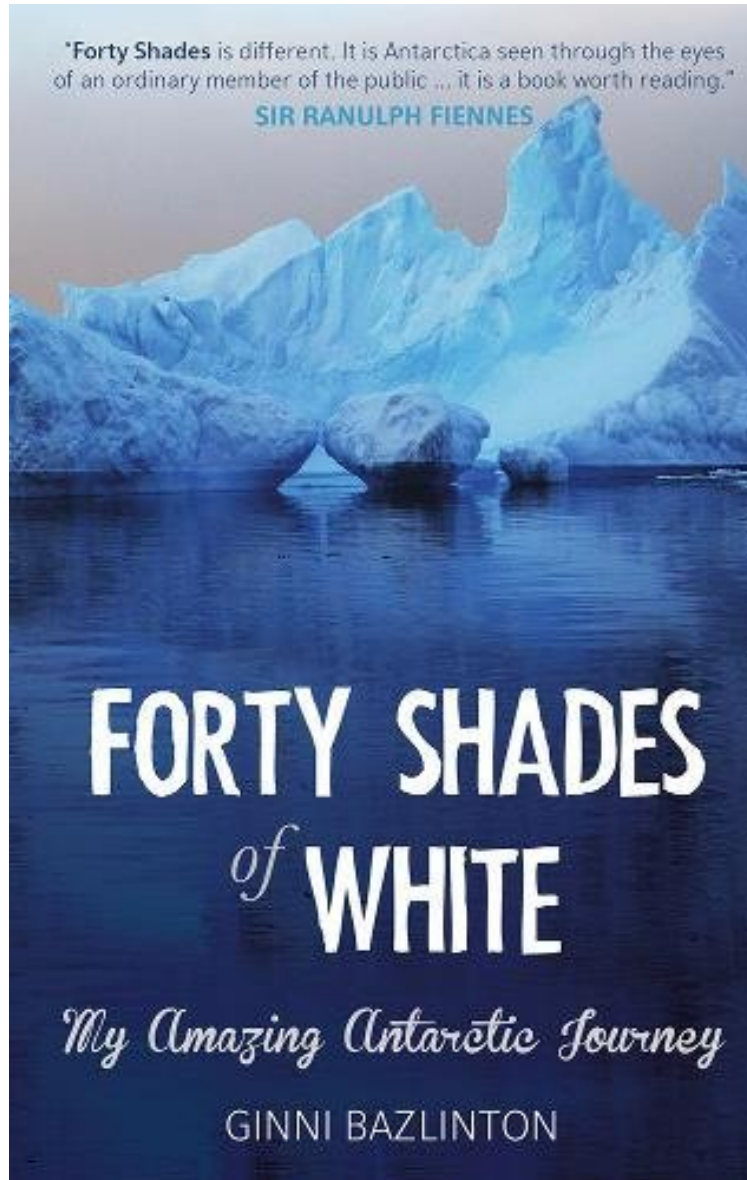


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**Ginni Bazlinton : Forty Shades of White** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Forty Shades of White:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Read this before going to AntarcticaBy Maverick 61I read the book right before going on a similar trip to Antarctica. It proved to be very educational about what we were going to see and definitely helped us appreciate things even more. After being there the book is most appropriately named! Her

descriptions of places and animals was as close as words allow given the utter awe this part of the world inspires. I found myself looking forward to some of the things we might see as they had been talked about in this book. If you are planning to go I would heartily recommend this one. We went as a family but, like her trip, our ship had many single travelers, both men and women, If you only wish you could go, it provides a pretty accurate picture of the amazing things to see in Antarctica and how the trips there work. Her description of a rough crossing of the Drake passage may cause concern for potential travelers. Our case was milder. Overall its a good read about a simple trip to a very unique part of the world.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Thumbs up for this book!By Kathy ShermanSince I just returned from a trip to Antarctica, I really enjoyed it! I loved her descriptions of the area, the penguins and whales. She described the weather perfectly. I enjoyed all the history she included. She covered a lot in her 11,day journey.It might have too much information if you did not have a keen interest in the area.

When on a whim Ginni Bazlinton signed up for a voyage to the planet's fifth largest and coldest continent she did not know what to expect. An icy wilderness governed by no nation, where virtually the only natives are penguins and seals, Antarctica was a vast unknown to her when she set off with a few fellow travellers on the rugged scientific vessel the Akademik Shokalskiy. Discoveries came thick and fast: the sheer beauty and alarming extremes of the landscape and climate - rocky voyages on dangerous seas - and the unexpected company of amazing wildlife from the legendary albatross, to huge whales, lazy seals and friendly penguins. As she learns more about the history of exploring the region, the science undertaken there and the extraordinary varied landscapes of vast mountains, rolling icebergs and sunken volcanoes childlike joy and peace gives way to deeper contemplation. For this grandmother 'from next door' her first hand encounter with a region unknown to many becomes the gateway to a profound fascination with the miracle that is Antarctica and a keener understanding of the wonder of the world itself and humanity's ambiguous role within it.

"Forty Shades is different. It is Antarctica seen through the eyes of an ordinary member of the public ... it is a book worth reading." (Sir Ranulph Fiennes, explorer).About the AuthorBrought up in the UK and Zimbabwe, Ginni Bazlinton - after a career as a professional dancer in the theatre and at the world famous Murray's Cabaret Club - commenced her world travels in earnest at the age of 52 visiting in quick succession Japan, Chile, Argentina, Patagonia and Morocco. She has taught English as a foreign language working in Portsmouth, Japan and Chile and shares her passion for Antarctica and her other experiences through teaching, writing and advocacy.