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LITERARY AWARDS & EDITORIAL RECOGNITION

THE BUDDHA AND THE BEE

LITERARY AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Eric Hoffer First Horizon Award
- American BookFest
- The BookFest Awards
- PenCraft Best Book Awards
- Best Indie Book Award (BIBA)
- Pinnacle Book Achievement Award
- Readers' Favorite
- The Wishing Shelf Book Awards
- Kindle Book Award
- NYC Big Book Award
- Firebird Book Awards
- Global Ebook Awards
- Chanticleer Hearten Award
- Literary Titan Book Award
- Independent Author Network (IAN)

EDITORIAL REVIEWS

Kirkus Reviews — “A humorous, insightful book for readers who enjoy the outdoors and tales of pursuing one’s dreams.”

Self-Publishing Review — “This is cleverly crafted and addictively easy to read.”

IndieReader — “Offers a thoughtful meditation on travel and self-discovery in twenty-first century America.”

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UNLOST

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- Best Indie Book Award (BIBA)
- International Book Awards
- Readers' Favorite
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- The BookFest Awards
- American BookFest
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EDITORIAL REVIEWS

Kirkus Reviews — “A shaggy travel memoir with amusing recollections and occasional nuggets of wisdom.”

IndieReader — “If great storytelling by a seasoned “world citizen” who truly knows his subject sounds appealing, then Cory Mortensen’s UNLOST ranks right up at the top of the list.”

OnlineBookClub — “Overall, I give this book a well-deserved rating of 5 out of 5 stars.”

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EMBRACING BEWILDERMENT

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EDITORIAL REVIEWS

Kirkus Reviews — “A well-written, absorbing journey through Europe and East Asia.”

Foreword Clarion Reviews — “The third book in a series, Embracing Bewilderment is a globe-trotting adventure memoir with hints at a personal search for purpose.”

Readers' Favorite — “I loved that Cory Mortensen takes you to places that most travel books don't.”

IndieReader — “EMBRACING BEWILDERMENT is a good travel book in that it highlights key features, customs, and brief histories of each country author Cory Mortensen visits.”

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MIDDLE MILES

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- Readers' Favorite International Book Award — Silver Medal (2026)

EDITORIAL REVIEWS

Kirkus Reviews — “A poignant, engaging, often humorous account about a Pacific Coast journey to the Mexican border.”

Foreword Clarion Reviews — “Middle Miles is a resonant memoir that captures the landscapes, people, and meditations encountered during a long ride.”

IndieReader — “A thoughtful, often funny travel memoir.”

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