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Search: Dogs to the Rescue in Wild Zimbabwe

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For thirty years, Jill Wylie has rescued animals of many kinds, from dogs and cats to bushbuck and baboons. From her forested wildlife sanctuary in Zimbabwe's Vumba Mountains, she has ventured out hundreds of times to bring in injured orphans, or to find lost pets. Jill cannot sleep if she knows there's a lost dog out in the bush

somewhere, dying slowly, who might somehow be saved.

With the help of her specially trained dogs Jill has had many adventures, some of which have already been related. This book is about Javelin, Jill's Doberman with a difference. It was vital that Jill could read her tracker's body-language at a distance in thick bush. The dog had to have her inherited communication system; her tail!

Javelin's story is an all-but-unknown thread in Zimbabwe's turbulent history. However it is a tale of extraordinary commitment and compassion, of a unique bond between woman and dog – a veritable cascade of rescues and escapades. Sometimes dangerous, often funny, as frequently heartbreaking.

