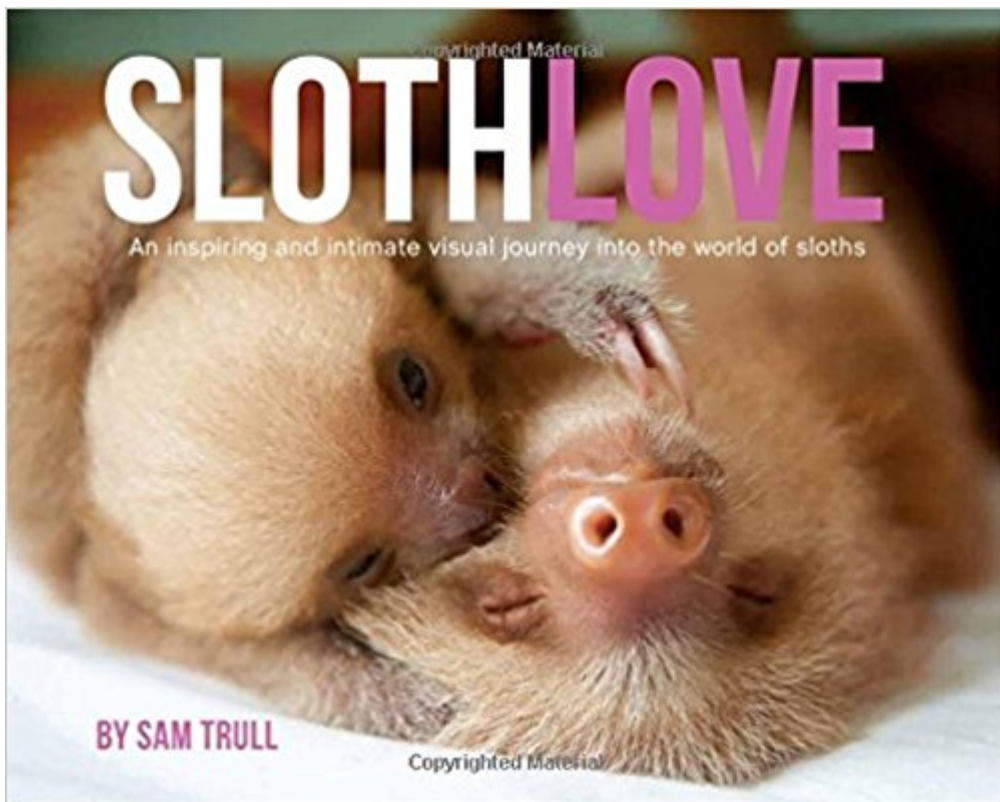




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# Slothlove



## Synopsis

Wildlife conservationist and photographer Sam Trull's world changed forever when she gave up her comfortable life in the United States for the wilds of Costa Rica. After almost twenty years of working with animals, one creature in particular had captured her heart: the sloth. In her stunning photo series, *Slothlove*, Sam shares intimate portraits of these captivating and endearing animals from her unique perspective as their protector, mother, and friend. Sam not only found her life's work among her beloved sloths; she also found comfort, friendship, and inspiration after having suffered a devastating loss. Woven in with these images are unforgettable stories of heartbreak and survival, as well as interesting facts about these intelligent and beautiful creatures. *Slothlove* is an unforgettable journey into the trees of the Costa Rican rainforest and a moving portrait of the profound connection between humans and animals.

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Sam Trull is a super-talented photographer and her *Slothlove* is totally infectious. I defy anyone that reads it not to fall equally in love with Sam's rescued sloths." —Lucy Cooke, National Geographic Explorer, Zoologist, and Bestselling Author of *A Little Book of Sloth* "Sloths are pretty easy to love, but Sam Trull's love seems to know no bounds. Her adorable photos will send even the most reluctant reader into a slothloving frenzy." —Rachel Feltman, Reporter for the

After receiving her BS in zoology from North Carolina State University, Sam Trull went on to earn a masters in primate conservation from Oxford Brookes University in the United Kingdom. She has worked with primates and other animal species for almost twenty years. Over the last three years, she has logged over fifteen thousand hours working with sloths and has become dedicated to their survival and conservation. In August 2014, Sam cofounded the Sloth Institute Costa Rica, whose vision is to enhance the welfare and conservation of sloths through research and education. In addition to her conservation efforts, Sam has practiced photography since 2010. Her photos have been published by BBC One, BBC Earth, Washington Post, Good Morning America, Huffington Post, Tico Times, La Nación (Costa Rica), Indy Week, Our State magazine, and others. Sam and the sloths were featured as a main episode of the BBC One series *Nature's Miracle Orphans*, which aired on PBS stations around the United States.

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I expected this photobook to be a thin paper back with only pictures of sloths- I was wrong; its a lush, thick book full of stories and beautiful images of sloths and love. I also thought that I had seen all the photos of sloths worth seeing- I was wrong about that, too; there are so many stunning and unique pictures of sloths and they are more adorable than anything!

OMG If I didn't already love sloths I would after getting this book. Photos are wonderful and I really enjoyed learning more about Sam and the sloths she loves. I also got to meet her on our recent trip to Costa Rica and she's great in person too. A must for the sloth and/or animal-lover in your life!

You lavish love on your dog or cat or both, right? Well done. But please prepare to make room in your heart for the mammal perhaps quixotically named sloth. Sloth addicts visiting U.S. zoos are prone to weeping at the sight of these adorable little guys (Wall Street Journal). The new book "Slothlove" by Sam Trull contains her (yes) extraordinary pictures of these little miracles. She has given them loving care as part of a determined effort in Costa Rica to save and improve their lives. In 2014, she co-founded the Sloth Institute of Costa Rica to encourage research and education about sloths. Her narrative is generous with facts about sloth habits, but her own photos of her favorites--Elvis, Kermie, Monster and Newbie--are life-affirming and gorgeous. Conservationists discourage having sloths as pets, due to health issues and possible diminution of the population, but it's hard not to want one. I have been a reader since I was a kid, and this book is one of the most magical I have ever read. Make sure you share it with your own kids!

It is a given that, if you are already find sloths sweet, this book will only strengthen that love with its enduring pictures and colorful anecdotes about the yawning creatures. Narrating details about their life's, care and relationship with each other, it gives you a bright insight beyond the dried, clinical descriptions that litter the majority of documentaries with fact on their sleeping habits and.... mostly nothing else. There is a fascinating creature beyond its accurately-descriptive name, and it could be argued that the book could even change skeptical's about its drowsy but, ultimately sweet appearance.

If you are as obsessed with sloths as I am, then don't miss this book. It is gorgeous photography along with interesting narration. The photos of the sloths are incredible....each one better than the next. Whenever you need to get a sloth fix, this is the place to go. I love it.

Amazing pictures and narrative. Nothing is sweeter than a sloth. Looking at this book makes me very happy that sloths exist and someone is looking after them.

My 20 year old granddaughter loves anything to do with the sloth. This was a beautiful book and she was very pleased with it. The pictures were wonderful.

This book is delightful. It shows the joy of being around sloths. These little creatures have so much personality in slow motion. Having shared our home with several three fingered darlings while in

Panama, these pictures capture their essence. If only more people could experience first hand all that nature has created. Books of this quality and insight help fill that void.

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