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Editorial Review

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Scarecrow Press has updated its Historical Dictionary of Ancient Egypt volume, which is part of the Historical Dictionaries of Ancient Civilizations and Historical Eras series. The dictionary has been expanded and updated to reflect the latest research. Preceding the entries are an introductory overview of ancient Egyptian history and a chronology from prehistoric times to the beginning of the Arabic conquest in 642 CE. The major part of the work is an A–Z dictionary of rulers and leaders; battles and wars; and economic, cultural, and social topics. Each of the entries includes, in boldface, cross-references to other topics. In addition, there are two appendixes: one covering Egyptian dynasties and the other listing major world museums that have notable Egyptian collections. A rather lengthy bibliography of monographs completes the work. Most of the items are books published in English, but French and German publications are included as well. The Historical Dictionary of Ancient Egypt, originally published in 1999, was the first volume in the series and is the first volume of the series to be revised. Although this dictionary is oriented toward researchers and students of ancient Egypt, it is quite accessible to the general public. Purchase of this new edition is recommended for those libraries that did not purchase the first edition and need a dictionary of ancient Egypt. --Jerry Carbone

Review

Packed with engaging information....Recommended. (Library Journal)

This volume is by a well-known Egyptologist provides the interested reader/researcher with a wealth of information that can serve as a prelude to further research....Of tremendous value is the extensive set of bibliographies, well over one hundred pages of useful resources....Such a combination of resources in one modest volume will serve scholars and yet is not so overwhelming as to intimidate the more casual reader. (*American Reference Books Annual*)

This dictionary...is quite accessible to the general public. (Booklist)

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