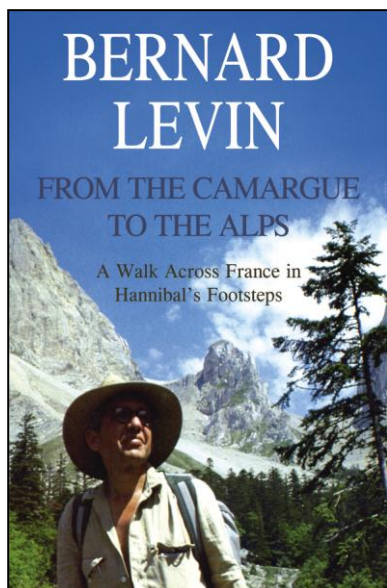


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## A Walk Across France in Hannibal's Footsteps

by

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*"As any schoolboy must be, I was thrilled by the elephants; to cross the Alps in winter was heroic enough ....but to do it with thirty-seven elephants turned the story into magic. It was many years before there began to stir in me a desire to follow in Hannibal's footsteps, and of course my first thought was to do it on an elephant's back (an idea which I abandoned much more reluctantly and gradually than the obvious impracticality of it really demanded) ... I toyed with the idea of a camel, then a donkey, finally settling for my own two feet."*

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