

In Xanadu: An Epic Journey to the Lost City of Kublai Khan



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In Xanadu is a captivating historical travelogue that traces the footsteps of Marco Polo to the lost city of Kublai Khan. William Dalrymple's vivid prose and deep research bring to life the grandeur and opulence of the Mongol Empire.

Dalrymple begins his journey in Venice, where Marco Polo set out on his epic journey to the East. He then follows Polo's route across Asia, through the deserts of Persia and the mountains of Central Asia. Along the way, he encounters a cast of colorful characters, from Nestorian Christians to Sufi mystics.

When Dalrymple finally reaches Xanadu, he finds a city that is both awe-inspiring and heartbreaking. The ruins of the palace, the temples, and the gardens are a testament to the power and ambition of Kublai Khan. But they are also a reminder of the fragility of all human empires.

In Xanadu is a beautifully written and thought-provoking book that offers a unique glimpse into one of the most fascinating periods of history.

Dalrymple's passion for his subject is evident on every page, and his ability to bring the past to life is truly remarkable.

Reviews

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William Dalrymple is a Scottish historian and travel writer. He is the author of several award-winning books, including City of Djinns, The Last Mughal, and Return of a King. Dalrymple is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and a Professor of History at the University of Cambridge.

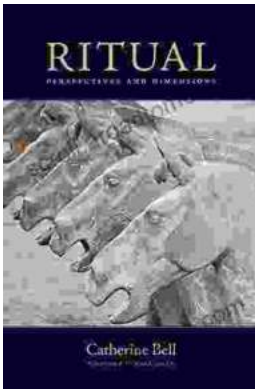


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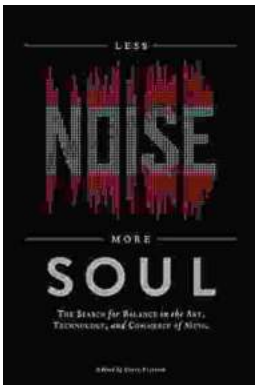
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