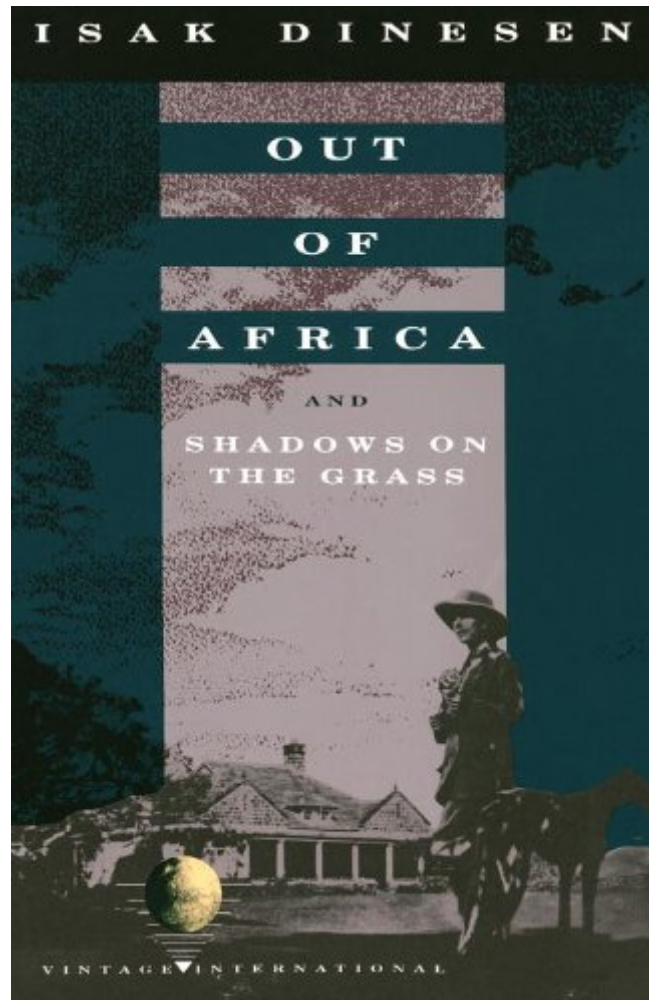




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After obtaining the decade old movie, "Out of Africa" and watching it at least three times, I simply had to read something that this author had written and was delighted to discover that she had written a book with the same title as the movie. While the only mention of her marriage to Baron Bror Blixen was on the very last page of this book, written in a simple paragraph. I have yet to read a book, then see the film based on the same, and be able to say the movie is better than the book. The book gives more personal details and always provides more information. I enjoyed both but must once again declare that the book is better!

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Very good book. Would like larger type.

Fabulous book

One of my all-time favorites. If you live African adventures, you'll love Dinesen's real-life account of life on a coffee farm. Beautiful.

Bought this to have a copy in print that I can use to refer to specific examples of exceptional writing. Opening and ending 'narratives' are the most poetic prose I've ever read.

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