

A Descent Into the Maelstrom (Paperback)

By Edgar Allen Poe

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2013. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. A Descent into the Maelstrom is an 1841 short story by Edgar Allan Poe. In the tale, a man recounts how he survived a shipwreck and a whirlpool. It has been grouped with Poe's tales of ratiocination and also labeled an early form of science fiction. Inspired by the Moskstraumen, it is couched as a story within a story, a tale told at the summit of a mountain climb in Lofoten, Norway. The story is told by an old man who reveals that he only appears old- You suppose me a very old man, he says, but I am not. It took less than a single day to change these hairs from a jetty black to white, to weaken my limbs, and to unstring my nerves. The narrator, convinced by the power of the whirlpools he sees in the ocean beyond, is then told of the old man's fishing trip with his two brothers a few years ago. Driven by the most terrible hurricane that ever came out of the heavens, their ship was caught in the...





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