

## Osho Baghwan Shree Rajneesh Home

Did Osho truly die a natural death? Or were there other forces at play? 27 years after Osho's death, investigative journalist Abhay Vaidya reveals shocking details of the case that he tracked for nearly three decades. Osho's death on 19th January, 1990 triggered intense factional fights and intrigue among his closest followers for the control of the funds, intellectual properties and other lucrative assets of the Movement. *Who Killed Osho?* not only captures the history of the Movement but is also the definitive account to date of Osho's death and that of his soulmate, Nirvano. Throwing fresh light on the controversial circumstances of their deaths, this book makes a case for investigations into the affairs of the Osho trusts as they exist today.

Dozens of books promise you the keys to financial success and abundance. But do you know how to dissolve the age-old split between money and spirit that is keeping you from living your life fully? How do you master the mechanics of responsible financial stewardship as you embrace the world of money as a spiritual practice? *Money - Spirituality - Consciousness* will lead you through an experiential inquiry into your personal relationship with the world of money, demystifying the psychological, historical, sociocultural, and spiritual dimensions of money so that it becomes not only an effective tool but also a creative extension of who you are—an expression of your uniqueness in the world.

In terms of public opinion, new religious movements are considered controversial for a variety of reasons ranging from how they speak, dress, and eat, to the way they think and their sense of community. Their social organization often runs counter to popular expectations by experimenting with communal living (or strict individualism), alternative leadership roles (or flat network structures), unusual economic dispositions, and new political and ethical values. As a result the general public views new religions with a mixture of curiosity, amusement, and anxiety, sustained by lavish media emphasis on oddness and tragedy rather than familiarity and lived experience. This updated and revised second edition of *Controversial New Religions* offers a scholarly, dispassionate look at those groups that have generated the most attention, including some very well-known classical groups like The Family, Unification Church, Scientology, and Jim Jones' People's Temple; some relative newcomers such as the Kabbalah Centre, the Order of the Solar Temple, Branch Davidians, Heaven's Gate, and the Falun Gong; and some interesting cases like contemporary Satanism, the Raelians, Black nationalism, and various Pagan groups. Written by established scholars as well as younger experts in the field, each essay combines an overview of the history and beliefs of each organization or movement with original and insightful analysis. By presenting decades of scholarly work on new religious movements in an accessible form, this book will be an invaluable resource for all those who seek a view of new religions that is deeper than what can be found in sensationalistic media stories.

*Zorba the Buddha* is the first comprehensive study of the life, teachings, and following of the controversial Indian guru known in his youth as Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and in his later years as Osho (1931–1990). Most Americans today remember him only as the “sex guru” and the “Rolls Royce guru,” who built a hugely successful but scandal-ridden utopian community in central Oregon during the 1980s. Yet Osho was arguably the first truly global guru of the twentieth century, creating a large transnational movement that traced a complex global circuit from post-Independence India of the 1960s to Reagan's America of the 1980s and back to a developing new India in the 1990s. The Osho movement embodies some of the most important economic and spiritual currents of the past forty years, emerging and adapting within an increasingly interconnected and conflicted late-capitalist world order. Based on extensive ethnographic and archival research, Hugh Urban has created a rich and powerful narrative that is a must-read for anyone interested in religion and globalization.

This is the diary of the roller-coaster ride of Shunyo's inner and outer adventures, which proved to be both life and sanity threatening yet profoundly rewarding. The story is told of how a western woman became a disciple of the greatest Mystic of this century. In its simple style she takes the reader through hair-raising adventures from prison, to attempted murder and finally to the truth of Osho's death by thallium poisoning by the American authorities. Running parallel with these outer adventures are her intimate accounts of life with Osho, and her own self-discoveries.

With the stunning public cases of leadership gone awry, the search is on for a type of leadership that incorporates human values in an otherwise exploitative business world. In this book, the authors take the scalpel and address deeply ingrained nefarious management theory, and show the way to healing, opening fresh fields of ambition, new degrees of passion, and creativity. A synthesis of the best Western thinking and Eastern wisdom teachings, the book introduces "The Chakras of Leadership," a model of leadership that differentiates seven levels of human energy use.

Eight top singers talk about chanting, the new cultural phenomenon sweeping from coast to coast in the US.

Equally moving and disturbing, this book chronicles the rise and fall of the religion Rajneeshism and the Rolls Royce guru, and Jane's part in the events that led to its collapse. The Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and his followers were involved in nefarious activities including prostitution, drug smuggling, sexual abuse of children, and murder conspiracy. The *Rajneesh Chronicles* explains this behavior—and why the cult that committed the first act of bioterrorism in the U.S. was trying to cultivate a live AIDS virus. Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, widely known as the "sex guru," fled India in 1981 and came to settle on a ranch in central Oregon, where he and his followers established the illegal city of Rajneeshpuram. In their effort to preserve the city, the Rajneeshes attempted during the 1984 election to take control of the Wasco County government by poisoning two county commissioners and over 700 potential voters in The Dalles, the county seat, with salmonella—the first act of bio-terrorism in U.S. history. Armed to the teeth with semiautomatic

weapons, they threatened to defend the city to the death against any governmental intrusion, and hatched a plot to assassinate a U.S attorney. When the commune finally imploded and authorities arrived on the scene, they discovered that the Rajneesh nurse who had cultivated salmonella bacteria in the commune's biological warfare laboratory was also trying to cultivate a live AIDS virus—which deranged group leaders clearly hoped to unleash on the rest on the world. The Rajneesh Chronicles is a collection of in-depth investigative and analytical articles published in Oregon Magazine covering the entire period from the time of the cult's arrival in Oregon in mid-1981 to its dramatic disintegration at the end of 1985 (with an introductory chronology that extends the story up to the present). While most press treated the cult's antics as a humorous sideshow typified by the Bhagwan's dozens of Rolls-Royces, editor in chief Win McCormack and other of the magazine's writers systematically exposed the full range of the Rajneeshees' depraved behavior, including their involvement in prostitution and international drug smuggling, sexual exploitation of children, abuse of homeless people they imported into Rajneeshpuram to register as voters, and the use of brainwashing techniques bordering on torture. The tale of the Rajneesh has become an amorphous legend few inside or outside of Oregon actually understand. The Rajneesh Chronicles fully illuminates the shocking reality behind that legend.

Religious or spiritual beliefs underpin many controversies and conflicts in the contemporary world. Written by a range of scholarly contributors, this three-volume set provides contextual background information and detailed explanations of religious controversies across the globe. • Provides detailed coverage of a broad range of religious controversies and issues in a single resource • Offers analysis and context from authorities in their fields that goes beyond the often simplified presentations of religious controversies in modern media • Supplies insight into key religious issues that underpin international current events, enabling readers a greater understanding of the root causes of the acrimony and contention regarding seemingly secular issues

From heading an ashram at Rajneeshpuram, Oregon, USA, in the 1980s to allegedly spearheading what is known as the largest bioterror attack in American history and spending thirty-nine months in prison, Ma Anand Sheela's life is one that fascinates and intrigues. But who is the woman beyond the persona of the commune leader? What is Sheela like behind the sensational 'tough titties' avatar? Manbeena Sandhu followed the Osho movement for two decades before her journey finally led her to Sheela. Nothing to Lose is a no-holds-barred account of Sheela's life, her intense relationship with Bhagwan, and the riveting story of what actually happened behind the closed doors of the cult's ashram.

On the life and visions of Osho, 1931-1990, Indian spiritual leader.

The Resource for the Independent Traveler For over forty years Let's Go Travel Guides have brought budget-savvy travelers closer to the world and its diverse cultures by providing the most up-to-date information. Includes: • Entries at all price levels for lodging, food, attractions, and more • Must-have tips for planning your trip, getting around, and staying safe • Expanded coverage of trekking with day-to-day trail descriptions • In-depth cultural information that offers an insider's look at life in the region • The scoop on India's swankest nightlife • Detailed maps of cities, towns, and the outdoors Featuring not-to-be-missed Experiences Cultural Connections: Master the art of Nepali cooking near Kathmandu Inside Scoops & Hidden Deals: Gather your own chai in the fields of Darjeeling Off the Beaten Path: Traverse the Himalayas on Karnali's white water Get advice, read up, and book tickets at [www.letsgo.com](http://www.letsgo.com)

Up-to-date, well-documented, comprehensive coverage of cults, sects, and world religions, from the historical to the contemporary INCLUDES • Well-known groups and world religions, such as Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, Islam, and Baha'i • Groups with a significant North American influence, including Santeria, Rastafarians, Haitian Voodoo, white supremacy groups, Wicca, and Satanism REVISED, UPDATED, AND EXPANDED TO INCLUDE NEW ENTRIES AND NEW INFORMATION • Updated information on Islam and its global impact • New entries: the Branch Davidians, Native American religions, Heaven's Gate, Aum Supreme Truth, the Boston Movement, the Masonic Lodge, and many others • Developments in the world of cults and the occult Encyclopedic Dictionary of Cults, Sects, and World Religions is arguably the most significant reference book on the subject to be published. Formerly titled Dictionary of Cults, Sects, Religions, and the Occult, it provides reliable information on the history and beliefs of nearly every form of religion active today. This extensively revised edition includes new topics, updated information, and a brand-new format for a clearer, more organized approach. The authors evaluate the beliefs and practices of each group from the perspective of the Bible and the historic creeds of the Christian church. You'll also find group histories, numerous illustrations, charts, current statistics, websites, bibliographies, and other useful information.

Soviet Baby Boomers traces the collapse of the Soviet Union and the transformation of Russia into a modern, highly literate, urban society through the life stories of the country's first post-World War II, Cold War generation. Illuminating a critical generation of people who had remained largely faceless up until now, the book reveals what it meant to "live Soviet" during the twilight of the Soviet empire.

The Three Dangerous Magi reveals scandal, mayhem, death, sex, drugs, ecstasy, enlightenment, in the lives of the three most notorious sages of the 20th century. Use their story for personal transformation.

"This encyclopedia is a welcome exploration of the great variety of social networks that human beings create and participate in. Interdisciplinary in scope, the set includes contributions from some of the foremost scholars studying community today. Appendixes include an extensive bibliography, a collection of resources guides, an annotated guide to "Community in Popular Culture," and "Libraries Build Community," a guide for librarians."--"The Top 20 Reference Titles of the Year," American Libraries, May 2004.

These short travel essays from around the globe get to the heart of what the words travel and adventure really mean. In *Search of Adventure* explores the good, the bad, and the ugly of what travelling the world has to offer. The "Trampled Underfoot" section features tales of woe on the road -- the worst of the worst, or making the best of the worst. In "Global Issues & Viewpoints," authors explore the changing world, oppressive governments, and the homogenising of world cultures. From warm and inviting to raw and shocking, these non-fiction travel pieces present disparate viewpoints on the diverse world in which we live and leave no emotion untouched.

"This Time Around" is an autobiography of Ron Lloyd, a performer, and philosopher from the Pacific Northwest. This book chronicles Ron's interesting, dangerous and experimental life and subsequent redemption. The subtitle by William Blake is fitting. "The Fool who persists in his folly will become wise"

A memoir of formative years spent on a series of communes: A "wonderful account of a frankly ghastly childhood . . . Hilarious and heartbreaking" (Daily Mail). At the age of six, Tim Guest was taken by his mother to a commune modeled on the teachings of the notorious Indian guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh. The Bhagwan preached an eclectic doctrine of Eastern mysticism, chaotic therapy, and sexual freedom, and enjoyed inhaling laughing gas, preaching from a dentist's chair, and collecting Rolls Royces. Tim and his mother were given Sanskrit names, dressed entirely in orange, and encouraged to surrender themselves into their new family. While his mother worked tirelessly for the cause, Tim—or Yogesh, as he was now called—lived a life of well-meaning but woefully misguided neglect in various communes in England, Oregon, India, and Germany. In 1985 the movement collapsed amid allegations of mass poisonings, attempted murder, and tax evasion, and Yogesh was once again Tim. In this extraordinary memoir, Tim Guest chronicles the heartbreaking experience of being left alone on earth while his mother hunted heaven. "An intelligent, wry, openhearted memoir of surviving a childhood and a cultural phenomenon that were both extraordinary." —Booklist (starred review)

Understand the life and teachings of Osho, one of the twentieth century's most unusual gurus and philosophers, in *Autobiography of a Spiritually Incorrect Mystic*. In 1990, Osho prepared for his departure from the body that had served him for fifty-nine years—in the words of his attending physician—"as calmly as though he were packing for a weekend in the country." Who was this man, known as the Sex Guru, the "self-appointed bhagwan" (Rajneesh), the Rolls-Royce Guru, the Rich Man's Guru, and simply the Master? Drawn from nearly five thousand hours of Osho's recorded talks, this is the story of his youth and education, his life as a professor of philosophy and years of travel teaching the importance of meditation, and the true legacy he sought to leave behind: a religion-less religion centered on individual awareness and responsibility and the teaching of "Zorba the Buddha," a celebration of the whole human being. Osho challenges readers to examine and break free of the conditioned belief systems and prejudices that limit their capacity to enjoy life in all its richness. He has been described by the Sunday Times of London as one of the "1000 Makers of the 20th Century" and by Sunday Mid-Day (India) as one of the ten people—along with Gandhi, Nehru, and Buddha—who have changed the destiny of India. Since his death in 1990, the influence of his teachings continues to expand, reaching seekers of all ages in virtually every country of the world.

On spiritual life.

"When a battle is raging within, enemies appear on the outside." Osho—the provocative spiritual teacher whom novelist Tom Robbins called "the most dangerous man since Jesus Christ"—provides illuminating commentary on the classic Hindu scripture, the Bhagavad Gita. His eye-opening interpretation exposes the roots of our contemporary personal and global problems and reveals how the patterns and conditionings of our minds create misery, dilemma, conflict, and war. Most important, Osho offers his timeless solution to the problem by expanding on Krishna's psychological vision and drawing wisdom from the sacred text.

*Osho Never Born Never Died*. Only visited this Planet Earth between December 11, 1931-January 19, 1990. As this final inscription suggests, Osho Rajneesh was a paradox: an individual with no claims to being an individual a Master with thousands of disciples who refused to be a Master. He has variously been seen as the god that failed ,the most dangerous man since Jesus Christ and the Buddha for the future .This book brings together some of the best short writings in English on Osho and neo-Sannyasa. Some of the pieces are celebratory, some inquisitive but uncommitted, some scholarly, and some frankly sceptical. The book is divided into four parts, dealing with Osho himself, his Community, Meditation and Therapy, and the Decline and Renewal of his movement, with a postscript on the present commune. Together the papers provide a full picture of a complex man and a vibrant, if turbulent, religious movement.

This collection of essays looks at missions, their complicity in European colonialism, and their postcolonial aftermath. It examines the spread of Christianity, ranging over the anthropological, textual, historical, and geographical dimensions of mission enterprises, with topics as diverse as the influence of mission printing and record-keeping on traditional life in Africa to the role of missions in changing styles of dress in India. Also, uniquely, the collection includes essays analyzing the role of proselytizing in Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism, as well as American liberal democratic capitalism. The volume is interdisciplinary, focusing on textual and material aspects of missions. Like Griffiths' earlier ground-breaking books in postcolonial studies, and Scott's well-known interdisciplinary work on missions and postcolonial literatures, this collection will be fascinating to scholars in postcolonial/cultural and mission studies and be useful as a teaching tool as well. *Mixed Messages* was listed among the 15 best books for 2005 in the Jan 2006 issue of *The International Bulletin of Mission Studies* .

From Feng Shui to holistic medicine, from aromatherapy candles to yoga weekends, spirituality is big business. It promises to soothe away the angst of modern living and to offer an antidote to shallow materialism. *Selling Spirituality* is a short, sharp, attack on this fallacy. It shows how spirituality has in fact become a powerful commodity in the global marketplace - a cultural addiction that reflects orthodox politics, curbs self-expression and colonizes Eastern beliefs. Exposing how spirituality has today come to embody the privatization of religion in the modern West, Jeremy Carrette and Richard King reveal the people and brands who profit from this corporate hijack, and explore how spirituality can be reclaimed as a means of resistance to capitalism and its deceptions.

*Zorba the Buddha* is a selection made from Osho s discourses on the synthesis of materialism and spiritualism, the Zorba and the Buddha

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*Anthropology of Religion: The Basics* is an accessible and engaging introductory text organized around key issues that all anthropologists of religion face. This book uses a wide range of historical and

ethnographic examples to address not only what is studied by anthropologists of religion, but how such studies are approached. It addresses questions such as: How do human agents interact with gods and spirits? What is the nature of doing religious ethnography? Can the immaterial be embodied in the body, language and material objects? What is the role of ritual, time, and place in religion? Why is charisma important for religious movements? How do global processes interact with religions? With international case studies from a range of religious traditions, suggestions for further reading, and inventive reflection boxes, *Anthropology of Religion: The Basics* is an essential read for students approaching the subject for the first time.

A complex tale of breathtaking ambition, flamboyant personalities, palace intrigue, and many victims along the path to enlightenment. In 1981, Ma Ananda Sheela convinced the world-famous Indian guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh to move to the United States so she could fulfill his dream of building a modern utopia. Four years later, the Rajneeshpuram commune in Oregon collapsed under the staggering weight of criminal conspiracies, attempted murders, and the guru's unrelenting taste for luxury goods. *Rajneeshpuram* explores how this extraordinary community went so wrong, presenting the comprehensive story of how leaders developed their sophisticated commune in the Oregon high desert, and how the idealistic, progressive community transformed into a militarized police state. Drawing from extensive interviews with former disciples and an unprecedented review of commune records, law enforcement files, recordings, and archival materials, author Russell King probes why so many people were drawn to this controversial Indian guru and the legal and political dynamics that led commune leaders to lie, cheat, and poison to preserve their vulnerable community. *Rajneeshpuram* will tell the Rajneesh story from a modern perspective, using newly available information and interviews with disciples who have never before shared their stories.

*The Handbook of Hinduism in Europe* portrays and analyses Hindu traditions in every country in Europe. It presents the main Hindu communities, religious groups, forms and teachings present in the continent and shows that Hinduism have become a major religion in Europe.

*Russia's Sputnik Generation* presents the life stories of eight 1967 graduates of School No. 42 in the Russian city of Saratov. Born in 1949/50, these four men and four women belong to the first generation conceived during the Soviet Union's return to "normality" following World War II. Well educated, articulate, and loosely networked even today, they were first-graders the year the USSR launched Sputnik, and grew up in a country that increasingly distanced itself from the excesses of Stalinism. Reaching middle age during the Gorbachev Revolution, they negotiated the transition to a Russian-style market economy and remain active, productive members of society in Russia and the diaspora. In candid interviews with Donald J. Raleigh, these Soviet "baby boomers" talk about the historical times in which they grew up, but also about their everyday experiences -- their family backgrounds; childhood pastimes; favorite books, movies, and music; and influential people in their lives. These personal testimonies shed valuable light on Soviet childhood and adolescence, on the reasons and course of perestroika, and on the wrenching transition that has taken place since the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991.

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