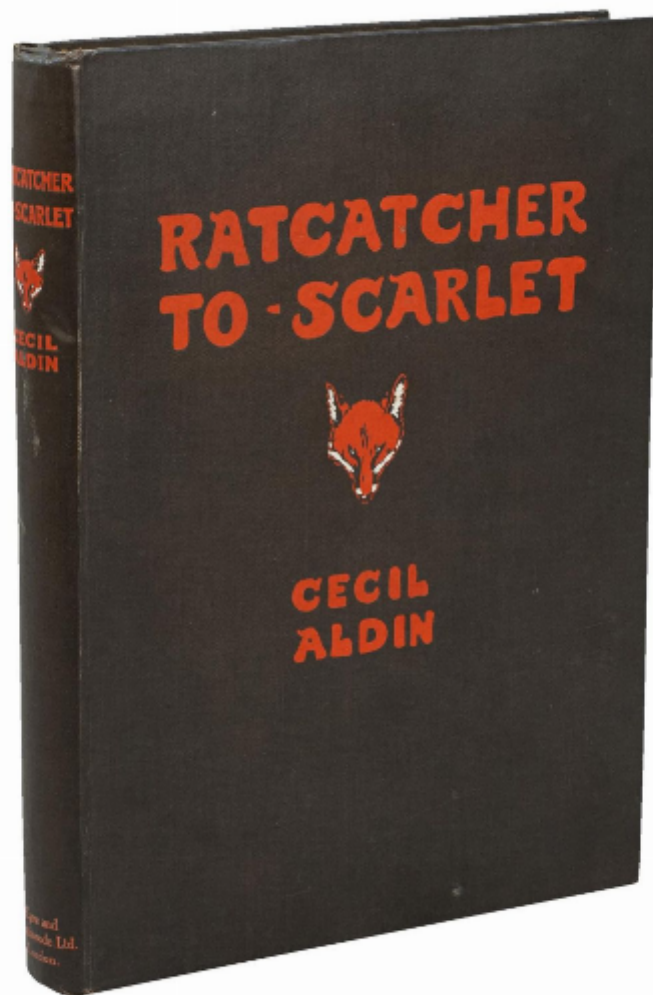




Ratcatcher To Scarlet By C. Aldin

Cecil Aldin

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Height: 27.5 cm (10.8")

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Description

Ratcatcher to Scarlet by Cecil Aldin - First Edition (c.1926). Not dated.

A handsome first edition of Ratcatcher to Scarlet, Cecil Aldin's classic and beautifully illustrated account of fox-hunting. Published in 1926 by Eyre & Spottiswoode, London, this sought-after sporting volume brings together Aldin's lively writing with his distinctive black-and-white and colour illustrations.

The book is bound in the publisher's original black cloth boards, featuring a striking red title to the front cover and spine, along with Aldin's iconic fox-head motif. The binding is tight and sound, with clean, bright, unmarked interior pages. Apart from a lightly dented spine, the book remains in overall fine condition.

Across its 123 numbered pages, Aldin offers a richly detailed look into the world of fox-hunting, presented through a series of engaging chapters styled as letters. Letter I; A Beginning, Letter II; A Few Things To Remember, Letter III; Woodland Hunting, Letter IV 'Lepping', Letter IV cont.; Is It Jumpable?, Letter IV cont.; 'Tosses', Letter V; Red-Letter Rules, Letter V cont.; A Hunting Vocabulary, Letter VI; A Good Hunt In A Good Country, Letter VII; On Foot, Letter VIII; A Bad Day, Letter IX; The Hunting Visitor, Letter X; What Should A. Do?, Letter XI; For The Whelps and Letter XII; For The Old Hounds.

A superb example of Aldin's sporting literature, combining humour, practical advice, and wonderfully expressive illustration-an excellent addition for collectors of hunting, equestrian, or early 20th-century illustrated books.