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# **Summit: A Novel**





## **Synopsis**

In the autumn of 1938, Germany's reichsfÃfÆ'Ã Â hrer, Heinrich Himmler, is growing frustrated at the British using their regional power in India to block the passage of an SS expedition to Tibet. Determined to spite them, he plots to steal something the British hold dear and have failed for the seventh time that spring to achieve: a first summit of Mount Everest. Seventy years later, seasoned mountain guide Neil Quinn's ninth visit to the top of the world's highest mountain, this time in charge of the 16-year-old son of a Long Island billionaire, begins to unravel. As a desperate fight for their lives begins in the freezing air high above Tibet, Quinn stumbles across a clue to a story that challenges everything he thinks he knows about the great mountain. When the bitter aftermath of Quinn's disastrous climb turns to violent tragedy in Kathmandu, his discovery pushes him into a relentless journey that takes him from the dangerous heights of Everest to the equally treacherous margins of a new Europe, where history hungers to repeat itself. Amid a rich and diverse cast of characters, all with their own reasons to possess the mystery of his discovery, Neil Quinn has to fight, increasingly desperately, for order and the truth.

### **Book Information**

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#### Customer Reviews

Great mixture of history and mountaineering. Farthing skillfully weaves parallel plots of contemporary climbs of Mt. Everest with historically faithful accounts of pre-WWII Germany, British India and Tibet. The result is a fictional but plausible tale of a German Mt. Everest climb in 1939. Quick read. I couldn't put it down.

Wonderful story! The back and forth in time is cleverly developed. The last page made me cry :)

Very touching and a must-read for high-altitude mountain lovers! Really enjoyed this book and did not want it to end.

What an interesting book with a terrific storyline and characters. Liked the historical references as well. The writing is top notch. Very recommended.

An exciting, well meshed story. Two criss-crossing tales involving Nazis, Mr. Everest climbers, mystery, love, and an evil Frenchman. Hard to put down.

Good and interesting story! I like the plot, an alternative history that isn't at all far fetched! I am an amateur mountaineer and history buff and this story made me think about and research things that I haven't thought about before. A thoroughly enjoyable and thought provoking read.

Enjoyed the book but sometimes found plot hard to follow when it jumped from past to present. Overall, found the plot interesting.

Great fictional story interwoven with factual historical events. Having read over 100 books regarding climbing in the Himalayan, Karakoram, European Alps, Andes & many other ranges, I can say with confidence that author Farthing did not take unnecessary liberties with his story. Well done.....

Inspiring is the word that comes to mind when trying to summarize how I viewed this book. It was well written, reasonably paced and full of twists and turns. More importantly it exposed what human beings endure trying to reach Everests' "Summit".

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