

Tribes With Flags A Journey Curtailed

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The phrase "Tribes With Flags A Journey Curtailed" evokes a powerful narrative concerning tribal identity and the cultural sovereignty often represented by their distinctive flags. It suggests a story where progress or movement, perhaps a vital journey, has been abruptly halted or severely limited. This theme resonates with the indigenous struggles many communities face globally, highlighting geopolitical challenges that impede their aspirations and freedom of movement, ultimately shaping their historical path.

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Tribes with Flags

The ABC News correspondent's riveting chronicle of his journey through the Middle East—and being held hostage by pro-Iranian terrorists in Beirut. A New York Times Notable Book—with an introduction by the author. On June 18, 1987, Charles Glass was kidnapped by pro-Iranian terrorists in a Shiite Muslim suburb of Beirut and held for sixty-two days. His daring escape on August 18, 1987, made headlines worldwide. But Glass never forgot the reason he was in Lebanon or abandoned the idea of a book capturing the splendid vitality and diversity of life in the Middle East. Tribes with Flags is the book Glass always meant it to be: A chronicle of his journey from the southern Turkish coast, around the bay of Alexandretta, and through Syria, Jordan, and Lebanon. Glass visited farms, slums, and refugee camps as well as royal friends in feudal palaces, capturing the entire spectrum of Levantine life. The journey ends with a gripping account of Glass's kidnapping in Beirut—an intimate portrayal of life as a hostage—and his successful flight to freedom. "A literary and spiritual ramble through the countries of the Levant . . . Glass's account of two months' captivity and his escape bring to an exciting conclusion this engrossing, informative, unusual travel book." —Publishers Weekly

The Cambridge Companion to Postcolonial Travel Writing

This Companion addresses an exciting emerging field of literary scholarship that charts the intersections of postcolonial studies and travel writing.

Understanding and Teaching the Modern Middle East

Many students learn about the Middle East through a sprinkling of information and generalizations deriving largely from media treatments of current events. This scattershot approach can propagate bias and misconceptions that inhibit students' abilities to examine this vitally important part of the world. Understanding and Teaching the Modern Middle East moves away from the Orientalist frameworks that have dominated the West's understanding of the region, offering a range of fresh interpretations

and approaches for teachers. The volume brings together experts on the rich intellectual, cultural, social, and political history of the Middle East, providing necessary historical context to familiarize teachers with the latest scholarship. Each chapter includes easy-to-explore sources to supplement any curriculum, focusing on valuable and controversial themes that may prove pedagogically challenging, including colonization and decolonization, the 1979 Iranian revolution, and the US-led "war on terror." By presenting multiple viewpoints, the book will function as a springboard for instructors hoping to encourage students to negotiate the various contradictions in historical study.

Syria

Based on the testimony of key players, "Syria: Neither Bread nor Freedom" recounts the drama of the "Damascus Spring" and its repression, and reveals what happens in a state like Syria to the institutions that occupy the political space between government and governed. From political parties to parliament; from the media to the judicial system and universities, the official veil of rhetoric and propaganda is lifted to reveal a system so demoralized and corrupted that power is wielded for no purpose but power itself; a system which, as Bashar al-Assad himself is discovering, is virtually incapable of reform.

Syrian Episodes

When Princeton anthropologist John Borneman arrived in Syria's second-largest city in 2004 as a visiting Fulbright professor, he took up residence in what many consider a "rogue state" on the frontline of a "clash of civilizations" between the Orient and the West. Hoping to understand intimate interactions of religious, political, and familial authority in this secular republic, Borneman spent much time among different men, observing and becoming part of their everyday lives. Syrian Episodes is the striking result. Recounting his experience of living and lecturing in Aleppo, Syria's second-largest city, John Borneman offers deft, first-person stories of the longings and discontents expressed by Syrian sons and fathers, as well as a prescient analysis of the precarious power held by the regime, its relation to domestic authority, and the conditions of its demise. Combining literary imagination and anthropological insight, the book's discrete narratives converge in an unforgettable portrait of contemporary culture in Aleppo. We read of romantic seductions, rumors of spying, the play of light in rooms, the bargaining of tourists in bazaars, and an attack of wild dogs. With unflinching honesty and frequent humor, Borneman describes his encounters with students and teachers, customers and merchants, and women and families, many of whom are as intrigued with the anthropologist as he is with them. Refusing to patronize those he meets or to minimize his differences with them, Borneman provokes his interlocutors, teasing out unexpected confidences, comic responses, and mutual misunderstandings. He engages the curiosity and desire of encounter and the possibility of ethical conduct that is willing to expose cultural differences. Combining literary imagination and anthropological insight, Syrian Episodes offers an unforgettable portrait of contemporary culture in Aleppo.

From The Holy Mountain : A Jou

In his third book William Dalrymple has dug deep to present the case of the Middle East's downtrodden Christians. More hard-hitting than either of his previous books, *From the Holy Mountain* is driven by indignation. While leavened with his characteristic jauntiness and humour, it is also profoundly shocking. Time and time again in the details of Dalrymple's discoveries I found myself asking: why do we not know this? The sense of unsung tragedy accumulates throughout the chapters of this book. *From the Holy Mountain* is the most rewarding sort of travel book, combining flashes of lightly-worn scholarship with a powerful sense of place and the immediacy of the best journalism. But more than that it is a passionate *cri de coeur* for a forgotten people which few readers will be able to resist Philip Marsden, *Spectator*

Globalization and the Politics of Development in the Middle East

In this 2010 edition of their book on the economic development of the Middle East and North Africa, Clement Henry and Robert Springborg reflect on what has happened to the region's economy since 2001. How have the various countries in the Middle East responded to the challenges of globalization and to the rise of political Islam, and what changes, for better or for worse, have occurred? Utilizing the country categories they applied in the previous book and further elaborating the significance of the structural power of capital and Islamic finance, they demonstrate how over the past decade the monarchies (as exemplified by Jordan, Morocco and those of the Gulf Cooperation Council) and the conditional democracies (Israel, Turkey and Lebanon) continue to do better than the military

dictatorships or 'bullies' (Egypt, Tunisia and now Iran) and 'the bunker states' (Algeria, Iraq, Libya, Sudan, Syria and Yemen).

Journal of Greco-Roman Christianity and Judaism, Volume 13

Volume 13 2017 This is the thirteenth volume of the hard-copy edition of a journal that has been published online (www.jgrchj.net) since 2000. As they appear, the hard-copy editions replace the online materials. The scope of JGRChJ is the texts, language and cultures of the Greco-Roman world of early Christianity and Judaism. The papers published in JGRChJ are designed to pay special attention to the larger picture of politics, culture, religion and language, engaging as well with modern theoretical approaches.

A New Old Damascus

"[F]illed with rare encounters with Syria's oldest, most elite families. Critics of anthropology's taste for exoticism and marginality will savor this study of upper-class Damascus, a world that is urbane and cosmopolitan, yet in many ways as remote as the settings in which the best ethnography has traditionally been done.... [Written] with a nuanced appreciation of the cultural forms in question and how Damascenes themselves think, talk about, and create them." -- Andrew Shryock In contemporary urban Syria, debates about the representation, preservation, and restoration of the Old City of Damascus have become part of status competition and identity construction among the city's elite. In theme restaurants and nightclubs that play on images of Syrian tradition, in television programs, nostalgic literature, and visual art, and in the rhetoric of historic preservation groups, the idea of the Old City has become a commodity for the consumption of tourists and, most important, of new and old segments of the Syrian upper class. In this lively ethnographic study, Christa Salamandra argues that in deploying and debating such representations, Syrians dispute the past and criticize the present. Indiana Series in Middle East Studies -- Mark Tessler, general editor

The Middle East

Now in its 50th edition, this title continues to provide the most up-to-date geo-political and economic information for this important world area. - Covers the Middle East and North Africa from Algeria to Yemen - Offers quick access to a wide range of data - Accurately and impartially records the latest political and economic developments - Provides comprehensive data on all major organizations in the region. General Survey - Introductory essays covering topics relating to the region as a whole including: Arab-Israeli Relations 1967-2003; The Jerusalem Issue; Documents on Palestine; The Removal of Saddam Hussain and the 'Deconstruction' of Iraq; Natural Gas in the Middle East and North Africa; Oil in the Middle East and North Africa and Islamic Banking and Finance. Country Surveys - Individual chapters on each country containing: articles on geography, recent history and economy; an economic and demographic survey using all the latest available statistics on population, agriculture, industry, finance, trade, transport, tourism, and education; directory sections with names, addresses and contact numbers covering the constitution, government, legislature, judiciary, political organizations, diplomatic representation, religious groups, the media, finance, trade and industry (including petroleum), and tourism. Regional Information - Includes all major international organizations active in the region, their aims, activities, publications and principal personnel - Research Institutes specializing in the region - Bibliographies of books and periodicals covering the Middle East and North Africa.

The Middle East and North Africa 2004

The epic story of Jerusalem told through the lives of the men and women who created, ruled and inhabited it. Jerusalem is the universal city, the capital of two peoples, the shrine of three faiths; it is the prize of empires, the site of Judgement Day and the battlefield of today's clash of civilizations. From King David to Barack Obama, from the birth of Judaism, Christianity and Islam to the Israel-Palestine conflict, this is the epic history of 3,000 years of faith, slaughter, fanaticism and coexistence. How did this small, remote town become the Holy City, the 'centre of the world' and now the key to peace in the Middle East? In a gripping narrative, Simon Sebag Montefiore reveals this ever-changing city in its many incarnations, bringing every epoch and character blazingly to life. Jerusalem's biography is told through the wars, love affairs and revelations of the men and women - kings, empresses, prophets, poets, saints, conquerors and whores - who created, destroyed, chronicled and believed in Jerusalem. Drawing on new archives, current scholarship, his own family papers and a lifetime's study, Montefiore illuminates the essence of sanctity and mysticism, identity and empire in a unique chronicle of the city

that many believe will be the setting for the Apocalypse. This is how Jerusalem became Jerusalem, and the only city that exists twice - in heaven and on earth.

British Book News

What is Lebanon all about? Why has this tiny, fertile Mediterranean country become a byword for violence and chaos in the minds of much of the world? In "Spirit of the Phoenix" veteran broadcast journalist Tim Llewellyn wanders the streets of Beirut - the city he once lived in during the civil war - in search of answers to these questions. On every wall there is a poster, in every cafe a dish, on every building a feature, which suggests the history of one of the many peoples that make up this extraordinarily diverse and volatile country. In this lyrical journey of political and historical discovery, Llewellyn traces the signs, and tells the stories of the Druze, the Maronites and the Shia, The Sunnis, the Armenians and the Alawites. Interviewing footsoldiers and priests, refugees, warlords and gangsters, he evokes the cacophony of competing narratives, cultures and memories with which the city resounds. He also celebrates the qualities which unite the Lebanese, from the Hezbollah heartlands to the Gucci superstore: resilience, resourcefulness and spirit. As Lebanon stands once more at the brink of crisis, "Spirit of the Phoenix" offers an introduction to the country's fractious politics and an unforgettable portrait of a people that continue to rise again and again from the ashes.

Jerusalem

A Journey in the Shadow of Byzantium 'In his third book William Dalrymple has dug deep to present the case of the Middle East's downtrodden Christians. More hard-hitting than either of his previous books, From the Holy Mountain is driven by indignation. While leavened with his characteristic jauntiness and humour, it is also profoundly shocking. Time and time again in the details of Dalrymple's discoveries I found myself asking: why do we not know this? The sense of unsung tragedy accumulates throughout the chapters of this book...From the Holy Mountain is the most rewarding sort of travel book, combining flashes of lightly-worn scholarship with a powerful sense of place and the immediacy of the best journalism. But more than that it is a passionate cri de coeur for a forgotten people which few readers will be able to resist'—Philip Marsden, Spectator.

Spirit of the Phoenix

Zwi te miejsce trzech wielkich religii. Pole bitwy [cieraj cych si cywilizacji. Zarzewie krwawego fanatyzmu i kolebka idei pojednania. Od ponad trzech tysi cy lat fascynuje i przyci ga jak magnes. Jerozolima – Al-Quds – Jerszalaim. Poznaj miasto, w którym zawiera si historia [wiata. Powyjszy opis pochodzi od wydawcy.

From The Holy Mountain

The only current guidebook available for Lebanon-bound travelers, this guide includes essentials for travelers of varying budgets and interests, numerous accommodation, restaurant, and transportation options, background notes on history, culture, and politics, and much more. Full-color photos throughout. 15 maps.

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Lebanon

Jason Cowley: it wasn't a 'Brexit' murder David Flusfeder: the last shopkeepers of London Charles Glass: in Palmyra Stephen Sharp: Mother's death Sana Valiulina: remembers her father, a Gulag prisoner Anthony Doerr: on Edward Burtynsky New fiction from: Brian Allen Carr, Joshua Cohen, Ho Sok Fong, A.M. Homes and Susan Straight Photography by: Edward Burtynsky, Don McCullin and Gus Palmer Poetry: Will Harris, Nathaniel Mackey and Chelsea Minnis

The Bookseller and the Stationery Trades' Journal

Understanding the Arab Culture is a thoroughly practical crosscultural guide to working with Arab cultures, written with the Westerner in mind. The book focuses more on the key differences than similarities, issues that Westerners will find puzzling, unusual or difficult to cope with. It is based on

years of experience of lecturing to Westerners and a long list of frequently asked questions. It addresses Western perceptions and misconceptions of Arabs, Islam and the Arab world as well as some key Arab perceptions of the West. Many practical tips are given on a variety of issues, from exchanging appropriate gifts to negotiating techniques. Contents: Preface; About the author; Acknowledgements; Introduction; 1. A cross-cultural Perspective; 2. Ten cross-cultural realities; 3. The Arab culture in a generic context; 4. The business pyramid; 5. An Arab perspective; 6. First encounters with Arabs; 7. Values and attitudes; 8. Experiencing Arabia; 9. Islam: away of life; 10. Doing business; Epilogue; Recommended reading; Index.

The British National Bibliography

This comprehensive and systematic survey of the Middle Eastern world from Algeria to Yemen presents statistics, directory material and informative essays on topics relating to contemporary and historical events in the region as a whole.

Books

What effect does Islamic political culture have on democracy and human rights practices? The author of this book suggests that too much emphasis is being placed on the power of Islam as a political force, stating that the political power of Islam can be better explained by other factors.

Granta 143

A bibliography of books and index of articles in periodicals on Islam and the Muslim world. Also includes reviews.

Understanding the Arab Culture, 2nd Edition

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The Middle East and North Africa 1995

Includes no. 53a: British wartime books for young people.

Islamic Political Culture, Democracy, and Human Rights

This illuminating portrait of the people of the Levant by former ABC News Chief Middle East Correspondent Charles Glass provides much-needed insight into a land so frequently in the news. *Tribes With Flags* is a chronicle of Glass' journey from the southern Turkish coast to Lebanon, and includes the 62 days he was held captive by pro-Iranian terrorists in Beirut.

The Beirut Review

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The Guardian Index

Simon Sebag Montefiore har skrevet verdens bedste bog om den mest omstridte, elskede, ombejlede, kontroversielle by - og har gjort det med så stor indlevelse, grundighed og overbevisning, at det er en af de mest roste biografier over en hel by nogensinde. Det gør bogen til et must for alle, der bare er det mindste interesseret i, hvor vores holdninger, overbevisninger, tro (eller mangel på samme) kommer fra, og hvorfor der er så store spændinger mellem kristne, jøder og muslimer i verden i dag. "Simon Sebag Montefiore har skrevet en stakåndet og vidunderlig bog om verdens mest omstridte by." **** - Berlingske Tidende "En bog man bliver klogere af." ***** - Jyllands-Posten "Et brag af en bog om de seneste tre tusind år i den hellige by." ***** - Politiken "En levende og velresearchet bog fra bibelske David og frem til i dag." ***** - Ekstra Bladet "Vellykket kæmpeværk med bud til alle, der har interesse i kulturhistorie." - Kristeligt Dagblad

Listener and BBC Television Review

When Europe's Great War engulfed the Ottoman Empire, Arab nationalists rose in revolt against their Turkish rulers and allied with the British on the promise of an independent Arab state. In October 1918, the Arabs' military leader, Prince Faisal, victoriously entered Damascus and proclaimed a constitutional government in an independent Greater Syria. Faisal won American support for self-determination at the Paris Peace Conference, but other Entente powers plotted to protect their colonial interests. Under threat of European occupation, the Syrian-Arab Congress declared independence on March 8, 1920 and crowned Faisal king of a 'civil representative monarchy.' Sheikh Rashid Rida, the most prominent Islamic thinker of the day, became Congress president and supervised the drafting of a constitution that established the world's first Arab democracy and guaranteed equal rights for all citizens, including non-Muslims. But France and Britain refused to recognize the Damascus government and instead imposed a system of mandates on the pretext that Arabs were not yet ready for self-government. In July 1920, the French invaded and crushed the Syrian state. The fragile coalition of secular modernizers and Islamic reformers that had established democracy was destroyed, with profound consequences that reverberate still. Using previously untapped primary sources, including contemporary newspaper accounts, reports of the Syrian-Arab Congress, and letters and diaries from participants, *How the West Stole Democracy from the Arabs* is a groundbreaking account of an extraordinary, brief moment of unity and hope - and of its destruction.

The Quarterly Index Islamicus

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