



**Andrew McCarthy** is a director, an award winning travel writer, and—of course—an actor. He made his professional début at 19 while attending New York University as a theatre major in Class, with Rob Lowe and Jacqueline Bisset. He has since appeared in dozens of films, including *The Spiderwick Chronicles* and *The Joy Luck Club*, as well as such iconic movies as *Pretty in Pink*, *St. Elmo's Fire*, *Less Than Zero*, and cult favorites *Weekend At Bernie's* and *Mannequin*. He has starred in over two dozen movies, acted in numerous TV shows, and appeared on Broadway as well. McCarthy was known as a member of the 1980s "Brat Pack" of young actors that included Anthony Michael Hall, Rob Lowe, Demi Moore, Molly Ringwald and Ally Sheedy.

He has starred on Broadway and on television, appearing on numerous shows including *Lipstick Jungle*, Stephen King's *Kingdom Hospital*, and all the *Law & Order's*. He is also a highly regarded television director, having worked on *Orange is the New Black*, *Alpha House*, *Black Box*, *Gossip Girl* and *White Collar*, among others.

Simultaneously, Andrew is an award winning travel writer. He is an editor-at-large at *National Geographic Traveler*, and has written for *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Atlantic*, *Travel+Leisure*, *AFAR*, *Men's Journal*, *Bon Appetit*, and many others. He has received six Lowell Thomas awards, and been named Travel Journalist of the Year by The Society of American Travel Writers. His travel memoir, *THE LONGEST WAY HOME*, became a New York Times Best Seller, and the Financial Times of London named it one of the Best Books of 2012. In the fall of 2014 his work will appear in the Best American Travel series. He lives in New York.

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