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Daughter of the Desert Penguin

A beautiful book that presents nearly four centuries of artistic creation from one of the largest former princely states in India, the kingdom of Marwar-Jodhpur in southwestern Rajasthan? Peacock in the Desert traces the evolution of royal identity in the kingdom of Marwar-Jodhpur in southwestern Rajasthan from the 17th century to the establishment of independence after 1947, presenting the area as a microcosm of India's extraordinarily vibrant culture. An international team of contributors has contextualized these regional narratives in relation to external--and even global--forces. The book thus offers a new perspective on the acquisition and commissioning of objects through patronage, diplomacy, matrimonial alliances, trade, and conquest. It sheds fresh light on the

influential role of women at the royal courts and examines monarchies as lenses onto cross-cultural relationships, the unrecognized roles of groups marginalized in earlier accounts, cultural heterodoxy, and large-scale multicultural exchange. Exploring these webs of connection, *Peacock in the Desert* makes a transformative contribution to scholarship. Its multidisciplinary approach to artistic and cultural exchange offers pathbreaking insights, adding crucial chapters to the story of India's royal visual splendor. Distributed for the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston
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Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto (03/09/19-09/02/19)

A Diamond for the Sheikh's Mistress Liveright Publishing

A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice

- Named a Best Nonfiction Book of 2021 by Kirkus A stunning and heartbreaking lens on the global refugee crisis, from a man who faced the very worst of humanity and survived to advocate for displaced people around the world One day when Mondiant Dogon, a Bagogwe Tutsi born in the Democratic Republic of Congo, was only three years old, his father ' s lifelong friend, a

Hutu man, came to their home with a machete in his hand and warned the family they were to be killed within hours. Dogon's family fled into the forest, initiating a long and dangerous journey into Rwanda. They made their way to the first of several UN tent cities in which they would spend decades. But their search for a safe haven had just begun. Hideous violence stalked them in the camps. Even though Rwanda famously has a former refugee for a president in Paul Kagame, refugees in that country face enormous prejudice and acute want. For much of his life, Dogon and his family ate barely enough to keep themselves from starving. He fled back to Congo in search of the better life that had been lost, but there he was imprisoned and left without any option but to become a child soldier. For most refugees, the camp starts as an oasis but soon becomes quicksand, impossible to leave. Yet Dogon managed to be one of the few refugees he knew to go to college. Though he hid his status from his fellow students out of shame, eventually he would emerge as an advocate for his people. Rarely do refugees get to tell their own stories. We see them only for a moment, if at all, in flight: Syrians winding through the desert; children searching a Greek shore for their parents; families gathered at the southern border of the United States. But through his writing, Dogon took control of his own narrative and spoke up for forever refugees everywhere. As Dogon once wrote in a poem, "Those we throw away are diamonds."

Uprising Disney Electronic Content

Enduring Splendor focuses on the rich and diverse silver jewelry traditions of India's Thar Desert region, stretching across the western states of Rajasthan and Gujarat. These traditions are considered against the background of the five-thousand-year history of jewelry making across the vast Indian Subcontinent. Drawing on recent field research carried out in the city of Jaisalmer, a thriving center of contemporary jewelry production,

Enduring Splendor explores for the first time the life and work of four sons (silversmiths or goldsmiths). To contextualize this recent production, numerous illustrations of very fine examples of nineteenth- and twentieth-century jewelry types that are still worn are included. These objects have been borrowed from the Ronald and Maxine Linde Collection of Jewelry and Ritual Arts of India, part of a promised gift to UCLA, where it will find its future home with the Fowler Museum. The Linde Collection is one of the finest and most comprehensive collections of Indian jewelry in the world. This volume highlights elaborate rural styles rendered in silver as well as selected ornate examples, largely associated with the elite, made with gold and gemstones.

Diamond in the Rough Museum of Fine Arts (Houston)

Step-by-step instructions for 16 eye-catching designs! Get ready for a bold, graphic approach to quilting with Quilting from Every Angle! Half square triangles (HSTs) are a classic sewing technique at the foundation of a number of traditional quilt blocks. DIY Blogger Nancy Purvis explores what happens when you play with placement, scale, and color of HSTs to achieve bold designs. And she doesn't stop there! Quilting from Every Angle also includes techniques on Flying Geese blocks, Y-seams, paper-piecing, and more. Whether it's acute or obtuse, Nancy's covering all the angles with valuable tips and tricks to achieving precision points. You'll be seaming together finished works, including quilts, throws, and wall pieces that look like they came from trendy designer catalogs--all while mastering the art of

angles!

Dragon in the Desert Mills & Boon

Five troubled teenagers fall into prostitution as they search for freedom, safety, community, family, and love in this #1 New York Times bestselling novel from Ellen Hopkins. "When all choice is taken from you, life becomes a game of survival." Five teenagers from different parts of the country. Three girls. Two guys. Four straight. One gay. Some rich. Some poor. Some from great families. Some with no one at all. All living their lives as best they can, but all searching...for freedom, safety, community, family, love. What they don't expect, though, is all that can happen when those powerful little words "I love you" are said for all the wrong reasons. Five moving stories remain separate at first, then interweave to tell a larger, powerful story—a story about making choices, taking leaps of faith, falling down, and growing up. A story about kids figuring out what sex and love are all about, at all costs, while asking themselves, "Can I ever feel okay about myself?" A brilliant achievement from New York Times bestselling author Ellen Hopkins—who has been called "the bestselling living poet in the country" by [Mediabistro.com](http://mediabistro.com)—*Tricks* is a book that turns you on and repels you at the same time. Just like so much of life.

A Diamond in the Desert Mills & Boon

The second book in a new middle grade series that features the adventures of Disney's most lovable roguish heroes as kids! Before he defeated Jafar...Aladdin was just a poor boy in streets of Agrabah. "Do you trust me?" Twelve-year-old Aladdin has spent his entire life roaming the desert as a part of a tribe of nomads. He has nothing to his name except the stars in the sky, the clothes on his back, and a peculiar necklace left to him by his late mother. But that doesn't bother Aladdin—he doesn't want much. If he had three wishes, he would only ask for one thing: a home. A place to belong. When Aladdin is separated from his tribe in Agrabah, he feels drawn to the city's bustling streets. This is a place of possibilities, one that Aladdin might even be able to call his own. Facing a whole new world with magic lurking around every corner, Aladdin soon joins a group of "collectors" who teach him what it means to be a street rat. Aladdin will need to put those skills and his good heart to the test when whispers of a mysterious "diamond" catch up with him and threaten to destroy his

new home. Filled with heart-pounding perils and rambunctious mischief, the Lost Legends series explores the untold origins of Disney's most infamous rogue boys.

The Diamond of the Desert

London : J. Cape 1927.

Describes the book produced in AD 868 and found in 1907; describes the physical object and recent conservation work; places the sutra in the history of Chinese printing and paper making.

Diamonds in the Dust Penguin

"Unforgettable. . . . An outstanding adventure in its lyrical, utterly compelling, and heartbreaking investigations of the world of diamond smuggling." —Aimee Nezhukumatathil For nearly eighty years, a huge portion of coastal South Africa was closed off to the public. With many of its pits now deemed "overmined" and abandoned, American journalist Matthew Gavin Frank sets out across the infamous Diamond Coast to investigate an illicit trade that supplies a global market. Immediately, he became intrigued by the ingenious methods used in facilitating smuggling particularly, the illegal act of sneaking carrier pigeons onto mine property, affixing diamonds to their feet, and sending them into the air. Entering Die Sperrgebiet ("The Forbidden Zone") is like entering an eerie ghost town, but Frank is surprised by the number of people willing—even eager—to talk with him. Soon he meets Msizi, a young diamond digger, and his pigeon, Bartholomew, who helps him steal diamonds. It's a deadly

game: pigeons are shot on sight by mine security, and Msizi knows of smugglers who have disappeared because of their crimes. For this, Msizi blames "Mr. Lester," an evil tall-tale figure of mythic proportions. From the mining towns of Alexander Bay and Port Nolloth, through the "halfway" desert, to Kleinsee's shores littered with shipwrecks, Frank investigates a long overlooked story. Weaving interviews with local diamond miners who raise pigeons in secret with harrowing anecdotes from former heads of security, environmental managers, and vigilante pigeon hunters, Frank reveals how these feathered bandits became outlaws in every mining town. Interwoven throughout this obsessive quest are epic legends in which pigeons and diamonds intersect, such as that of Krishna's famed diamond Koh-i-Noor, the Mountain of Light, and that of the Cherokee serpent Uktena. In these strange connections, where truth forever tangles with the lore of centuries past, Frank is able to contextualize the personal grief that sent him, with his wife Louisa in the passenger seat, on this enlightening journey across parched lands. Blending elements of reportage, memoir, and incantation, *Flight of the Diamond Smugglers* is a rare and remarkable portrait of exploitation and greed in one of the most dangerous areas of coastal South Africa. With his sovereign prose and insatiable curiosity, Matthew Gavin Frank "reminds us that the world is a place of wonder if only we look" (Toby Muse).

Hot Picks: Bought by the

Diamond Grove/Atlantic, Inc.

Zein, son of Ahmed the Great

Sultan at Isfahan, must attend his father's meetings to be taught the rules of the Sultanate. His college friend, Shefig invited him to a graduation party that would change his life. Yasamina, Shefig's young sister, a beautiful young woman in her time, is lonely and longs for a man to love her. The night of the party, although locked in her chamber, Yasamina ventures out to drop coins in her mother's white fountain in the jasmine courtyard and ask God for her wish to come true. That night, under the desert stars the two young people meet and fall under the spell of the jasmine fragrance. Experience the magic of the desert and follow the couple who met at the fountain where it all began.

Desert Nights Simon and Schuster
Get a closer look at this glittering, oil-rich city in a "revealing travelogue through the capital of the United Arab Emirates" (Publishers Weekly). Jo Tatchell first arrived in the city of Abu Dhabi as a child in 1974, when the discovery of oil was quickly turning a small fishing town into a growing international community. Decades later, this Middle Eastern capital is a dizzying metropolis of ten-lane highways and overlapping languages, and its riches and emphasis on cultural development have thrust it into the international spotlight. Here, Tatchell returns to Abu Dhabi and explores the city and its contradictions: It is a tolerant melting-pot of cultures and faiths, but only a tiny percentage of its native residents are deemed eligible to vote by the ruling class, and the nation's president holds absolute veto power over his advisory boards and councils. The Emirates boast one of the world's highest GDP per capita, but the wealth inequality in its cities is staggering. Abu Dhabi's royal family, worth an estimated \$500 billion, lives off the sweat of the city's migrant workers, who subject themselves to danger and poverty under barely observed labor laws. But now, the city is making an international splash with a showy investment in tourism, arts, and culture—perhaps signaling a change to a more open, tolerant state. As this sparkling city surges into the future, it devotes just as much energy to concealing its past. Tatchell looks not only at history and social issues—the ancient system of tribal organization, the condition of the city's million foreign workers, the emergence of women in Emirati society, but also her own experiences as both a child and adult in this fascinating city that has radically changed—and in other ways, stayed the same.

Tricks Sterling Publishing
Abridgement of the author's Seven pillars of wisdom. Illustrated lining-papers. Includes index.

Flawless: Inside the Largest Diamond Heist in History Harlequin / SB Creative
When a Chinese monk broke into a hidden cave in 1900, he uncovered one of the world's great literary secrets: a time capsule from the ancient Silk

Road. Inside, scrolls were piled from floor to ceiling, undisturbed for a thousand years. The gem within was the Diamond Sutra of AD 868. This key Buddhist teaching, made 500 years before Gutenberg inked his press, is the world's oldest printed book. The Silk Road once linked China with the Mediterranean. It conveyed merchants, pilgrims and ideas. But its cultures and oases were swallowed by shifting sands. Central to the Silk Road's rediscovery was a man named Aurel Stein, a Hungarian-born scholar and archaeologist employed by the British service. Undaunted by the vast Gobi Desert, Stein crossed thousands of desolate miles with his fox terrier Dash. Stein met the Chinese monk and secured the Diamond Sutra and much more. The scroll's journey—by camel through arid desert, by boat to London's curious scholars, by train to evade the bombs of World War II—merges an explorer's adventures, political intrigue, and continued controversy. The Diamond Sutra has inspired Jack Kerouac and the Dalai Lama. Its journey has coincided with the growing appeal of Buddhism in the West. As the Gutenberg Age cedes to the Google Age, the survival of the Silk Road's greatest treasure is testament to the endurance of the written word.

A Death on Diamond Mountain
HarperCollins Publishers

As a victim of domestic violence and a single mom, Kamika Graham is no stranger to betrayal, hurt, and pain. In this memoir she is reliving the trauma from her ex-husband (husband number two) and kids' father. ... the book is the process that God took Kamika through with her ex-husband to make her stronger so that she could help other women in similar situations or those who have been through domestic violence. from the back cover.

Diamond in the Desert Rowman & Littlefield

Breathless in a Bedouin tent With the future of the Skavanga diamond mine in jeopardy, heiress Britt Skavanga needs an injection of cash—fast. She finds it in the mysterious Arabian investor known only as Emir... Britt travels to the desert kingdom of Kareshi to confront her arrogant benefactor. If diamonds are in Britt's blood, then the scorching desert sand runs through Sheikh Sharif al Kareshi's. He's determined to show arctic beauty Britt how things are really done in Kareshi, including how hot nights in the desert can be...

Enduring Splendor Penguin

Twelve-year-old Tetsu eats, sleeps and breathes baseball. It's all he ever thinks about. But after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Tetsu and his family are forced from their home into an internment camp in the Arizona desert with other Japanese Americans, and baseball becomes the last thing on his mind. The camp isn't technically a prison, but it sure feels like one when there's nothing to do and no place to go. So when a man starts

up a boys' baseball team, Tetsu is only too eager to play again. But with his sister suddenly falling ill, and his father taken away for questioning, Tetsu is forced to choose between his family and his love of the game.

The Diamond Sutra Bonnier
Publishing Fiction Ltd.

The bestselling author of *Collapse and Guns, Germs and Steel* surveys the history of human societies to answer the question: What can we learn from traditional societies that can make the world a better place for all of us? "As he did in his Pulitzer Prize-winning *Guns, Germs, and Steel*, Jared Diamond continues to make us think with his mesmerizing and absorbing new book." Bookpage Most of us take for granted the features of our modern society, from air travel and telecommunications to literacy and obesity. Yet for nearly all of its six million years of existence, human society had none of these things. While the gulf that divides us from our primitive ancestors may seem unbridgeably wide, we can glimpse much of our former lifestyle in those largely traditional societies still or recently in existence. Societies like those of the New Guinea Highlanders remind us that it was only yesterday—in evolutionary time—when everything changed and that we moderns still possess bodies and social practices often better adapted to traditional than to modern conditions. *The World Until Yesterday* provides a mesmerizing firsthand picture of the human past as it had been for millions of years—a past that has mostly vanished—and considers what the differences between that past and our present mean for our lives

today. This is Jared Diamond's most personal book to date, as he draws extensively from his decades of field work in the Pacific islands, as well as evidence from Inuit, Amazonian Indians, Kalahari San people, and others. Diamond doesn't romanticize traditional societies—after all, we are shocked by some of their practices—but he finds that their solutions to universal human problems such as child rearing, elder care, dispute resolution, risk, and physical fitness have much to teach us. Provocative, enlightening, and entertaining, *The World Until Yesterday* is an essential and fascinating read.

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"There were these two women, these two beautiful, wonderful women, and I said, 'Well, let me check it out.' It took me about two seconds to say, 'stardom.'" – DONALD J. TRUMP

"Diamond and Silk are a national treasure, and their astonishing, heartwarming story is nothing less than an American classic. Get ready to be bowled over." – MARK LEVIN

Who Are Diamond and Silk?

Donald Trump's biggest fans. A national treasure. A force of nature. A political awakening that can't be stopped. And a natural anti-depressant. Diamond and Silk are all that and more. The very sight and sound of these insightful and ebullient ladies lifts spirits and opens minds. Diamond and Silk are a unique phenomenon impossible to pigeonhole—or to control. And now they tell

their own story for the first time. In this account of their amazing journey, told in their own inimitable and irresistible voices, you'll learn: How the sisters Lynette and Rochelle Hardaway—a.k.a. Diamond and Silk—"were created for such a time as this" How the bridge between their mother's sharecropping family and their father, a middle-class business owner, shaped their characters Why being "preacher's kids" was a blessing—and a challenge How working in North Carolina textile plants gave Diamond and Silk early insight into the way NAFTA was hurting Americans and exporting jobs to Mexico Why they supported Donald Trump from the minute he announced his candidacy Why Diamond and Silk will never desert Trump—despite being offered large monetary rewards to switch candidates How social media moguls tried to shut them down and shut them up, lied to them, and gave them the run around How after gaslighting them for 6 months, 29 days, 5 hours, 40 minutes, and 43 seconds, Facebook made the preposterous claim that Diamond and Silk were "unsafe for the community" Practical advice for succeeding the Diamond and Silk way: why "rejection is God's protection—and redirection" and "your haters make you greater" *Lost Legends: Diamond in the Rough (Volume 2)* Penguin

A fashion model returns to the desert king she swore to forget in the USA

Today—bestselling author's scorching hot international romance. Sheikh Zafir Al-Noury, King of Jandor, cannot forgive model Kat Winters for breaking off their engagement. But he cannot forget their burning-hot nights together either. Hiring her to promote his kingdom's most famous jewel creates an opportunity for renewed seduction . . . Walking away from Zafir devastated Kat. The pain has made her strong, but the fire he ignites is stronger yet. And now Zafir will tempt her to complete sensual surrender! Even if that means exposing every part of herself to the man who once ruled her soul .

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DIAMOND IN THE DESERT

Independently Published
Diamond in the Desert by Myles Schrag chronicles 35 years of Connie Mack World Series excitement in Farmington, New Mexico. It is the first extensive look at baseball's profound impact on this unique region of America. Diamond in the Desert is a must-read for true fans and anyone interested in the limitless possibilities of the civic spirit.

The World Until Yesterday

Austin Macauley

"Tells the story with the gripping pace of a true-crime 'Ocean's Eleven.'" The New York Post • "Like a diamond, this true-life caper is clear, colorful, and brilliant." Publishers Weekly ?Starred Review? The Antwerp Diamond

Center was one of the most secure buildings in the world. With hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of diamonds stored in its subterranean vault, it had to be. Located in the heart of Belgium's ultra-secure Antwerp Diamond District, it benefited from two police stations, armed patrols, extensive video surveillance, and vehicle barriers securing an area where 80 percent of the world's diamonds traded hands. But on February 15, 2003, a band of skilled Italian thieves – fronted by the charming Leonardo Notarbartolo, who spent over two years clandestinely casing the building – subverted every one of the Diamond Center's defenses and made off with a record amount of loot. Experts estimate they got away with nearly half a billion dollars in diamonds, cash and other valuables. They'd pulled off the biggest heist in history--everybody loves diamonds and they now had more than any thief before them. The robbers did it with stealth and smarts; no one was hurt or even threatened during what was quickly labeled the largest diamond heist in history. The bandits – members of a group of professional thieves known as "The School of Turin" – used cunning in lieu of violence, successfully evading security cameras, thwarting an array of electronic sensors, and penetrating a vault protected by a double-locked foot-thick steel door. Even when the police zeroed in on who committed the crime, how it was done remained a mystery, like something out of a heist movie or TV show. Flawless is a fast-paced global scavenger hunt uncovering the truth behind the daring Valentine's Day weekend heist. Tracking clues, sources, and documents throughout Europe – from seedy cafés in Turin, Italy to sleek diamond offices in Antwerp, Belgium – authors Scott Selby and Greg Campbell retrace Notarbartolo's careful discovery of the building's security flaws. They recreate the heist and its aftermath – detailing how the thieves brilliantly neutralized each element of the security protecting the Diamond Center's vault while inviting the readers into the secretive world of diamonds and diamond dealing. The result is a thrilling ride through the better-than-fiction heist of the century. "Fans of caper books and movies will be in seventh heaven." Booklist ?Starred Review?