Hitchhiking to Kathmandu: My Overland Odyssey 1974

In 1974, I embarked on an overland journey from London to Kathmandu, hitchhiking through 18 countries and covering over 10,000 miles. It was an adventure of a lifetime, and one that I will never forget.



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I was 22 years old at the time, and had just finished university. I had always dreamed of traveling to Nepal, and I figured that hitchhiking would be the best way to do it. It would be cheap, it would allow me to meet new people, and it would give me a chance to see the world at my own pace.

I started my journey in London, and hitched my way through Europe, the Middle East, and Asia. I traveled through countries like Iran, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and India. I saw ancient ruins, snow-capped mountains, and bustling cities. I met people from all walks of life, and I learned a lot about the world and about myself.

The journey was not without its challenges. I was often cold, hungry, and tired. I was sometimes stranded in remote areas, and I even had a few runins with the police. But I never gave up, and I eventually made it to Kathmandu.

Arriving in Kathmandu was a surreal experience. I had been traveling for months, and I had seen so much of the world. But I was also exhausted, and I was ready to take a break. I spent a few weeks in Nepal, exploring the country and getting to know the people.

I eventually returned to England, but I have never forgotten my overland journey to Kathmandu. It was an experience that changed my life, and it taught me so much about the world and about myself.

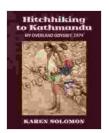
Advice for Hitchhikers

If you are considering a similar adventure, here are a few pieces of advice:

- Be prepared for the unexpected. Hitchhiking can be unpredictable, and you need to be prepared for anything. Bring a map, a compass, and a first-aid kit. Pack light, and make sure you have enough money to get by in case you get stranded.
- Be patient. Hitchhiking can be slow, and you may have to wait for hours before you get a ride. Don't get discouraged, and just keep trying.
- Be friendly. The best way to get a ride is to be friendly and approachable. Smile, wave, and make eye contact with drivers. Don't be afraid to ask for help.

Be safe. Hitchhiking can be dangerous, so it's important to take precautions. Never hitchhike alone, and always trust your instincts. If you feel uncomfortable, don't get in the car.

Hitchhiking is an amazing way to see the world, and it is an experience that I would recommend to anyone. Just be prepared for the unexpected, and be patient, friendly, and safe.



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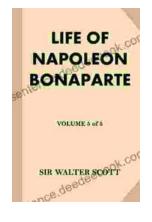
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