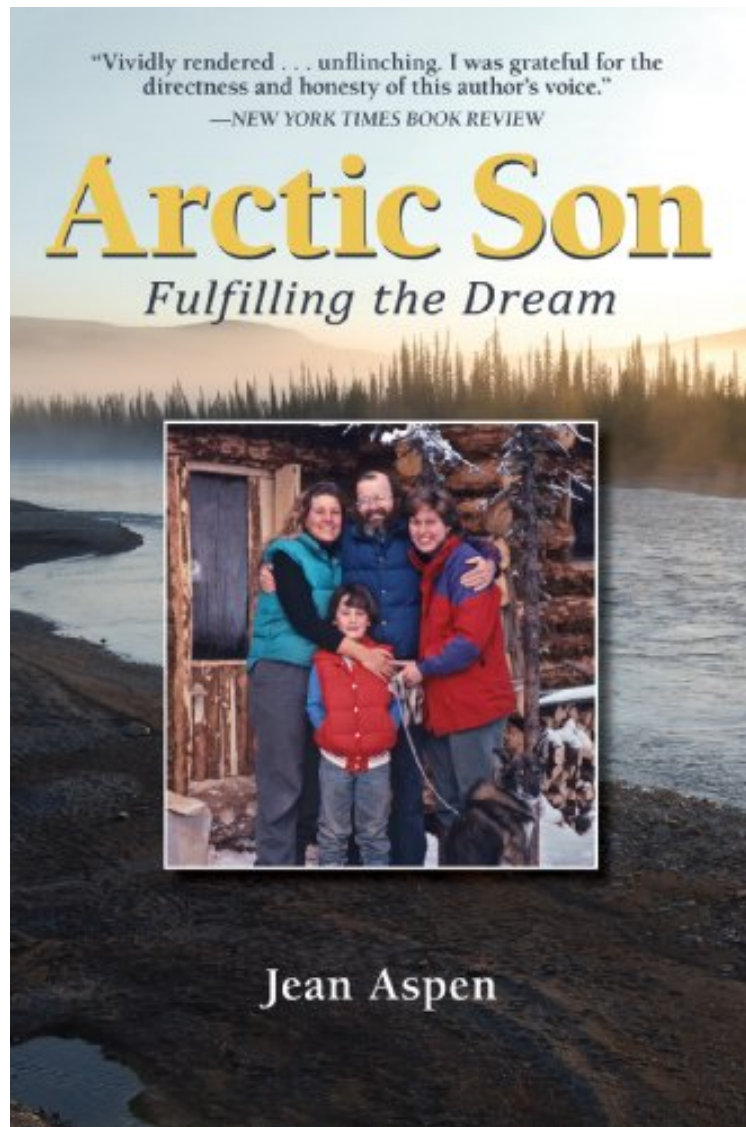


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Ms. Jean Aspen : Arctic Son: Fulfilling the Dream before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Arctic Son: Fulfilling the Dream:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Read it if you love listening to a rather shallow woman obsess about her feelings in glorious sceneryBy E. McKeeI read Arctic Daughter years ago and enjoyed it even though I found myself saying WTF over and over at their gear, food, and timing choices. They were young and inexperienced and that they survived and thrived despite some very poor choices (untrained puppy) was both a testament to their hard work

and will and a generous dose of luck. I thought it would be interesting to see how the author had grown and changed 20 some odd years later, but instead I meet a middle-aged woman who seems more needy, more self-focused, and who takes a second untrained and ill-suited puppy into the wild and is surprised when it ends badly. Frankly, I'm not surprised the dog came to a sad end, I'm just amazed that the child didn't. The author seems to have trouble grasping that children are raised to obey you not to stifle their souls, but to keep them safe as they grow into an age where they can reason. A 6 year old who doesn't listen and who doesn't mind adults is a tragedy waiting to happen. Bad enough in the city to have a child who runs out in front of cars or plays with the stove, but in a high-risk environment that kills plenty of mindful adults, it's unconscionable. It's luck that this didn't end very badly. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Some People Are stronger than Xtra Tuffs!!By Kathryn L. Guillaum"Arctic Son, Fulfilling the Dream" was a very good read, since I am drawn to non-fiction anyway. I live in Alaska, and I don't have conveniences that the down-south populace have....BUT this family goes beyond living off the grid, as it is commonly known. They are the modern day pioneers in the U.S's last frontier. Mosquitos are the secondary bird of Alaska (ask any Alaskan). They and Noseeums are almost smothering in some parts of AK, but most of this State have to put up with these relentless critter. This familyI don't know, are so tough, I would've gone mad, just from the skeeters. Without the bugs, surviving is a huge challenge for most. Want to know Alaska in all of it's rawness.....Read this. I also ordered the DVD. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Adventure and life lessons in a tough wildernessBy HRSEnjoyed this sequel (to Arctic Daughter) even more than the first - beyond the spirit of adventure and the chosen hardships that are difficult to imagine, the insights to relationships and personal growth for people in several different stages of life, added greater value to an already great story.

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