

THE WRECKERS' REVENGE

by NORMAN JORGENSEN

ABOUT THE BOOK

Red Read doesn't set out to find trouble, but trouble sure has a way of finding him. Expelled from school, he is whisked off by Captain Black Bowen, one of the most infamous smugglers ever to ply the coast of northern Australia in the early years of the twentieth century. Together they battle demon storms, crazed pirates and killer diseases while hunting down a great lost treasure. Non-stop action, adventure and excitement!

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Norman Jorgensen was born in Broome, the eldest of four brothers, and has lived in several country towns since. At a young age he developed a love of books, especially novels like *Treasure Island*, and old movies. At age thirteen Norman learned to sail. These days he loves travelling and researching exotic places for his books



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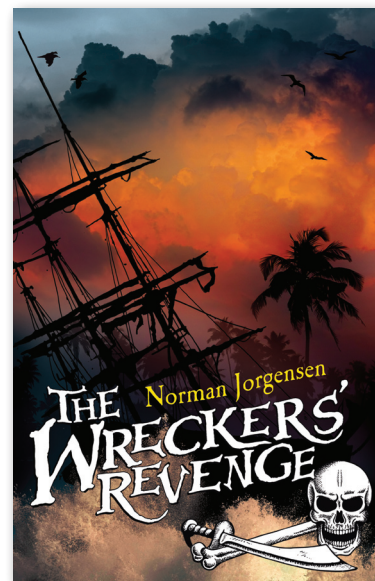
- The sequel to the successful first book in the series, *The Smuggler's Curse*, which WA children voted their favourite book of 2017.
- The book was inspired by two boys from the Cocos Islands who, after hearing Norman telling one of his tall tales during a CBCA Book Week visit, were inspired to go in search of William Dampier's lost treasure. Norman found himself hauled into the principal's office after the boys' failed attempts to dig up an unmarked grave were discovered.
- This rollicking adventure story highlights little known aspects of Australian history including Dampier's discovery of the Cocos and Christmas Islands, the enslavement of the Malay people on the Cocos islands and the effects of typhoid on 19th Century sailors.
- Jorgensen won the Children's Book Council of Australia's Book of the Year for *In Flanders Fields*.
- Teaching notes, bookmarks and activity sheets are available free from www.fremantlepress.com.au.

PRAISE FOR THE SMUGGLER'S CURSE

'... this exciting, refreshingly politically incorrect tale ... of smuggling, pirating and general blood-thirsty adventuring ... is a thrilling, old-fashioned highly satisfying "blood and guts" Boys' Own adventure.' *Magpies*

'Jam packed with action and adventure ...' *Reading Time*

'Like all good pirate stories, it's the sort of book you can't put down and end up reading under the blankets with your torch when you're supposed to be asleep.' *The West Australian*



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