

DEATH IN THE ICE

THE MYSTERY OF THE FRANKLIN EXPEDITION

Discover one of the most fascinating and mysterious stories in the history of exploration.

In 1845, Sir John Franklin led a British search for the Northwest Passage. Two years later, the expedition had not returned. Searchers took more than a decade to establish that all crewmembers were dead, and their ships lost. How and why it happened, however, remains a mystery to this day.

In this souvenir catalogue, iconic artifacts recovered following the Expedition's disappearance are featured with more recent finds and images, including the discovery of HMS *Erebus* and *Terror*. Step into the perilous world of 19th century Arctic exploration and see the conditions aboard the Expedition's vessels – from the voyage's confident beginnings to its tragic end. Discover the critical role played by Inuit in revealing the Expedition's fate through artifacts and oral histories – crucial pieces in a story that continues to capture our imagination, more than a century and a half later.

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