I have read this book several Times over many years and I enjoy it every time. It is funny, with some serious bits as well. It will give a realistic view of the western United states in the late 19th century. I grew up with cows and horses working on ranches and though much had changed since Russell's time, a lot had not. I have found few books that capture the flavor of this one, believe me I have tried. I own an early hardback of this book with all of Russell's artwork in place. This kindle version is ok to read but you sure miss a lot with out the artwork. If you enjoy this version, do yourself a favor and find a copy with Charlie's pictures. I believe that anyone, regardless of whether you like western stories, will enjoy this book. I'll give it 4 stars because it doesn't have the artwork. 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Seriously Good By Michael E. Fitzgerald Most people realize Charles Russell was a wonderfully gifted, world renowned artist who chronicled Western life with a myriad of sketches and paintings that grace the finest art museums in the world today. His work is meticulous with an attention to detail second to none. What few of us realized is that as good an artist as he was, he was an equally gifted author. Published a few months before his death, Trails Plowed Under is a compendium of 43 short stories. He often complained of being "deaf and dum" with a pen but these writings, or yarns as he called them, certainly prove otherwise. In them he covers various aspects of everyday cowboy life from animals and stampedes to the colorful characters that peopled the American West as he knew it. Having cowboied all his life he knew his subject well and he leaves behind a prism through which we today can catch a glimpse of the past as it was. This book will tug on your emotions. You will laugh, reflect, think and admire Russell's skill with words. Some of these stories are undoubtedly true while others are designed to definitely pull your leg. There is not a rotten apple in the barrel.

This is a book by Charles M. Russell with illustrations in color. Five of his best paintings are reproduced in the book.