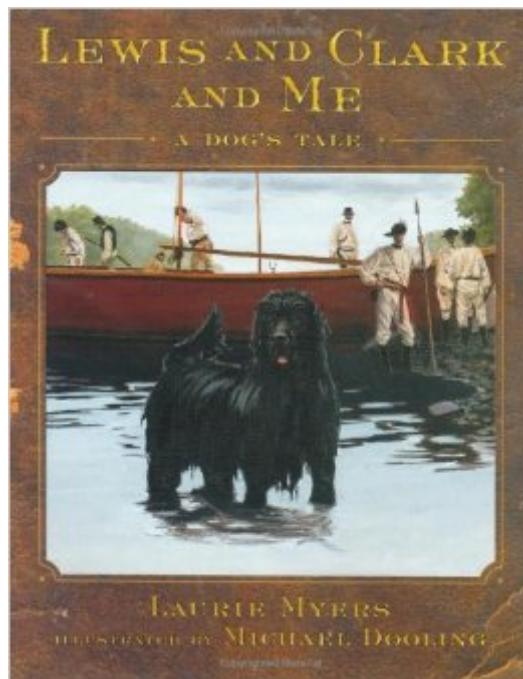


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# Lewis And Clark And Me: A Dog's Tale



## **Synopsis**

A dog's account of one of the most extraordinary expeditions of all time."Dog and man can fit together like no others do. Lewis and I had that fit....How did we get that close? I think the wilderness had something to do with it. Lewis and I would have been close anywhere, but the wilderness brought out the best in both of us. We were made for that territory." In 1803, Meriwether Lewis and William Clark set off on a journey to explore the vast territory of the United States west of the Mississippi River. Accompanying Lewis and Clark and their team of explorers through this uncharted wilderness was Lewis' dog Seaman. Lewis and Clark and Me is Seaman's story. From his first meeting with Lewis, to being mistaken for a bear by Indians who had never seen such a large dog, to his encounters with wild animals both familiar and unfamiliar, Seaman's tales are filled with the joys of companionship and the tingling excitement of adventure. Seaman's stories are based information provided in the explorers' journals. The book include many of these direct quotes from the original text as well as a detailed map showing the highlights of this amazing expedition.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Lewis and Clark and Me by Laurie Myers is an awesome book! The book shows the adventures of Lewis and Clark from Lewis's dog Seaman's point of view. The story takes place from November

16,1803 to September 11,1803. The book goes threw many months. Lewis and Clark are two adventurous men who like to help other people. Seaman is a loyal and helpful dog who loves to hunt. Lewis dresses different than any other man, Clark is a tall man with a low voice, and Seaman is a large black dog with a low but loud bark and growl. Their hobbies are hunting and sailing. Seaman can jump off the boat and bring back dead animals for them to eat. Lewis and Clark are from saint Britton. They are middle aged and Seaman is about five. This is Seaman's story from his first meeting with Lewis to being mistaken for a bear by some Indians. The story starts when Lewis buys Seaman for 20 dallers. One time a baby calf followed Lewis but couldn't get up the boat ladder so they left him behind. Suddenly that felt very funny to Seaman. Imagine a buffalo calf thinking it could be part of our lives. My favorite part of the story is when a beaver bites Seaman. In order to find out what happens next you have to read the book! I gave this book 5 stars because it is very interesting. It had a lot of detail and action. This book is remarkable! I loved it! I think everyone should read it. The author Laurie Myers is one of my favorite authors because she loves dogs. I like how she gives you a lot of detail. The illustrator Michael Dooling never leaves a blank spot in the pictures. The pictures are very realistic. I would recommend this book to everyone because it is very exiting. In order to prove that you have to read the book.

The first thing that caught my attention was the beautiful design of this book. The size, the cover design, and the gorgeous illustrations make this book a delight to hold in your hand. The story is told by Seaman, the Newfoundland dog who accompanied the Corps of Discovery on their journey across the continent. Seaman's story is echoed in entries from Meriwether Lewis's journals. The book is not long; at 64 pages it would make a great read aloud. I loved the story where Seaman is dubbed a "bear-dog" by the Indians. His nearly fatal encounter with a wounded beaver is very exciting and invests the reader emotionally in the story. This book is not a history of the expedition but would be a wonderful introduction to the Lewis and Clark journey. Sacagawea and York are part of the dog's story but Lewis is the center of Seaman's world. The book would not be the same without the rich paintings by Michael Dooling. Dooling is one of the best "realistic" illustrators working today. His painting of Seaman and Lewis looking out over the Pacific captures the sense of the entire expedition. We see them from behind looking toward the future of a new land, open and wild, with more to discover.

What fun! Seeing the expedition through the dog's eyes was wonderful, and the actual notes from Lewis' journal were an excellent addition. The chapters are short, random accounts from the trip, so

it's not sufficient for a history lesson, but it engages the reader so much that my fifth-grader chose to read a biographical story about the two men after reading this.

This stunning book is about a gentle, unique, impressively large dog named Seaman. This enormous dog was sold to Meriwether Lewis to take on his expedition. Together, Lewis and Seaman explored the West. They fit together like a door in a doorway. Their friendship was rare. While they explored, they met Indians. The Indians called Seaman, 'Bear-dog.' This phenomenal book is for readers on a 3rd to 5th grade reading level.

Read about Lewis and Clark, in a dog's point of view"!! A very funny story included called Squirrels. Watch and hear as a dog travels with Lewis and Clark and their crew. Including a special part of Lewis's journal! Perfect for teachers for reading circle and great for all those who want to learn about Lewis and Clark!

I am \*so glad\* I got this book. If you're like me, you're thinking, "Lewis and Clark from the DOG'S point of view, huh? Too weird." It's not. This book does such a great job with Lewis's personality, and with putting your child in touch with the expedition. My second grader (not an emotional person) couldn't stop reading it. It's a bit of a tearjerker -- the love between dog and man. Absolutely worthwhile, and one of the best books we've read all year. This edition is beautiful -- the cover and the dust jacket, the beautiful illustrations -- this is a very high-quality book.

A great and touching story of Seaman, the Newfoundland that accompanied Lewis and Clark on their epic journey. Written from his perspective. Fun for all ages. If you are a dog person -- it is like a warm puppy. You can't resist picking it up or putting it down.

The story takes place in the early 1900's. It is about a man Lewis was asked by Thomas Jefferson to go on a journey. Before Lewis left he asked his friend Clark to go with him. Also before he went Clark knew a guy who had a Newfoundland. Lewis really liked him and the dog Seaman liked Lewis. Lewis bought the dog for \$20.00. On the way they met Indians who loved the dog. They wanted to trade the dog for beaver but Lewis denied. The next part they met Indians who tried to steal Seaman. But Seaman barked and the Indians got scared. Another part is during the night a buffalo came and nearly killed the other campers. The buffalo got close to Lewis and Seaman scared him away. When they got back from their two year journey they were very famous. However Lewis died

six years later.

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