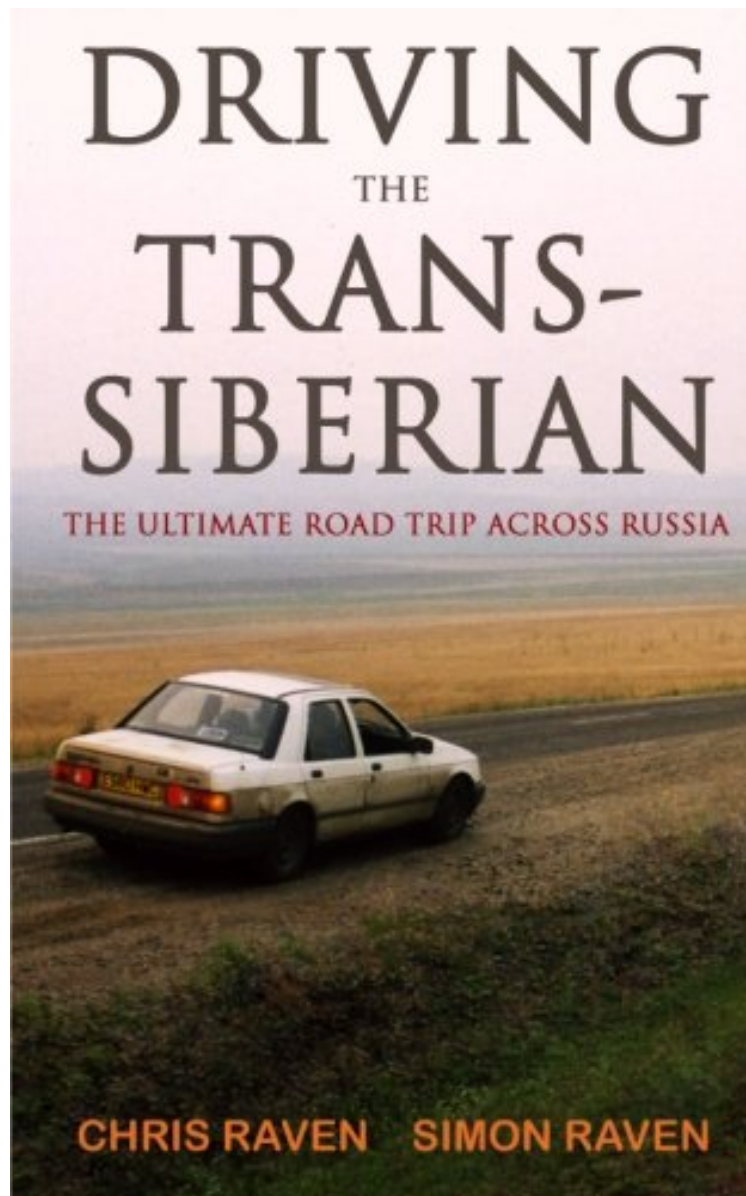


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Chris Raven, Simon Raven : The Linger Longer: Driving the Trans-Siberian - the Ultimate Road Trip Across Russia (Volume 2) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Linger Longer: Driving the Trans-Siberian - the Ultimate Road Trip Across Russia (Volume 2):

1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Falls flat
By mallory archer
This book had potential however as one went through the pages, you were left with the terrifying reality that it is rushed, shallow and full of filler content. You have to face this reality halfway in knowing that nothing great is coming, the writing style will remain on the 8th grade level and there will generally be little substance. At least a third of the book is historical data put in for the sake of inflating the pages. Another third is their journey from UK to the Russian border. The events portrayed are shallow, unbelievable and play on every eastern cliché you have seen in movies for the past 40 years. One has to wonder how much of it is authentic and how much is just paraphrased cultural clichés. The "harrowing" and "dangerous" events lauded are essentially nothing more than the writers getting scared without rhyme or reason (mainly due to the language barrier) and running away as if they were being chased by zombies. The book is an extremely easy read and you can fly through it in an evening and forget it by next morning. I gave it 3 stars because it is entertaining in the parts BEFORE they enter Russia. Which is sad actually, as their UK warehouse freezer story is more dynamic than their Siberian trip.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Hysterical, smart, insightful
By LPB
What would YOU trade your car for? This is easily the most (seemingly) insane travelogue I've read, but these guys aren't as loopy as they appear. They're curious about the world, they've got guts, and their optimism, daring, and good cheer bring them hilarious adventures, edgy experiences, and some strange new friendships along the way. Loved reading this book.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. russia....the drive across, with little money
By L. Niemann
driving across russia, the brothers explore the least costly way to go. a few adventures, a few pitfalls.....still would so like to go that route. if not there is always the train, yet nothing compared to adventure. give it a go, have fun. once again, great service.

Ever had the desire to jump in your car and keep driving; to wave goodbye to routine and commitment, to drive into the unknown hungry for adventure? Well, that is precisely what overland travel writers, Chris Raven and Simon Raven, decided to do whilst stacking boxes of frozen oven chips in a -30 degrees freezer. Not being petrol heads and having zero knowledge of the internal combustion engine, the brothers fired up their rusty Ford Sierra Sapphire and headed east. After clocking up over 11,000 miles from the UK, quite literally living in the car, they miraculously arrived in the Far Eastern city of Vladivostok in Siberia on the Sea of Japan. What they had in fact done was to drive the entire length of the Trans-Siberian Highway before it was finished, which crosses Russia and the notorious Zilov Gap in a 6,200 mile swath of cracked tarmac and potholes. Along the way our trusty heroes drink vodka with Chechen criminals, escape highway robbery, trade banana flavoured condoms with Russian cops, meet the eccentric and plain weird at truck stops in darkest Siberia, endure torturous road conditions and have a race to the finish with the Germans. Surviving this insane journey by the skin of their teeth the brothers are forced to confront their worst fears in this toe-curling comedy of extreme road trip adventure. Priding themselves in going it alone, Simon and Chris have been noted by Lonely Planet for their talent to portray an "accurate view of what to expect".

About the Author
Simon Raven and Chris Raven were born in the United Kingdom. A career in overland adventure travel was launched when they drove across Siberia from the UK to Vladivostok at the dawn of a new millennium. Driving the Trans-Siberian is an account of their journey and is the second book in the 'Ravens on the Road' travel trilogy published by Samosir Books. The brothers have since driven full circle around the Black Sea, traversed the Trans-oceanic highway from the Pacific to the Atlantic coast of South America and in 2007 travelled the road to Damascus. In addition to co-writing four travel books, they have documented and photographed multiple off the beaten track destinations across the globe including China's deep south, tribal India and the Balkan peninsula. Simon and Chris have been noted by Lonely Planet for their talent to portray an "accurate view of what to expect".