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The Emperors Of The Aztec Empire



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Synopsis

The Aztec Empire was one of the great civilisations of the medieval world. Yet it is currently one of the least known or discussed empires. For all of the great achievements of their culture, the Aztec's are often only represented as bloodthirsty warriors engaging in human sacrifice. This book attempts to present a true and honest depiction of the rulers of Tenochtitlan, the Aztec capital, who were by extension rulers over the whole of Central Mexico. Each ruler is given some key information and then a description of their reign. Also included for each ruler are pictures taken primarily from the Aztec codices. This work is by Nicky Stuart Verra, an Ancient Historian who has long had a fascination with Mesoamerica and with the Nahuatl culture in general.

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Customer Reviews

This, while short, is a neat work on the various Aztec rulers. It provides short bios on each them, as we know information, and has some nice Aztec pictures included. 202 locations in length. I liked it, but picked it up while it was free. Edit - seeing the current price of \$9, I really need to put in an addendum. As noted above, this is quite short. I'd pay 99 cents for it and can't imagine paying

anywhere near \$9 for what is here.

One should learn from such histories. Nothing, no nation, no culture lasts forever. How striking to place such an advanced and complicated culture as the Aztecs had along side that of the Spanish when they met and ponder the differences and the similarities. This is a great read as it leads the mind into thinking: What if. Was the Aztec civilization not doomed even without the Spanish? Could they have saved themselves? Maybe. Their culture? Not likely.

wikipedia-like booklet, worth .99 cents.

The contents of this book, although interesting, are in the form of a litany of bare facts rather than a depiction of the Rulers of the Aztecs. I do not question the authors stated facts, but would urge him to include links to his sources, pictures of the codices / hieroglyphics / Spaniards accounts from whence the translations were made and the information gleaned from, name and credit the relevant translators and generally try to add more 'meat' to this interesting topic. For example, references are made to some of the notable works carried out or commissioned by some of these Rulers, aqueducts, the Sun Stone, etc - include pictures of them. The topic has the potential of 5 Stars. Unfortunately, the presentation of the topic only deserves 1 Star.

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