



## First Footsteps in East Africa: Illustrated (Paperback)

By Richard F Burton

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Illustrated. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. In this book, first published in 1856, Burton recounts his travels to Harar, a city in East Africa notorious for its slave trade activity. His plan was a challenging one, as it was believed that no European had been there before; upon arrival he claimed to be an agent of the British government and presented himself to the ruler of Harar. Burton was allowed to spend ten days there, and his account give a fascinating glimpse into a then unknown city and culture. One of the great adventure classics. Victorian scholar-adventurer's firsthand epic account of daring 1854 expedition to forbidden East African capital city. A treasury of detailed information on Muslim beliefs, manners and morals; plus pleasures and perils of the desert. A wealth of geographic, ethnographic and linguistic data. By the side of the camels ride my three attendants, the pink of Somali fashion. Their frizzled wigs are radiant with grease; their Tobes are splendidly white, with borders dazingly red; their new shields are covered with canvass cloth; and their two spears, poised over the right...

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