



WILD EARTH JOURNEYS

BOOKS TO READ

MONGOLIA:

When the Great Deep Ocean was a pool,
When the loftiest Mountain was a hillock,
When the first tree was a sapling,
When the Adult Lord was in his cradle,
When Dayan Deerh was only a cave...
You were existing and blessing...
Shoog, shoog Hairhan
(Darhad/Huular Shamanist invocation)

MONGOLIAN BUDDHISM:

Mongolian Buddhism The Rise and Fall of the Sangha by Michael K. Jerryson, Bangkok: Silkworm Press, 2007.
Lama of the Gobi The Life & Times of Danzan Rbjaa Mogolia's greatest Mystical Poet by Michael Kohn
Tales of Old Lama by C.R. Bawden London: Keegan Paul 1989
The Religions of Mongolia by Walter Heissig and Geoffrey Samuel. Berkely: U. Cal Press 1980.

CHOD:

www.LamaWangdu.org

Hundred Thousand Rays of the Sun: The Sublime Life & Teachings of a Chod Master by H.E. Lama Tsering Wangdu, trans. & edit. by Joshua Waldman & Lama Jinpa
Lion of the Siddhas: The Life & Teachings of Padampa Sangye trans. by David Molk with Lama Tsering Wangdu Rinpoche
Machig Labdron and the Foundations of Chod by Jerome Edou
Machik's Complete Explanation: Clarifying the Meaning of Chod trans. & edit. by Sarah Harding
Chod Practice Manual & Commentary by the 14th Karmapa Thekchok Dorje and Jamgonn Kongtral Lodo Taye, preface by H.E. Bokar Rinpoche, translated by V.V. Lama Lodo Rinpoche
Chod in the Ganden Tradition: The Oral Instructions of Kyabje Zong Rinpoche by Kyabje Zong Rinpoche, edited by David Molk

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Chod Teachings

Chod: Cutting Through the Ego by Yangthang Rinpoche

Chod: The Introduction & A Few Practices by Most Ven. Khenchen
Thrangu Rinpoche

Chod: An Advanced Type of Shamanism - Dharma Fellowship Library
An Introduction to Chod by H.E. Khentin Tai Situpa Rinpoche

TRAVEL LITERATURE:

Lost Country: Mongolia Revealed by Japser Becker. Describes the author's travels in Mongolia in the early 1990's and his attempts to uncover the secrets of the purge years that plagued Mongolia in the 1930's. Buddhism chapter inaccurate.

Wild East by Jill Lawless tightly written, very funny account

Hearing Birds Fly by Louisa Waugh describe's author's year in Tsengle, a Kazakh village in western Mongolia.

Riding Windhorses A Journey into the Heart of Mongolian Shamanism by Sarangerel

Dateline Mongolia: An American Journalist in Nomad's Land by Michael Kohn

Eagle Dreams Searching for Legends in wild Mongolia by Stephen J Bodio (sadly disappointing)

Travel Tales from Inner Montana to Outer Mongolia (ISBN: 1878067982)
Jessica Maxwell

Mongolia: in search of Marco Polo, and other adventures, by Micheli Silvio
Don Croner's Travels in Northern Mongolia, Polar Star Publications
Anchorage 2001

Lost in Mongolia: Travels in Hollywood and Other Foreign Lands (ISBN: 0812991559) Tad Friend

OLD TRAVEL LITERATURE:

Giovanni dal Piano di Carpine, Ezzelino (Ascelin), then, very extensively, the report of Wilhelm of Riusbroek, then Ricoldo de Monte-Croce. Volume e reports of Niccolo and Maffio Polo, Marco Polo, Giovanni de Monte Corvino, Oderich of Portenau, Johannes of Cox and Giovanni dei Marignoli.

Nomads and Commissars: Mongolia Revisited by Owen Lattimore

MONGOLIAN HEROES OF THE 20TH CENTURY / With an Introduction
By

Owen Lattimore (ISBN: 0404154026) Onon, Urgunge [Translator and Editor]

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The Desert Road to Turkestan by Owen Lattimore

Setting off to rejoin his wife for their honeymoon in Chinese Turkestan, Lattimore was forced to contend with marauding troops, a lack of maps, scheming travel companions, and blinding blizzard. Luckily he had with him not only his father's retainer, Moses, but a team of camel pullers and Chinese&Tibetan traders he had assembled to teach him the ropes about their mysterious and now extinct way of life. Lattimore's gifts as a linguist and his remarkable powers of observation lend his chronicle an immediacy and force that has lost now of its impact in the decades since its original publication. Bookseller Inventory # 1568360703

Tents in Mongolia (Yabonah): Adventures and Experiences Among the Nomads of Central Asia by Haslund, Henning

In a diarist's style, the author describes the 1923 Danish Krebs Expedition to explore Northern Mongolia for the purpose of establishing "a farm for corn, horse and cattle raising." Among other comments, the author describes conditions after having been captured by Soviets. He was set free by arguing the case for peace. "We wanted peace and understanding between nations and races, and not hatred and blind fanaticism."

Bookseller Inventory # 000559

George Roerich, 1931 Trails to Innermost Asia. New Haven:Yale University Press.

The Land of the Lamas Notes of a Journey Through China, Mongolia and Tibet (ISBN: 8188043346) Rockhili William Woodville

Oriental and Western Siberia A Narrative of Seven Years of Explorations and Adventures in Siberia, Mongolia, The Kirghis Steppes, Chinese Tartary, and Part of Central Asia (ISBN: 8120614682) by Atkinson Thomas Witlam National Geographic March 1962. "Journey to Outer Mongolia" by William O. Douglas and Dean Conger

GHENGIS KHAN AND FAMILY:

Ghengis Khan and the Making Of Modern Mongolia By Jack Weatherford.

IF YOU READ ONLY ONE, CHOOSE THIS ONE!

In the Empire of Genghis Khan by Stewart, Stanley

Mongolia the Legacy of Chingiss Khan by Patricia Berger, Terese Tse Bartholomew Thames and Hudson 1995

Ghengis Khan and the Mongol Empire by Jean-Paul Roux Harry Abrams

Modern Mongolia: Reclaiming Genghis Khan by Paula L. W. Sabloff

Mongolia: The Legacy of Chinggis [Genghis] Khan by Patricia Ann Berger and Terese Tse Bartholomew (Paperback - Jul 1, 1995)

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In Search of Genghis Khan (ISBN: 0689121342) by Timothy Severin
In the Footsteps of Genghis Khan (Kolowalu Books) (ISBN: 0824814932)

By John DeFrancis

Genghis Khan: Emperor Of All Men (The Conqueror) by Lamb, Harold
Morris Rossabi Khubilai Khan His Life and Times, University of California
Press 1988. Very good.

HISTORY:

B. B. Baabar, History of Mongolia , Monsudar Publishing University
Cambridge, 1999

Buyantyn Dashtseren The History and Culture of Mongolia, The Asiatic
Society

Mongolia (Vanishing Cultures) by Jan Reynolds

Modern Mongolia: From Khans to Commissars to Capitalists by Morris
Rossabi

A History of Russia, Central Asia and Mongolia, Vol. 1: Inner Eurasia from
Prehistory to the Mongol Empire by David Christian (Paperback - Dec 23,
1998)

Mongolia-China Relations Modern and Contemporary Times (ISBN:
8182741963) by Soni Sharad K.

Reign of Terror in Mongolia, 1920-1990 (ISBN: 8170031613) by Dashpurev
D.

The Modern History of Mongolia by C.R. Bawden. London: Kegan Paul
Internaitonal Ltd. 1989

SHAMANISM:

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NOVELS:

The Year of the Horse Ritchie, Rita, Illus Lorence F. Bjorklund
Novel about the nomads of Mongolia

WOMEN:

Martha Avery Women of Mongolia, Oxford University Press, 1996

FOLKTALES & POETRY:

Folk Tales of Mongolia (ISBN: 8171813127) by Khurelbat B.

The Legend of Cuckoo Namjil Folktales from Mongolia by D. Altengerel
Perfect Qualities by Danzan Ravjaa translated from Mongolian by Simon
Wickham-Smith

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DINOSAURS:

Dinosaurs of the Flaming Cliffs (ISBN: 0385477740) by Michael Novacek
Time Traveler: In Search of Dinosaurs and Other Fossils from Montana to Mongolia (ISBN: 0374278806) Michael Novacek
On the Trail of Ancient Man: A Narrative of the Field Work of the Central Asiatic Expeditions by Roy Chapman Andrews

HORSES:

The Last Wild Horse: From Prehistoric Mongolia to Modern Zoos, the Story of the (ISBN: 0395258383
“The Anthropology of Landscape: Perspectives on Place and Space by Caroline Humphrey Oxford Press 1995.
Mongolia’s Culture and Society by Jagchid Sechin and Paul Hyer Boulder Co: Westview Press 1979

FILMS:

“Cave of the Yellow Dog” by Babbayar Batchuluun, Buyandulam Daramdadi, Batchuluun Urjindorj, and Nansal Batchuluun
“The Story of the Weeping Camel” by Janchiv Ayurzana, Chimed Ohin, Amgaabazar Gonson, and Zeweljamz Nyam
“PBS Nature Horses/Double Program: Wild Horses of Mongolia w/Julia Roberts & Horse & Rider”
“PBS Nature Horses/Double Program: Wild Horses of Mongolia w/Julia Roberts & Horse & Rider” (VHS Tape – 2004)

INTERNET RESOURCES:

www.lonelyplanet.com
www.mongoluls.net
www.mongoliatourism.gov.mn
www.mongoliasociety.org
www.mongolianmatters.com
www.shaggyyak.com
www.mongoliantemples.com
www.danzinraabgya.com
www.fpmt.org/mongolia - click on RH side column “Buddhism in Mongolia” for streaming video.