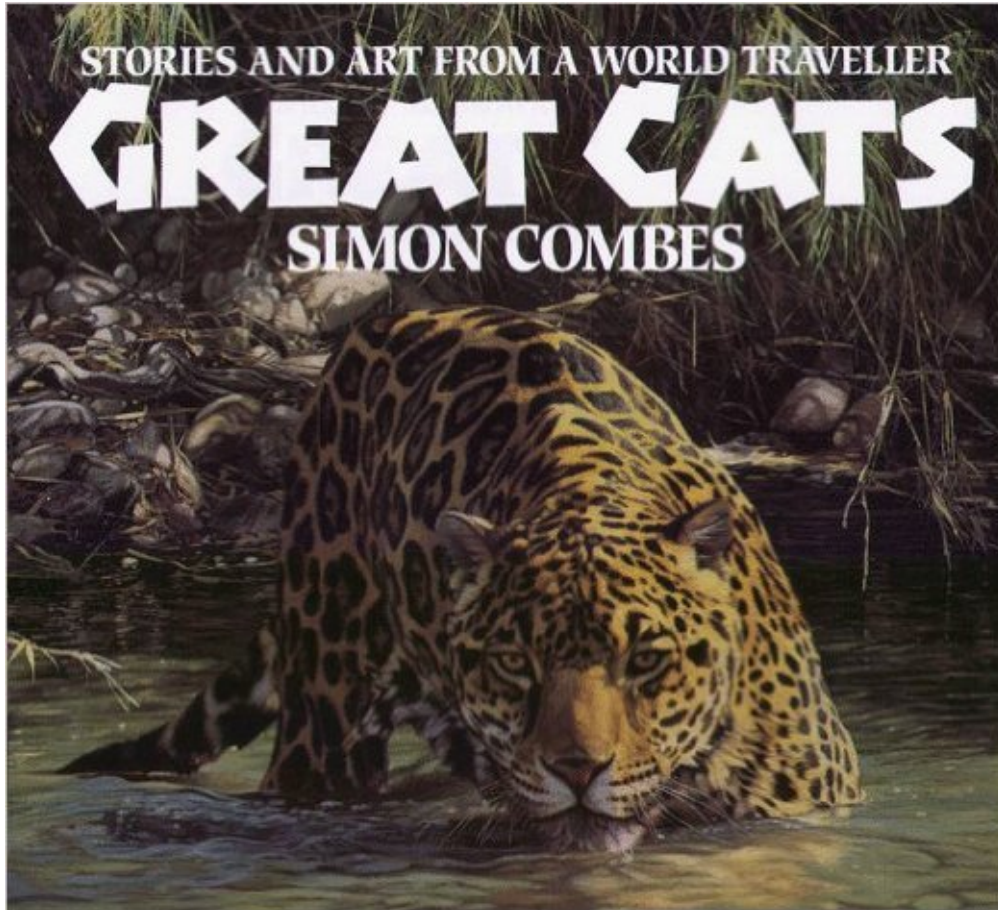


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# Great Cats: Stories And Art From A World Traveller



## Synopsis

Adventurer and artist Simon Combes had a life-long desire to paint the nine great cats of the world in their natural habitat. This commitment to accuracy sets him apart from his very able competition in the world of wildlife painters. Not content to study only zoo specimens and skeletons, Simon Combes studied the animals in their own worlds, full of battles, starvation and the competition in nature where truly only the fit survive. Already famous for his African wildlife paintings, Combes set out on what became a three year, three continent journey through the plains, jungles and snow to find the jaguar, cougar, lion, cheetah, snow leopard, Siberian tiger, clouded leopard, Bengal tiger and African leopard.

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## Customer Reviews

They say never judge a book by its cover, well friends you can in this case. A beautiful oil painting of a jaguar on its cover says it all, this is a must have book for any animal lovers specially wild cats, art students and even professional artists. Book is loaded incredible stories and killer artworks of Simon Combes. I enjoyed it every single page and I did not realize that I end up reading the entire book in one sitting. I was so captivated by the stories, and I enjoyed the art work of Simon Combes, well worth the money.

A must for anybody who loves great cats and art: a book full of stories and especially awesome photos, sketches and paintings of these wonderful creatures. The paintings are so incredibly

realistic that at times one has to look closely to make sure it is not just a photo. A definite winner !

A comprehensive book on great cats. Well researched and well illustrated book worth collecting. Out of the three books he wrote, this is perhaps the second. A somewhat squarish book with an impressive painting of a Jaguar on the dust cover is an almost tempting invitation to buy. There are many very interesting paintings with good amount of text and data to keep the readers hooked to the subject. I consider one of the three great giants of wildlife art but sadly he was killed in an accident in the field in Africa. A great book to have in the collection.

THIS BOOK WAS IN GREAT SHAPE FOR A USED PRICE NOT TO MENTION THE CONTENT. ALTHOUGH IT DOES NOT HAVE A WHOLE BOAT LOAD OF ART-PICTURES...IT IS WONDERFUL TO READ THE INSIGHTS OF THE BEAUTIFUL SOUL AND ARTIST SIMON COMBES. I SURE DO APPRECIATE THESE ARTISTS, PUBLISHERS AND ALL WHO PUT THESE GOOD ART BOOKS TOGETHER. THE ART SIDE OF SIMON COMBES IS THAT AFTER YOU SEE HIS WORKS, AND READ HIS WORDS....YOU WILL HAVE FELT LIKE YOU JUST WENT ON SOME GREAT ADVENTURE. ARTISTS OF NATURE...DO NOT PASS A CHANCE TO BUY THESE USED BOOKS!

I have several of Simon's paintings and now am so pleased to include his book to my collection! I am heartbroken to learn of his passing. The world has lost a champion and a gentleman. I am so sorry I never had the opportunity to go on a safari with him. I will never forget him and absolutely cherish his work. I assure you you will, too!

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