

**Travellers to the Middle East from Burckhardt to Thesiger****An Anthology***Edited by Geoffrey P. Nash***Pub Date:** July 2009**Binding:** Hardback**Price:** £60 / \$99**ISBN:** 9781843317920**Category:** LITERARY COLLECTIONS / Middle Eastern**BISAC code:** LCO012000**BIC code:** DQ**Extent:** 318 pages**Size:** 229 x 152mm / 9 x 6**Rights Held:** World**Description**

An invaluable compendium of writing on the Middle East including extracts from canonical and less well known travellers' works.

Travellers to the Middle East from Burkhardt to Thesiger is a compendious anthology of travellers' writings produced during the high tide of Britain's involvement in the Middle East. The anthology contains extracts from many of the canonical travel texts of the period, including passages by T. E. Lawrence, Gertrude Bell and Robert Byron, as well as many more extracts from both female and male writers. The anthology is also enlivened by the broad geographical span covered, including descriptions of territories in the Ottoman Empire, Egypt, Arabia and Persia.

Geoffrey Nash's introduction, notes and background material provide specialist historical analysis and biographical information informed by critical and theoretical perspectives relevant to the genre of travel writing. This anthology will satisfy the growing interest in the study of travel writing, in addition to offering the general reader valuable insights into British perceptions of the Middle East.

Readership: Inquisitive general readers, specialists, teachers, and students of travel writing, English literature and Middle East studies.

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