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# The View from Churchill: Travels in the Footsteps of Britain's Last Lion

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### Description

In this brilliant introduction, Matthew Mills Stevenson explores the significant moments and places that helped to shape Sir Winston Churchill's remarkable career as a British politician, prime minister, soldier, and author.

- He visits Pretoria in South Africa where in 1899 the young journalist Churchill escaped from Boer captivity.
- He walks the battlefields of Gallipoli in Turkey to discover why Churchill's bold military strategy failed.
- He rides his bicycle along the Western Front of World War I to visit Ploegsteert in Belgium, where Churchill commanded a battalion of the Scots Fusiliers.
- He visits Chartwell from where in the 1930s Churchill warned the world of the dangers to come from Hitler and Fascism.
- He travels to Yalta (yes, on his bicycle) to write about Churchill's 1945 meetings with Joseph Stalin and Franklin Roosevelt.

The life of Sir Winston Churchill (1874-1965) is an extraordinary story of survival against the odds that ends in triumph.

- This summary of the key moments in Churchill's life is the perfect introduction.
- Many of the illustrations, all from the Churchill Archive in Churchill College, Cambridge, have never been published before.

### Author

Matthew Mills Stevenson, an American historian, gains his inspiration to write by visiting, often on his folding Brompton bicycle, the places where men and woman have made history. He is the Cycling Historian.