

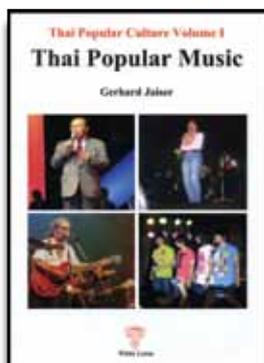
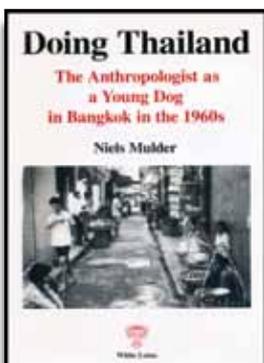
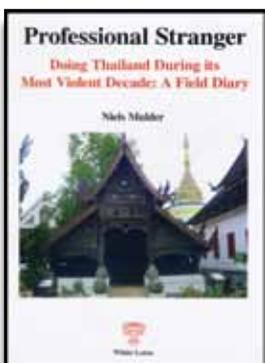
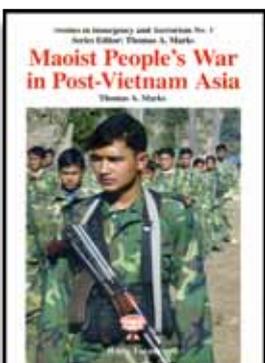
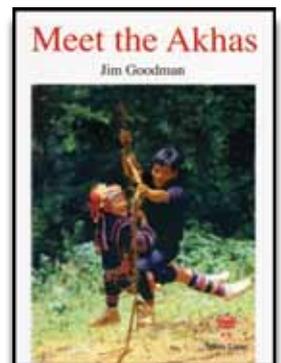
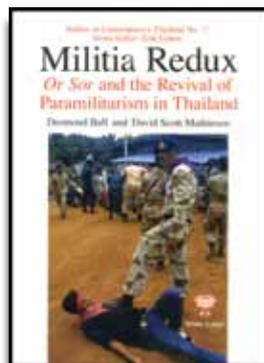
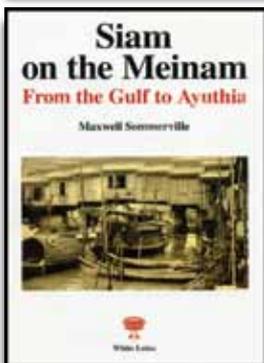
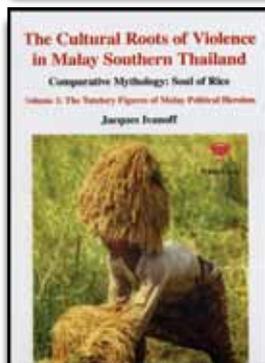
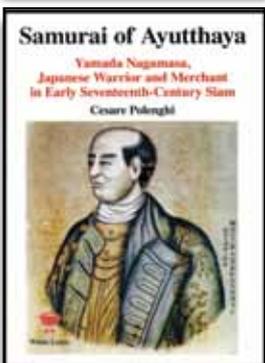
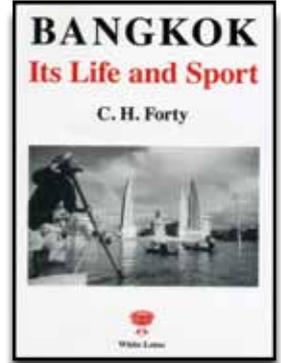
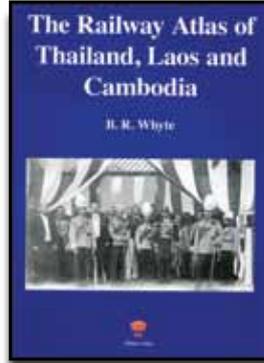
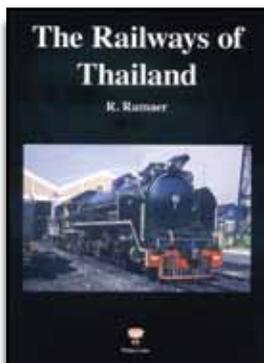
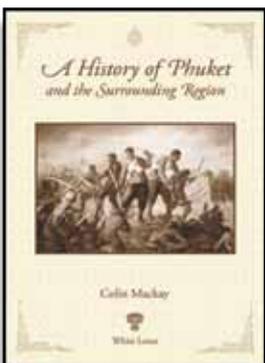
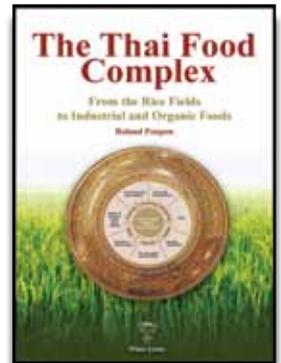
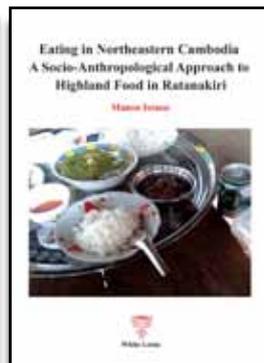
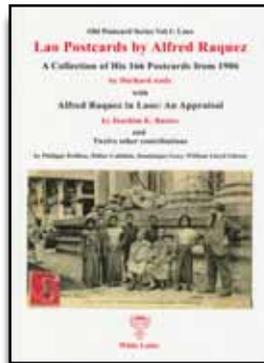
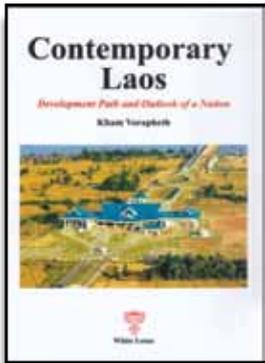


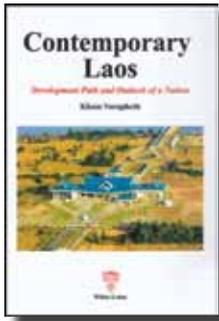
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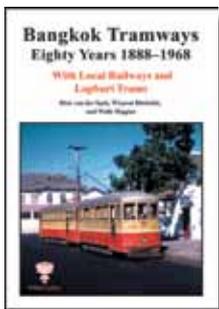
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The resulting electric tram company, with its own generators, was one of the oldest in Southeast Asia. The Dutch introduced trams in Batavia (Jakarta) in 1869. Singapore followed in July 1905, after having experimented with electric trams in 1891 and 1892.

In 1893, Bangkok had a population of 250,000. The trams became quite popular with the people.

The author made new drawings of all the tram lines. He has located the best information available on the electric tram cars, as the archives are poor.

In the 1960s, trams became obsolete as buses took over. But now, realizing that this is not an ideal solution, Skytrain and subway lines are being built in Bangkok.



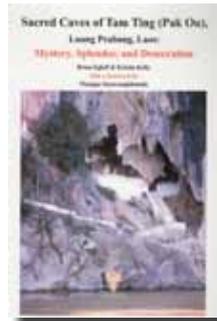
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Sacred Caves of Tam Ting (Pak Ou), Luang Prabang, Laos: Mystery, Splendor, and Desecration is the story of the caves, of the collaborative international conservation project, and of what happened after the project closed in 1997. It places

the caves in context and explains their significance and beauty. The book is both a cautionary tale about the importance and fragility of material cultural heritage, and a message of hope for the future of heritage conservation in the region. The Tam Ting (Pak Ou) Caves, are located some twenty-five kilometers north of the World Heritage Site of Luang Prabang (Laos). The many old, beautiful Buddha images, some life size, were conserved, the infrastructure of the caves rebuilt, the Lao professional staff trained, and site signage erected. The team conducted all work to the highest standards permitted by the circumstances. But ten years after the close of the conservation project, many of the beautiful Buddha figures were gone, taken from their home and yet to be recovered.



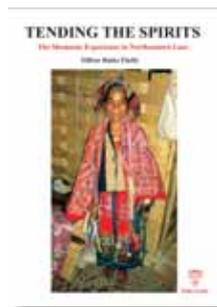
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Findly, Ellison Banks; **Tending the Spirits: The Shamanic Experience in Northeastern Laos**, a companion volume to **Spirits in the Loom: Religion and Design in Lao-Tai Textiles**, is based almost exclusively on interviews with shamans and weavers in mountain and urban villages of Hua-Phan province, and does what no other book as

done before. This study of shamans in northeastern Laos details the call, training, and ritual practice of female and male healers, as well as of male funeral shamans who guide the deceased’s spirit to heaven.

It draws information almost entirely from the oral tradition of the shamans themselves, illuminating the multivalent complexities of belief and practice as they evolve over time. The relation between the shaman and the weaver is a symbiotic one, with the shaman chanting out visual images in his trance narrative, and the weaver translating what she hears into mythic, hybrid images on the loom. Thus the powerful, transformative ritual textile is born.

Using the work of Michael Winkelman, the author draws on understandings of the neurognostic structure of the shamanic flight and of the trance’s internal imaged flow to connect Lao-Tai spirit religion to patterns of shamanism in other parts of the world. Unfortunately, Lao—Tai shamanism is today at a cross-roads: global connections and the incursion of things like western medicine may render some of the practices obsolete. The shamans themselves, however—female and male alike—believe that both the healing and funeral traditions can adapt to modern times, and can continue to serve the Tai populace they have benefited for so long.



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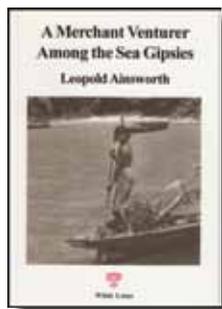
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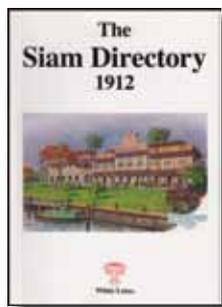
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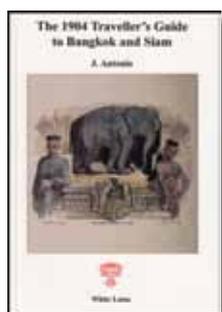
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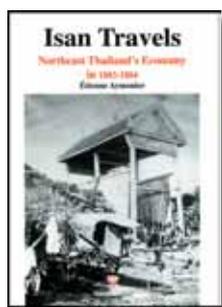
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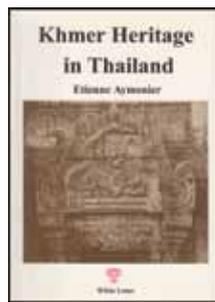
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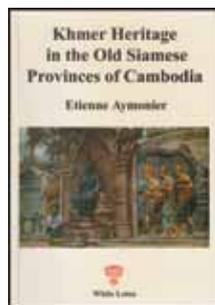
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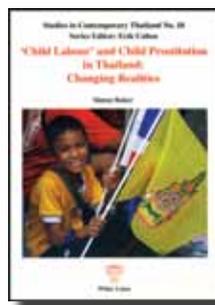
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Aymonier, Étienne; **Khmer Heritage in the Old Siamese Provinces of Cambodia, With Special Emphasis on Temples, Inscriptions and Etymology**

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that were formerly under Siamese control. They comprise Melou Prey, Sisophon, Battambang and Siem Reap. The record emphasizes the Khmer inheritance in the fields of archeology, inscriptions and etymology of place names. Numerous descriptions and floor plans of temples and temple ruins are included. The author deals extensively with the significance and provenance of various texts found on these edifices. If not a tourist guide in the traditional sense, this book, as an exhaustive and detailed record of Khmer edifices, many of which are in much a poorer, or even plundered state today, is intrinsically a call for urgent action to save what still remains.



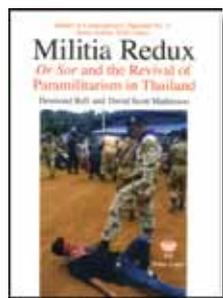
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Bangkok 2007, 216 pp., 1 map, 27 pp. charts, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Baker, Simon; **'Child Labour' and Child Prostitution in Thailand: Changing Realities**

This book explains why there has been a dramatic decline in Thai 'labour' numbers. Today, the position of Thai children has never been better. Their lives differ greatly from those of their grandpar-

ents, parents, and even older siblings. They are better educated and fewer child labourers or child prostitutes, as a proportion of the total population, than at any other time. Changes to the lives of Thai children have taken place over generations, particularly since the late 1980s. At that time, the onset of an economic boom, combined with fertility declines, resulted in many children pursuing their studies rather than working in the rice fields or factories. This change has and will continue to result in major benefits to Thai society.



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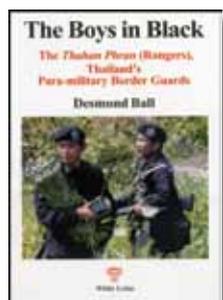
Bangkok 2007, 578 pp., 96 pp. b&w illus., 148 x 297 mm, pbk.

Ball, Desmond; **Militia Redux: Or Sor and the Revival of Paramilitarism in Thailand**

This is a critique of the current resurgence of paramilitarism in Thailand. The central organisation is the Volunteer Defence Corps, or *Or Sor*.

An agency of the Ministry of Interior since the

1950s, *Or Sor* has a multiplicity of tasks, including maintaining road checkpoints, guarding provincial and district buildings, supervising refugee camps, development assistance, and involvement in the war on drugs. It has also been instrumental in training and supervising rapidly increasing numbers of Village Self-Defence Volunteers (*Chor Ror Bor*). Since 2002 their numbers have increased in the Thailand-Burma borderlands and in the South, where *Or Sor* and *Chor Ror Bor* have become a primary target of the insurgency. Despite a generally improving reputation, many paramilitary personnel are also notorious as thugs for local strongmen, and for corruption and inefficiency. This book is the first in-depth study of this uniquely Thai experience of paramilitarism.



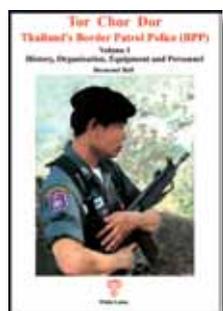
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Bangkok 2004, 332 pp., 48 pp. illus. in col., 12 maps, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Ball, Desmond; **The Boys in Black: The Than Phan (Rangers), Thailand's Para-military Border Guards**

This is a study of the Rangers, a volunteer organization founded by the Royal Thai Army in 1978 to combat communist insurgency. They have since

become responsible for first-line defense of Thailand's border: fighting intruding armed forces, such as the ethnic insurgent armies and the drug trafficking groups in the Thai-Burma borderlands; guarding refugee camps; maintaining peace and security in troubled areas. They are widely known for their involvement in extraneous politically motivated and violent activities. This book is about life and security in Thailand's borderlands from a Ranger perspective. It is both a critique of an important element of Thailand's border defense regime and an introduction to the complex political geography and human security issues in the borderlands.



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Bangkok 2014, 767 pp., 128 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 220 mm

Ball, Desmond; **Tor Chor Dor: Thailand's Border Patrol Police Volume 1: History, Organization, Equipment, and Personnel**

Volume 1 of an exhaustive two-volume study of Thailand's Tamruat Trawen Chaiden, or Border Patrol Police (BPP), provides a general history of

the corps, its organization and deployment throughout Thailand, its personnel structure, and a discussion of the equipment it has on hand. To exemplify the kind of people who make up the BPP, the volume's final chapter provides in-depth profiles of several individuals, from former commissioners to present-day noncommissioned officers. The author has based his study on years of personal research; he has visited every BPP base around the country, as well as every regional headquarters, at least once, observing a range of activities and talking with countless individuals.

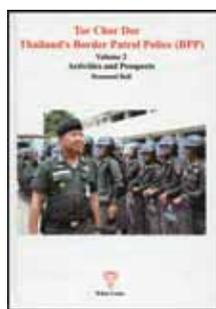
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Ball, Desmond; **Burma's Military Secrets**

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Marks, Thomas A.; **Maoist People's War in Post Vietnam Asia**



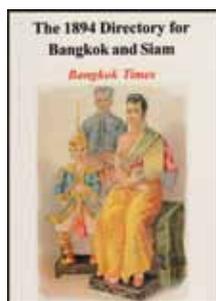
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Bangkok 2014, 922 pp., 2 pp. maps, 128 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 220 mm

Ball, Desmond; **Tor Chor Dor: Thailand's Border Patrol Police Volume 2: Activities and Prospects**

Volume 2 of Desmond Ball's exhaustive study of Thailand's Tamruat Trawen Chaiden, or Border Patrol Police, provides more specific information

about the BPP's current activities. Among the topics discussed are the legacy of the BPP's relationship with the U.S. CIA, the BPP's relations with the palace and the royal family, the organization's role in border security and nation building, and human rights aspects of the organization's activities. One chapter details the BPP's role in securing Thailand's deep south, where separatist tensions among the region's Muslim population continue to simmer. The author also considers future prospects for the Border Patrol Police.



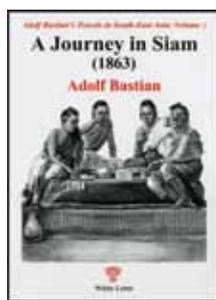
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Bangkok 1996, repr. from 1894; 202 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Bangkok Times; **The 1894 Directory for Bangkok and Siam**

This directory was published by the semi-official *Bangkok Times* newspaper. According to its own glowing title page it was "a handy and reliable

book of reference for all classes, with a calendar and every information about weights and measures, Siamese festivals, postage and telegraph tariffs, notes on the ancient and modern history of Siam, and including official and general directories". The wide coverage of information that is elsewhere unavailable or hard to find, not least that on businesses operating at the time, makes this directory an effective research tool. The directory is also a treasure trove for general readers interested in the daily life and in the official and foreign personalities, important or otherwise, of this crucial period of King Chulalongkorn's Reign.



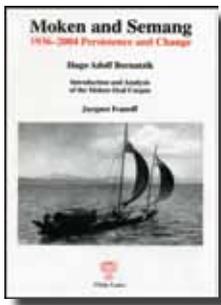
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Bangkok 2005, first English trans. of 1867-68; 273 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Bastian, Adolf; **A Journey in Siam (1863): Adolf Bastian's Travels in Southeast Asia: Vol. 2**

A Journey in Siam (1863) contains the travelogue written by Dr Adolf Bastian during his travels in Thailand. Bastian was a renowned ethnographer,

who founded both Berlin's Museum für Völkerkunde (Ethnological Museum) and the Berlin Anthropological Society, and his work contains valuable observations and interpretations by one of the pioneers of ethnography. He observes, describes and records the later period of King Mongkut's reign, which ended in 1868 and is not well covered by published sources—only Monsignor Jean-Baptiste Pallegoix's writings deal extensively with the early years of that reign. While staying in Bangkok, this thorough and tireless German scholar insisted on learning Siamese and, in addition, covered almost every aspect of the spiritual life of the various groups of people he met in the capital. Bastian's interests also extend to Siam's administrative and legal systems as well as to the particularities of the lives of the various types of slaves in the country. Celebrations, games, gambling, diseases and medicine, taxes and their implications for economic life all command his attention. Bastian furthermore takes interest in the theater and literature of the time, in Siamese wit, and in the songs that people use to express their feelings during various activities. He provides details about the animals living alongside people either as pets, or in the wild, or as working animals. The book includes some rare descriptions not found anywhere else, not even in Pallegoix's largely complementary work, relating, for example, to the spirit world as perceived by the Siamese.



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Bangkok 2005, repr. from 1938; 358 pp., illus., 40 pp. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Bernatzik, Hugo A.; **Moken and Semang. 1936-2004: Persistence and Change**
 This is a new edition of the first part of the Austrian ethnographer and photographer Hugo A. Bernatzik's work *The Spirits of the Yellow Leaves*.

Bernatzik's famous book on minorities in Thailand and beyond was originally published in 1938 and appeared in English translation in 1958. This first part was titled *Mergui and South Thailand*. Jacques Ivanoff, a CNRS scholar, who has been studying the Moken for a number of years and written several books on these so-called "sea-gypsies", introduces the present volume with an analysis of Bernatzik's work. He also deals extensively with the situation of the Moken today, sixty years after Bernatzik did his study. Ivanoff describes how the Moken survived the Tsunami of December 2004, explaining how their preservation of traditional knowledge and culture enabled them to understand what happened at sea, before the disaster struck. The second part of Bernatzik's work is published separately under its original title, with an introduction of author and work by Prof. Jørgen Rischel, who also analyzes Bernatzik's data on the Mlabri language. The two most extensively documented ethnic groups in Bernatzik's work, the sea-based Moken and the jungle dwellers Mlabri, are of Malay and Mon-Khmer affiliation, respectively. Each group occupies a niche away from the mainstream societies, and they have done so for a long time, most likely on their own will.



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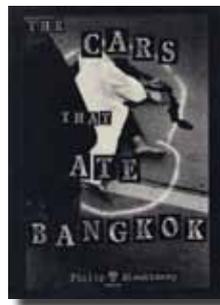
Bangkok 2005, repr. from 1938; 272 pp., 56 pp. illus., 2 pp. maps, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Bernatzik, Hugo Adolf; **The Spirits of the Yellow Leaves: The Enigmatic Hunter-Gatherers of Northern Thailand**

A colorful travel account and documentary work by the Austrian ethnographer and photographer

by the Austrian ethnographer and photographer Hugo A. Bernatzik. First published in German in 1938 under the title *Die Geister der gelben Blätter* it is long since out of print. This is an important work for several reasons and it is certainly worth publishing again. In the years 1936-37 Bernatzik traveled in both Southern and Northern Thailand and the southern fringe of the Shan State, with a final excursion into Vietnam. In his book he gave interesting accounts of the ethnic groups he visited, Moken, Akha, Lisu, Biet and others, all documented with outstanding photographs of lasting historical value. In the present edition additional photographs from Bernatzik's collection have been added. The work now appears in two volumes. The core of the present volume is a large section on an enigmatic and notoriously shy hunter-gatherer tribe called "the Spirits of the Yellow Leaves". This ethnic group still exists both in Thailand and Laos, though it numbers only some 300 people. It is nowadays referred to as the "Yellow-Leaf People" or as Mlabri (Mla' Bri', literally: "forest people"). In his Introduction to the volume Jørgen Rischel places Bernatzik's intriguing account in the context of earlier and recent research. For decades there was controversy over the authenticity of his data; Rischel shows that the criticism was beside the point. Bernatzik took down a short word list in imperfect notation, which has vexed linguists ever since. Rischel has identified almost all words on the list as belonging to the language still spoken by the Mlabri. The complete analysis presented here has not been published elsewhere. It will be of particular relevance to comparative Mon-Khmer research, but it is also of general interest since the vocabulary reflects culture and gives evidence of how this ethnic group traditionally viewed the world. Jørgen Rischel is professor emeritus in general linguistics and phonetics, University of Copenhagen, and was a guest researcher at Mahidol University. Since 1982 he has been doing fieldwork in Thailand and Laos. His monograph *Minor Mlabri* appeared in 1995.

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Bangkok 1996, numbered edition of 1,000 copies on 157g art paper; 104 pp., fully illus., 210 x 300 mm

Blenkinsop, Philip; **The Cars that Ate Bangkok**
 Being the true and terrifying pictorial account of the Thai people's struggle for survival in the age of the automobile, this book takes you on a death-

defying foot-to-the-floor ride through the streets of Bangkok and spits you out, nerves shattered and palms sweating amidst the fumes and dying breaths of those who lost track of their lives along the way. It is an unashamedly shocking and thought provoking volume that bravely tackles the horror of automobile induced waste in today's society. Not for the faint-hearted, *The Cars that Ate Bangkok* will forever change the way you view the automobile. Pick it up and take to the streets again if you dare.



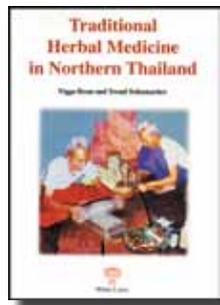
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Patani 1995, 138 pp., fully illus. in col., 210 x 260 mm, pbk. (text in French and English)

Boulbet, Jean; **Vers un Sens de la Terre**

The retreat of the dense forest in Southern Thailand during the last two decades. For more than forty years, the author has surveyed the under-

growth of the dense forest of Southeast Asia thus discovering its rare and common species, its botanical treasures, and its inhabitants—animal and human. Jean Boulbet, scientist and story-teller, blends statistical data and poetry so that the reader may share the adventure of the great dense forest of this region. This book is testimony and appeal to man to regain a sense of the earth before it is too late.



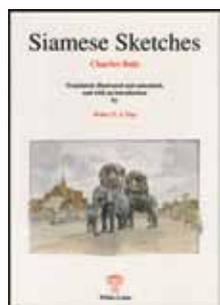
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Bangkok 1994, repr. from 1987; 390 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Brun, Viggo & Trond Schumacher; **Traditional Herbal Medicine in Northern Thailand**

This study is a pioneering work offering a comprehensive analysis of the herbal medical tradition in rural Northern Thailand. The focus of the

research is the description and classification of local disease concepts and the complex relationships between diseases, plants, drugs, and prescriptions. The work is based on extensive communication with local practitioners, clinical observations and local manuscripts. About 540 medicinal plants are identified in the appendix, together with their claimed medical properties. In addition, the book contains charters on the court medical tradition, and considers the prospects for the survival of traditional medicine in the face of competition from modern cosmopolitan medicine. The authors also provide extensive vocabularies, as well as indexes of disease terms and botanical names, including a Thai index of disease terms. There is a wealth of information for those interested in medicine botany and ethnopharmacology, while the history and anthropological aspects of the work will interest many other students of Southeast Asia.



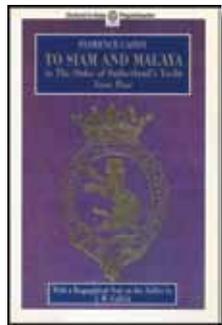
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Bangkok 1994, first English trans. of 1901; 176 pp., fully illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Buls, Charles; **Siamese Sketches**

This book is the very personal, sometimes controversial, account of the journey the world traveler and former mayor of Brussels, Charles Buls, made to Siam in 1900. Spanning the wide variety

of Buls's interests, from the urban Chinese to early agricultural developments in the countryside, this account always surprises by its insightful comments and sharp, often visionary, observations. Having been involved with the development of a world city himself, he was better placed than any other contemporary observer to speculate on Siam's political, economic and social future. He shuns neither highly controversial viewpoints, nor topics, such as the comparative value of religions for a country like Siam, that were bound to bring him into trouble. This book, in which Buls's original account is supplemented by material from his hitherto unpublished diary notes, letters and numerous photographs from Belgian archives, such as those of the inauguration of Dusit Park and the Ayutthaya elephant round-up, is a must for lovers of Fifth Reign history, and of Siam.

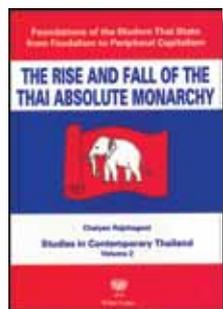


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 US\$14.00

Singapore 1992, repr. from 1889; 372 pp., 1 p. illus., 1 map, 130 x 195 mm, pbk.

Caddy, Florence; **To Siam and Malaya in the Duke of Sutherland's Yacht *Sans Peur***

First published just over a hundred year ago, this delightful account of a voyage in a luxurious Ducal private yacht, where half the crew apparently consisted of cooks, covers a journey through the Red Sea to India, Singapore, and Siam returning via Malaya, Ceylon, and Egypt. The author was invited to join the yacht as 'geographer and naturalist' but did, in fact, spend much time describing Court life and entertainments in Bangkok, where she met King Chulalongkorn. In Singapore and Johore, the party was equally lavishly entertained by the Sultan (at the final banquet the entire set of Ellenborough gold plate was used!) These descriptions can be considered as set-pieces of real historical value but the book also includes much information more directly related to the work for which Mrs. Caddy was engaged, *To Siam and Malaya* is well written in an interesting and undemanding way, and today's reader will find it as fresh and entertaining as when it was first published.

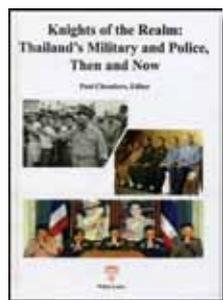


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Bangkok 1994, 230 pp., 150 x 210 mm

Chaiyan Rajchagool; **The Rise and Fall of the Thai Absolute Monarchy: Foundations of the Modern Thai State from Feudalism to Peripheral Capitalism**

Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 2
 This is no ordinary study of nation building. It differs markedly in its theoretical approach from existing studies of Thailand. In the mid-nineteenth century, Siam was no more than a loose grouping of petty states and principalities, lacking well-defined borders and a centralized power structure. Yet within a period of forty years a unified state had emerged. How and why had this happened? Those are the questions addressed by this penetrating study. It is central to the author's argument that the form of the new state was the absolute monarchy. He analyzes the socioeconomic conditions that existed at the time of Siam's early contact with Western economic and colonial forces and examines the ways in which political and administrative control gradually came to be held by the Bangkok-based monarchy. The author also addresses the question of why, within another forty years, the absolute monarchy had been replaced by a constitutional monarchy.



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Bangkok 2013, 738 pp., 35 pp., illus, 150 x 215 mm,

Chambers, Paul; **Knights of the Realm: Thailand's Military and Police, Then and Now**

Represent the first systematic account of the political history of Thailand's security sector and the main actors involved. The military and police find their legitimacy through law, a safeguarding of monarchy, or a more ambiguous protection of national security—NATION, RELIGION, MONARCHY, PEOPLE.

Thailand is a country with over 30 coups and coup attempts since the 1932 revolution which ended the absolute monarchy. As the last direct military putsch occurred as recently as in 2006, security sector involvement in politics is clearly

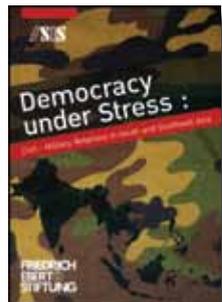
not a thing of the past. Ambiguous laws and spiraling budgets continue to give the security services enormous influence. Ultimately, political machinations by the armed forces and police cannot afford to be ignored if one really wants to understand Thai politics.

With these considerations in mind, the chapters in this edited volume address various questions. Among them are the following:

- How did the military and police evolve to be what they are today?
- How are they organized?
- What is their role in internal and border security?
- What is their role in counter insurgency in the South?
- What is their role in internal developments?
- What is their political role today and what might be their role in the future?
- What differences are there in the military regarding the issue of Thaksin Shinawatra?
- Who is who in Thailand's military and police?
- What is the status of the security sector in southern Thailand today?

And in the final analysis :

- How dose Thailand effectively institutionalize civilian control over the military and police?



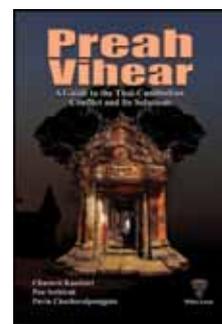
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Bangkok 2010, 233 pp., 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Chambers, Paul & Aurel Croissant (eds.); **Democracy under Stress: Civil-Military Relations in South and Southeast Asia**

This report was published by the Institute of Security and International Studies at Chulalongkorn University in co-operation with the Friedrich Ebert Foundation of Germany and brought together a

number of experts on the interactions between civil government and the military. Countries covered are Bangladesh, Indonesia, Pakistan, Myanmar, the Philippines and Thailand. A host of new information and hard data from reports and the literature in general make this into a timely update on the issue.



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Bangkok 2013, 127 pp., 8 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk

Charnvit Kasetsiri, Pou Sothirak, Pavin Chachavalpongun; **Preah Vihear: A Guide to Thai-Cambodian Conflict and Its Solutions**

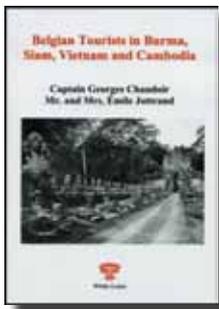
Why does the old wound between Thailand and Cambodia since 1962 reopen again in the 2000s? This time it is potentially more dangerous than

half a century earlier. This book offers not only the explanations of the conflict -- from the legacies of the colonial era to the political situations that led to recent deadly clashes -- but also the possible solution to this sensitive issue and how to get there. Cooperatively written with clarity by Thai and Cambodian scholars -- a historian, a veteran diplomat, and a scholar of international politics of Southeast Asia -- it is a good reading for both the distant observers of the region and the experts.

Thongchai Winichakul
 University of Wisconsin-Madison

This wonderful and timely book, written by Siamese and Khmer scholars of the highest calibre, lays bare the ahistorical narratives that modern-era Siamese and Khmer nationalist politicians have repeatedly used to provoke unnecessary and destructive conflict in an effort to pursue their domestic power interests via a distorting effort to construct visions of Thai and Cambodian nations serving those interests. Emphasizing that alongside the history of wars conducted by courts and conflicts stoked up by modern politicians operating in Bangkok and Phnom Penh there is another history of creative and fruitful social and cultural interaction, the authors place the recent resurrection of the Preah Vihear temple territorial dispute squarely in the context of contemporary domestic political struggles in Thailand and Cambodia. They rightly locate the main motor of the dispute in the profound and sometimes bloody socio-political crisis gripping Thailand, but also point to the way in which Cambodia's would-be forever Prime Minister Hun Sen has exploited the provocation to help him realize that ambition. They also outline how the dispute can and should be solved peacefully and reasonably through various diplomatic and other means. This is a must-read for everyone concerned about the future of Thailand and Cambodia.

Steve Heder
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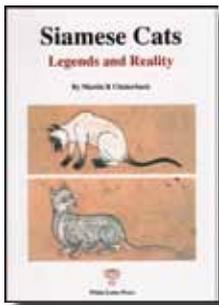


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Bangkok 2011, first English trans. of 1899 & 1909; 298 pp., 34 pp. illus., 2 pp. maps, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Chaudoir, Georges & Émile Jottrand; **Belgian Tourists in Burma, Siam, Vietnam and Cambodia (1897 & 1900)**

This first English translation presents two travelogues of Belgian travelers around the turn of the twentieth century. First there is part of a world tour by Georges ‘Puck’ Chaudoir that covers an overland journey through the Nagaland Hills in present-day India, Burma and Siam to Bangkok in Thailand. Chaudoir was a former military man and in his world outlook and observations a tourist *avant-la-lettre*. He organized his own caravans, and struggled through areas mostly untraveled by Europeans in 1897. His photographs include both purchased professional work and his own action shots. In the second part, this book presents the vacation recollections of Émile Jottrand and his wife. Jottrand was at work in Siam as a legal adviser. On vacation in October 1900 he traveled to Saigon, My Tho, Phnom Penh and a few backwaters of the budding French Indochina colony. His main purpose was to visit Angkor Wat and Angkor Thom in the Siamese territory of Siem Reap and Battambang. Small sampans and ox carts could then only reach it. He reported from these small towns, which Siam would later see returned to Cambodia, and discussed French intrigues on the Siamese border. Nothing escaped his sharp observations and his liberal opinions clash violently with the idea of a colony as a workable vehicle for development. In Angkor Wat, then only visited by a hundred people or so each year, his descriptions and photographs of a temple complex in rubble and in the grips of vegetation, as well as the looting going on there, offer original insights.

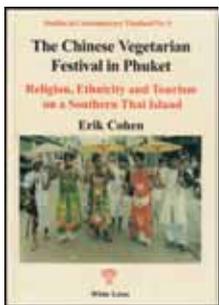


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Bangkok 2004, 268 pp., fully illus., 32 pp. in col., 210 x 290 mm, pbk.

Clutterbuck, Martin; **Siamese Cats, Legends and Reality**

This is the revised and expanded version of the successful 1998 book *The Legend of Siamese Cats*. While retaining the former volume’s core attraction of translations of the famous Thai Cat Book Poems from medieval times, this new book delves more deeply into Thai cats as they have progressed from then until the present day. Each major Thai breed—Siamese, Korat, Burmese and more—is covered extensively, including detailed genetic studies, their present status in Thailand and their history in the West. Special chapters have also been added on the cats’ relations with Thai royalty and the Buddhist priesthood, and various myths about these venerable institutions are confirmed or disproved. A new chapter on the wide application of Thai cat bloodlines to develop western breeds well illustrates how Thailand is indeed a cat superpower. Finally, a new appendix reproduces the 1924 “Siamese Cat Register”.



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 WL Order Code 22 244
 US\$30.00

Bangkok 2001, 299 pp., 64 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Cohen, Erik; **The Chinese Vegetarian Festival in Phuket: Religion, Ethnicity and Tourism on a Southern Thai Island Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 9**

This vegetarian festival is the most popular and complex religious event in southern Thailand. In this richly illustrated work, Erik Cohen presents a detailed ethnography of the festival based on extended fieldwork conducted in the course of the 1990s. The focus of Cohen’s analysis is the interrelationship between the dynamics of the festival, Chinese ethnicity in contemporary Thailand and the development of tourism on the island of Phuket. The study shows that, though the festival expanded considerably in recent times and became increasingly spectacular, its fundamental structure manifests a surprising degree of continuity, even as its meaning increasingly changes from a devotional ritual to a public spectacle.

Surprisingly, however, the growing popularity of the festival is due less to foreign tourism on the island, and more to a growing attraction of the festival for the Thai and foreign Chinese believers and visitors, in quest of an “authentic” Chinese festival which cannot be seen anymore even in contemporary China.

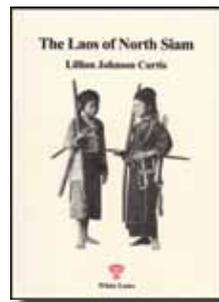


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Bangkok 1997, 146 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Cornish, Andrew; **Whose Place Is This? Malay Rubber Producers and Thai Government Officials in Yala Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 5**

A detailed case study of ethnic conflict in a development scheme in southern Thailand. The book describes the interactions between Malay rubber producers in Yala province and local Thai government officials who sought to establish and promote a co-operative rubber marketing project. Using the results of ethnographic fieldwork carried out near Thailand’s southern border, the author outlines the historical background to the region’s cultural diversity. After an investigation of the operations of the local bureaucracy, the focus shifts to two Malay communities to show how they participated in the government’s marketing scheme. One group enjoyed profits and success, while the other’s efforts ended in failure, yet the author argues that both display common elements in the struggle for control of material and cultural resources at the local level. The results provide a broader hypothesis about the nature of Malay resistance to Thai rule, and the place of minorities in modern Thailand.

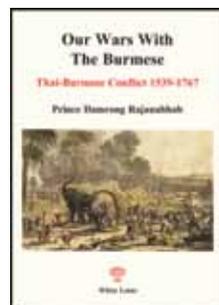


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Bangkok 1998, repr. from 1903; 374 pp., 12 pp. illus. b&w, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Curtis, Lillian Johnson; **The Laos of North Siam, Seen through the Eyes of a Missionary**

Here is an insightful description of the people of northern Thailand around the turn of the century. The book contains the narrative of an American missionary’s journey from Bangkok to Lakon, where she spent four years in the local mission of the Northern Presbyterian Board, and descriptions of other journeys in the North—between Lakon and Chiang Mai, Nan, Prae and Chiang Rai. Her colorful writings encompass almost all physical and social features of the land and its people: geography, natural products and agriculture, wildlife, forests and fruit trees, customs such as betel use, food preferences, house-building and ceremonies such as marriage and burials, language, the life of children and, of course, religion. In the last of these as well as in her treatment of local politics, the author’s missionary biases are obvious, particularly in a description of the mission’s development and the persecutions endured by early Christians.

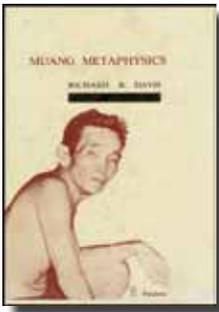


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Bangkok 2000, repr. from 1955-58; 424 pp., 3 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Damrong Rajanubhab, Prince; **Our Wars with the Burmese: Thai-Burmese Conflict 1539-1767**

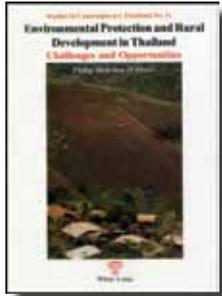
This may well be Thailand’s most famous history book. Known familiarly as Thai Rop Phama, it was first published in 1917 and quickly became very popular. The author gave the state he had just built a new national history by recounting 24 wars between Siam and Burma from 1539 to 1767. The book was later translated into English by a Burmese who had worked for Siam’s forestry department, and who had helped Prince Damrong with Burmese source materials. The tales which Prince Damrong selected from the chronicles have since entered school textbooks and popular culture. It was this book which first made famous the heroism of Queen Suriyothai, the elephant duel at Nong Sarai, King Naresuan’s “declaration of independence,” the guerilla resistance of Bang-Rachan, and the drama of Ayut-thaya’s fall.



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Bangkok 1984, 324 pp., 14 pp. illus., 160 x 230 mm

Davis, Richard B.; **Muang Metaphysics.**
 A study of Northern Thai Myth and Ritual, A study on northern Thai villages, to record a dying culture and to discover the structures underlying Northern Thai rituals and to relate these structures to a common rationale. The nine chapters deal with the anthropological study of rituals, the Muang, Cosmology, the New Year, Agricultural Rites, the End of Lent, Rites of Territory and Clanship, Myth and Rite

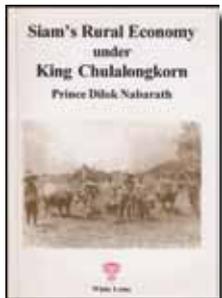


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Bangkok 2002, 458 pp., 20 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Dearden, Philip (ed.); **Environmental Protection and Rural Development in Thailand: Challenges and Opportunities.**

Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 11
 This volume of edited conference proceedings targets many of the key problems now facing Thailand. For almost a decade Thailand enjoyed world-leading economic growth rates. But this short-term growth also concealed long-term costs to the social and environmental fabric of the country. This book contains a wide selection of papers that address issues relating to rural development and both marine and terrestrial environmental protection. It starts with an overview of some of the current challenges facing Thailand and finishes with a plea for the need to "Walk the Middle Path" towards future development. In between there are chapters ranging from the impacts of aquaculture through to cash crop development in the highlands and the current state of the marine park system in Thailand. The book will be indispensable reading for anyone with an interest in natural resource management, environment and sustainable development in Thailand.

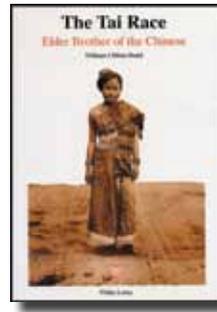


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Bangkok 2000, first English trans. of 1908; 354 pp., 24 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Dilok Nabarath, Prince; **Siam's Rural Economy under King Chulalongkorn**
 This dissertation by Prince Dilok Nabarath, Prince of Siam, son of HM King Chulalongkorn and Chao Chom Manda Dibakesorn of Chiang

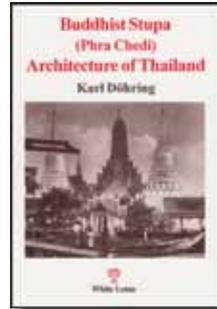
Mai, was submitted at the University of Tübingen, Germany. The book covers virtually every aspect of the agricultural base of Thailand's economy at the turn of the previous century. The reforms in the legal status of various classes of slaves, serfs, free people, nobles and others are sketched against the background of a farmers' class producing ever more agricultural produce for export. These exports are discussed in great detail too. The various farming systems to produce the entire gamut of exports from rice to livestock are explained. The efficiency and impediments to production increases are placed in the historical context of the widening communications network of the country. Special attention is paid to supplementary sources of income, many of which are still used today. The geographical framework of farm products is also presented. Prince Dilok concludes his dissertation with enlightened recommendations that are still valid when it comes to misguided development projects, inappropriate donor-enforced macro-economic policies, and the application of capital-intensive technology.



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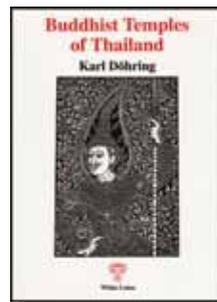
Dodd, William Clifton; **The Tai Race, Elder Brother of the Chinese**
 This book was of great importance for the intellectual and political history of Thailand during the first part of the century. Its traces can still be found in those chapters of Thai schoolbooks that deal with the original homeland of the Thais. The account of Dodd's explorations in the southern part of China, Laos, and the northern part of Vietnam is of special interest from an ethnographic point of view. The book contains details of the whereabouts, habits, and customs, as well as a smattering of the linguistic heritage of a variety of ethnic minorities; some of them are identified here for the first time in a printed account. Knowledge about these ethnic groups and their identity has always been scarce and this book is of great value not only to the scholar, but to all who are interested in the history of the various branches of the Tai-speaking peoples.



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Bangkok 2000, first English trans. of 1912; 168 pp., fully illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Döhring, Karl; **Buddhist Stupa (Phra Chedi) Architecture of Thailand**
 Karl Döhring has carried out the most exhaustive study ever done by a Western researcher on the Buddhist edifices known in Thailand as *phra chedi*. The author, who worked in Siam during the early decades of the twentieth century, personally visited *phra chedi* or *stupa* edifices in various Bangkok temples. He traces the origins of this peculiar building, discusses its uses, and examines its place in Thai Buddhist temple complexes. A complete classification of all the architectural forms these buildings take is presented, along with architectural details, and the decorative elements of the round and square *stupa* types are analyzed. This study is enhanced by a unique collection of photographs and the author's own sketches and drawings.



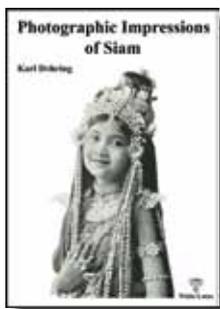
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Bangkok 2000, first English trans. of 1920; 370 pp., 266 pp. illus., 210 x 290 mm, pbk.

Döhring, Karl; **Buddhist Temples of Thailand: An Architectonic Introduction**
 This is the first English translation of Karl Döhring's seminal three-volume photographic study *Buddhistische Tempelanlagen in Siam*, published in German in 1920. This in-depth architectonic and socio-cultural analysis of temple complexes is accompanied by 180 pages of technically perfect photographs and 116 floor plans and refined line drawings. Karl Döhring, an architect who lived and worked in Siam during the reigns of King Chulalongkorn and King Vajiravudh, presented part of this work toward his doctoral degree. As a practicing architect of larger constructions, many of which were realized in Siam, Döhring was deeply interested in the technical aspects of Thai temples and in the use of decorative elements worked out to perfection to create both harmony and eye-catching contrasts. The book presents an architectonic analysis, discusses the historico-cultural and religious meanings of the various edifices composing a Thai temple complex, and details the specific decorations used to project the atmosphere of religious piety and rest so often impressively present in these places of worship. Sample floor plans, many of which have been long lost and photographs of many Bangkok temples as well as some famous upcountry complexes make this a masterfully conceived guide for the layman who has more than a superficial interest in this fascinating topic.

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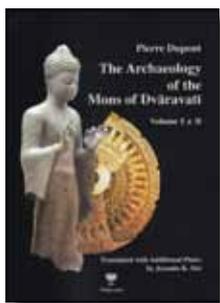


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Bangkok 2014, 206 pp., 142 pp. illus., 210 x 290 mm, pbk.

Doehring, Karl; translated by W.E.J. Tips (2014); **Photographic Impressions of Siam** is the first English translation of *Siam, Land und Volk*, accompanied by 142 pages of original photographs. The architect Karl Dohring lived and

worked in Siam during King Chulalongkorn's Reign. He was involved in many different projects for the king as well as for government departments and institutions. His professional training enabled him to observe with a sharp eye. His introductory text is brief but profound. He deals with the following topics: the country, waterways, populations, character of the Thais, family life, agriculture, the legal system, cremations, court life and festivities, music and theater.



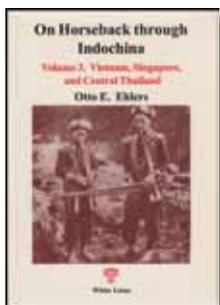
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Vol. I, Bangkok 2007, 366 pp., 9 pp. figures, 3 pp. maps, 22 pp. plans, 210 x 297 mm, pbk.
 Vol. II, Bangkok 2007, 220 pp., fully illus., 41 pp. illus. in col., 1 pp. map, 210 x 297 mm, pbk.

Dupont, Pierre; **The Archaeology of the Mon of Dvaravati, Vol. I: Text & Vol. II: Plates**

Pierre Dupont's *L'Archéologie mône de Dvāravatī*

is a pioneering work on the architecture of the Mon kingdom of Dvāravatī and the evolution of the styles in the iconography of the statue of the Buddha. These are based on his exhaustive knowledge of Mon documents and personal involvement in excavating Dvāravatī monuments. His analysis of the evolution of the styles in the Buddha's iconography follows its development from India to Southeast Asia, identifies Indian prototypes for the Mon Buddha and relates it to the spread of *hīnayāna* Buddhism. This book, which established a systematic link between the different art and architectural styles of the region, contributes immensely to our knowledge by the methodical manner in which the extremely abundant iconography of a large variety of stone, stucco and bronze statue types is ordered. His analysis is supported by an extensive body of photographs. According to G. Coedès, this book "is a contribution of the highest order to Indochinese archaeology". This translation maintains the author's unique style and meticulous attention to details. Since this book was originally published in 1959, new discoveries and studies have added to our knowledge of the subjects. Extensive notes, references and discussions by other scholars on the new studies update the author's original thesis. This translation makes it convenient to follow the text and assists in recognizing evolving relationships in styles with additional appendices; annotated architectural plans, figures and plates; an expanded index; revised maps and a new set of recently taken photographs of statues and monuments.



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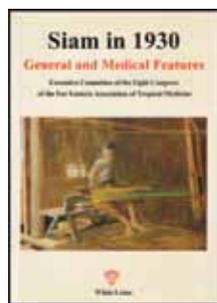
Bangkok 2002, first English trans. of 1894; 252 pp., 20 pp. illus., 1 map, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Ehlers, Otto E.; **On Horseback through Indochina. Vol. 3: Vietnam, Singapore, and Central Thailand**

The third volume of this trilogy provides an account of the adventurous journey German traveler

Otto Ehlers undertook in 1892-1893. This work reports on the journey starting in Poofang on the border between the Sipsong Pana, now Yunnan, and French Tonkin, where the Nam Ma is crossed with a small caravan of three mules and the author's Kashmir pony. Ehlers travels an unusual route between the Black and the Red River and through the tea districts on the Vietnamese-Chinese border, passing through all major settlements of the time: Phong Tho, Barat, Laichau, Lao Kai, Trai Hut, Hong Hoa, Sontay, Hanoi, and Haiphong. Considered a spy by the French officers in Tonkin, Ehlers was forced to continue part of his journey by junk on the Red River down to Hanoi. He then sailed to Da Nang, Saigon, and Singapore, from where he visited the Sultanate of Johore, and onwards to Siam as the guest of H.M. King Chulalongkorn at Koh Si Chang. He also visited Bangkok, Bang Pa In, and Ayutthaya. Ehlers insightfully, mercilessly, and humorously dissects all that meets his inquiring eyes: the deplorable situation of French

personnel in Tonkin in respect to life style, living quarters, and hygiene, the German mercenaries in the French Foreign Legion, basically fighting France's war against the rebels in Tonkin, the true state of the Black Thai irregular troops guarding the country between the Black River and the Red River against Black Flag pirates, the colorful costumes and customs of various tribesmen, trade on the Red River and across the Yunnanese borders, Polish Clara of the *Café Oriental* in Sontay, the felt need for railway lines in the Shan States and Tonkin, the coal mines of Hongai, the steamers and sailing ships of Rickmers in the Orient, excessive French taxation in Cochinchina, foreign government advisers traveling to idleness in Siam, the livelihood of the Bangkok Siamese, the comings and goings in Sampeng, Bangkok's Chinese district, Siamese theater, the cremation grounds for the poor at Wat Saket, and many other colorful descriptions cast in Ehler's own brand of travelogue writing.



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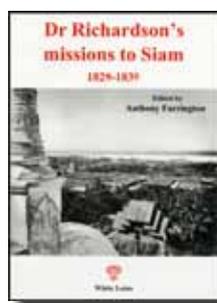
Bangkok 2000, repr. from 1930; 392 pp., 48 pp. illus., 4 pp. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine, Executive Committee of the Eighth Congress;

Siam in 1930: General and Medical Features

This book was written as an introduction to Siam for delegates attending the Eight Congress of the

Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine, held in Bangkok. The publication was compiled by a committee comprising several Thai and foreign experts in various fields of society and especially in medicine. The general information provided consisted of a wide variety of subjects: a brief introduction to the history, government, administration, arts and crafts of Siam; Siamese theatre and noteworthy buildings in Bangkok, Bang Pa-In, Ayuthia and Lopburi—and the railway lines to travel to them—are described, many with photographic material. Developments in the public health sector have, of course, received special attention. Thus all aspects of medical care, nursing, and health administration in Thailand are described, with sections on medicine in the army, veterinary services, school health, missionary work in the medical services, and the Siamese Red Cross Society. Thus we are able to obtain a rare glimpse of a field of development that is often not readily accessible to visitors, or even not widely known among professionals.



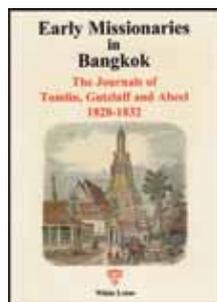
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Bangkok 2004, 292 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Farrington, Anthony (ed.); **Dr Richardson's Missions to Siam 1829-1839**

Dr Richardson's manuscripts survived in the East India Company's archives and in the contemporary *Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal*. Anthony Farrington has now brought them together

for the first time. They contain a wealth of information on Chiang Mai, Lamphun and Lampang, parts of the country, which were completely unknown to Europeans, as well as fascinating encounters in Bangkok at a crucial period in the history of early modern Siam. David Richardson (1796-1846), a surgeon in the English East India Company's Madras Army, was posted to Moulmein when the Company seized the Tenasserim Provinces at the end of the First Burmese War. One of the first British officers to become fluent in Burmese, his skills were diverted into various diplomatic missions. Between 1829 and 1839 he made four remarkable pioneering journeys overland into Siam



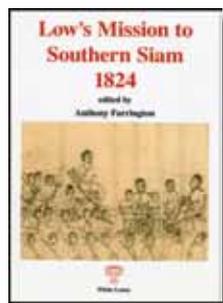
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Bangkok 2001, repr. from 1832, 1834, 1844; 182 pp., 2 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Farrington, Anthony (ed.); **Early Missionaries in Bangkok: The Journals of Tomlin, Gutzlaff and Abeel, 1828-1832**

Early Missionaries in Bangkok brings together the journals of Tomlin, of the London Missionary Society at that time; Gutzlaff, a German with

some medical training and connected with the Netherlands Missionary Society; and Abeel, appointed by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Their experiences and observations are among the very few glimpses of Bangkok and its Chinese community in the early nineteenth century during the reign of King Rama III, as seen through "Western" eyes and recorded in the more enduring part of their journals. The extensive passages devoted purely to biblical quotations and Christian moralizing have been omitted. Anthony Farrington's introduction sets the journals in historical context.



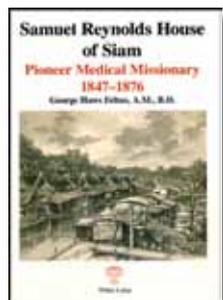
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Bangkok 2007, 136 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Farrington, Anthony (ed.); **Low's Mission to Southern Siam, 1824**

Low's mission was meant to enlist Siamese support for the British invasion of Burma. His mission was a failure, but the report he produced, published here in full for the first time, provides a

fascinating picture of the whole area. The Andaman Sea coast of Thailand, from Phuket to the Malaysian border, is now one of the greatest tourist regions in the world. One hundred and eighty years ago it was known only to its small local population, to a few annual traders for birds' nests and tin, and to a scattering of Siamese officials. James Low (1791-1852), an officer of the English East India Company's Madras Army, stationed at Penang, was an early student of the Thai language.



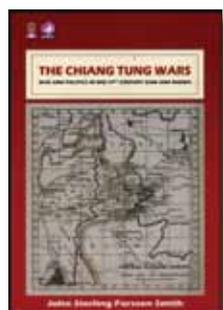
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Bangkok 2007, repr. from 1924; 256 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Feltus, George Haws; **Samuel Reynolds House of Siam: Pioneer Medical Missionary 1847-1876**

This book gives us a record of life at the time of King Mongkut's rule and the beginning of King

Chulalongkorn's reign. Dr House traveled extensively and we see Siam through the eyes of a missionary who also practiced medicine. He describes his encounters with other missionaries and the not so numerous other foreigners living in Siam at that time. His medical profession gave him access to many Thais whom he would otherwise not have met. During the cholera epidemic of 1849, he started vaccinating children, a novelty in Thailand at that time. He gives a vivid description of the situation in Bangkok with daily numbers of deaths. Around the middle of the 19th century, Chiang Mai was not yet fully colonized by Bangkok and still had some independence. It was called Laos. The King of Lanna (or Laos) at that time was not in favor of missionaries and tried to suppress them. However, at the instructions of King Mongkut, he had to allow them to work because he had to follow orders from Bangkok. Nevertheless, he decreed that they were not allowed to teach religion or to convert anyone to Christianity. The value of books by missionaries is that they shed some light on otherwise ignored events. The essential material in this book has been drawn from the letters and journal of Dr House and supplemented by correspondence with various individuals connected with the principal persons mentioned.



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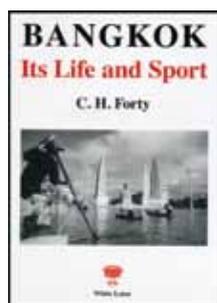
Bangkok 2013, 189 pp., 5 pp maps, 170 x 250 mm, pbk.

Forssen Smith, John Sterling; **The Chiang Tung Wars: War and Politics in mid 19th Century Siam and Burma**

The Chiang Tung Wars were a series of conflicts that occurred in the Tai principalities of the upper

Mekong Valley and in Lan Na from 1802 to 1854 that were significant within the 19th century development of the Tai principalities. Beginning with a small expedition launched by Chiang Mai against Chiang Tung in 1802, the Chiang Tung wars culminated in 1854 with a vast battle between the forces of Siam, Burma, and countless Tai principalities. Making use of Tai, Siamese, Burmese,

and Western sources, this volume traces the history of the Chiang Tung wars from their origins in the conflicts of the late 18th century until their immediate aftermath in the lands in which they were fought.



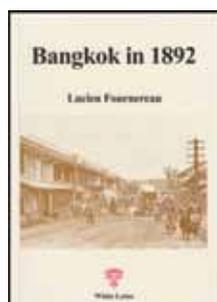
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Bangkok 2010, repr. from 1929; 218 pp., 13 pp. illus., 150 x 215 mm, pbk.

Forty, C.H.; **Bangkok: Its Life and Sport**

This book is a good guide of the late 1920s for newcomers in Thailand when Bangkok had a population of 450 000 inhabitants. The first three chapters deal with all aspects of life in Bangkok and the rural area in central Thailand as perceived

by the author, a Lieut.-Col. of the British army who was considered to be worth knowing. He served as governor for two years at Koh Pai, an island that was also used for penal purposes. In the remaining chapters, the author deals with all aspects of hunting, mainly snipe. Several chapters are devoted to guns, loading and handling them, to kit and ammunition, etc. In a humorous tongue in cheek way he deals with mishaps, avoidable and unavoidable, children, buffalos, bulls, snakes, snakebites, antidotes, cobras, criminals, gun robbery and strangers. He describes how he was robbed of his rifle, thrown into a ditch and left for dead. He narrates an incident when a young boy and girl were hidden in the bushes while they were fishing and he accidentally shot the boy with some pellets while aiming at snipes. He describes the reaction of the father, "Well Sir", said the father, a burly farmer, "I should not have minded so much if you had only shot the girl, but that other one is a boy and I want him to help me on the farm later on". The last chapter deals with the islands Koh Sichang, Koh Kram, and Koh Pai in all their aspects, including the hunting of monitor lizards. The description of events and people is enjoyable to read even if one is not a hunter.



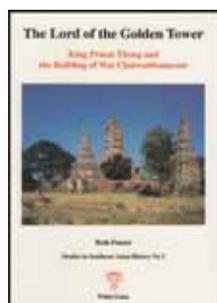
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Bangkok 1999, first English trans. of 1894; 179 pp., illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Fournereau, Lucien; **Bangkok in 1892**

This overview covers a great number of aspects of Siamese life, of the common people as well as of royalty and high officialdom. Bangkok's great celebration and the sordid details of its pollution

and body disposal problems as well as politically tainted descriptions of the state of feudalism and slavery in the kingdom are discussed by a French colonialist. The great buildings and the significance of the main state ceremonies held in them are discussed and illustrated with colorful details. The book's descriptions are greatly enhanced by more than fifty engravings, each a masterpiece of a craft that was about to disappear though it rivaled photography in the richness of its details and refinement.



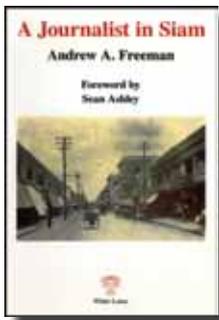
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Bangkok 1996, 152 pp., 20 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Fouser, Beth; **The Lord of the Golden Tower: King Prasat Thong and the Building of Wat Chaiwatthanaram**

This book is a study of symbols of power and legitimacy. King Prasat Thong, a usurper, attempted to justify his claim to the throne of Ayutthaya

by reviving at Wat Chaiwatthanaram the Khmer-influenced *prang* in a form that had not been used for two hundred years. The author explores the cultural, historic, political and religious context from which Wat Chaiwatthanaram emerged. She describes its functions on religious and political levels and the interrelationships between Buddhism and kingship and related conceptions of legitimacy. Prasat Thong followed King Ramathibodhi, the venerated founder of Ayutthaya, who had used the *prang* in his architecture. At Wat Chaiwatthanaram the *prang*, along with other unusual features, such as the eight conical men (*meru*), the large crowned Buddha images, and the twelve stucco relief panels, together created a unified visual statement designed to proclaim his ultimate right to reign as King.

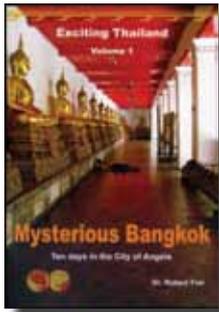


ISBN 978-974-4801-13-5
WL Order Code 22 551
US\$20.00

Bangkok 2007, repr. from 1928; 354 pp., 3 pp. illus., 148 x 210 mm, pbk.

Freeman, Andrew; **A Journalist in Siam**
 This book is an account of Andrew Freeman's time spent at *The Bangkok Daily Mail*, an English language newspaper published in Siam during the 1920s. Freeman is asked by King Pradjadhipok

himself to take over as editor and encounters a world where pride is the name of the game for Bangkok's small community of foreigners, where the local police department has a direct hand in the trafficking of Chinese women, and love struggles against powerful social forces which seek to keep men and women from different cultures apart.

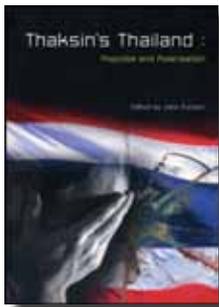


ISBN 978-616-9056-40-9
WL Order Code N3514
US\$27.00

Bangkok 2010, 390 pp., illus., 30 pp. in col., 2 pp. maps, 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Frei, Dr. Robert; **Mysterious Bangkok: Ten Days in the City of Angels. Exciting Thailand, Vol. 1**

Mysterious Bangkok is a lovingly-written cultural and historical city guide which portrays the citizens of Bangkok with heartfelt sensitivity and as such is intended to contribute towards a mutual understanding between our cultures.

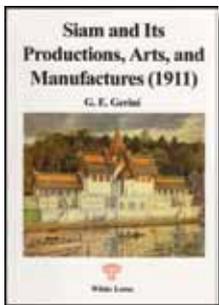


ISBN 978-611-5510-20-7
WL Order Code N3529
US\$13.00

Bangkok 2009, 145 pp., 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Funston, John (ed.); **Thaksin's Thailand: Populism and Polarisation**

This report was published by the Institute of Security and International Studies at Chulalongkorn University in co-operation with the National Thai Studies Centre of the Australian National University and brings together six papers on the former prime minister's governments. The papers include expositions on politics under Thaksin, the Thai economy and the elections in 2005, an alternative understanding of the conflict in south Thailand, and papers on foreign policy with special emphasis on the 2004 free trade agreement between Australia and Thailand.



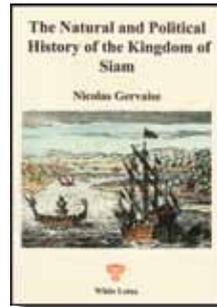
ISBN 978-974-7534-14-6
WL Order Code 22 121
US\$28.00

Bangkok 1999, repr. from 1912; 440 pp., illus., 1 folded map, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Gerini, G.E.; **Siam and Its Productions, Arts, and Manufactures (1911)**

This is the descriptive catalog of the Siamese Section at the International Exhibition of Industry and Labor held in Turin in 1911. Under King Chulalongkorn Siam promoted modernization and trade, and in 1904 had already participated in the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis. The aim was to show the world that Siam was a worthy modern trading partner. Compiled by different experts, this book provides a wealth of information, not readily available to the public. It covers trade products and manufactures as well as selected services in the entertainment sector, such as theater, sports, and, horse-racing, and even educational services in commerce. There is also a section on Siamese-Italian relations. The English edition of 1912, reprinted here, is a revised and updated version of the original Italian exhibition catalog. It also contains the results of the exhibition: prizes awarded to the exhibitors in the Siamese Pavilion, for example A. Berli & Co. for benzoin and gutta-percha, G. Pappayanopolos for cigarettes,

and the East Asiatic Co., Ltd. for timber wood, pepper, and gutta-percha. Various statistical tables, lists of awardees, Siamese plant names and, especially, its elaborate index make this book a very valuable research tool.

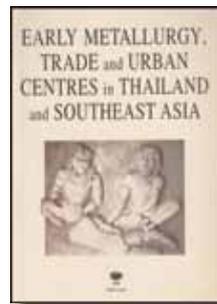


ISBN 978-974-8496-61-0
WL Order Code 21 359
US\$36.00

Bangkok 1997, English trans. from 1688; 240 pp., illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Gervaise, Nicolas; **The Natural and Political History of the Kingdom of Siam**

This new edition, with a preface by John Villiers, of the most exhaustive seventeenth century description of Thailand is illustrated with rare prints and maps. It is the result of the establishment of diplomatic relations during the reign of King Narai and is a much more detailed work than any of the score of French accounts of Siam produced by the members of the embassies of the 1680s to that country. Gervaise's work has been used by Simon de La Loubère to prepare his own account.

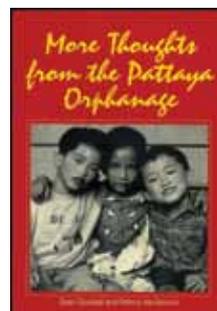


ISBN 978-974-8495-76-7
WL Order Code 21 587
US\$27.00

Bangkok 1992, 231 pp., illus., 150 x 210 mm

Glover, Ian, Pornchai Suchitta & John Villiers; **Early Metallurgy, Trade and Urban Centres in Thailand and Southeast Asia**

This collection of thirteen archaeological essays is based on papers originally presented to a research conference on early Southeast Asia held in Bangkok and Nakorn Pathom in April 1985. The papers have been revised and brought up-to-date by the authors. The 1985 Bangkok Conference was a continuation of the 1973 London Colloquy which resulted in the volume *Early Southeast Asia* (Smith & Watson, eds.).



ISBN 978-974-2280-18-5
WL Order Code 22 317
US\$13.00

Pattaya 2002, 162 pp., illus., 145 x 215 mm

Gotsell, Sean & Patrick McGeown; **More Thoughts from the Pattaya Orphanage**

This is the sequel to *Thoughts from the Pattaya Orphanage* with photographs of children rescued and cared for by the orphanage. The brief introduction outlines the work of the orphanage over the past 30 years. Proceeds from the book will be used to help the orphanage.

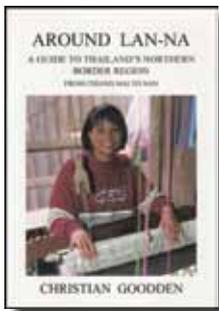


ISBN 978-974-7534-54-2
WL Order Code 22 187
US\$36.00

Bangkok 2000, 160 pp., fully illus., 32 pp. illus. in col., 210 x 290 mm, pbk.

Goethe-Institut Bangkok, **Thai Artists and 'The Goethe'—Forty Years of Cultural Interaction**

This book celebrates the Goethe-Institut Bangkok's 40th year of the well established and fruitful Thai-German cultural relationship. Contributions from artists, both in visual and performing arts, and musicians highlight the role played by the Goethe-Institut in furthering their careers and the various benefits provided by the Institute to Thai artistic and cultural life. The book provides impressions of changing architecture, life, culture and society in Bangkok, amply illustrated with numerous photographs, and artists' works highlighting today's art scene. Extracts from the archives of Thai-German relations provide fascinating details of the mutual impact and benefit of this relationship.

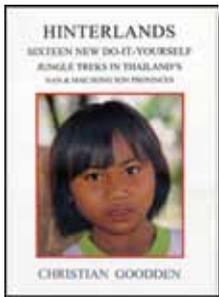


ISBN 978-095-2738-31-7
WL Order Code 22 047
US\$25.00

Halesworth 1999, 434 pp., illus., 36 pp. illus., partly in col., 32 maps, 148 x 210 mm, pbk.

Goodden, Christian; **Around Lan-Na. A Guide to Thailand's Northern Border Region, from Chiang Mai to Nan**

This book is a narrative and cultural guide describing an arc around Thailand's north-western and north-eastern borders with Burma and Laos. It maps out an exciting frontier journey from Chiang Mai to Nan, taking in the KMT Chinese outposts of Nong Ook and Mae Salong, the recently vacated opium warlord territories of Hin Taek and Doi Larn, Mae Sai and the "Golden Triangle", the ancient Mekong river-front towns of Chiang Saen and Chiang Khong, the Tai Lue weaving village of Huai Khon, and a swathe of remote mountainous jungle extending down the Lao border as far as Bo Bia. On the way, the text features separate exemplary in-depth cultural-historical accounts of the KMT, the Communist insurgency, the demise of opium baron Khun Sa, the weaving of the Tai Lue people, Nan's temple murals, salt extraction at Bo Glua, Thailand's recent economic crash, and the history of Lan-Na, of Chiang Mai, and Chiang Saen, as well as accounts of several minority peoples, including the Wa, Akha, Hmong, Yao, Tai Lue, Palaung, Lua (Htin), and the "Stone Age" Mrabri or "Spirits of the Yellow Leaves". The book is the most comprehensive and authoritative overview of this whole fascinating region available.

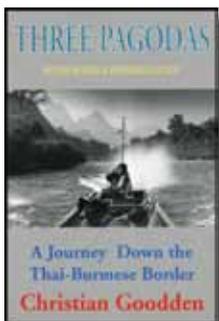


ISBN 978-095-2738-33-3
WL Order Code 22 382
US\$27.00

Halesworth 2001, 416 pp., 32 pp. illus., 16 pp. in col., 1 map, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Goodden, Christian; **Hinterlands: Sixteen New Do-It-Yourself Jungle Treks in Thailand's Nan & Mae Hong Son Provinces**

This follow up guide profiles 16 exciting new do-it-yourself treks that independent travelers can launch in the mountains, jungle and forests of Thailand's north. The majority of the trips, which range from short easy rambles to challenging 3-day adventures, are done on foot, but many can be carried out by motorbike or bicycle, or by a combination of walking and riding. The book focuses on two areas in northern Thailand: the undiscovered hinterlands of Nan and Mae Hong Son towns. Here, the expeditions almost all take place in the beautiful and impressive conservation zones of Nan's Doi Pu Kha National Park and Mae Hong Son's Mae Surin Waterfall National Park. The trips provide ample scope for 'Rambo' adventuring, dirt riding, camping wild in exemplary jungle, marching over remote mountain ridges, and experiencing the local hill-tribe peoples and their culture. Some hikes are suitable for more modest travelers new to trekking in Thailand. In Nan readers can climb Doi Pu Kha, the province's highest mountain, also ascend imposing Mount Pu Wae, ride the long exhilarating northern and southern national park loops, stay at Doi Pu Kha National Park HQ, penetrate to jungle-bound River Pua Waterfall, and hike down the Thai-Lao border ridge through elevated Lua (Htin) settlements. In Mae Hong Son they can scale Doi Pui, the province's highest peak, admire Piang Fah Cliff, stay in isolated Karen settlements, and hear the cries of gibbons and great hornbills.



ISBN 978-095-2738-34-3
WL Order Code 22 286
US\$28.00

Bangkok 2002, expanded rev. ed.; 307 pp., 24 pp. illus., 12 pp. in col., 2 maps, 155 x 235 mm, pbk.

Goodden, Christian; **Three Pagodas: A Journey Down the Thai-Burmese Border** is an account of a remarkable 1,500 km journey through the mountainous jungle of the Thai-Burmese border, from Chiang Dao in the north to the Three Pagodas Pass in the south. The book describes what it is like to make one's way through this remote troubled terrain, inhabited by insurgent guerrilla groups, warlords, drug traffickers, hill tribes, and rare minority peoples. With an eye for the telling minutiae of travel and the poetry of the moment, the author provides

had reorganized the government along more Western, functional lines. The new King wanted to bring to Thailand many of those institutions and practices he had observed in Britain. Accordingly, he created associations, started social clubs and promoted Western forms of literature while urging the Thais to rally around

a snapshot of the way of life of these peoples, recording the impact on them of the far-reaching changes sweeping Thailand at the turn of the millennium. Here the reader rubs shoulders with Chinese KMT refugees, striking Padaung "long-neck" and Kayaw "long-ear" women, the dwindling ancient Lawa race, a jungle demigod and the last Wa king, or visits mysterious "Spirit Well", Karen rebel GHQ in Burma, and "Death Highway"... The travelogue culminated in a 2-week trailblazing adventure through 200 kms of unmapped jungle from Urn Pang to the famous Three Pagodas. Written in an evocative anecdotal style and enlivened by the often-absurd humor of the situation, the story is supported by 30 personally researched maps, exemplary in-depth cultural / historical accounts, and 75 stunning photographs. For armchair traveler and traveler on the ground alike, *Three Pagodas* looks set to remain the definitive description of a complex fascinating region for many more years. This second revised & expanded edition preserves the original text, but updates the story and politico-cultural position chapter-by-chapter in a series of postscripts, at the same time adding much new material. Redoing the journey wherever possible, the author took fresh photographs, actualized the maps, and gathered travel information for readers wishing to retrace parts of the expedition.



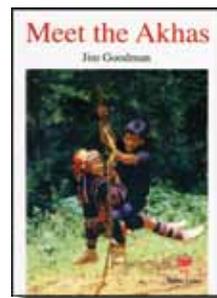
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Bangkok 1999, 452 pp., 36 pp. illus., mostly in col., 50 maps, 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Goodden, Christian; **Trek It Yourself in Northern Thailand : Twenty-Five Solo Jungle Treks on Foot and by Motorcycle**

This is the first and only thoroughgoing guide to do-it-yourself trekking in northern Thailand. The book provides detailed accounts and 50 maps of

25 treks in the provinces of Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Nan, and Mae Hong Son. Indeed, if all the suggested variations on the trips are included, it outlines up to 100 expeditions. The treks range from a 2-hour picnic stroll to a waterfall to extreme jungle adventure lasting 4 to 5 days. Most are undertaken on foot, but, where appropriate, some are better carried out by motorbike or even mountain bike. The book guides the reader up Doi Pahom Pok and Doi Chiang Dao, tells how to scale Doi Pu Wae and trek in Nan's Doi Phu Kha National Park, and describes walking the old "Old Elephant Trail" between Mae Hong Son and Chiang Mai. It advises how to hire Lua, Karen, and Wa guides on the spot and suggests what equipment and food to take. There are thumbnail sketches of the various hill-tribe peoples met. This unique book will appeal to independent eco-conscious travelers seeking to explore solo Lan-Na's mountains and forests, as well as to aspiring Rambos or Tarzans wanting to strike out into the jungle on their own.



ISBN 978-974-4801-15-9
WL Order Code 22 560
US\$22.00

Bangkok 2008, 196 pp., 48 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Goodman, Jim; **Meet the Akhas**

A comprehensive introduction to the Akha hill tribals of Northern Thailand and their way of life includes a language section to enable you to talk to your hosts.



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WL Order Code 22 063
US\$20.00

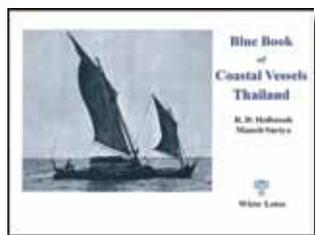
Bangkok 1999, 240 pp., 1 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Greene, Stephen L.W.; **Absolute Dreams: Thai Government under Rama VI, 1910- 1925**

This monograph examines the troubled reign of the nation's first Western-educated monarch. King Vajiravudh had great expectations of power when he ascended the throne because his father

had reorganized the government along more Western, functional lines. The new King wanted to bring to Thailand many of those institutions and practices he had observed in Britain. Accordingly, he created associations, started social clubs and promoted Western forms of literature while urging the Thais to rally around

nation, king and religion. It soon became evident that the King's efforts were not creating the desired unity. Members of the royal family began quarreling with him soon after his coronation and a coup d'état among junior military officers was uncovered two years into his reign. The King also tried to wrestle with other chronic problems in his government. The Ministry of the Interior's predominant position in the bureaucracy was a constant source of conflict that led to numerous department reshuffles. No matter how creative these efforts, the essential problem always was the bureaucrats, not the bureaucratic structures. Thai government was, more than anything else, an exercise in personal aggrandizement.

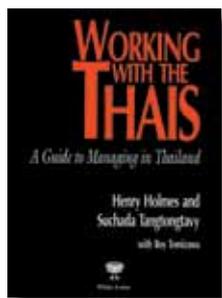


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WL Order Code 22 158
US\$48.00

Bangkok 2000, repr. from 1967; 454 pp., fully illus., 280 x 220 mm

Holbrook, R.D. & Manob Suriya;
The Blue Book of Coastal Vessels—Thailand

This reprint presents an exhaustive study of the wooden-hulled fishing boats in the Gulf of Thailand and in the Andaman Sea. It was originally designed as an identification aid for military personnel to locate suspicious boats during the Vietnam War period. But this book is much wider in scope. It provides a wealth of information to researchers in marine studies: boat types, technical data, fish species available in the gulf, etc. Many things may have changed with the decline of fish stocks due to over-fishing, destruction of mangroves, or pollution. The first part of the book gives the history and religious influences on boat operations, fishing areas and techniques. The second part describes the classes and types of wooden-hulled coastal vessels. This book is an indispensable tool for anyone who wants to make comparative studies of the coastal fishing industry or boat building in the region.

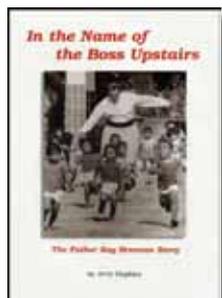


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WL Order Code 21 808
US\$17.00

Bangkok 1995, 5nd. repr. from 1998, 158 pp., 130 x 200 mm, pbk.

Holmes, Henry & Suchada Tangtongtavy, with Roy Tomizawa; **Working with the Thais**
Of course we're the same. We see. We hear. We enjoy. We hate. We fight. We love. We want the best for our families. We may not all speak the

same language, but when it gets down to the crunch, we can all communicate and cooperate. You want to be happy? Fine, do so! You need my help to be happy? Good, let's see what we can do. People are the same wherever you go—from Pretoria to Paris, from Mexico City to Bangkok. Well, if we are so similar, why do foreigners complain so often about working with the Thais? And why do Thais frequently find foreigners so arrogant and exasperating? All people may see and hear and fear and enjoy, but it's very possible that we aren't seeing and hearing and fearing and enjoying in the same way as they are. I can bow, but I refuse to demean myself. I can restrain my anger, but I refuse to idly watch injustice being done. I can physically consume that food, but it is not what civilized people eat. In the end, our fundamental goals in life must be remarkably similar. But it is in the means we use to reach these goals that the differences emerge. And it is at this level, more importantly than at the superficial level of social do's and don'ts, where the opportunities lie for us to develop understanding, respect, and the effective relationships we seek between ourselves and our Thai colleagues.



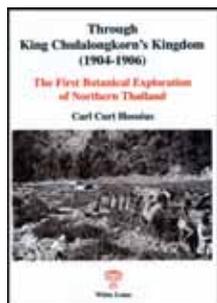
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WL Order Code 22 424
US\$20.00

Bangkok 2004, 326 pp., 14 pp. illus., 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Hopkins, Jerry; **In the Name of the Boss Upstairs: The Father Ray Brennan Story**
The Pattaya Orphanage made Father Ray Brennan a famous man who was praised by religious leaders and honored by Thailand's royal family and governments around the world. Still, he never

abandoned the gruff voice he claimed came from the tough Chicago South Side, nor surrendered his childlike love of practical jokes and ice cream. This biography was authorized by the priest's family and the Father Ray Foundation, and all proceeds from its sale go to pay the cost of higher education for the children in the

schools and homes he founded. However, it was agreed that no punches would be pulled in telling Father Ray's story and an internationally recognized biographer was charged with the writing. Allegations of pedophilia, which surfaced near the end of the priest's life, are fully examined. Father Ray emerges as a human being with a special mission from the Boss Upstairs.

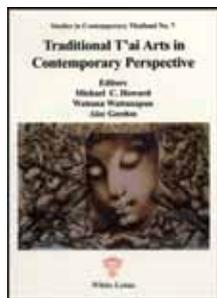


ISBN 978-974-7534-56-6
WL Order Code 22 236
US\$28.00

Bangkok 2001, first English trans. of 1912; 388 pp., 63 pp. illus., 1 map, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Hosséus, Carl Curt; **Through King Chulalongkorn's Kingdom (1904-1906): The First Botanical Exploration of Northern Thailand**
This is the report of a German expedition conducted by Dr. Carl Curt Hosséus to northern Siam in 1904-1906. The author was a professional

botanist and aimed to explore the still virgin forest stands and jungles in such mountainous regions as the Wang Chao area and the Khao Phra Dang mountains of Tak province, the Mae Ping river valley, Doi Suthep, Doi Inthanon, and Doi Chiang Dao in Chiang Mai province, Muang Fang, Chiang Sen and its ancient temples, the road from Chiang Sen to Chiang Rai, and the Huay Sai-Chiang Kong region on the Mekong. There are numerous discoveries of new plant species, as could be expected, and extensive commentary on local environments of vegetation associations. The author does not stop there but offers insights into the local situation of various tribes such as the Shan and Mussoer and the former's insurrections against central rule, the waning power of local rulers, the old chaos, and the operations of large logging companies, such as the East Asiatic Company, the destruction of the environment by forest fires, the operations of American missionaries in the north, budding French administration in French Laos, the development of a modern upcountry corps of gendarmes under Danish leadership, and the growing trade interests of Britain and Germany. This straightforward and detailed report shows us the problems associated with mounting an expedition, even one with limited objectives and with only one foreigner. The local flavor of villages and towns is colorfully described and illustrated with more than ninety period photographs.



ISBN 978-974-8434-28-5
WL Order Code 22 026
US\$32.00

Bangkok 1998, 251 pp., 72 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Howard, Michael C., Wattana Wattanapun & Alec Gordon (eds.), **Traditional T'ai Arts in Contemporary Perspective**
Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 7

The papers contained in this book examine a variety of forms of artistic expression, including weaving and fashion, carving, painting, and dancing, as well as boxing. The chapters are written by academics and artists and the volume as a whole reflects a blending of the perspectives of those who study the arts and those who practice them. While the focus is on the arts of T'ai peoples in Thailand, attention is also paid to T'ais in the neighboring countries of Laos, Burma, China, and Vietnam. Such a geographical spread reflects a growing interest in the comparative study of T'ai-speaking peoples living in different political and social settings in an effort to better understand common themes in T'ai culture and how it has evolved throughout the region. The chapters are accompanied by ninety-three color photographs that provide a pictorial survey of the forms of artistic expression among T'ai peoples.

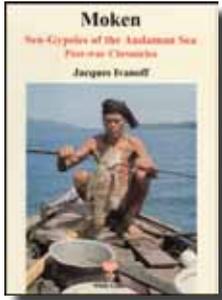


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WL Order Code 2638
US\$18.00

Bangkok 1968, repr. from 2002 with additional historical maps and prints; 1 94 pp., 51 pp. illus., 135 x 210 mm, pbk.

Hutchinson, E.W.; **1688 Revolution in Siam**
This book describes the 1688 revolution which ended the first European attempts to penetrate the kingdom. King Narai of Siam, a sick man even before the outbreak, died two months later a prisoner in this own palace at Lopburi—displaced but nominally "King". The revolution was followed by the re-

versal of an unpopular foreign policy—dependence upon France, and at the same time, a severe rebuff was administered to King Louis XIV's advisers who aspired to subvert the national religion in Siam by attempting to convert the King to Roman Catholicism.



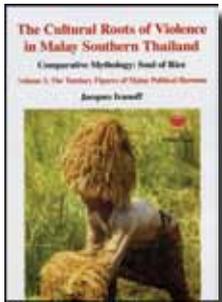
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Bangkok 1997, 169 pp., illus., 24 pp. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Ivanoff, Jacques; **Moken: Sea Gypsies of the Andaman Sea**

The book contains accounts of the nomads who live in the Mergui Archipelago of southern Burma and adjacent Thai territories. This minority of the

northern branch of the Austronesian peoples have a very distinctive and peculiar culture. Most of the year they live on their boats but do not fish. During the rainy season they live on land, grow some plants, but are not avid cultivators and make little use of their agricultural produce. They developed a strong cultural identity but are nevertheless adapting to a changing environment. For outsiders, the functioning of their society is difficult to understand and still has its mysteries. The closing of Burma after 1948 prevented further research. These post-war chronicles, supplemented by a host of rare photographs, shed some light on this unique group deserving of a special place in the pantheon of ethnic minorities.



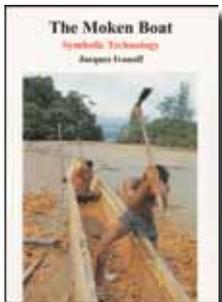
ISBN 978-974-4801-62-3
WL Order Code 22 643
US\$ 28.00

Bangkok 2010, 358 pp., 57 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Ivanoff, Jacques; **The Cultural Roots of Violence in Malay Southern Thailand**

This book gives a voice to the Malays of southern Thailand by offering readers a rich and original corpus of their oral literature. The storyteller Wo Seng is the guardian of the Malay oral tradition. It

is thanks to him that the great South (Patani, Yala, and Narathiwat Provinces) has been able to preserve an identity free of the influence of communists, separatists, and fundamentalists that ensured a privileged relationship with the supernatural and scared world. If this identity, as expressed in rice rituals, paintings on the hulls of boats and the performance and representations of sacred theatres, were to be abandoned as a result of seduction by political discourses and preconceived ideas, the reality of a complex and culturally rich ground might be lost. These people of the South, although largely misunderstood or ignored by the outside world, have nevertheless always been able to adapt themselves to the surrounding Chinese and Buddhist world. It is only by trying to decipher the ideological foundations of the culture of the Malay inhabitants of southern Thailand that one can envisage the possibility of one day putting an end to the acute tensions they now suffer.



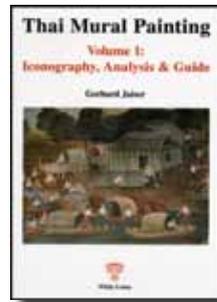
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WL Order Code 22 075
US\$33.00

Bangkok 1999, 180 pp., fully illus., partly in col., 210 x 290 mm, pbk.

Ivanoff, Jacques; **The Moken Boat: Symbolic Technology**

This is the first comprehensive study of the boats of the sea-gypsies of the Andaman Sea from Surin Island in Southern Thailand to Ross Island in Burma. The traditional Moken boat has been a cause

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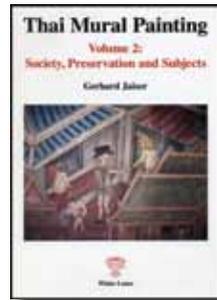
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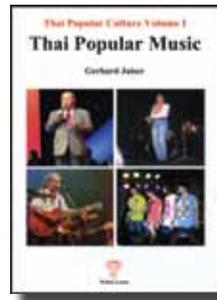
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Jaiser, Gerhard; **Thai Mural Painting, Vol. 2: Society, Preservation and Subjects**

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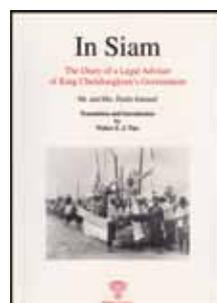


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become more politically aware. Music plays an extremely important role in Thai society. This study gives a comprehensive overview of the development of Thai popular music since the 1930s and an in-depth look at the principal different musical styles. It also provides an analysis of popular music as a mirror of different social groups in Thai society. Translations and interpretations of a selection of seventy-seven representative songs are given. An annotated index of artists can serve as a basic dictionary, and an accompanying Youtube channel features performances of all the music discussed in the book. Further volumes on other aspects of Thai popular culture will follow.



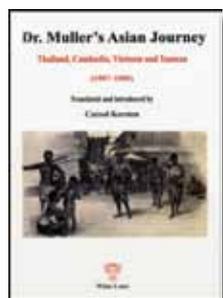
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In Siam is a travelogue by Émile Jottrand and his wife. Jottrand was a Belgian assistant legal adviser in the Siamese Ministry of Justice during the

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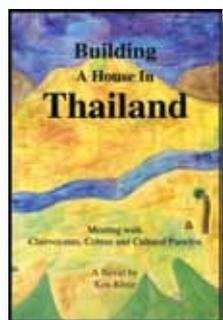
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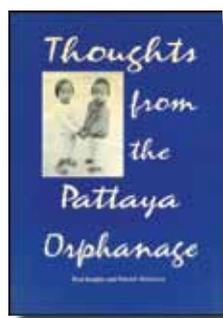
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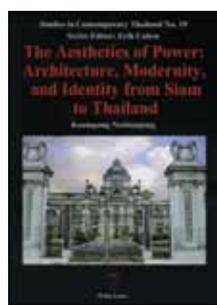


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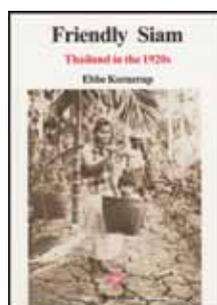


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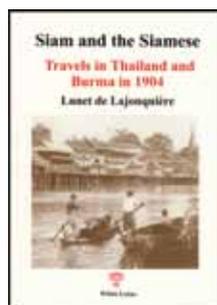
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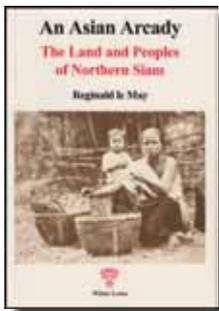
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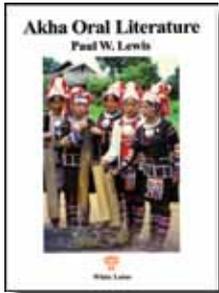




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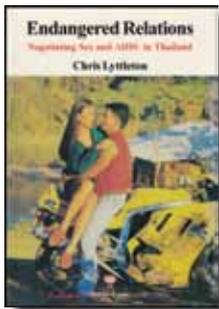


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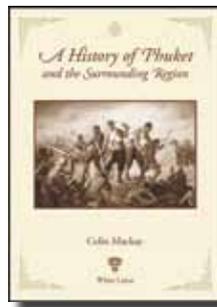
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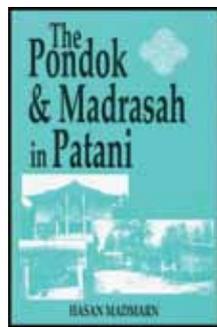


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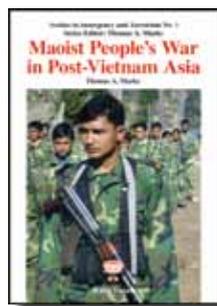
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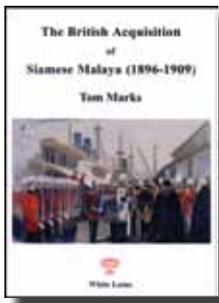
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Marks, Tom; **Maoist People's War in Post Vietnam Asia**

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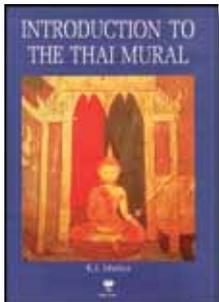
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Marks, Tom; **The British Acquisition of Siamese Malaya (1896-1909)**

The book tells the story of the political maneuvering by Bangkok and London for possession of key semi-independent states on the Malay Peninsula. The book starts with the Anglo-Siamese Secret

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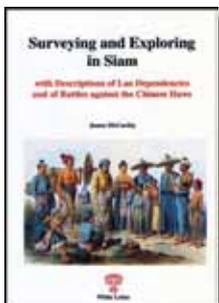
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Matics, K.I.; **Introduction to the Thai Mural**

Although Thai murals have been the subject of some studies in western languages, it is rare, indeed, that one encounters a study that reveals the rich cultural and historical tapestry interwoven

throughout the art of Buddhist temples in Thailand. Dr Matics's study guides the reader through the complexities of Thai artistry, providing vivid descriptions of styles, techniques, origins, themes and mediums. Regrettably, many of the murals depicted are no longer in existence: hence, this book is a valuable historical record of Thai murals.



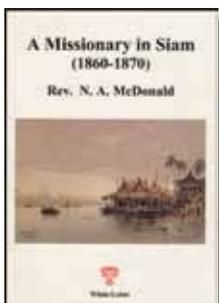
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surveying efforts. James McCarthy was the Siamese Government adviser who took on the bewildering task of defining exactly what Siam's territories were. From 1881 to 1893 he struggled in the jungles of Northern Siam and present-day Laos against fever and lack of food, and against the pillaging Chinese Haw bandits, to produce the first map of Siam made to scale. Here is a rich world of information about the small states and peoples in Siam's Lao dependencies, and on the early movements and trading of the hill tribes. McCarthy was a privileged eye-witness to the violent definitive settlement with the Chinese Haw and to the opening up of Siam's interior to trade and development.



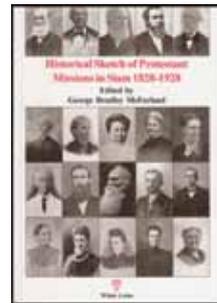
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McDonald, Rev. N.A.; **A Missionary in Siam (1860-1870)**

This missionary presents a down-to-earth account of life in Siam in the 1860s: it is valuable source material as there are very few descriptions of

Siam by foreigners during that period. Most especially is this true for the coronation of King Chulalongkorn as only a handful of non-Siamese were permitted to witness this auspicious occasion. The reader learns about Thailand's past, forgotten events, customs and habits, some of which have disappeared. On the other hand, details raised here indicate that Thai society and culture have not changed as much during the past century as European and American societies have. The book is illustrated with prints from the 1850s and 1860s.



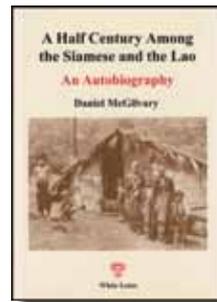
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McFarland, George Bradley (ed.); **Historical Sketch of Protestant Missions in Siam 1828-1928**

The book was the only general study of Protestant church history in Thailand until the publication

of Wells's *History of Protestant Work* in 1958. But Wells's book supplements McFarland's rather than replacing it, leaving the *Historical Sketch* as the most important introduction to its subject. A new introduction and commentary assist the reader in using McFarland's work by providing additional information and insights into its historical context, perspectives, and reliability. The book also provides background information for readers of nineteenth-century reports on Siam describing the missionaries and their services to the community in hospitals, leprosaria, schools, and other institutions. The volume also includes a specially commissioned bibliography of the Protestant Church in Thailand.



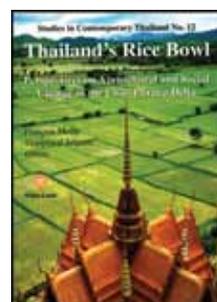
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McGilvary, Daniel; **A Half Century Among the Siamese and the Lao**

This is the autobiography of Daniel McGilvary (1828-1911) who looms large in the history of Protestant Christianity in Thailand. His main field of activity was in Chiang Mai, setting up the Lao

Mission in 1867, from where he played a leading part in the major political, economic and socio-cultural changes in the North, in education, medicine, the role of women and the incorporation of the northern principalities into the nation state of Siam. From 1870 he traveled extensively, laying the foundations for Christian communities and future missions. Herbert R. Swanson provides a comprehensive introduction, which also portrays McGilvary's background within the centuries long tradition of religious thought. His own can be described as: American Presbyterian coupled with Scottish common sense and a warm hearted engagement in Protestant evangelism and revivalism.



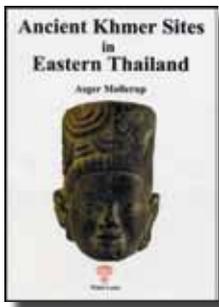
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Bangkok 2003, 460 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Molle, François & Thippawal Srijantr (eds.); **Thailand's Rice Bowl: Perspectives on Social and Agricultural Change in the Chao Phraya Delta**

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This is a collection of papers by several researchers describing the dramatic changes affecting the Chao Phraya Delta. Traditional rice mono-cropping has given way to more intensive and diversified agrarian systems. Villages of rice farmers are being replaced by a post-agrarian society of rural entrepreneurs and urban-rural migrants. Economic and cultural boundaries between city and village are blurred. The delta is no longer a traditional "rice bowl" but a premonition of changes enveloping Thailand as a whole. The book surveys these changes over the range of agrarian systems, water usage, resource management, community impact, social changes, and political implications.



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Møllerup, Asger; **Ancient Khmer Sites in Eastern Thailand**

Ancient Khmer Sites in Eastern Thailand This book is the first comprehensive inventory of ancient Khmer sites in eastern Thailand since the

now more than one century-old works of Étienne Aymonier, Étienne Lunet de Lajonquière, and Major Erik Seidenfaden, describing ninety-six sites in the provinces of Chanthaburi, Chonburi, Chachoengsao, Prachinburi, and Sra Kaeo. Museums and temples in the area exhibiting Khmer artifacts. Quarries, ancient moated sites, and ancient routes are described as well. Location, era, and orientation are presented together with a short description about the site, inscriptions, associated water structures such as moats, small ponds (*sra*), larger basins (*baray*), nearby rivers, and geographical context. The attached CD contains some 3,000 color photographs and satellite images. The appendices introduce *The Indian Circle*, an ancient method of determining the cardinal directions, and reveal the results of the author's GPS-based field research about archaeo-astronomy in Thailand, Laos and Cambodia based on some 400 temples.

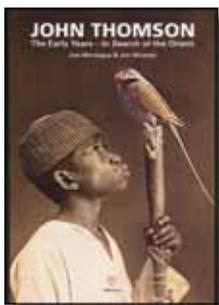


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US\$33.00 Bangkok 2005, 338 pp., 1 pp. map, 210 x 295 mm, pbk., 1 MP3 CD-ROM

Møllerup, Asger; **Thai-Isan-Lao Phrasebook (With MP3 Sound Tracks on CD-ROM)** This phrasebook is the first comprehensive book to teach the Thai, Isan, and Lao languages simultaneously. The languages are tonal, and there is also a CD-ROM in MP3 available that makes

it easier to get acquainted with the tones. The book aims at: a) beginners, who want to know the basics of the languages; b) students who might know most of the vocabulary already but want to learn to read and write and determine tones; c) advanced students, who already know Thai and want to know Isan or Lao, and d) the people of Isan, who want to read and write Lao, and the people of Laos, who want to read and write Thai.



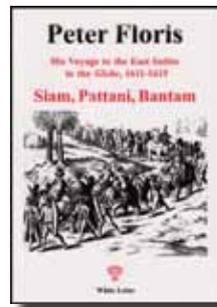
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Bangkok 2014, 247 pp., illus., 225 x 300 mm, pbk.

Montague, Joel & Jim Mizerski; **John Thomson: The Early Years - in Search of the Orient**

John Thomson: The Early Years - In Search of the Orient Presents the early work of one of the greatest figures of nineteenth century photojournalism, the very first man to photograph the exotic and overpowering ruins of Angkor Wat in Cambodia.

Born in Edinburgh in 1837, Thomson started his photography career in Singapore, Penang and the Malay Peninsula before photographing royalty and exploring architecture in Siam, Cambodia and Vietnam. While Thomson is best known for the photographs of China and London taken in his later years, the foundations of his success were the less well known images that he took in Southeast Asia and Hong Kong. Thomson biographer Stephen White has noted that Thomson's photographs are "Valued for their intrinsic qualities - the beauty of their imagery, their vivid sense of immediacy and their unconventional approach to composition." This book not only shows (in some cases for the first time) Thomson's earliest work, but republishes in its entirety his first book, *The Antiquities of Cambodia*, which revealed the ruins of Angkor Wat and the Bayon as they were almost one hundred and fifty years ago. That rare but seminal 1867 volume has never been republished until now.



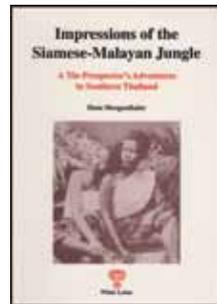
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Bangkok 2002, repr. from 1934; 234 pp., 2 maps, 1 folded, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Moorland, W.H. (ed.); **Peter Floris: His Voyage to the East Indies in the *Globe*, 1611- 1615: Siam, Pattani, Bantam**

This reprint provides an account of a trading mission on behalf of the British East India Company, the *Globe* being the first English vessel to take

part in trade with the Bay of Bengal, and to sail through the Straits of Malacca and of Singapore. The events described predate the later, well-known accounts of the French travelers Tachard and de La Loubère and differ in observations made. Trade being the sole objective, events and local conditions are described in terms of the market, and in parts in a modern way. For example, both the English and Dutch had local factories producing cotton cloths because markets to be visited demanded cloth with meticulous reproductions of cheap stereotyped designs. Skins and hides were purchased in Siam, the competition having taken the Japanese market for other goods. The port of Siam was then the *entrepôt* for goods brought by Chinese junks. The impact of the arrival of Dutch traders on the Portuguese interests, events in Siam itself, and local wars, including those with Burma, provide a fascinating backdrop to the risks and successes of trade, as described by the author. The *Globe* returned home after four and a half years with an added cargo of pepper and achieved a successful three for one profit, as is explained in the very informative introduction to the book.



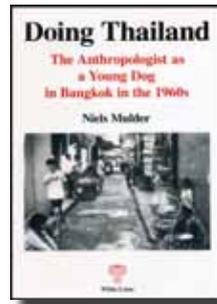
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Bangkok 1994, repr. from 1923; 248 pp., 150 x 215 mm, pbk.

Morgenthaler, Hans; **Impressions of the Siamese-Malayan Jungle: A Tin-Prospector's Adventures in Southern Thailand**

An important book on the internal turmoil and struggles of a young expatriate working in Siam. The book covers the period 1917-1920, when the

First World War is devastating Europe and many questions about the fate of humanity are raised. The book is a study in character, both of expatriate behavior and of Siamese rural people that may be compared to the now famous *A Woman of Bangkok* in its focus on the discovery of Eastern womanhood. Hans Morgenthaler's often witty, soul-searching writing, published in the first Swiss edition, was so controversial that the British version was censored. The censored pages, recovered in the introduction, though innocent today, clearly reflect the flavor of the time as does the whole work-atmosphere of this geologist exploring Southern Siam for tin and gold. The exploration of the vast wealth that tin-mining promised and also delivered later in the south, was a source of deadly conflicts in which the young man soon found himself entangled. While the work of this geologist clearly drives him to his beloved, lonely jungle rivers, nowhere are the clashing values of a Westerner, confronted constantly with willing Siamese, clearer than in his loving words about the village people. As a character study of a Westerner trying to cope with Eastern realities, this book is as relevant today as it was three quarters of a century ago.



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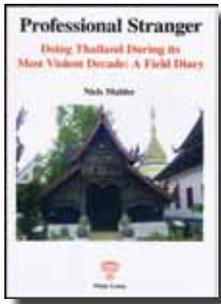
Bangkok 2008, 122 pp., 8 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Mulder, Niels; **Doing Thailand: The Anthropologist as a Young Dog in Bangkok in the 1960s**

This book recounts the often hilarious tale of an aspiring researcher who struggles to find his footing in bewildering Bangkok. Based on raw data

and experiences—that tend to lose their flavor through ivory-tower manipulation—the narrative offers glimpses on the Thai capital during the time of the Vietnam war, before the advent of traffic jams, and goes on to offer insights into the academic fashions of the day and the pitfalls of doing “field work”. At the same time, the book provides insights into things Thai that will be enlarged upon in the follow-up when the young man has grown to be a professional. A devastatingly honest account of experiences we all share and mostly gloss over.



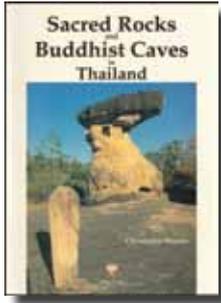


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Bangkok 2009, 210 pp., 16 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Mulder, Niels; **Professional Stranger: Doing Thailand During its Most Violent Decade. A Field Diary**

This study relates the adventure of doing anthropology in an unruly period, whose events sometimes affected the research. The story is basically concerned with the process of coming to grips with the logic of Thai life, such as formally recorded in *Everyday Life in Thailand; An Interpretation* and *Inside Thai Society*. The present narrative, however, links the insights gained directly to raw data and experiences, and so provides light-hearted and serious reading at the same time.

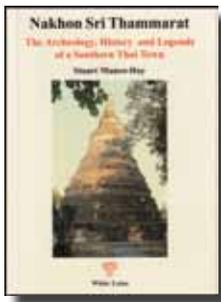


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Bangkok 1998, 278 pp., fully illus., partly in col., 210 x 290 mm, pbk.

Munier, Christophe; **Sacred Rocks and Buddhist Caves in Thailand**

This is the first comprehensive study in English of a fascinating but little-known aspect of Thai Buddhism and culture. Rocks and caves are major places of pilgrimage in Thailand and this book places these natural holy sites in their historical, cultural and religious context. Rocks are sacred because of their shapes or the Buddhas carved on them. Animist activities involving rocks started in prehistoric times and continue to this day. The earliest rocks integrated into a religious context belong to the beginning of the Dvaravati period (6th-8th centuries) that saw the birth and spread of Theravada Buddhism in what is present day Thailand. Caves have also been used as ritual places since prehistoric times and were inhabited by hermits and Buddhist monks during the Dvaravati, Sukhothai, Ayutthaya and Bangkok periods. They are adorned with mural paintings, stucco reliefs and statues. The book is lavishly illustrated with 300 plates, maps, and plans and provides practical information on how to reach these rocks and caves.

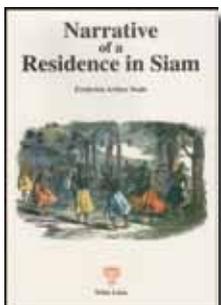


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 US\$33.00

Bangkok 2001, 525 pp., 48 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Munro-Hay, Stuart; **Nakhon Sri Thammarat: The Archeology, History, and Legends of a Southern Thai Town**

This monograph on Nakhon Sri Thammarat, previously known by its Malay name of Ligor, is one of the very few books about this neglected part of the country. The book chronicles inscriptions dating back to the arrival of the Europeans in the thirteenth century. The author collates valuable data, including most recent research, from the period of the Mon Kingdom of Dvaravati, relations with the Khmer Empire, the Kingdoms of Sukhothai, Ayutthaya, and also Bangkok. The city and its environs, inscriptions, temples, *chedis*, and shrines, and the great reliquary of Wat Phra Mahathat Woromaha Vihan are described, as are other ancient sites, religious images, and antiquities in the province. Details on the tin trade in southern Thailand, the coinage of the town, and Dutch traders' correspondence from the seventeenth century are also included.

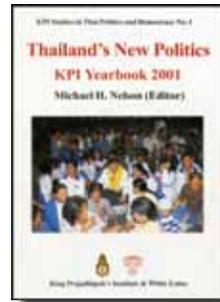


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Bangkok 1999, repr. from 1852; 266 pp., 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Neale, F.A.; **Narrative of a Residence in Siam**
 This book is a lively and humorous description of Siam of the 1840s. Most historical accounts of Thailand are either earlier in the 17th century or the latter part of the 19th century. Therefore, this

book provides a fascinating account of a little known period. The author was in the service of King Rama III and thus in an excellent position to gather inside information. Neale provides lively descriptions of marriage and funeral ceremonies, festivals, and the character of the Siamese, but also of disputes between the government of Siam and Cochinchina, trade with China, and business in Siam. Also included is a chronicle of his visit to Chantaburi. A glimpse of the understanding of early Siamese cartography is offered and the author's description of meeting with an arrogant missionary as well as his anecdotes of other lively scenes of life in Siam in the 1840s should not be missed.



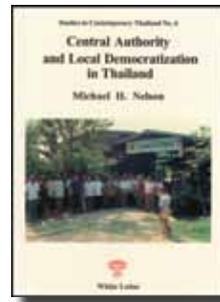
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Bangkok 2002, 543 pp., 12 pp. illus. in col., 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Nelson, Michael H. (ed.); **Thailand's New Politics: King Pradjadiphok Institute Yearbook 2001**

KPI Studies in Thai Politics and Democracy No. 1

This first KPI Yearbook 2001 looks at aspects of what has been called "political reform". Especially since the "People's Constitution" was passed in October 1997, it was assumed that Thailand was on its way to a more consolidated democracy. The authors of this volume contribute to forming a more realistic understanding of the issues involved. James R. Klein analyzes the evolution of Thailand's National Human Rights Commission between 1992 and 2001; Norbert Eschborn describes what the Konrad Adenauer Foundation contributes to Thai democracy; Philip S. Robertson, Jr. highlights the democratic role of Thai labor; Allen D. Hicken explains why Thailand has so many political parties; Marco Bunte introduces a model of democratic consolidation and applies it to the Thai situation; finally, Michael H. Nelson deals with the decentralization process and takes a close look at the election of 6 January 2001 and its aftermath. This first KPI Yearbook opens with Nobel Laureate in economics, Amartya Sen, presenting his thoughts on "The Market, Democracy, and Development". It is rounded off by documents on "good governance" and by reviews of publications about Pridi Banomyong, business and politics in provincial Thailand, and Bloody May 1992.

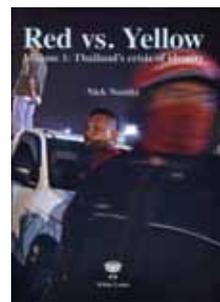


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Bangkok 1998, 346 pp., 24 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Nelson, Michael H.; **Central Authority and Local Democratization in Thailand. A Case Study from Chachoengsao Province Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 6**

The institutional aspects of bureaucratic dominance, integration of the sub-district level into the central hierarchy, the introduction of elections of sub-district and village headmen and the often neglected provincial administrative organization are emphasized. The question whether there already exists a politically aware audience, indispensable as a countervailing force to the bureaucracy, is addressed by focusing on the widely used practice of electoral influence peddling and vote-buying. These questions are treated in the context of two major political changes in Thailand: decentralization and a reform of the relationship between the political system and the citizens.



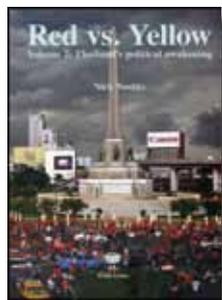
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 US\$19.00

Bangkok 2012, repr. from 2009; 160 pp., 87 pp. illus. in col., 145 x 210 mm, pbk

Nostitz, Nick; **Red vs. Yellow, Vol. 1: Thailand's Crisis of Identity**

This book describes, both in photographs and text, the political turmoil and violent street protests that took place during the first elected administration in Thailand after the 2006-2007 coup, its government led by the PPP (People Power Party) a place holder party of the TRT (Thai Rak Thai) which had been

ousted by the military coup. The anti-government and nationalist-royalist PAD (People's Alliance for Democracy) entered Government House, the seat of Thailand's cabinet, and occupied it for months, before its protests culminated in the invasion of Bangkok's airports, the dissolution of the PPP and the overthrow of the government by forces seen as sympathetic to the PAD. In the course of the year, the police, the PAD and their opponents—the Red Shirts, an alliance of government supporters and pro-democracy groups—clashed on several occasions. Incidents involving at times shocking violence laid bare Thailand's long neglected social, political and regional divisions and left it a deeply divided, unstable nation. Nick Nostitz covers this significant period of Thai History from the center of events. His articles, on which this book is based, caused considerable controversy when first published.



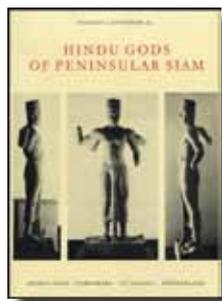
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US\$43.00

Bangkok 2011, 224 pp., fully illus. in col., 1 map, 155 x 220 mm

Nostitz, Nick; **Red vs. Yellow, Vol. 2: Thailand's Political awakening**

The second volume of Nostitz's "Red vs. Yellow" covers the protests of the Red Shirts against the Abhisit Vejjajiva government in 2009, culminating in the Songkran riots in April 2009, the defeat and eventual transformation of the Red Shirt movement into a social mass movement by autumn 2009. Nick Nostitz has also covered the other issues of that period, such as the Red Shirt's petition to the king, the founding of the Yellow Shirt "New Politics Party" and he has followed the Red Shirts to their rural heartland.

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Ascona 1972, 92 pp., 16 pp. illus., 240 x 315 mm

O'Connor, Stanley; **Hindu Gods of Peninsular Siam**

The sea-flanked strip of land that is now Peninsular Siam is impacted with the debris of history. Rich in valuable minerals, and strategically located across the sea lanes between India and China,

it was the seat of several of the earliest city-states of Southeast Asia. Later on it was part of the Malay maritime empire of Srivijaya, and later still, in the 13th century, it entered the orbit of Siam. While historical geographers have amassed a body of texts that show the vital role of the isthmus in early Asian trade, its art has received relatively little systematic study. In this book Professor O'Connor breaks new ground. After providing a general introduction to the art history of the isthmian tract, he discusses in detail a number of the most important statues of Hindu gods discovered there, several of which have not been published previously. By studying the stylistic development of this art, and comparing it with examples from India and Cambodia, he reaches new conclusions regarding its chronology and demonstrates the high level of cultural achievement of the ancient isthmian kingdoms.

Three isthmian statues of Visnu, because of their analogies with images excavated in India in a 4th-century context, now appear to be the earliest surviving representations of the god in Southeast Asia. Sculpture in the service of the Hindu religions flourished on the isthmus from the 6th to the 8th century, and there is evidence of close artistic exchanges around the Gulf of Siam as well as with India. From the 9th century on, the bulk of patronage shifted to Mahayana Buddhism, which is thought to have been the state religion of Srivijaya. But statues of Hindu gods remained a feature of isthmian life until the 11th century and later. Some of them are so closely related to Cola art that the author thinks they were either imported from South India or else produced by South Indian sculptors working in the isthmus.

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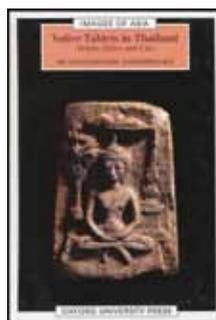


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Bangkok 1999, first English trans. of 1854; 438 pp., 1 folded map, 147 x 210 mm, pbk.

Pallegoix, Monsignor Jean-Baptiste; **Description of the Thai Kingdom or Siam: Thailand under King Mongkut**

This account gives a complete overview of the basic features of the Thai people and of Thailand during the reign of King Mongkut. The description is directed at laymen in Western countries at a time when only a few travelogues on the Orient, written by traders and missionaries, reached the West. Monsignor Jean-Baptiste Pallegoix, for many years a missionary working in Siam and later Bishop of Siam and neighboring countries, elaborates on the daily life of the Siamese and on physical features of the country, and its flora and fauna in the early 1830s. He describes the juridical and political institutions of the Thai state, including its elaborate system of nobility, and officials, serfs and slaves, its arts and crafts, and the growing agricultural production and exports of a nascent economy. As a Roman Catholic bishop he had a keen eye for the religion and history of the Thai people with respect to the likelihood of conversions to Christianity. Thai Buddhism and superstitions are treated in great detail, and the foundations and rules of this religion are provided for laymen. The book provides an elaborate account of important events in the history of the country starting with the arrival of the first French missionaries—for example the behind-the-scenes moves in the revolution of 1688 and King Narai's relations with the French priests and his embassies to France—and concludes with an extensive description of the state of the Catholic Church in Siam around 1850.

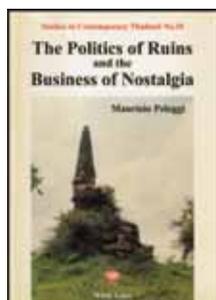


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Kuala Lumpur 1997, 108 pp., 47 pp. illus., 16 pp. in col. 135 x 200 mm

Pattaratorn Chirapravati, ML; **Votive Tablets in Thailand**

Buddhism has influenced many aspects of Thai life for over a thousand years. Evidence of the change and development of Buddhist ideas and practices in different regions and cultural periods can be found in the archaeological remains of temples, stupas, sculptures, paintings, and votive tablets. This book focuses on the origin, development of styles, and uses of votive tablets in Thailand from their introduction in the sixth century to their present role, in the almost universal Thai practice of wearing amulets. The book first elaborates on the introduction of Buddhism to Thailand and the practice of making votive tablets during the pre-Thai periods of the Mon, the Khmer, and the residents of the Peninsula (6th to 13th centuries). It then presents votive tablets produced during the Thai periods of Sukhothai, Haripunjaya, Ayutthaya, Lanna, and Ratanakosin from the fourteenth century to the present. Lastly, it addresses the cult of amulets and the "merchants of Buddhism".



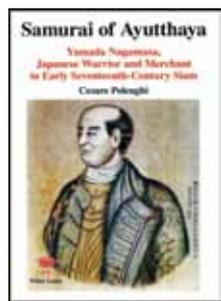
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Bangkok 2001, 110 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Pellegrini, Maurizio; **The Politics of Ruins and the Business of Nostalgia Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 10**

This book investigates the theory and practice of heritage conservation in Thailand, focusing in particular on the period from the mid-1970s to the late 1990s. Although the trend towards historic preservation first appeared in Thailand at the end of the nineteenth century and was further promoted by the nationalist regime of the 1940s and 1950s, it has become a major governmental undertaking since 1977 when the first historical park projects were launched. National pride and international awareness of Thailand's cultural heritage have increased considerably in recent times. This monograph questions the commonplace glorification of historic sites as tangible signs of the past glory of the Thai nation. The state-sponsored material and discursive practices that have led to the institutionalization of Thailand's national heritage are examined, along with their

contestation by elements of civil society, *vis-à-vis* the process of political and social change. The book also analyzes the commodification and consumption of heritage sites as tourist attractions, as well as the linkage between the promotional narratives of tourism advertising and the official historical narrative of the Thai nation.

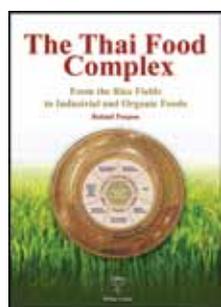


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Bangkok 2008, 108 pp., 16 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 220 mm, pbk.

Polenghi, Cesare; **Samurai of Ayutthaya: Yamada Nagamasa, Japanese Warrior and Merchant in Early Seventeenth-Century Siam**

A fascinating account of the life and the times of a unique historical character: a mysterious Japanese merchant-warrior who made his fame and fortune in the bustling city that was Ayutthaya in the early Seventeenth-Century. His deeds—historical and fictional—have been narrated in Japan for more than three hundred years. This study is the first published in English, bringing together all extant available material about Yamada Nagamasa. The book casts light on this intriguing character and the historical landscape that surrounded him during a unique period of Siamese and Japanese history.



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 WL Order Code 22 679
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Bangkok 2013, 353 pp., 5 pp. maps, 150 x 210 mm, pbk

Poupon, Roland; **The Thai Food Complex: From the Rice Fields to Industrial and Organic Foods**

Constitutes a fascinating paradox. Global companies such as CP and Red Bull have emerged side-by-side with more traditional rice growers. And not only are they all thriving together, they actually strengthen each other.

The author observes and analyzes the big picture in four main chapters:

- Thai Agriculture: A System of Smallholder Farmers
- The Food Processing Industry: Sino-Thai Businesses
- The World of Markets, from Village Brokers to International Traders
- Development Models and Alter-Green Revolutions

He demonstrates that it is the interaction between food farming, industry, and trading as well as pragmatic government strategies that enables their resilience and development. Thailand has become the largest food exporter in Asia; its cuisine is one of the most famous in the world.

Using an original cross-disciplinary approach combining geography and socio-economics, the author denies determinism or linearity in the process of Thailand's successful development. He instead views it as the outcome of various factors of alternative opportunities. Hence, the key success factor is not high performance but rather the multiplicity of strategic options available to the market players.

The author concludes that the need to safeguard such diversity of options should remain in the forefront of agricultural policy makers' thinking and decisions.



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 US\$30.00

Bangkok 2005, 370 pp., 8 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Pye, Oliver; **Khor Jor Kor Forest Politics in Thailand**

Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 14
 This book analyses the development of Thai forestry from the founding of the Royal Forest Department in 1896 up to the present day, focusing particularly on one of the most controversial state forestry programs in Thai history, the military-led *Khor Jor Kor* project (1990-1992). The *Khor Jor Kor* project aimed to reorganize land use in all of Thailand's 1,253 National Forest Reserves. Behind the project was a powerful alliance of army generals, forestry officials, and pulp and paper companies. Had it gone through, thousands of families living in forest areas would have been evicted from their homes to make way for commercial plantations of euca-

lyptus. However, *Khor Jor Kor* led to massive conflict and sustained protests. Under the repressive conditions of the Suchinda dictatorship, farmers developed a civil disobedience strategy that finally stopped the project in July 1992. This book tells the story of that resistance movement and argues that it was a key link in the development of democratic forest management alternatives to the prevailing state and corporate models. At the same time, the book takes a fresh look at the historical development of forest politics in modern Thailand. Continuity and change in forestry are explained as the result of the rise and fall of different "strategic groups", from British teak companies to the Royal Forest Department, from the Thai military to global pulp and paper conglomerates. Issues such as colonialism and the plundering of Thailand's forests, counter-insurgency and forest villages, conflicts over commercial plantations, the 1989 logging ban, illegal logging scandals and the failure of state reforestation, and the emergence of a vibrant grassroots environmental movement are integrated into a comprehensive framework of analysis that is highly relevant for the debates in global forestry today.

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Bangkok 2009, 258 pp., illus., 24 pp. illus. in col., 4 maps, 210 x 295 mm, pbk.

Ramaer, R.; **The Railways of Thailand**

This book was originally intended to describe the development of the locomotive stock of the State Railway of Thailand, and was published as such in 1984. Questions and suggestions from readers

and the present publisher made the story grow, not only in length, but also in scope. In this third edition, the book covers the development of locomotives, carriage and wagon stock, as well as the railway network itself since the beginnings of rail transportation in what was then Siam during the last decade of the 19th century. It also includes secondary, partly non-government lines as well as a short overview of industrial lines. These are not treated in detail; they form a subject in themselves and should not be limited to an appendix in a book on common-carrier railways. The text has been revised and extended and is supported by several maps, two hundred largely unpublished photographs, both in black-and-white and color, and seventy diagrams.



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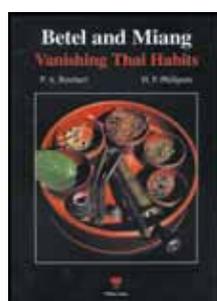
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Redmond, Mont; **Wondering into Thai Culture or Thai Whys and Otherwise**

Wondering into Thai Culture explores the many facets of the debate about culture and one which can never be fairly resolved on Western terms alone. It shows what these and many other issues

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A timeless work, first published as articles in *The Nation* and then printed as book and reprinted several times



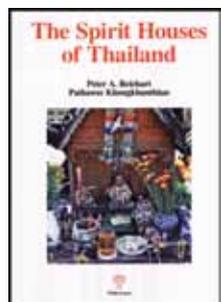
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Bangkok 2005, expanded repr. from 1996; 171 pp., fully illus. in col., 210 x 295 mm, pbk.

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The chewing of betel and of miang (fermented tea leaves) is peculiar to Thailand. These habits and the paraphernalia associated with them have

fascinated western observers since the earliest travelers visited Siam in the seventeenth century. This work provides a comprehensive examination of all aspects of these habits. The history, the ritual, and sociological significance are all presented, as are the production and preparation of the chewing quids and the pharmacological effects of the ingredients on the body. The authors, dental scientists who have studied these practices for many years, provide the reader with an understanding of the possible side effects and the medical and dental problems associated with these addictive habits. A large part of the book is devoted to describing the paraphernalia and utensils associated with the betel and miang habits. A superb collection of over 130 illustrations, mostly in full color, complement the text. Many of the items shown are extremely rare.



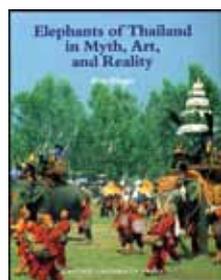
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Bangkok 2007, 132 pp., illus., 40 pp. illus. in col., 210 x 295 mm, pbk.

Reichart, Peter A. & Pathawee Khonkhunthian; **The Spirit Houses of Thailand**

This book provides a comprehensive overview of this custom, describing the different types of spirit houses in Thailand. It devotes one chapter to the

worship of the Lord of the Land and what to offer him to keep him satisfied and in good moods. The ceremony how to install a spirit house is described as well as what to do when one has to dispose of a spirit house. The Erawan shrine in Bangkok and the city pillars of some cities of Thailand are described as well as spirit houses in neighboring countries of Thailand. The book is richly illustrated by both black and white and color photographs showing the different styles of spirit houses around the country. The interested reader will get important background information and thus will understand the significance of the spirit house in present day Thailand in much more detail.



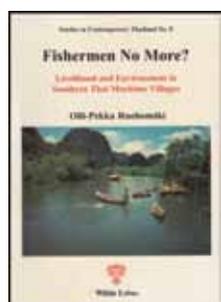
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Kuala Lumpur 1996, 224 pp., fully illus., 16 pp. in col., 195 x 255 mm

Ringis, Rita; **Elephants of Thailand in Myth, Art, and Reality**

This book surveys a wide range of elephant lore in Thailand, past and present. Early Thai writings, both sacred and secular, centuries-old European

travelers' tales, and more recent diplomatic correspondence with the West concerning the role of the elephant in Thai life are touched upon, providing an interesting historical perspective. Also explained are the religious, artistic, and literary backgrounds underpinning Thai attitudes to elephants, both real and mythical. The elephants of present-day Thailand are described: as the rarely glimpsed wild herds, as "students" in the unique elephant training school, as workers in forests, or as participants in the great annual round-up at Surin.

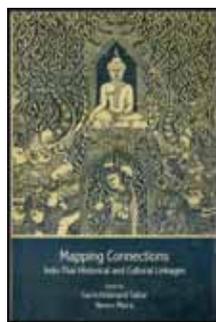


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Ruohomäki, Olli-Pekka; **Fishermen No More? Livelihood and Environment in Southern Thai Maritime Villages Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 8**

An ethnographic account of the social and economic transformation of coastal villages in Phangnga Bay, Southern Thailand. The Andaman Sea region of Southern Thailand has been involved in the rapid transformation of the regional economy for over a decade and the repercussions of this transformation are very visible in the coastal villages of Phangnga Bay. Part of this transformation has meant that fishing is no longer the sole source of income for village households, but that a host of other activities compete with fishing and provide better opportunities for individuals who are prepared to engage in new activities. The changes in the source and patterns of livelihood that are taking place in Phangnga Bay villages are a graphic, at times almost grotesque, illustration of the social process throughout the Southern Thai coast.



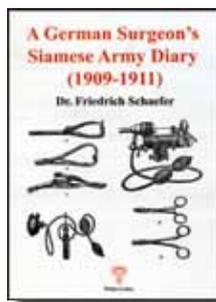
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Sahai, Sachchidanand & Neeru Misra (eds.); **Mapping Connections. Indo-Thai Historical and Cultural Linkages**

Mapping Connections is a collection of incisive essays by some of the best-known names from India and Thailand. It is an important initiative

in the growth of civilizational relations between the two countries. This book emerges from a seminar, 'Indo-Thai Historical and Cultural linkages', co-hosted by the Royal Thai Embassy and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations. The seminar was planned to be an academic attempt to further the age-long existing relationship between India and Thailand. Its main objective was to analyze and outline the uniqueness of Indo-Thai culture and its contribution to the formation of a global Asian civilization as an equal partner along with India for at least two thousand years of recorded history.



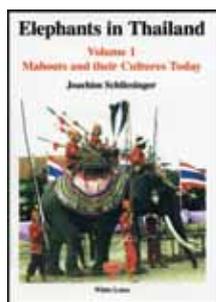
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Bangkok 2013, 436 pp., 1 pp. map fold, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Schaefer Friedrich; **A German Surgeon's Siamese Army Diary (1909-1911)**

is the diary of a Prussian army doctor recruited by the Siamese to build up a medical services department for the army. The army had been reor-

ganized and greatly expanded, but in line with the general state of medicine and especially surgery in the country, the troops were not adequately cared for. Dr. Schaefer, who had served the Prussian army and the Russian Czar, was recruited with an eye on improving military hospitals, but he ended up introducing modern surgery. He was instrumental in setting up improved military hospitals both in Bangkok and in the countryside and contributed greatly to the foundation of education in medicine and surgery. The Red Cross Society was another of his domains of work. The period of time in which he was serving saw the advent of industrial rice milling, the appearance of the trademark "Siam Rice" on world markets, and the consequent rise of beriberi, for which the scientific debate about its resolution is also documented in his diary. Schaefer also engaged in research; e.g. hunting a new human parasite. Besides the medical aspects of his work, which deal with plague, cholera and smallpox as the main epidemic diseases of the time, his astute observations on the politics, both internal and in the face of English-French-German colonial rivalry, cannot be found elsewhere. China was standing by and quietly conquering the channels to business wealth, even if immigrant Chinese went on strike in Bangkok. As a well-connected surgeon he met most Siamese personalities of the time and cut across all social classes in his medical practice. His keen eye documents natural phenomena in Bangkok and upcountry towns as well as the rapid expansion of the city at the end of the Chulalongkorn Reign. He was a driving force behind and a design consultant to the foundation of the King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital and medical education in the country. Finally, he was an eyewitness of the national trauma caused by the passing away of HM King Chulalongkorn.



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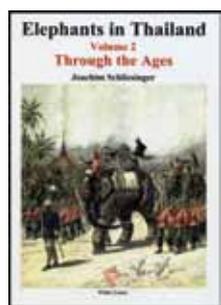
Bangkok 2010, 229 pp., illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Schliesinger, Joachim; **Elephants in Thailand, Vol. 1: Mahouts and their Cultures Today**

This is the first of two volumes about Thai elephants. This volume portrays the plight of wild and domesticated elephants in modern Thailand.

It shows how domesticated elephants are employed both in the timber industry and in the many elephant camps for tourists around the country. It describes in detail the distinct elephant-keeping traditions of the various ethnic groups in the country that have an association with elephants, namely the Tai-speaking Thai (Central Thai), Southern Thai, Yuan, Tai Yai (Shan), Tai Lue, Tai Yong, Tai Khoen, Lao Isan, Khorat Thai and Phuan; the Mon-Khmer-speaking Khmer, Kui,

Mon, Khamu, Mpi and Lawap; as well as the Sino-Tibetan-speaking Karen. It also provides information about the characteristics and status of those quintessentially Thai beasts, the Royal White Elephants. All this is complemented by over 110 illustrations and an extensive bibliography.



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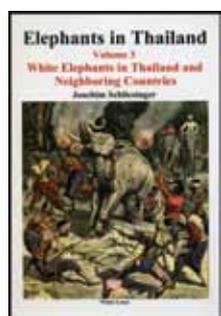
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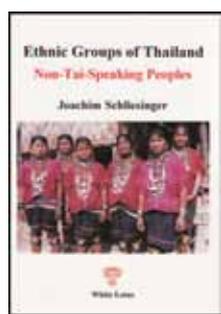


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Schliesinger, Joachim; **Elephants in Thailand Vol.3: White Elephants in Thailand and Neighboring Countries**, defines the "white elephant", recounts the myths about white elephants in ancient Indian lore (the Jatakas) and their transmission to Southeast Asia, presents reports of early

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Schliesinger, Joachim; **Ethnic Groups of Thailand: Non-Tai-Speaking Peoples**

This volume describes 38 non-Tai peoples residing in Thailand—the well known mountain dwelling so-called hill tribes (Akha, Hmong,

Htin, Khamu, Lahu, Lawa, Lisu, Mien, Pwo Karen, Sgaw Karen); lesser known northern peoples (Bisu, Blang, Haw, Kachin, Kayah, Kayaw, Kha Hor, Lamet, Mlabri, Mpi, Padong, Palaung, Pa-O, Parauk, Samtao) and northeastern and central lowlands (Bru, Cham, Chaobon, Chong, Gong, Kaleung, Kui, Mon, Seak, Sol Thavung). Lastly, there are the Semang and Sea Gypsies of southern Thailand and the Andaman Sea. These various ethnic groups are here classified by their language family and a description given of each one's history, costume and crafts, houses and villages, agriculture and economy, society, ceremonies, myths and beliefs. All the groups are portrayed by 177 color illustrations taken by the author; an extensive bibliography for further reading is added.

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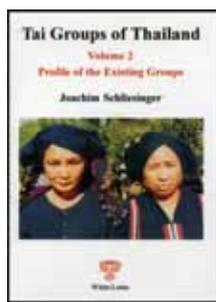


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Schliesinger, Joachim; **Tai Groups of Thailand. Volume 1: Introduction and Overview**

This first volume describes events in Thailand before the arrival of the Tai, and their history afterwards. It informs about the origin of the Tai race and shows the development of the ethnic Tai people in the context of the various Tai groups, their kingdoms, states and principalities in Asia in general, and in Thailand in particular. It also contains an extensive bibliography and 163 color illustrations.

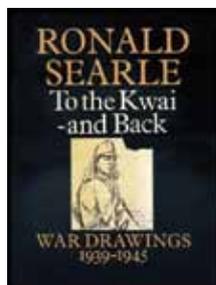


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Schliesinger, Joachim; **Tai Groups of Thailand. Volume 2: Profile of the Existing Groups**

This book sketches each of the 30 Tai-speaking groups residing in Thailand: the Thai people of central Thailand, the numerous Lao Isan people of northeastern Thailand, the well-known Lao, Lue, Yuan and Tai Yai of northern Thailand; it also describes the lesser known and smaller groups (Kaleung, Khorat Tai, Lao Ga, Lao Krang, Lao Lom or Tai Dan, Lao Ngaew, Lao Song, Lao Ti, Lao Wieng, Phuan, Phu Tai, Seak, Southern Thai, Tai Bueng, Tai Dam, Tai Gapong, Tai Khoen, Tai Mao, Tai Wang, Tai Ya, Tai Yong, Tai Yor, Tak Bai Thai, Yoy) that are scattered throughout Thailand. The groups are presented with their domestic history, costumes and crafts, design of houses and villages, activities in agriculture and economy, society and religion. The text is supported by 115 color illustrations.

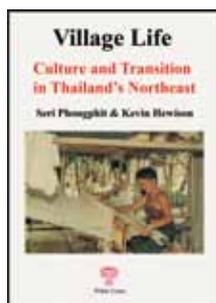


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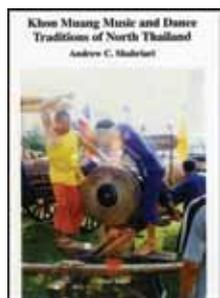
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Bangkok 2001, repr. ed. from 1990; 203 pp., illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

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This revised edition deals with Thailand's Northeast—*Isan* as did the original version published in 1990. A large and populous area of great cultural diversity, it has retained its distinctiveness. This book provides insights into village life in the Northeast, showing also how it has changed under the pressures of centralization and economic development. As the pace of change has accelerated, so the struggle for

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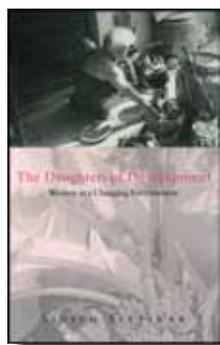
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Shahriari, Andrew; **Khon Muang Music and Dance Traditions of North Thailand**

This work describes in detail the traditional music and dance of northern Thailand—the area of the former Lanna kingdom and its legacy. The author

has researched and performed the various musical instruments individually and in ensembles in Thailand and the United States. This book is invaluable for serious students of Thai music, as well as for the many visitors from abroad who visit Chiang Mai and its environs every year, enabling them to understand and appreciate better the various traditional dances and music encountered during their stay. Numerous photographs accompany informative text that covers eight of the most common dances, more than fourteen *khon muang* instruments, and the eight primary ensemble traditions of the region. National, regional, and local events, such as Spirit Dances, are also highlighted to reveal the wealth of vibrant musical activity found throughout the region.



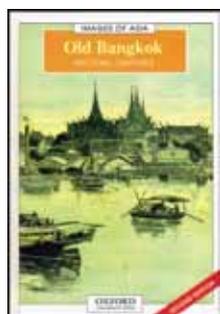
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London 1998, 176 pp., illus., 135 x 215 mm, pbk.

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This is a powerful feminist critique of the Western concept of development, which has brought profound changes to the lives of women in the South over the last thirty years. It is also an attempt to rediscover and rehabilitate traditional indigenous

knowledge as an important basis for empowering women and re-establishing the foundation of reciprocity in North-South dialogue. The author looks at the damage “progress” has wreaked on the lives of Thai sex workers and of indigenous peoples globally and contrasts this with a portrait in words and pictures of her own “undeveloped” mother, “gardener, agriculturalist, cook, entertainer, tool and toy inventor and maker, traditional doctor, resources manager, energy conservationist, food scientist, home economist, sustainable developer, ecologist and environmentalist”.



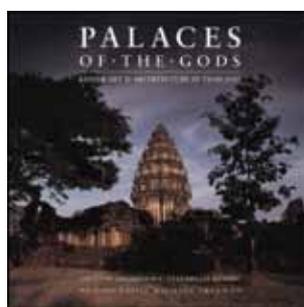
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Singapore 1986, 87 pp., 16 pp. illus. in col., 135 x 200 mm

Smithies, Michael; **Old Bangkok**

Bangkok, the City of Angels, to the uninitiated now seems more like Los Angeles than the Venice of the East by which name it was known to early visitors. Michael Smithies, who first came to

work in the city in 1960, has written a sympathetic and stimulating book evoking the early days of the capital, founded in 1782, and its expansion in the nineteenth century. He describes the principal buildings which still survive, the temples and palaces, and corners and crafts which remain relatively unchanged. The second edition has been brought up to date to include such recent additions to the Bangkok scene as the so-called ‘skytrain’ (soon to be supplemented by an underground line). However, the old buildings, traditions, and trades of early Bangkok retain their charm and character, and in spite of its occasional brashness and impulsive modernization, the Thai capital retains a vibrancy.



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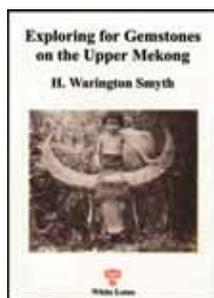
Bangkok 1992, 352 pp., illus. in col., 1 map, 290 x 270 mm

Smitthi Siribhadra, Elizabeth Moore & Michael Freeman; **Palaces of the Gods: Khmer Art & Architecture in Thailand**

At the heart of the Khmer city stood the palace of the gods, a replica on earth

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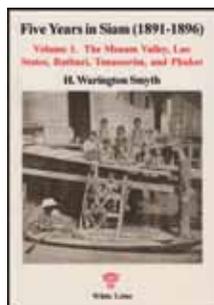
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Smyth, Warrington H.; **Exploring for Gemstones on the Upper Mekong: Northern Siam and Part of Laos in the Years 1892- 1893**

This is the account of a six-month journey from Bangkok to Luang Prabang and through Nong

Khai and Korat. The author’s mission was to explore the regions opposite Chiang Khong, on the left bank of the Mekong, for deposits of rubies and sapphires. Smyth’s work was part of a wide assignment to produce an overall survey of the mineral deposits of the kingdom. His geological report is admirably supplemented by his observations on the environment and customs of the peoples he met on his journey. His love of ordinary people, the countryside and jungle life that was both his ordeal and his delight for so many months is demonstrated in the scores of sketches that illustrate the book. An extraordinarily detailed map of central and Northern Thailand considerably enhances the value of this book.



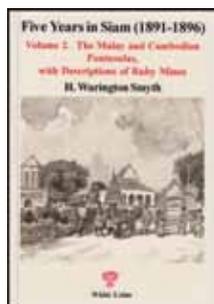
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This book covers the first part of the author’s journey in Thailand and includes an account of the

gunboat incident with France in 1893. As an official in the newly created Department of Mines, Smyth traveled to frontier provinces undergoing the process of cartographic and administrative incorporation into Siam, the process of Siam’s colonization by Bangkok. Smyth’s ability to speak Thai contributed to his unfiltered knowledge of the country, and his work with its lively descriptions and informed understanding of what he observed remains a goldmine for scholars and present-day travelers alike.



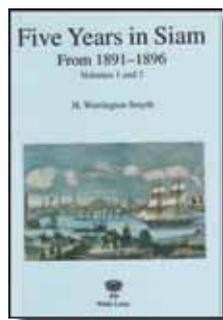
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Smyth, Warrington H.; **Five Years in Siam (1891-1896). Volume 2: The Malay and Cambodian Peninsulas, with Descriptions of Ruby Mines**

This book covers the second part of the author’s journey in Thailand and is one of the few accounts of the South of Thailand and

the only detailed record of the ruby mines in Chantaburi and Pailin, at the time ruled by Bangkok. The volume covers the author's travels, focusing especially on Cambodia's ruby mines, and includes an account of the French occupation of Chantaburi.



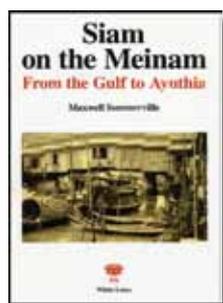
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Bangkok 1994, repr. from 1898; 718 pp., illus., 4 folded maps, 140 x 210 mm, pbk.

Smyth, Warrington H.; **Five Years in Siam, from 1891-1896 (Vol. 1 & 2)**

The account reviews the dynamic situation in Siam at the end of the nineteenth century. It is a vivid portrayal of the people and the place. Its

author, a British national working for Siam's government, skillfully navigated his way through uncharted political and social terrain. His narrative provides a refreshing and singular perspective of the country in those tumultuous times. As an official in the newly created Department of Mines, Smyth traveled to frontier provinces that at the time went through the process of cartographic and administrative incorporation into Siam. His unique position enabled him to provide the first rigorously detailed and dramatic account of the Chantaburi and Pailin gem mines. Smyth also witnessed first hand the Paknam Incident of 1893, when French and Siamese gunboats engaged in a skirmish en route to Bangkok. Another factor that distinguished Smyth from his Western contemporaries was his ability to speak Thai. No doubt Smyth's direct communication with the Thai-speaking population informed his experience and also accounted for his amiable relationship with them. Smyth genuinely attempted to locate and understand each situation he encountered within its cultural context. With its unassuming charm and insights this account is a goldmine for scholars and lay readers alike.



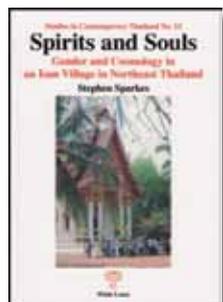
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Bangkok 2010, repr. from 1897; 292 pp., 52 pp. illus., 1 folded map, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Sommerville, Maxwell; **Siam on the Meinam from the Gulf to Ayuthia**

This reprint comes in two parts. The first part covers all aspects of life in Bangkok in 1897. The author describes his trip from Singapore to Bang-

kok; the hotel, the city, the bazaars, Wat Poh, evening on the Meinam, the library, the museum, Wat Cheng, prison and shop (with interesting remarks on who was kept in prison on what reasons), theaters and gambling houses, up the river and Ayuthia. The second part contains three romances illustrative of Siamese life and customs. The author obviously had access to stories from the North as they deal with relationship with Karen and production of Burmese style Buddha images. It is remarkable that at that time someone recorded stories and life from up-country, a time when history was normally only court history, but not the history of the common people away from the center of power. The book is richly illustrated, with additional period postcards.



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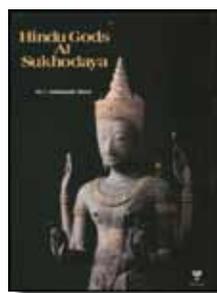
Bangkok 2005, 291 pp., 8 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Sparkes, Stephen; **Spirits and Souls: Gender and Cosmology in an Isan Village in Northeast Thailand**

Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 13

An anthropological study of the complex and rich cosmology of the Isan. The interrelationship between gender concepts and religious practices is analyzed through the symbolism of some of the most important Buddhist and household rituals in the setting of a large village in Loei Province. This approach to cosmology illustrates how Buddhist and "Spirit Religion" beliefs are complementary and competing and moulded by the immediate and pragmatic needs of the villagers. The coexistence of two religious traditions parallels the two attitudes to gender. Village Buddhism orders gender in a hierarchical manner justifying the higher status of men and excluding women from

the sources of religious and magical power. The Spirit Religion, however, manifests complementary gender values in rituals for the continuity of female descent groups and agricultural production. The contrast between ancestral spirits who watch over the living and the transmigratory soul of Buddhism illustrate the co-existence of two fundamentally different value systems.

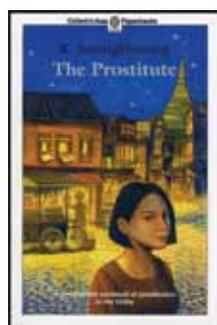


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Bangkok 1990, 132 pp., fully illus., 215 x 295 mm, pbk.

Subhadradis Diskul, M.C.; **Hindu Gods at Sukhodaya**

A study in iconography in which the author applies the theory developed by Philippe Stern for Khmer iconography on Thai sculptures of the Sukhothai period. It attempts to establish a chronology based on the development of ornaments. This book has a preface by Jean Boisselier and is a revised version of a study in Thai language from 1966.



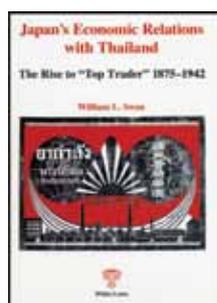
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Kuala Lumpur 2001, 240 pp., 130 x 195 mm, pbk.

Surangkhanang, K.; **The Prostitute**

This novel first appeared in 1937 and created an immediate stir in Thai literary circles, both for its sympathetic portrayal of prostitutes and because its author was a young lady from a respectable family. It tells the story of Reun, a young girl

from up-country who is seduced by a city pimp and tricked into prostitution. While working in a Bangkok brothel, she falls in love with a young man of noble background who promises to rescue her. He disappears, however, before she can tell him she is pregnant with his child. Much of the novel is devoted to a lively portrayal of her struggles to provide for herself and her child, and her exploitation at the hands of employers, rent-collectors, money-lenders, and child-minders. For the reader today, the novel offers a fascinating Thai reaction to the problem of prostitution in an age long before the advent of the American military presence or mass tourism. The author, K. Surangkhanang, is a household name in the Thai literary world. A number of her most popular novels have been made into films and television plays. In 1986 she was honored with the title 'National Artist'.



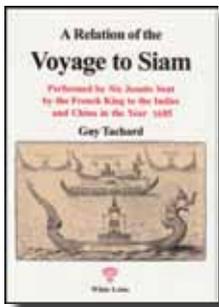
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Bangkok 2009, 450 pp., 16 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 220 mm, pbk.

Swan, William L.; **Japan's Economic Relations with Thailand: The Rise to "Top Trader" 1875-1942**

This book traces the course of Japan's rising trade relations with Thailand that grew in three decades from insignificance before World War I to making Japan the single biggest exporter to Thailand by the mid-1930s. Trade between the two countries grew even more important as Japan's increasing political and military interest in Thailand and in Southeast Asia as a whole led to growing confrontation with Britain and the United States in 1941. This confrontation brought about a fundamental change in Japan's trade relations with Southeast Asia, one that turned Thailand into Japan's leading trading partner in the region. Following the outbreak of the Pacific war, Japan turned its attention to making Thailand a suitable rear base for sustaining its war effort in mainland Southeast Asia, and to formulating new economic policy toward Thailand that would make Japan the paramount player in the Thai economy, and which was intended to incorporate Thailand into Japan's Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere.



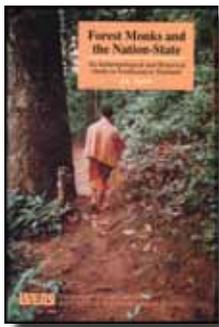


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Bangkok 1999, repr. from 1688 in new typeset form; 275 pp., 27 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Tachard, Guy; **A Relation of the Voyage to Siam Performed by Six Jesuits Sent by the French King to the Indies and China in the Year 1685**

The book describes the first French Embassy to Siam in 1685. The Embassy which set out on March 1685 was a remarkable event. It was triggered by the express request of the Siamese King Phra Narai, who for years had been extraordinarily interested in making contact with the King of France. Already at the end of 1680 Narai had sent a fully-fledged embassy to France on the *Soleil d'Orient*, a vessel of the French Oriental Company but this attempt ended disastrously when the ship foundered near the eastern coast of Madagascar with the loss of all people and its valuable cargo. This book, Guy Tachard's first, was quite influential. It was the first of a large number of French works concerning late-seventeenth century Siam. Apparently, it was avidly read: the first three French editions date from 1686, 1687 and 1688, the first edition in the Dutch language dates from 1687, this English version appeared in 1688 and an Italian edition came out in 1693. When Engelbert Kaempfer visited the Dutch trading station at Ayuthia in June and July 1690 he annotated the book and his later writing on Siam shows that he benefited from some of Tachard's observations. It was a work that helped stimulate the French appetite to invest in a short-lived military adventure. This book still deserves attention, its mixture of scientific curiosity, methodic enquiry and religious zeal is typical of the period. It is an exemplary document on Siamese seventeenth-century culture.

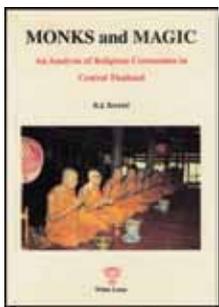


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Singapore 1993, 377 pp., 150 x 230 mm, pbk.

Taylor, J.L.; **Forest Monks and the Nation-State: An Anthropological and Historical Study in Northeastern Thailand**

This research work is a detailed study on the ascetic forest monk tradition in the Lao-speaking provinces of northeastern Thailand in the wake of the early twentieth century politico-religious reforms. The narrative alternates between the periphery and the capital, dealing with historic transformations and persistencies in the social field of wandering forest monks as well as the contemporary impact of this monastic tradition in the wider social and political milieu. The writer uses original ethnographic materials and provides a rare insight into the formation of monastic lineages and the local politico-religious histories of present-day northeastern Thailand.



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Bangkok 1994, 3rd rev. ed.; 320 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Terwiel, B.J.; **Monks and Magic: An Analysis of Religious Ceremonies in Central Thailand**

The book deals with Buddhism as it was practiced in a community in rural Central Thailand. The text is based on anthropological fieldwork during the late 1960s. The scene unfolds with the religious perspective of children and young adults who appear mainly interested in esoteric spells and magical diagrams. Full ritual knowledge is obtained by many men in their twenties when they join the order of monks for at least one Lenten season. The latter parts of the book are devoted to the world view of older people and an analysis of some Buddhist rituals.

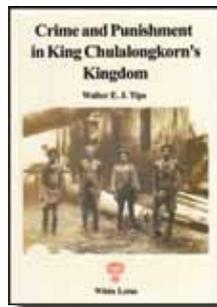


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London 1994, 233 pp., 15 pp. illus., 135 x 215 mm, pbk.

Thorbek, Susanne; **Gender and Slum Culture in Urban Asia**

Rapid urbanization has always spawned slums. But what are they like to live in? And particularly for women? This study of slum culture and gender relations compares two slums in Asia—Ratmalana in Colombo and Khlong Toey in Bangkok—and shows how the impact of urbanization, economic change and national politics has differed significantly in Sri Lanka and Thailand, despite their common cultural background of Theravada Buddhism. The book explores the impact of these differences on gender relations and the lives of the very poorest men and women. Dr. Thorbek, a Danish sociologist, discusses how gender identity is defined; the contradictions between culture as publicly expressed and privately practiced in women's daily activities; and how female identity may be understood in each country. As in her previous, highly acclaimed *Voices from the City Women of Bangkok* (Zed Books, 1987), the author allows the women in the slums to speak through her pages.

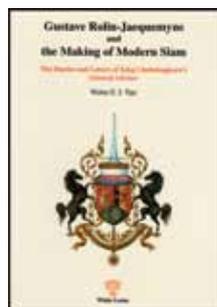


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Bangkok 1998, 302 pp., 8 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Tips, Walter E.J.; **Crime and Punishment in King Chulalongkorn's Kingdom. The Special Commission for the Reorganisation of the Provincial Courts in Ayuthia (1896-1897)**

The book tells the story of the Ayuthia Special Commission for the Reorganization of the Provincial Courts in the words of Siam's first Legal Adviser, Robert J. Kirkpatrick. After a temporary consolidation in foreign affairs had dealt with external threats, Siam was pushed on the road to internal reforms starting with the outdated court system. The Ayuthia Commission, starting work in September 1896, was the first of its kind to evaluate the courts upcountry and to judge hundreds of court cases that had been awaiting trial, sometimes for years. From tax evasion on boats and illegal distilleries, through thefts of cattle and property to abduction, rape, violent assaults and even murder, the commissioners heard witnesses and meted out justice. Justice was done too to those officials found taking bribes from prisoners wishing to escape from their chains, or torturing the accused, sometimes until death followed. The journal of the Commission's activities reads like a kaleidoscope held up against the light of western principles of justice, reflecting the multicolored facets of Siamese society on the eve of modern times.



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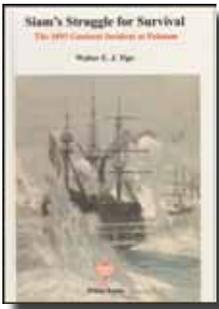
Bangkok 1996, 519 pp., 16 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Tips, Walter E.J.; **Gustave Rolin-Jaequemyns and the Making of Modern Siam: The Diaries and Letters of King Chulalongkorn's General Adviser**

This study is based on three thousand pages of privately held letters and diaries of HM King Chulalongkorn's General Adviser and other Belgian advisers working in Siam. The book covers the crucial period of Siam's modernization, from September 1892 until January 1902, from the inside. It contains never before revealed information on a wide variety of developments of the time, from big powers' attempts to usurp Siam's independence over the Paknam Incident of 13 July 1893, to the arcane day-by-day struggles to implement much needed internal reforms of the kingdom's legal framework and bureaucracy. This book offers material that has never before seen the light of day and astounding facts that change our understanding of the shaping of the free nation as it is known today.

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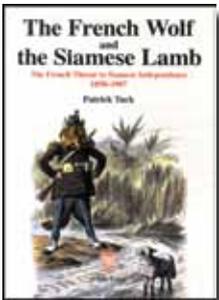
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Bangkok 1996, 273 pp., 2 maps, 37 illus., 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Tips, Walter E.J.; **Siam's Struggle for Survival: The Gunboat Incident at Paknam and the Franco-Siamese Treaty of October 1893**

This study tells the story of the French attempts to take over Siam in 1893. The battle between

French warships and Siamese guns at Fort Paknam, on the mouth of the Chao Phya River, is told in the words of one of the main actors in the diplomatic struggles that preceded and followed the incident. Gustave Rolin-Jaequemyns's daily journal of the political maneuvering between France and Britain, the battles on the Mekong between French and Siamese troops and of the sleepless nights of HM King Chulalongkorn and his princely ministers, reads like a political thriller. The report of Siamese counter-attacks and diplomatic plotting, in which Prince Devawongse was the main actor, sheds light on hitherto unknown but crucial pages in the life of Siam as a modern nation in the making. Siam would preserve its independence and HM King Chulalongkorn would manage to hold on to most of the core territories of the kingdom in the Franco-Siamese Treaty of 3 October 1893 which followed the incident. Here is the story of a Siam dangerously close to losing her freedom.

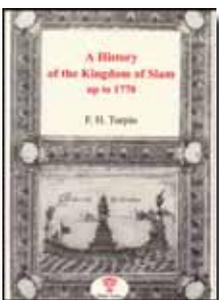


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Bangkok 2009, repr. from 1995; 481 pp., 29 pp. illus. in col., 5 maps, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Tuck, Patrick; **The French Wolf and the Siamese Lamb: The French Threat to Siamese Independence, 1858-1901**

This book explains how narrowly Siam survived the French menace to her independence during the period of the European scramble for colonies. For half a century after arriving in Cochinchina in 1858, the French encroached on Siamese territory and interests in a variety of ways. By the 1890s, French colonialists, so influential in promoting French annexations in Africa and the Pacific, wanted to acquire the whole of Siam in order to create a "Greater Indochina" in imitation of British India. The integrity, the stability, and the very existence of the Siamese state were at stake. This study, based on a wide range of newly available French records, examines the changing aims and methods of French expansion. The author explains how French ambitions came to be frustrated by British diplomatic action. But he argues that the Siamese played an indispensable role in shaping the conditions that made British intervention effective.



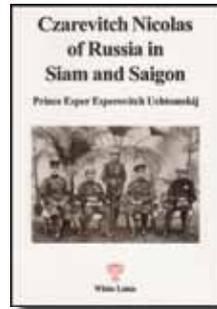
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Bangkok 1996, repr. from 1908; 165 pp., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Turpin, F.H.; **History of the Kingdom of Siam and of the Revolutions that Have Caused the Overthrow of the Empire Up to A.D. 1770**

Originally published in 1771 as the first account in a Western language of the period of the French

embassies to Siam, the reign of King Narai and Constant Phaulcon, and of the sacking of Ayuthaya by the Burmese in 1767. The text was compiled from first-hand accounts and reports of Christian missionaries and bishops. It presents a wealth of detail that is not readily available elsewhere. As a classical history, it deals mostly with battles, revolutions and the overturning of personalities and reigns. The final chapters provide an assessment of the trading potential of Siam and the neighboring states. The book, however, does not shun bloodshed and scandal, which seem to have been the order of the day. Indeed, when reading this book one wonders whether our ancestors and their times really are an example for the younger generations.



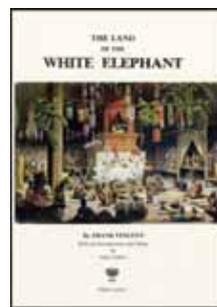
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Bangkok 1999, first English trans. from 1894, 1898; 124 pp., illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Uchtomskij, Prince Esper Esperovitch; **Czarevitch Nicolas of Russia in Siam and Saigon (1891)**

The book reports on the visit of the later Czar Nicolas II of Russia to King Chulalongkorn's

kingdom and to Saigon, one of the important early trade centers of France's fledgling colony in Indochina. The visit was of great historical significance for the Thai nation. As a result of the extremely warm welcome given by the Thais, the bonds between the two Royal Houses became especially close. Only a few years later, after the Paknam Gunboat Incident of 1893, Russia would defend Siam's case with Russia's French allies. The author, a specialist in oriental religions and literature, was with the Czarevitch during the whole visit and testifies to great political skills and a rare clarity of vision of Russia's future in the Orient. This book is an eye-opener for all those interested in big power politics at the turn of the century and its consequences for the small, independent kingdom of Siam.



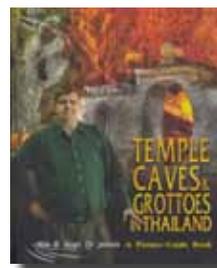
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Bangkok 1988, repr. from 1873, with a supplement from the 1884 ed.; 487 pp., illus., 2 folded map, 145 x 210 mm

Vincent, Frank; **The Land of the White Elephant: Sights and Scenes in South-East Asia 1871-1872**

One of the liveliest and most readable of the many

accounts by nineteenth century travelers of the countries of Southeast Asia and their rich and ancient civilizations which were still then largely unknown in the West. The great temples of Angkor, which were the principal objective of Vincent's travels in Siam and Indochina, had only been rediscovered by Henri Mouhot thirteen years before this book was published. The author was a man of cultivated tastes and catholic interests, an adventurous and observant traveler and an accomplished writer, and these qualities combine to make this account, which was the first of several travel books that Vincent wrote about different parts of the world on four continents, as fresh and spontaneous as it was when first written.



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Bangkok 2013
 214 pp., fully illus. in col., 215 x 260 mm.

Vogt, Nils B.; **Temple caves & grottoes in Thailand: A Picture-Guide Book**

There are many Temple-Caves in Thailand and no

guide book describing these Temple-Caves and if some are included most directions to find them were lacking or confusing. This book tries to fill that gap. This is a detailed compilation of Temple-Caves, Province-by-Province.

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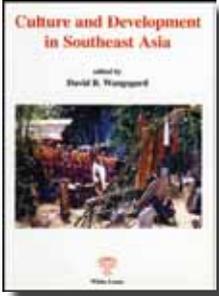
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Bangkok 1992, 172 pp., 130 x 195 mm, pbk.

Walker, Dave & Richard S. Ehrlich; **Hello My Big Big Honey!**

Love letters to Bangkok Bar Girls and their revealing interviews. Collected and with introduction by D. Walker and R. S. Ehrlich. Prologue by Dr. Yos Santasombat. Glossary. Epilogue by Mrs. Pisamai Tantrakul.

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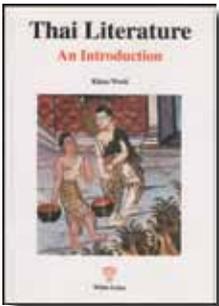
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Bangkok 2008, 266 pp., 32 pp. illus. in col., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Wangsgard, David B. (ed.); **Culture and Development in Southeast Asia**

A collection of papers presenting new field research undertaken throughout the region. Five of the chapters report original findings on Thailand's main ethnic groups, which include the Lahu, the Lue, the Palaung, the Thai and Black Tai. Further chapters address the Toraya of Sulawesi, Indonesia; the Kalinga of Luzon, the Philippines; the Giay, Hmong, and Dao of Lao Cai Province, Vietnam; and Nung Phan Slinh of Lang Son Province, Vietnam. The central organizing theme of the volume is the convergence and interaction of culture and socio-economic development. The process of development is treated as enmeshed in culture, and vice-versa; cultural change is explored in the context of market forces, state policy and development programs influencing the formation, maintenance, and transformation of ethnic identities. Sub-themes include the engagement (and impingement) of regional, national, and global cross-currents on local populations, issues of national identity, ideology and the integration of groups into larger nations, and how these identities are articulated and shaped by public, academic, and political discourse.

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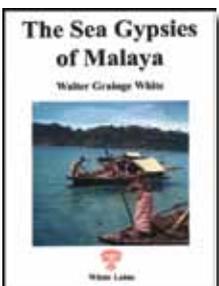
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Bangkok 1995, 129 pp., 145 x 210 mm, pbk.

Wenk, Klaus; **Thai Literature: An Introduction**

This is a study of the extensive and diverse writings that form an integral part of the Thai literary tradition. The book is divided into tentative periods beginning with the discovery of an inscription

on a stela, erected in 1292 by Ram Kamhaeng, and concluding with an overview of contemporary Thai literature. This study does not claim to comprise all titles and dates of literary relevance, but it contains all that is essential. The author's predilection for some poets has attributed to them greater emphasis than others, for example, Sunthon Phu for whom writing poetry was, *inter alia*, an act of personal liberation and artistic play. The decisive message expressed by him in his verses has given direction to the evolution of Thai poetry. Detailed descriptions of what the author considers to be typical and of peculiar interest to western readers makes this study especially fascinating and take it beyond being a mere introduction to the subject.



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Bangkok 1997, repr. from 1922; 350 pp., 15 pp. illus., 1 folded map, 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

White, Walter Grainge; **The Sea Gypsies of Malaya: An Account of the Nomadic Mawken People of the Mergui Archipelago, with a Description of their Ways of Living, Customs, Habits, Boats, Occupations**

This book is considered a classic amongst the sparse Moken ethnographic literature. The author was a man with an inquiring mind, full of curiosity, who wished to go beyond the limits of his missionary tasks and to relate the story of his personal and research experiences among the sea nomads. The book reveals the life of the Moken at the beginning of the century in a very vivid manner. Published in 1922 it sums up the author's fieldwork observations dating from 1911. He writes about the administrative and political structure of Tenasserim (he was responsible for the population census of the Moken), which was the first part of Burma to be surrendered to the British after the Anglo-Burmese war of 1824-1826. His book enables us, on the one hand, to become aware of the nature, fauna and flora of this region, and on the other, on human intrigues involving the English, Indians, Karen, Mons, Malays, Burmese and, of course, the Moken. The reader becomes aware of contemporary western arrogance and the developing phenomenon of colonial administration and the ways in which it exploited indigenous wealth. The missionaries, administration, cartographers, geographers and the military were able, long before the ethnologists, to engage in all kinds of work which attracts the interest of present investigators: reports, mapping, census, dictionaries—the precious instruments for observers of small, non-literate societies.

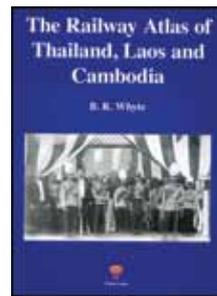


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Whyte, Brendan.; **Street Map of the Cities of Ubun Rathchathani & Warin Chamrap**

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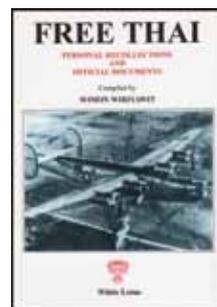


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Bangkok 2010, 280 pp., 40 pp. illus., 16 pp. in col., 32 pp. maps in col., 210 x 270 mm, pbk

Whyte, Brendan; **The Railway Atlas of Thailand, Laos and Cambodia**

The atlas presents detailed maps of three Southeast Asian countries, depicting every known railway, tramway and mass-transit line, public or private, past and present. The bilingual maps locate and name every station in both local and Romanized scripts. In addition, the extensive text describes the railway history of each country, and for each line gives a detailed commentary on its conception and construction, notable features such as bridges, tunnels and spurs, as well as a chronology, station listing, and reference list. Appendices explain the Rattanakosin and Buddhist-era dating systems, place name changes, and local units of measurement, provide bilingual historical lists of railway authority officials, and give a glossary of local-language geographical and railway terminology. The result of two years of fieldwork and archival research on three continents, the atlas will prove invaluable for railway enthusiasts and researchers seeking information on the rail systems of three countries whose unique alphabets make accessing information difficult for foreigners. The bilingual maps will assist travelers to plan and enjoy their rail journeys in Southeast Asia, while the fascinating stories of the Khone Island railway in Laos, the two Japanese-built "Death Railways" to Burma, or King Rama VI's personal tramway to his seaside palace, will provide informative and entertaining reading even for those who are unable to ride the rails in person.



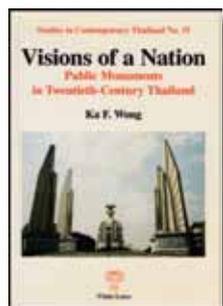
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Wimon Wiriyawit, **Free Thai: Personal Recollections and Official Documents**

An important eyewitness account of one of the active participants. Group Captain Wimon Wiriyawit is one of the few survivors of a small group of Thais who were in the USA at the beginning of the Pacific War and who volunteered to work for the liberation of Thailand from Japanese occupation.

The personal recollections are supported by official documents from US archives, released only recently. This book brings to light the differing agendas of the war allies: the USA, Britain and Nationalist China, as well as different ideas within the Thai political elite.

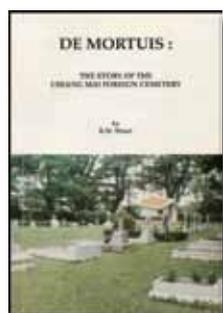


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Wong, Ka F.; **Visions of a Nation: Public Monuments in Twentieth-Century Thailand Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 15**

This book offers a unique discourse on modern Thai history through the exploration of monumental images and narratives. Visible to the people on an everyday basis, public monuments are the visual manifestation of how the Thais have imagined and re-imagined their nation-state in the last century. Thailand was the only country in Southeast Asia to retain its political independence during the age of colonialism, and hence, the only nation to use public art in support of indigenous political goals. From absolute to constitutional monarchy, the two World Wars to the Cold War, and military dictatorship to the emergence of people's democracy, different regimes erected public memorials to legitimize their own rule and promulgate their own concepts of modern Thailand to the people. Grouping the most renowned monuments into four visions—Absolute Monarchy, Modern Nationalism, Traditionalism, and Diversity, this book explains how Thai artists use scale, style, and symbol to reinterpret historical events and produce political effects on one hand and create works of beauty on the other. An innovative synthesis of political, cultural, and art history, this book brings not only a new relevance to the many public monuments seen throughout the country but also a fresh understanding of complex twentieth-century Thai society.

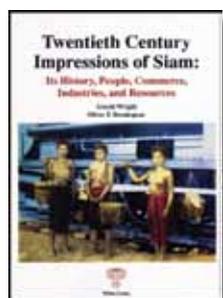


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Chiang Mai 1986, 4th updated ed.; 52 pp., 125 x 180 mm, pbk.

Wood, R.W., **De Mortuis: The Story of the Chiang Mai Foreign Cemetery**

The foreign cemetery was established in 1898. This booklet lists over 70 people buried there. It gives biographical information, some of it extensive, and makes the booklet a useful tool to trace Chiang Mai's history and its foreign residents. Several of those buried there are well-known and live on in their works and in books by, e.g. McGilvary and W.A.R. Wood or, in their paintings, as is the case for Gerd Barkowsky.

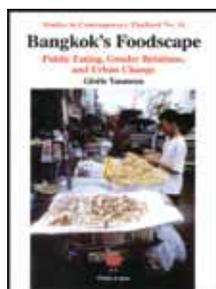


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Bangkok 2003, repr. from 1903; 302 pp., fully illus., 230 x 310 mm

Wright, Arnold & Oliver T. Breakspear; **Twentieth Century Impressions of Siam: Its History, People, Commerce, Industries, and Resources**

This was initially published, during the first decade of this century, as one of a series of books on SouthEast Asia. Original copies of the book are now extremely rare. The value of this reprint lies in the pictures, being lavishly illustrated with scenes of the country and its people. Another valuable aspect of the book is the record it provides of the names and photographs of several individuals—both Siamese and foreign—who played a part in the development and advancement of Siam during the long and illustrious reign of HM King Chulalongkorn (Rama V) from 1868 to 1910. In addition, government officials, foreign advisors, traders and houses are depicted: import, export, shipping, rice mills, teak industry, mines, engineering, many of which still exist. Many of the photographs, such as those of foreign diplomats and advisors, are not published elsewhere. The author rightfully claimed that the book offers “a pictorial representation of Siam upon a scale which has never been attempted before”.

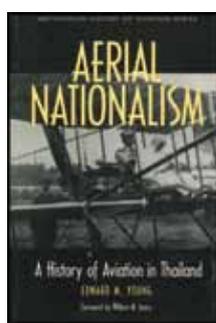


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Bangkok 2006, 305 pp., 14 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, pbk.

Yasmeeen, Gisèle; **Bangkok's Foodscape: Public Eating, Gender Relations and Urban Change Studies in Contemporary Thailand No. 16**

This book provides an overview and analysis of the habit of “public eating” in Thai society with specific attention paid to the case study of Bangkok where the phenomenon has been particularly widespread for several decades. Using the well-established ethnographic approach of “thick description”, this contribution to the study of Thai and Southeast Asian foodways concentrates on the nexus between eating habits, the social construction of gender and patterns of urban development in one of the world's mega-cities. By providing a detailed snapshot of the rapid growth period of the early to mid-1990s in central Bangkok and concluding with insights as to the impacts of the economic crisis that wreaked havoc in the latter part of the decade, Gisèle Yasmeeen illustrates the recursive social, economic and cultural impacts of the “foodscape” on urban space.

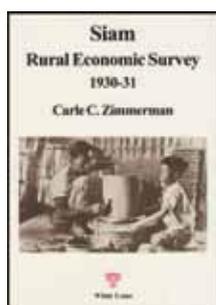


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Washington 1995, 388 pp., 28 pp. illus., 155 x 235 mm

Young, Edward M.; **Aerial Nationalism: A History of Aviation in Thailand**

In 1911 aviation was introduced to Thailand through a traveling air show. This dramatic form of technological innovation quickly became integral to the country's program of modernization as a means of gaining international respect. This first detailed study focusing on the pivotal years 1911-1945 traces the nationalistic impulses that drove the Thai quest for air power, first under the Thai royalty and then under the military regime that followed the *coup d'état* in 1932. The book also examines the later development of the Thai air force, when it helped regain territory ceded to the French, participated in the Japanese advance in Burma, and later provided clandestine support to the Allies in World War II. The author shows how economic, technological, and political issues affected the country's choice of airplanes. The government's purchase of American airplanes reflected in part a growing desire to draw away from the influence of England and France.



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Bangkok 1999, repr. from 1932; 337 pp., 7 pp. illus., 150 x 210 mm, 1 folded map in pocket, pbk.

Zimmerman, Carle C.; **Siam: Rural Economic Survey 1930-1931**

This is the first survey of the Siamese rural population. The author compiled everything anyone needed to know about the rural Siamese. His efforts lie before you: a wealth of tables detailing the eating habits, living expenses, diseases, birth and death rates of the people. Here one can discover the average number of farm animals per family in the North, Northeast, South and Central parts of the country. There are comparisons of the cost of glutinous and garden rice alongside explanations of the kilogram equivalent for the measures used by farmers to sell their paddy. One can examine the nutritional values of foods such as shrimp paste and fermented fish as well as a complete chemical analysis for common salts consumed in Siam. It is a remarkably detailed work and a valuable source for further studies.



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