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Crossing the Empty Quarter tells the story of how a Briton and two Omanis battled on foot and by camel 1,300 kilometers across the Rub Al Khali, the largest sand desert on Earth. Their journey recreates the first recorded crossing in 1930 by an Omani, Sheikh Saleh bin Kalut, and an Englishman, Bertram Thomas—an achievement that made headlines around the world. The film captures the drama as Mohamed Al Zadjali, Amour Al Wahaibi and Mark Evans struggle to follow in their footsteps, working to overcome daunting challenges during their 49-day journey from Salalah in Southern Oman across Saudi Arabia to Doha in Qatar.

This is the first time in 85 years that the historic journey by Sheikh Saleh and Bertram Thomas has been recreated in its entirety. *Crossing the Empty Quarter* shows the expedition wrestling with their camels as they scale the 400 meter-high dunes of the Rub Al Khali. It follows the team as they are battered by vicious sandstorms and then captures the mounting tension as the expedition desperately searches for wells to water their camels. The film also includes breathtaking aerial views of the Rub Al Khali never captured in such high quality before.

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