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Anthropology/Archaeology

In The Shadow Of The Ancestors: The Prehistoric Foundations Of The Early Arabian Civilization In Oman / Serge Cleuziou & Maurizio Tosi

Second Expanded Edition

Muscat, Oman: Ministry of Heritage and Culture Sultanate of Oman, 2018

xxx, 554p.

9789996932014

1. Arabia.
2. Oman
3. Archaeology.
4. Prehistory
5. Antiquities.

\$ 295.00/ HB

2615gm.

The first edition of In the Shadow of the Ancestors (2007) was the first and only summary of decades of archaeological research in the Oman Peninsula. This second expanded had a long and winding journey toward publication. The passing away of Serge Cleuziou not long after the release of the first edition left Maurizio Tosi alone in completing this challenging enterprise. For this reason, and out of respect for his lifelong friend and colleague, he decided not to intervene too extensively on the main contents, but to add instead to the original eleven chapters a number of new 'windows' written by other scholars, in order to include more recent research and interpretations. In addition to the main contents, the new contributions by this younger generation of scholars, most of whom were students and collaborators of Cleuziou and Tosi, offers great testament to the legacy the authors leave behind them.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857510>

The Archaeological Heritage of Oman: UNESCO, Paris – September 7th, 2012 / Ministry of Heritage & Culture Sultanate of Oman

Oman: Ministry of Heritage and Culture, 2015

166p.

9789996904752

\$ 150.00 / HB

1075gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857511>

Art

Reflections From The Not So Distant Past In Oman Volume 1 / Eugene H. Johnson

Oman: Office of the Adviser to His Majesty the Sultan for Cultural Affairs, 2018

279p.
9789996931550
\$ 395.00 / HB
3440gm.

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Reflections From The Not So Distant Past In Oman Volume 2 / Eugene H. Johnson

Oman: Office of the Adviser to His Majesty the Sultan for Cultural Affairs, 2018

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<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857513>

Desert Pageantry: The Royal Cavalry of Oman / Henry Dallal

Oman: Henry Dallal (Self publish), 2012

352p.

9780954408329

\$ 300.00/ HB

5535gm.

Desert Pageantry: The Royal Cavalry of Oman, is a gripping photographic insight into modern-day Oman, portraying its beautiful landscape and rich culture, while offering a rare glimpse of one of the world’s most extraordinary mounted troops.

Observing every aspect of life within its ranks, Henry Dallal captures everything from training gallops on beaches near Muscat, to the green, cloud-kissed pastures of stables near Salalah, as well as racing, endurance riding and ceremonial duty.

Providing a stunning reminder of Oman’s long and fascinating relationship with the horse, the luxurious book features unique calligraphy and gold fold-outs that make turning every exquisite page a pleasure.

So sumptuous is the design of the book, it won a gold medal for most outstanding design of the year at the Independent Publisher Book Awards (IPBA) in New York in 2013 from a selection of over 5000 books. It has also been translated and published in Arabic.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857514>

Oman... Not All Black And White / Rachael Maclver

Oman: Mazoon Printing, Publishing & Advertising, 2017

60p.

9789996913358

\$ 125.00/ HB

535gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857515>

Atlases/Maps

Oman Map & Guide: National Map of Oman, Muscat Governorate maps, Dhofar Governorate, Nizwa & Al Jabal Al Akhdar, Sur, Ibra Al Buraymi & Diqm town maps: Madha, Khasab dhow routes & Wadis of the Batinah Maps / Anne Malin

2nd Edition

Oman: Ministry and Heritage & Tourism,

Sheet map folded ; 23.5cm.

9789996941078

\$ 25.00/ PB

100gm.

Oman at 1:1,300,000 on a road map from the country’s Ministry of Tourism, accompanied by 20 panels showing in more detail popular tourist areas and main towns with lists of

principal sights, plus extensive tourist information including general advice, lists of UNESCO World Heritage sites, caves, etc.

The main map at 1:1,300,000 has altitude colouring and indicates sand dunes, salt marshes and wadis. Road network shows locations of petrol stations. Other symbols mark hotel accommodation, youth hostels, medical facilities, and various places of interest: forts and castles, camel and horse racing tracks, diving sites, etc. Small drawing of local birds and animals indicate best places to find them. Latitude and longitude lines are drawn at 1° intervals. Accompanying index lists main towns, UNESCO World Heritage sites, archaeological remains, forts and castles, and caves, plus provides useful tourist tips. The map clearly indicates the areas shown on the enlargements and street plans which provide more detailed tourist information. Enlargements include the environs of Muscat, popular wadi routes on the coast west of the capital, Ak Jabal Al Akhdar area, mountain roads around Salalah, etc.

Muscat is shown on an overall street plan with additional enlargements covering its most visited districts, and other plans cover Salalah, Sur, Suhar, etc. All governates are colour-coded and all attractions are numbered. All panels annotated with symbols indicating locations of hotels, important buildings, etc, and are accompanied by lists of main attractions. Map legend and all the text are in English.

In this second edition a huge update has been done including new expressways which span the width of the country.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857516>

Biography / Memoirs

100 Successful Omani Women: Experiences. Thoughts & Inspirations How to Empower! / Kathleen Nejad

Salem, Germany: Presence Publishing, 2021

267p.

9789996938191

\$ 125.00/ HB

1095gm.

This empowering book from Kathleen Nejad shares the inspiring experiences, thoughts and advice of 100 successful Omani women. You will be moved, motivated, humbled, and amazed by the stories these women tell about their life and carrier.

It is more and more vital that we understand and learn from each other in our global society. This book gives its reader worldwide insight into what motivates, inspires, and drives 100 of Oman's top successful women. Based on a selection of questions that the women personally answered, the author has put together a deep reflection of their journey to success, all people can learn from.

Be inspired, moved, and empowered by these stories!

"Great stories with amazing inspirational touches. Everyone should read this book as they will definitely find something in it that will inspire and empower them."

"This book is a credit to the author and the 100 successful women who participated in the project.

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Ecology/Environment

The Mango Tree Encyclopedia / Maḥmūd ibn Badr ibn Sālim 'Abrī (Editor), Maḥjīd ibn Naṣīr ibn Sa'ūd Dighayshī (Editor), Naṣr ibn Ḥammūd. Kindī

Hildesheim, Germany: Georg Olms AG, 2015

6 volumes in 11 : color illustrations ; 34 cm

9789996901041(Set)

9789996901164(Vol.1.),

9789996901171(Vol.2. Pt 1),

9789996901188(Vol.2. Pt 2),

9789996901195(Vol.3.),

9789996901201(Vol.4. Pt 1),

9789996901218(Vol.4. Pt 2),

9789996901225(Vol.5. Pt 1),

9789996901232(Vol.5. Pt 2),

9789996901249(Vol.5. Pt.3.),

9789996901256(Vol.5. Pt.4),

9789996901263 (Index)

volume 1: Mango production in the Sultanate of Oman

volume 2 (part 1): Mango production and utilization

volume 2 (part 2): Mango production and utilization

volume 3: Mango pests and diseases

volume 4 (part 1): Mango production around the world

volume 4 (part 2): Mango production around the world

volume 5 (part 1): Mango varieties around the world

volume 5 (part 2): Mango varieties around the world

volume 5 (part 3): Mango varieties around the world

volume 5 (part 4): Mango varieties around the world

Index of the mango tree encyclopedia

\$ 1995.00 (Set)

42000gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857518>

Date Palm In The Sultanate of Oman / Mahmoud Bin Abdulnabi Macki & Mohammed Hafid Othman

Oman: Mazoon Printing, Publishing & Advertising L.L.C, 2021

xiv, 294p.

\$ 180.00 / HB

1400gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857519>

Common Birds in Oman: An Identification Guide / Hanne & Jens Eriksen

Muscat, Oman: Al Roya Press and Publishing House, 2017

Third Edition

272p.

Include Index.

9789996950315

\$ 120.00/ PB

755gm.

This book is aimed at the new birdwatcher and anyone with an interest in the natural world around us. If you are on a birdwatching trip looking for new and exciting species or just want to know the name of a bird you saw at the beach, there is something for you in this book.

Over 300 species of birds are included representing all regularly occurring birds in Oman. Distribution maps, bar diagrams and more than 700 photographs help in the identification.

The introduction provides helpful information on identifying birds, what to look for and what equipment is needed.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857520>

Marine Phytoplankton Guide of Oman's Waters / Dr. Khalid Abdullah Al-Hashmi
Muscat, Oman: Animal & Plant Genetic Resources Center, 2017

xii, 184p. ; 29cm.

9789996908453

\$ 120.00/ PB

755gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857521>

Secret Seas: Discover Oman's Unique Underwater World / Paul Flandinette & Michel
Claereboudt

Oman: Mazoon Printing, Publishing & Packing LLC, 2021

239p.

9789996984907

\$ 180.00 / HB

1845gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857522>

The Arabian Leopards Of Oman / Andrew Spalton & Hadi Al Hikmani

London: Stacey Publishing Ltd & the Diwan of Royal Court of the Sultanate of Oman, 2014

160p.

Include Index.

9781909022348

\$ 195.00/ HB

1160gm.

The Arabian leopard is an IUCN-listed critically endangered animal. This shy and enigmatic animal is close to extinction; experts estimate that there are as few as 100 left in the wild. The Arabian Leopards of Oman by Dr Andrew Spalton and Hadi Al Hikmani brings together previously unpublished scientific data and camera-trap photography which captures the secret life of the wild animals of the remote and inaccessible Dhofar Mountains Chain and tells the story of Oman's vital conservation work that hopes to bring this unique and elusive creature back from the brink.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857523>

The Wild Mammals of Oman / Barbara Golachowska

Oman: Royal Court Affairs General Directorate of Veterinary Services, 2019

132p.

9789996908514

\$ 180.00 / HB

880gm.

This is an ordinary album about extraordinary animals. This book is the result of my many years' work among wild animals: observing them and hunting for them by means of my photo camera; hunting for moments worth immortalizing in the frame of the lens. The life of animals is my passion. As a veterinary doctor, I make sure to not only take care of their health but also to understand their behaviours and welfare. The photos presented in this book show wild animals, both the lazy and relaxed species and the excited and fierce ones. I tried to document and demonstrate their beauty, regardless of their size or the emotions they evoke. The wild mammals living in the beautiful Oman are really

extraordinary, so feel welcome to take a look at this ordinary album, where you can see all of them together, on equal photographic terms. I hope you will enjoy it!

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857524>

Dhofar Sultanate of Oman: Monsoon Mountains To Sand Seas / Andrew Spalton & Hadi Al Hikmani

Oman: Gilgamesh Publishing & the Diwan of Royal Court of the Sultanate of Oman, 2021
255p.

Include Index.

9781908531858

\$ 195.00 / HB

1545gm.

Dhofar, the southern province of the Sultanate of Oman, has a remarkably diverse landscape, unlike any other in Arabia. Sometimes known as the 'Land of Frankincense' for the ancient resin trade that fed the Roman Empire, Dhofar is famous also for the khareef – the summer monsoon that supports lush tropical woodlands and tall grasslands. This book, the first comprehensive account of the region, brings together spectacular and rare images with an exhaustively researched text that describes the landscape, climate, flora, fauna and people.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857525>

Travel Guidebooks

Hiking Made Easy in Oman: A Guide to Exploring the Sultanate's Natural Beauty, for Beginners, Families and Enthusiasts / Eva Kozak

Oman: Mazoon Printing Publishing & Packaging LLC,
152p.

9789999200561

\$ 95.00/ PB

720gm.

Hiking Made Easy in Oman is the first ever essential guide to discovering this country's abundant and unique natural beauty, written specially with beginners, families and outdoor enthusiasts in mind.

The 30+ hikes and several camping trips featured in this book have been tried and tested personally by the author, Eva Kozak, her husband, and their daughter, who was 11 when they moved to Oman. In other words, they've made all the mistakes, so you don't have to! Adventure is just a page-turn away, with a combination of personal stories and practical tips, including meticulously compiled Google Maps coordinates, information on duration, distance and difficulty level of each hike, plus additional guidance, like camping checklists, where to shop for outdoor gear in Oman, sample itineraries and more. Whether you're a newbie hiker, well-seasoned or taking your young family out for the first time, with this book, you will feel confident to take on hikes and camping trips that may have previously felt out of reach. And, of course, you'll be rewarded with breathtaking views, access to Oman's bountiful outdoors, and memories to keep for a lifetime.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=857526>
