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Manuel Queiroz : Chasing the Morning Sun: Flying Solo 'Round the World in a Homebuilt Aircraft: The Ultimate Adventure before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Chasing the Morning Sun: Flying Solo 'Round the World in a Homebuilt Aircraft: The Ultimate Adventure:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. OK but somehow not greatBy P. M. MooreI enjoyed Manuel's story of his round the world flight in an RV. The photos from the air help to visualize the weather and terrain. Yet the book was not what I would call a great read.So many pilots have flown around the world and written about it that a book on

this subject really needs something special, and I didn't find it in this case. I enjoyed Cliff Tait's 'Flight of the Kiwi' much more, perhaps because he was one of the first, but more likely because he included more technical detail. I think the book could do with a few improvements in editing. The technical notes really should be in footnotes not in ugly white panels in line with the text. I am sure Manuel's flight was an amazing achievement, but the book somehow did not bring it to life for me. But it's an OK read for the price. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Very interesting and inspiring book
By Richard Snow
This book is great. Even if you are not considering flying around the world, or if you aren't a pilot, this book will still inspire you to go out and DO whatever it is that you have always wanted to, but never got around to. Highly recommended.

Ten years ago Manuel Queiroz declared his intention to fly solo around the world. Having just beaten cancer, he was buoyed by the recent brush with mortality and ready to take on a life-changing goal. Five years ago he fulfilled his ultimate dream and *Chasing the Morning Sun* is the exhilarating story of his record-breaking journey. In February 2006 Manuel circumnavigated the globe in a home-built airplane on an adventure which took him 27,056 miles. The journey lasted thirty-nine days, as he made eighteen stops in twelve different countries, becoming the only Briton ever to achieve this feat. And for this he was honored by the Royal Aero Club with their highest award, the Britannia Trophy which was bestowed on him by His Royal Highness the Duke of York. Taking off from an icy Britain, he was flying over burning deserts within days, through tropical rainstorms and the sweltering equatorial heat. Within a week he had landed on a tiny island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. The journey wasn't all plain sailing, there were dangers to confront and overcome: flying through sandstorms in the Saudi desert, terrifying electric storms, taking off from unlit runways at night and the ever present possibility of mechanical failure over an inhospitable ocean. It was a truly solo effort. There was no copilot to take over the controls when exhaustion set in, no ground staff to handle repairs, no one to check the route or the weather, or to turn to for advice when critical decisions had to be made. An inspiring tale of personal strife against impossible odds, both inside and outside the cockpit, makes *Chasing the Morning Sun* not just a book for pilots or adventurers but for anyone looking for inspiration from the realization of a lifelong ambition.

About the Author
Manuel Queiroz is an accomplished pilot and author of "*Chasing the morning Sun: Flying Solo 'Round the World in a Homebuilt Aircraft: The Ultimate Adventure*"