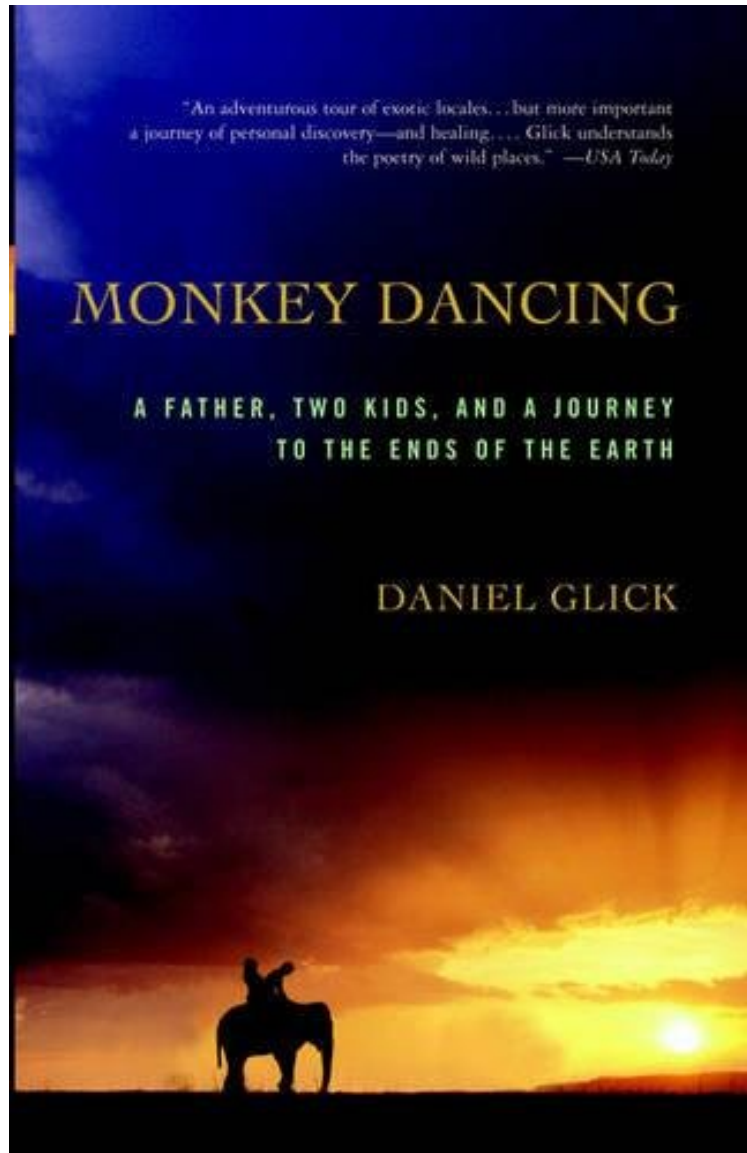


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Dancing" is a brutally honest account of a father's trip with his two children to some exotic parts of the world in an effort to find some healing following devastating family tragedies. Glick demonstrates tremendous courage by revealing so much about himself and his family, about losing to cancer an older brother he always looked up to and losing a wife and co-parent who discovered late in life that she was a lesbian. But honest and accurate reporting can sometimes be tedious. For example, those of us who have travelled with children have all experienced bickering and whiny kids. Unfortunately, Glick recounts more of such bickering and whining than is necessary or desirable. In addition, since the journey was one of self discovery and healing from family tragedy, I found the reporter's lens focused more on himself and his children and less on the places they visited. I look forward to Dan Glick's next travel book as he moves further away from the hurt that inspired *Monkey Dancing*.²⁴ of 24 people found the following review helpful. A tour of the world, the heart, and lifeBy Peggy VincentDaniel Glick's book might become a classic. While mourning the death of his brother and his rather sudden divorce from his wife, Glick finds himself alone with his two children for almost the first time. He chooses to take them around the world in an effort to see some of the planet's endangered species before it's too late. One gets the sense that it's also his effort to become a father before it's too late.*Monkey Dancing* works on many levels: environmental journalism, a travelogue, a lesson in parenting. Using the metaphor of world travel, Glick journeys into the heart of fatherhood, marriage, family, loss, conflict, change, and life.0 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Boring beyond beliefBy peter lathamStrictly a travel log! Nothing more! Very difficult to finish! I found myself skimming through quite a bit of the book.

After losing his brother to cancer and a painful divorce that left him the sole charge d'affaires of two decidedly spirited children, environmental reporter Daniel Glick knew he and his little family desperately needed some karmic rejuvenation. He opted for an epic adventure. In the summer of 2001, Dan, Zoe, and Kolya packed up and set off on a six-month tour to see the world's most exotic and endangered habitats.*Monkey Dancing* takes readers along for this incredible journey. From the python-infested rivers of Borneo to the highest summits of Bali, from Nepal's Gangeatic Plains to Australia's Great Barrier Reef, Glick recounts the adventures they met with, the challenges they confronted, and how they learned to cope with grief, loss, and one another. Along the way, he offers intimate reflection on life, fatherhood, change, and the fragile health of our troubled planet. Acclaimed by reviewers, a *BookSense Parenting* bestseller, *Monkey Dancing* is a "poignant, affirming, ultimately courageous book" *Audubon Magazine*.

From *Publishers Weekly*After an unexpected, devastating divorce, Glick faced the challenge of bonding with his two children. He handled it by taking his 13-year-old son and nine-year-old daughter on a six-month trip around the world. This unusual, superbly written and deeply human story of their travels is a consistently rewarding odyssey. Glick, an environmental reporter (*Newsweek*, etc.), writes, "I wanted my kids to share my affection for quiet redwoods and cholla cactus, to swim in mountain lakes and sleep under streaking stars during meteor showers." They move from Australia's Great Barrier Reef to Bali, with its contrasting combinations of spiritual awareness and bargaining for surfboard key rings. Glick highlights Borneo's boiling heat and Indonesia's grinding poverty, along with sojourns in Zurich and Kathmandu. The book is striking both as travelogue and personal drama. Glick's memories of his brother, a victim of rare male breast cancer, weave their way powerfully through the story, along with his despair and confusion over losing his wife to a woman. But Glick doesn't sentimentalize and frankly refers to his children's fights by saying, "[I]f sibling bickering were an art form, these two would be Old Masters," while clearly indicating the love beneath their combativeness. His slowly emerging new romance provides another point of interest and tension. By the time Glick is finished talking of lizards, crocodiles, cassowaries, koalas and kingfishers, even readers who lack the author's raging wanderlust will long to encounter unfamiliar cultures and witness firsthand the tigers of Nepal, the Javan rhinos of Vietnam and the orangutans of Borneo. Photos.Copyright 2003 Reed Business Information, Inc. "Click's journalistic background informs his odyssey with a sense of scholarly urgency...although even the most dangerous encounters are leavened by [his] mordant sense of humor..."About the AuthorDaniel Glick worked for *Newsweek* for more than 12 years, as a Washington correspondent and as a special correspondent roving the Rocky Mountain West. He has also written for *Rolling Stone*, the *Washington Post Magazine*, the *New York Times Magazine*, *Esquire*, *Men's Journal* and numerous other publications, and is the author of *Powder Burn: Arson, Money, and Mystery on Vail Mountain*. Having traveled widely and lived on four continents, Glick now lives in Colorado with his two children.