

Stories that follow the ancient Silk Road, from Japan and China, via Mongolia, Uzbekistan, Iraq, Arabia, Turkey to Europe. The great trade route is woven into the culture of the regions, and despite the wide variety of countries, the same themes occur in all places: love, money, monsters, and trickery.

Travellers are threatened by ogres in Japan, innkeepers in China, and wolves in Mongolia; narrowly escape from Samarkand with their heads still on their shoulders, question the value of friendship in the mountains of Kurdistan, seek money and find Death in Mesopotamia, swap jokes with the Mullah Nasruddin in Turkey, and finally discover the one thing wanted everywhere, even if you don't have a name for it.



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Marco Polo's camels on the Silk Road - *Atlas Catalan*, 1375