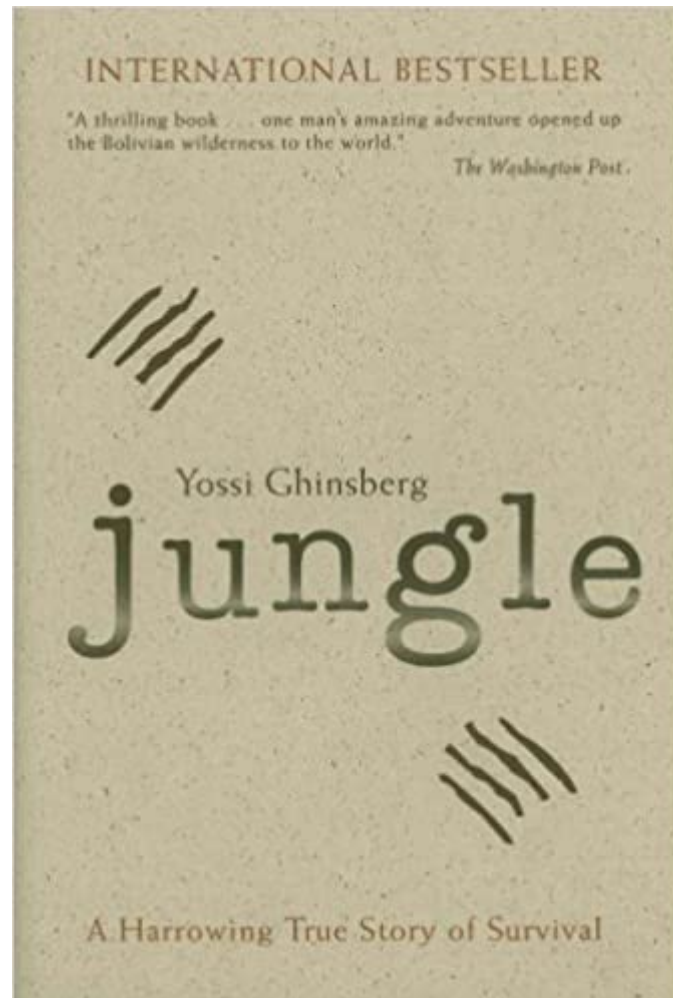




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# **Jungle: A Harrowing True Story Of Survival**



## Synopsis

What begins as a dream adventure for four amicable, if hastily met, muchileros (backpackers) quickly becomes a struggle for survival as they unravel under the duress of the jungle. They are an odd mix to be sure: Marcus, the Swiss mystic; Karl, the shady Austrian geologist; Kevin, the well-intentioned American photographer; and Yossi, the Israeli adventurer. *Jungle* is the incredible true story of Yossi Ghinsberg's triumph over the most adverse and frightening of circumstances. It is a tale of survival and human fortitude against the wildest backdrop on the planet.

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I was sucked into this story until the third quarter. At that point, the action became somewhat redundant and I had no problems skimming. The last quarter and prologue became intriguing again. Overall, an interesting read.

With so many EPIC survival stories--where the narrative unfolds over hundreds of pages--it's hard

to feel like Jungle was money well spent. The first half should have been heavily edited (his drug tripping in the desert, for example, is not even tangential to the story), and if Jungle were reduced to the core narrative of survival (which covers just over 15 days), then one wonders if a magazine article could have been a better medium for the story. That said, in and of itself, the story is gripping and, once you get into it, you will likely not put it down until you're finished. But this is probably a book better checked out from the local library than owned--unless you just have to collect survival lit. Also, a small, irritating side note: be prepared to be reminded by the author at every step that clearly he was being watched over and protected by a divine providence, a benevolent providence that sees it fit to rescue him from drowning in bogs but somehow isn't kind enough to just make sure he doesn't fall into them in the first place.

Yossi definitely has more determination than I could have ever mustered in his situation. This true account will speak volumes to you about mind over body. What a survivor!!!!

A really great story well told! A tourist backpacking in South America meets new friends and has a change of plans to explore the jungle with a South American citizen met as a guide. It all seems innocent enough but the trip turns out to be anything but. The book actually is a little slow at the beginning as he feels the need to tell you every detail of his trip even though it has nothing to do with the eventual story. Once you are in the jungle journey, the tale picks up quickly and is quite intriguing. I choose not to disclose the details of the story but strongly encourage you to read this compelling book.

Incredible experiences told by a natural and gifted storyteller. Jungle keeps you turning the pages while you ponder how you could, or couldn't, endure what Yossi dealt with alone in the jungle for nearly 3 weeks. It's at once personal and otherworldly, transporting your mind and spirit to a place you've never known.

Good read on how one can survive during trying conditions. How friendship develops and is challenged to the limit and tested.

This book is being made into a movie later in 2017. It's a true story that's full of adventure. I recommend this book to anyone who enjoys true accounts of exploration and adventure.

Couldn't put it down! I could almost feel his pain. To be lost for so long and afraid you would never been found had to become terrifying. So glad he was found. What a life he has lived!

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