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## **Seeker After Truth**

1992

using the powerful approach of classical teachers shah has crafted a contemporary teaching tool that blends a fastpaced look at today s world with the timeless teachings of the sufis the book brings into sharp focus the conditioned behavior and self deception that are common in western minds far more than a literary tool for breaking loose old mental habits it is a blueprint for a process of self development that precludes self deceit truly a book among books a perfumed scorpion is treasured the world over for its clarity of wisdom and forcefulness of insight

## **A Perfumed Scorpion**

2000

stories of mulla nasrudin appear in oral traditions and literature from the middle east to greece russia to china many nations claim nasrudin as a native son but nobody really knows who he was or where he came from whether the stories are studied for their humour or hidden wisdom they help us understand our world and ourselves

## **The World of Nasrudin**

2003

collection of extracts translations thoughts and teachings of the middle east and central asia

## **Caravan of Dreams**

1988

the natives are restless chronicles some of the amazing amusing and thought provoking adventures of the afghan traveller and writer idries shah among members of what he calls the english tribe it is an enthralling sequel to his bestselling darkest england the narrative illustrating his practised eye as an anthropologist shah observes how the english see themselves and contrasts it with how the rest of the world views this eccentric island race he also speculates on the likely continuing effect of englishness on the future development of global society offering unsuspecting parallels between english attitudes and oriental wisdom

## **Natives are Restless**

2020-09-09

a mixture of primitive and conditioned responses common to everyone which inhibits and distorts human progress and understanding

## ***The Commanding Self***

1997-05

nasrudin is an international folk hero of medieval origin but timeless appeal his role changes sometimes he is a sage sometimes the fool he is courtier beggar physician judge and teacher whether his anecdotes are studied for their hidden wisdom or enjoyed for their pungent humour they are an enduring part of the world s culture cover

## ***The Subtleties of the Inimitable Mulla Nasrudin***

1983

learning how to learn contains the authentic material from the sufi stand point written in response to more than 70 000 questions received from government leaders housewives philosophy professors and factory workers around the world the lively question answer format provides readers a direct experience of a sufi learning situation shah draws from diverse sources ranging from 8th century sufi narratives to today s newspapers giving us insight into how sufis learn what they learn and how spiritual understanding can be developed

## **Learning how to Learn**

1978

first published in 1957 the secret lore of magic contains within it a series of major source books of magical arts many of them translated into english for the first time these works are annotated and fully illustrated the book s title in itself signalled the fact that the bulk of material in this bibliographical study had never been published openly before together with oriental magic which appeared in the preceding year it provided a complete survey of fundamental magical literature and thus a comprehensive reference system for psychologists ethnologists and others interested in the rise and development of human beliefs both books also introduced the general reader to dependable information about what was a shadowy and confusing subject

## **Secret Lore of Magic**

2016-08-30

drawn from teachings of more than a hundred sages from three continents thinkers of the east is a book of enormous breadth and depth the impact and vitality of which is characteristic of the sufi emphasis on experience rather than theory

## **Thinkers of the East**

2002

in a darkened room a group of men once sought to examine an elephant taking hold of a different part an ear a leg the tail each one mistook his particular part for the whole in the darkness each of the men became convinced that the elephant was the object he himself had felt a fan a rope a pillar and so on with this ancient fable first described by the sufi master jalaluddin rumi idries shah presents the sufi perspective that christianity and islam stem from one inner origin based on shah s celebrated geneva university lectures this book dazzles with the breadth of its scholarship and the profound depth of its message in a world riven by cultural and religious differences the elephant in the dark offers fresh thinking hope and the ability to look at what we think we know in new ways

## **Elephant in the Dark**

2016-03-01

previously published only as separate essays sufi thought and action assembled and introduced by idries shah covers an extraordinary diversity of sufi ideas and activities in many countries and cultures included in the volume are papers on sufi principles and learning methods ritual initiation and secrets in sufi circles and key concepts in sufi understanding the volume stands as a clear and simple handbook to many facets of sufi study and thought shah s introduction begins the object of sufi spiritual teaching can be expressed as to help to refine the individual s consciousness so that it may reach the radiance of truth from which one is cut off by ordinary activities of the world

## ***Sufi Thought and Action***

2017-04-22

a mysterious chest is buried unopened a wondrous caravan brings fortune to a simple cobbler an outcast princess creates a new life in the wilderness some of the 78 tales in this remarkable book first appeared in print over a thousand years ago others are medieval classics yet each has a special relevance for us at the dawn of the 21st century all are told with idries shah s distinctive wit and grace and the author s own commentary notes these are teaching stories in the sufi tradition those who probe beyond the surface will find multiple meanings to challenge assumptions and foster new ways of thinking and perceiving tales of the dervishes is essential reading for anyone interested in sufi thought the significance and history of tales or simply superb entertainment

## **Tales of the Dervishes**

1982

special illumination is a term used by the great poet and mystic jalaluddin rumi to stress the importance of humour in metaphysical experience of it idries shah says rumi directly contradicts such numerous sour faced religionists as in all persuasions find that humour disturbs the indoctrination which is all that they usually have to offer

## ***Special Illumination***

2018-02-01

traditionally known as the hundred tales of wisdom this collection comprises excerpts from the life teachings and miracles of the sufi teacher jalaluddin rumi together with certain important stories from his works as well as being part of the bedrock of classical persian literature these tales anecdotes and narratives are believed by sufis to aid in the development of insights beyond

ordinary perceptions here they are translated and presented by idries shah

## **Hundred Tales of Wisdom**

2018-06-01

the decline of institutionalized religion in the increasingly secularized west has been offset by the contemporary spiritual development understood in the form of emerging new age movements this reference presents the potpourri of spiritual and psycho physical therapeutic practices associated with this affirmation of the individual s spiritual freedom the expectation of a future golden age the emphasis on self development and the holistic pluralism that sets the dominant pulse for innovative spirituality in the twenty first century the a to z of new age movements furnishes profiles and explanations of new age spokespeople and leaders of a range of human potential and self help practices of countercultural spiritual developments and of different groups and organizations that identify as new age the dictionary consists of over 240 individual entries along with an introduction that describes the historical foundations of the new age orientation and its relation with contemporary western paganism it also presents the sociological dimension of new age expression as well as the kinds of criticism with which the new age identity must contend there is both a new age chronology and a bibliography also included

## ***The A to Z of New Age Movements***

2009-06-17

the way of the sufi presents an unparalleled cross section of material from sufi schools teachings and classical writings as a basic course of sufi study its author idries shah is regarded as the most influential modern exponent of sufi ideas his many books on the subject seek to make some of the eastern world s greatest teachings accessible to a western audience in this book shah begins with the outward aspects of the teaching most likely to puzzle the student coming fresh to the subject he considers various attitudes to sufi ideas and evidence of their absorption into medieval christianity hinduism jewish mysticism and modern philosophical teachings the greater part of the book illuminates aspects of sufi activity and practice relevant to the contemporary world

## **The Way of the Sufi**

2004

tales from the sufi tradition illustrating sufi philosophy and ways of thinking

## ***Wisdom of the Idiots***

1989

the sufis is the best introduction ever written to the philosophical and mystical school traditionally associated with the islamic world powerful concise and intensely thought provoking it sums up over a thousand years of eastern thought the product of some of the greatest minds humanity has ever produced into a single work presenting timeless ideas in a fresh and contemporary style when the book was originally published in 1964 it launched its author idries shah on to the international stage attracting the attention of thinkers and writers such as j d salinger doris lessing ted hughes and robert graves it introduced to the western world concepts which have subsequently become commonly accepted varying from the psychological importance of attention and humour to the use of traditional tales as teaching instruments what shah termed teaching stories and the historical debt owed by the west to the middle east in matters scientific literary and philosophical as a primer for the many dozens of sufi books that shah later produced it is unsurpassed offering a clear window onto a community whose system of thought and action has long concerned itself with the advancement of the whole of humankind and whose ideas about individuals and society their purpose and direction need to be understood now more than ever before

## **Sufis**

2020-06-20

based on university lectures at the new school for social research new york and the university of california san francisco neglected aspects of sufi study deals with many of the problems of sufic methods of study and those which militate against its effective progress in the modern world notably the unrecognized assumptions which we make about ourselves and about learning and its process

## **Neglected Aspects of Sufi Study**

2018-02-01

in his best selling darkest england idries shah asserts that the english hail from a little known place called hathaby but their roots go back much farther perhaps to the distant asian realm of sakasina once a nomadic tribe of warriors the english fled westward bringing with them epic tales traditions and an oriental way of thought shah charts the genius of the english in adopting and adapting almost anything spiritual moral or material for their own use a faculty that has transformed them from warrior nomads into successful diplomats businessmen thinkers and scientists

## ***Darkest England***

2020-11-27

caravan of dreams distills the essence of eastern thought in a feast of sufi stories sayings poems and allegories collected by one of the world s leading experts in oriental philosophy and sufism idries shah builds up a complete picture of a single consciousness relating eastern mythology to reality illuminating historical patterns and presenting philosophical legends in this unique anthology its title is inspired from the couplet written by the sufi mystic bahaudin here we are all of us in a dream caravan a caravan but a dream a dream but a caravan and we know which are the dreams therein lies the hope

## **Caravan of Dreams**

2016-04-08

small in size but with a powerful punch idries shah s reflections is a collection of fables aphorisms and statements that challenge the conditioned mind the book confronts the reader with unaccustomed perspectives and ideas in an attempt to set the mind free to see how things really are as the book s foreword states do you imagine that fables exist only to amuse or to instruct and are based upon fiction the best ones are delineations of what happens in real life in the community and in the individual s mental processes

## **Reflections**

2015-07-01

contemporary esoteric systems almost always play on the desire of mankind to seek or acquire knowledge all but universally neglected in such systems are the often unrecognized barriers which prevent knowledge and understanding before learning can take place certain conditions and basic factors must be in place in the individual or the group building on the foundations laid in learning how to learn and the commanding self idries shah in knowing how to know illuminates those factors like an ultra violet light shone onto the petals of flowers it reveals concealed patterns normally invisible to our customary modes of thought

## ***Knowing How to Know***

2020-04-20

the englishman s handbook is the third book in idries shah s best selling trilogy on why the english are as strange as they are he examines the baffling phenomena of the british and britishness presenting a manual of handy tips on how to muddle through while visiting english shores an illuminating and often

hilarious read the book is just as valuable to the british as it is to foreigners it contains all sorts of extraordinary information on how to confuse foreigners with sheer englishness if any do manage to break through the barriers

## **Englishman's Handbook**

2020-10-10

according to the sufis human faculties although perceptive are limited like a radio set which can receive only certain electromagnetic waves and not other parts of this band the inability to transcend the barrier of limited senses explains human subjectivity the sufis assert that through familiarization with concepts patterns of thought and ideas that form part of their contemporary literature one can learn to penetrate beyond this apparent reality in this book the reader will experience the unique quality of this material shah s observations is a fine example of the lucidity and humor prevalent throughout his more than 30 published works each observation is a gem of wisdom that can be returned to again and again for more insight

## **The Magic Monastery**

1991

this work offers coverage of the spiritual and psychological tradition of sufism it shows that sufism is not the preserve of ecstatic religionists but has a contribution to make to human culture and philosophy

## **The Dermis Probe**

1989

how can it be that the same story is found in scotland and also in pre columbian america what can account for the durability and persistence of tales was the tale of aladdin and his wondrous lamp really taken from wales where it has been found to the ancient east and if so when and by whom these questions and more are answered in idries shah s remarkable volume world tales which is subtitled the extraordinary coincidence of stories told in all times in all places in his introduction shah remarks working for thirty five years among the written and oral sources of our world heritage in tales one feels a truly living element in them which is startlingly evident when one isolates the basic stories the ones which tend to have travelled farthest to have featured in the largest number of classical collections to have inspired great writers of the past and present

## **Observations**

2020-03-02

first published in 1957 destination mecca was both an ambitious travel book and a work of ethnographic and cultural research shah documents a wide range of fascinating journeys from his quest for the gold mines of king solomon on sudan s red sea coast to encounters in desert caravanserais and sojourns with mediterranean contraband smugglers to his time as a personal guest of the elderly king ibn saud as readable now as it was when first published destination mecca acts as a beacon for hands on adventurers and those of a more sedate kind

## **The Sufis**

1999

collected stories about a popular figure in the folklore of many asian and european countries

## **World Tales**

2017-12-01

here nasrudin s anecdotes are seen to be parallel to the mind s working

designed to amuse the tea house but also intended for use on other levels

## **Destination Mecca**

2016-04-01

in december of 1979 soviet tanks rolled across the borders of afghanistan beginning a period of barbaric aggression that triggered a turning point in modern history idries shahas brilliant novel chronicles the courageous 10 year resistance of the afghan people an epic story of triumph over tyranny that deserves to be immortalized kara kush is the definitive story of freedom fighters it is a story of patriotism in action mobilized and fuelled not by a mass media propaganda machine or the charisma of a single individual but by a thousands of years old tradition of proud independence deep love of oneas land and fierce will to survive kara kush was first published in 1986 at a time when most of the outside world dismissed the afghan resistance as a rag tag lot of rival guerrilla factions in a futile holdout against an invincible military machine with extraordinary insight into human nature and the course of human history kara kush told the real story according to shah almost all of the people in the text of the novel actually exist or did the accounts of battles and raids precise military details and the stories of soviet and red afghan atrocities were all from primary sources eye witnesses participants defectors victims and prisoners this remarkable book among all other sources offers keys to understanding not only this important strategic region but the very phase in world history in which we find ourselves today much more than a novel even more than a tribute kara kush stands as a model of human vision leadership cooperation and capacity at a time when we need it most i collected this material from freedom fighters some of them my own relatives from refugees and from men and women fighting shoulder to shoulder from all over afghanistan idries shah

## **The Exploits of the Incomparable Mulla Nasrudin**

1983

oriental magic is recognized as a brilliant study of how what and why people think in territories extending from north africa to japan profusely illustrated the book is the product of years of research and field work in a dozen different cultural regions its scholarly accuracy and genuine contribution to cultural understanding have made it a key text for anyone interested in informal beliefs and esoteric practices the work includes material on indian alchemy the arabian abjad system on divination and talismanic charms and it even contains an ancient brahmin spell for immortality

## **The Pleasantries of the Incredible Mulla Nasrudin**

1983

evenings with idries shah collected by r easterling and kamil hafiz the sufis have been using carefully constructed stories for teaching purposes for thousands of years though on the surface these often appear to be little more than entertaining fairy tales or folk tales they enshrine in their characters plots and imagery patterns and relationships that nurture a part of the mind not reachable in more conventional ways thus increasing our understanding flexibility and breadth of vision in this little book idries shah explains the nature of the teaching story and how the reader might approach this amazing material

## **Kara Kush**

2019-03-09

## **Oriental Magic**

2016-04-08



**Evenings with Idries Shah**

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