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Actes Sud

Rouergue

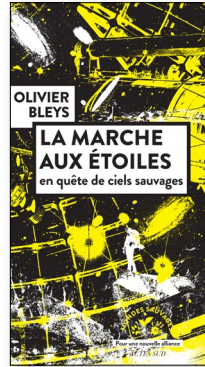
Hubert Nyssen and Christine Le Boeuf, joined by Françoise Nyssen, Bertrand Py, and Jean-Paul Capitani, founded Actes Sud in 1978 and developed the company into a general publishing house. Far from Paris, Actes Sud also stands out thanks to its graphic identity and the choice to open the catalogue up to foreign literatures. Actes Sud continues to develop, driven by a desire for independence and discovery. The catalogue reserves a fundamental place for literature and welcomes authors from many artistic disciplines.

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**Walking to the Stars:
In Search of Wild Skies**

*La marche aux étoiles.
En quête de ciels sauvages*

Olivier Bleys
2025 / 293 pages
9782330199685 / €22

The sky, an endangered species.

This natural treasure is being threatened by chemical and light pollution, the viral proliferation of satellites, and the increase of space debris. If nothing is done, nine out of ten lights in the sky in the 2030s will be artificial objects. In search of a sky that is still pure, Olivier Bleys traveled the deserts of the American West and hiked the tall ridges of the Sierra Nevada. This book is the very personal story, albeit backed by science, of an adventure underneath the American sky.

Essay



Return Common Sense to Your Plate: 41 Prejudices Deconstructed by a Nutritionist

Remettez du bon sens dans votre assiette. 41 préjugés déconstruits par un nutritionniste

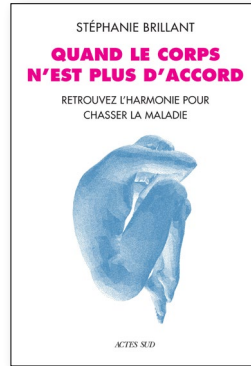
Anthony Berthou, preface
by François-Régis Gaudry
2025 / 304 pages
9782330203054 / €22

A nutritionist goes over 41 food myths with a fine-tooth comb.

“Gluten damages the intestines.”
“Coffee is bad for blood pressure.”
“Eggs are bad for cholesterol.”

This book attacks 41 of the most stubborn nutritional prejudices, unequivocally drawing on the most recent studies to untangle fact from fiction. With his usual clarity and pedagogical approach, Anthony Berthou helps us to understand how our bodies work and how to decipher the jargon used by industrialists and doctors, in order to make informed decisions regarding what goes onto our plates.

Food/Nutrition



When the Body Rebels: Reestablish Harmony to Ward Off Illness

Quand le corps n'est plus d'accord. Retrouvez l'harmonie pour chasser la maladie

Stéphanie Brillant
2025 / 224 pages
9782330202873 / €22

Listen to your body.

Instead of listening to our bodies, we impose our modern lifestyle on them. And yet, more and more bodies are malfunctioning. Stéphanie Brillant seeks to tackle the root of the problem: what if all we had to do was listen to the signals our organism sends us? What if we started with our bodies to rethink our ways of life? Drawing on contributions from medicine, sociology, and journalism, the author leads a sensitive investigation, to learn how to live in harmony with and within our bodies.

Well-Being|Self-Help



**Wild Plants in the City:
Learning to See the Plants
Outside Your Home**

*Sauvages des villes.
Connaitre les plantes qui
poussent en bas de chez vous*

Laetitia Roux-Weiland
2025 / 176 pages
9782812626890 / €22.5
Rouergue

**An accessible urban flora (48 plants)
and a plea for these wild plants.**

Wild plants also grow in cities. You may not notice them, but they are present, and they are fascinating. Laetitia Roux knows this urban wild flora well and campaigns for city-dwellers to learn to see and protect it. In 5 chapters, she explains to us why these plants are essential, how they manage to survive, what we can do to make that easier for them, and paints the portrait of 30 plants around our homes that are easy to identify.

Ecology



**The Blue Tit and the Caterpillar:
50 Years of Evolving Research**

*La mésange et la chenille.
50 ans d'enquête évolutive*

Jacques Blondel, Anne Charmantier,
Claire Doutrelant, Philippe Perret
2025 / 288 pages
9782330202880 / €22

A little bird that's not so common.

This book is a fascinating dive into the private life of the blue tit... and the researchers who study it. It reveals the 1,001 hacks that have appeared over the course of this little bird's evolution in response to the multiple constraints of Mediterranean bioclimates. We also go behind-the-scenes of a laboratory, thereby learning to better understand how the scientific approach is structured and evolves over generations, societal questions, sources of wonder, and concerns.

Ecology

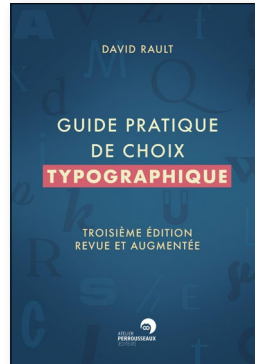
Adverbum

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Practical Guide to Typographical Choice: 3rd revised and expanded edition

*Guide pratique de choix
typographique. Troisième
édition revue et augmentée*

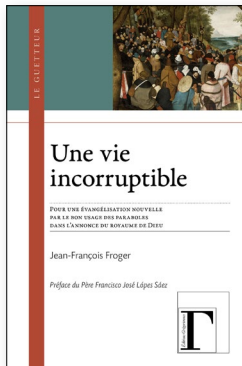
David Rault
2022 / 253 pages
9782367650319 / €29.5
Atelier Perrousseau

A real survival guide for the world of typography!

Each typographical character holds its own past, carries cultural, historical, and social credentials, and creates an authentic atmosphere, through its mere presence on a page and beyond the meaning of the words written. Nearly 60 typographical designs are presented in these pages: each type face is dissected, its creator is presented, the social context is evoked, and all implied meanings of its uses are indicated.

Media and Communications

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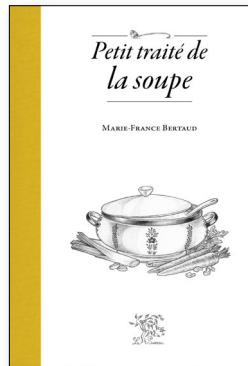


An Incorruptible Life: Toward a New Evangelization Through the Proper Use of Parables in Conveying the Word of God
Une vie incorruptible. Pour une évangélisation nouvelle par le bon usage des paraboles dans l'annonce du royaume de Dieu

Jean-François Froger
 2025 / 168 pages
 9782367660707 / €12.5
 Éditions Grégoriennes

The first fruits of an incorruptible life through a new interpretation of the parables of the Scriptures.
 Newness cannot come from the realm of tried and tested possibilities, but from the creation of new possibilities through creative freedom, in order to reveal the newness of life. This is the key to this book, which proposes a paradigm shift in the interpretation of the Scriptures, by introducing the study of the symbolic function of objects and the use of a new logic (quaternary), so that Jesus's parables are understood as a hymn to joy in receiving the first fruits of an incorruptible life.

Christianity

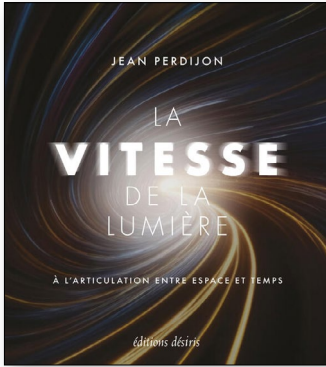


Little Treatise on Soup
Petit traité de la soupe

Marie-France Bertaud
 2024 / 128 pages
 9782364022164 / €16.5
 Le Sureau

Soup is served. Let's eat!
 Thank goodness for soup! Its history began with the mastery of fire and the creation of utensils for holding large quantities of water and food! From the first rustic broths to vegetable consommés and veloutés, soup has been used a little, a lot, or passionately, depending on the era. This little treatise takes the reader on an intercontinental journey that is surprisingly rich in diverse flavors, great stories, and legends.

Food/Nutrition

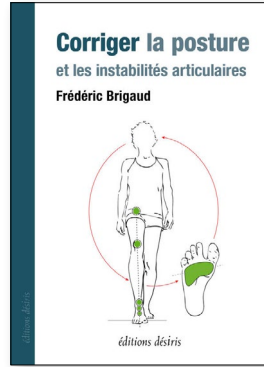


The Speed of Light: At the Crossroads of Space and Time
La vitesse de la lumière.
À l'articulation entre espace et temps

Jean Perdijon
2025 / 144 pages
9782364032316 / €19.5
DésIris

To finally understand why light has speed! And not just any speed!
This book is not a study of "light" but a reflection on "the speed c ". From optics to electromagnetism, from relativity to quantum mechanics, the formulas of physics cannot do without lowercase c . Special relativity has shown just how special this speed is: it is linked to space-time to such an extent that its value is absolute, enormous, and unsurpassable. These particularities deserve a more in-depth consideration.

Scientific Culture



Correcting Posture and Joint Instability
Corriger la posture et les instabilités articulaires

Frédéric Brigaud
2019 / 272 pages
9782364031623 / €29.5
DésIris

Develop a body dynamic close to its true potential.

Our bodies allow for hundreds of postures and movements to carry out a single action, but there is no guarantee that we will automatically and spontaneously choose the most adapted and efficient one from a physiological and biomechanical standpoint. By changing how we execute a posture technically, we act on the posture, correct joint instability, and rebalance the body, thereby preventing trauma to the bone-joint system, for increased mobility and comfort, and even for greater esthetics.

Well-Being|Self-Help

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Bayard

Founded in 1873, Bayard is an international creative media group made up of journalists, editors, and designers of print, digital, and audiovisual content. Bayard is also a publisher of books for adults. In addition to the fields it has traditionally published (non-fiction, religion, and spirituality), Bayard is now branching out to other editorial sectors: graphic novels, narrative non-fiction, and inner literature.

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I Will Look Myself in the Eye
Je me regarderai dans les yeux

Rim Battal
2025 / 208 pages
9782227502925 / €16.5

Face to face.

At 17, the age of romance novels and poems, a young woman in Morocco smokes a cigarette at the window of her room. This transgression triggers the violent fury of her mother – and the narrator’s decision to run away. She is thus presented with an ultimatum: she must produce a certificate of virginity. This forced gynecological examination will be her “first time”. With passion and tenderness, Rim Battal recounts the first times, the desires, and the strength that govern the birth of a woman.

Feminism



Hey, My Friends!

O mes amies!

Marielle Macé

2024 / 80 pages

9782227502192 / €12.9

Friendship is a treasure.

Friendship is one of the most intense and precious experiences of our existence, a source of hope and joy, but also of concerns and questions. By sharing stories and profound reflections; focusing on the importance of games, places, passing time, and imperfection in friendship; and reminding us that the English word “friend” and the German word “Freund” are etymologically related to “free”, the author invites us to consider friendship as a bond that liberates, and to embrace its many facets.

Sociology



War Reporter

Reporter de guerre

Delphine Minoui

2024 / 80 pages

9782227502215 / €12.9

Behind the scenes.

How does a shy child become a journalist? Can you be a war reporter when you can't stand the sight of blood or airplanes? Why insist on staying in the heart of the complicated Middle East when everyone else is trying to leave? Welcome to a behind-the-scenes look at long-distance field reporting, far removed from the stereotypical image of a reporter in a multi-purpose vest and ranger boots, and light years away from today's fake news.

Sociology



The Earth Is a Cooking Pot
La Terre est une marmite

Ryōko Sekiguchi
2024 / 90 pages
9782227502833 / €12.9

Each dish is a dialogue with the world.
We think we know a lot about food, about what nourishes us, but food is actually full of mysteries. Cooking is not some boring obligation of everyday life. Eating and cooking are among the few actions that awaken the five senses. At that precise moment, all the doors of this world are open to us. The world is made up of constant exchanges. The earth is a cooking pot, and we humans dance in it with the trees, fish, animals, water, and our words to name them. A dish is the story of a culture.

Sociology



Fury and Ecstasy
La fureur et l'extase

Laurent Larcher
2025 / 380 pages
9782227503007 / €20.9

A war reporter in the face of mass violence.
How can you experience extreme violence without being changed yourself? War reporter Laurent Larcher delivers a luminous story as well as a deep reflection on mass violence. From Greek theater to René Girard, and from Michel Foucault to the great American novel, the author brings the texts face to face with that which he witnesses, seeking to understand the thirst for blood that beats through the history of humanity.

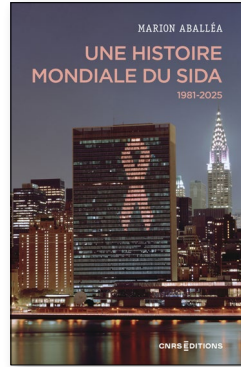
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A Global History of AIDS (1981-2025)

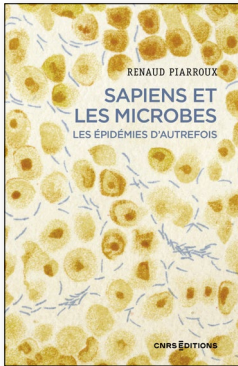
*Une histoire mondiale du sida
(1981-2025)*

Marion Aballéa
2025 / 328 pages
9782271151780 / €25

A book that retraces the history of this first major modern epidemic, which has claimed 40 million lives in 40 years.

AIDS profoundly upended certain founding principles of contemporary societies: sexuality, public health policies, individual and collective behaviors in the face of risk, our relationship to science, activism... This history of AIDS proposes a global approach, both geographically and thematically. It aims to explore the different factors that render HIV-AIDS so unique, and which continue to make it a very real challenge even today.

History



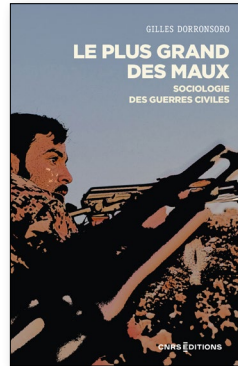
**Sapiens and Microbes:
Epidemics of the Past**
Sapiens et les microbes.
Les épidémies d'autrefois

Renaud Piarroux
2025 / 408 pages
9782271154309 / €26

Renaud Piarroux retraces the history of major epidemics and sheds light on the determining role of microbes in the history of humanity.

It was because malaria was so feared by Western colonists that Africa, although it's so much closer, was colonized four centuries after the New World. Diseases transmitted by Europeans decimated the initial population of the American continent. Invisible killers, microbes were finally discovered at the end of the 19th century and treatments were progressively developed. For a time, influenza thus appeared to be the last epidemic to strike humans, who had learned how to fight back.

History



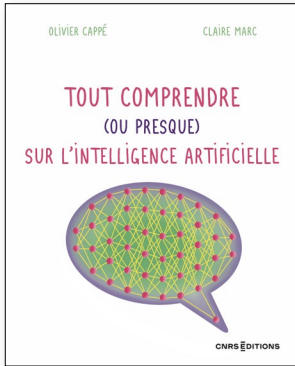
**The Greatest of All Evils:
Sociology of Civil Wars**
Le plus grand des maux.
Sociologie des guerres civiles

Gilles Dorronsoro
2025 / 304 pages
9782271153173 / €25

Civil war has been present throughout humanity's history. How can we define and determine this notion?

This book proposes a global analysis of this destructive phenomenon, drawing on the author's expertise as well as a synthesis of research conducted throughout the world in recent decades. It explores all angles of this political object, which is all the more complex as the actors often prefer to use terms such as "revolution" or "event". Through this comparative investigation, the author sheds light on several invariable characteristics of civil war and the founding principles of power.

Political Sciences



Everything You Wanted to Know About Artificial Intelligence (or Almost!)

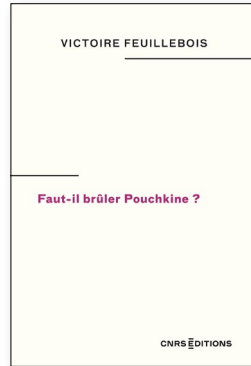
Tout comprendre (ou presque) sur l'intelligence artificielle

Olivier Cappé, Claire Marc
2025 / 140 pages
9782271154248 / €19

A pedagogical presentation of one of the most exciting and anxiety-provoking questions of our era, as well as its promises and risks.

AI is on everyone's lips. And ever since ChatGPT, translation softwares, or image generators went live online, everyone can use it. But nobody really knows what it is. So what is it? Who established the basic concepts? Neural networks, reasoning models, artificial learning, language models: what do these different ways of creating AI entail? What is the science behind it all? What are the expected developments? What are the risks for data protection?

Computer Science



Should We Burn Pushkin?
Faut-il brûler Pouchkine?

Victoire Feuillebois
2025 / 192 pages
9782271153272 / €18

What should we make of the removal of books by Russian authors from Ukrainian libraries? An original look at the war in Ukraine.

Since 2022, the numerous statues of Pushkin in Ukraine have been destroyed. The war in Ukraine has thus become a war that also extends to culture. This poses searing questions regarding Russian culture's ethical and political responsibility in the authorities' violence, as well as the legitimacy of restraining the free circulation of works. Without taking a stance on these questions, this book seeks to understand why they're being asked, in order to put a contemporary debate into perspective.

Essay

Delcourt

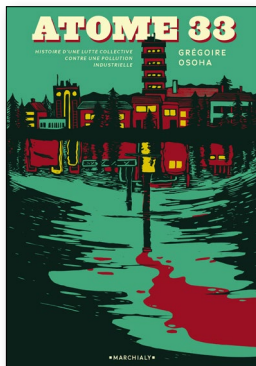
Éditions Marchialy

The Delcourt Group comprises, amongst others, the Delcourt and Soleil publishing houses, and many other imprints. Its catalogue boasts more than 15,000 titles of bandes dessinées, graphic novels, comics, mangas, and Kbooks. In 2018 and 2020, the Delcourt Group launched La Croisée for foreign-language books, then Les Avrils for French literature and took over Éditions Marchialy, specializing in narrative nonfiction. 2023 marked the launch of an imprint of illustrated children's books: "Sens Dessus Dessous".

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Atomic Number 33: History of a Collective Fight Against Industrial Pollution

Atome 33. Histoire d'une lutte collective contre une pollution industrielle

Grégoire Osoha
 2025 / 224 pages
 9782381340616 / €20
 Éditions Marchialy

David versus Goliath, in the 21st century, against a backdrop of power and money.

Rouyn-Noranda is a prosperous city in the west of Quebec that grew up around the Horne Smelter, which produces copper. In 2019, when the locals learn that their children have much higher arsenic levels than average, they turn to the foundry, demanding it to decrease its invisible pollution. What they don't know yet is that they're going to battle against a company with a huge amount of influence, none other than the worldwide giant in raw materials: Glencore.

Ecology



The Migrant Sentries
Les veilleurs: cinq vigies, autour des frontières

Taina Tervonen
2025 / 224 pages
9782381340593 / €20
Éditions Marchialy

In the shadows, they strive for more humanity on the maritime routes of exile.

They keep an eye on the weather forecast to prevent sinkings, converse with individuals in exile, alert the coastguard, or help search for loved ones who have gone missing. They act with urgency, methodically, and daily. There are five of them. Together, they form an informal network that helps people determined to make the crossing toward Europe. Through their voices, Taina Tervonen echoes their tragic testimony: men, women, and children are disappearing without a trace, and nobody cares.

Political Sciences

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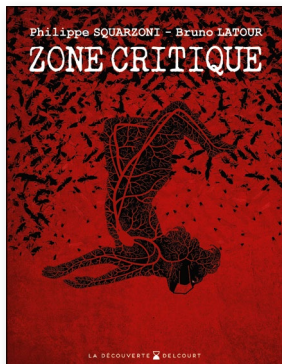
The Tree and the Tempest:
Socotra, the Forgotten Island
L'arbre et la tempête. Socotra, l'île oubliée

Quentin Müller
2025 / 350 pages
9782381340562 / €22
Éditions Marchialy

In the Arabian Sea, a vast island with breathtaking landscapes, perfect for legends and coveted by many empires.

It's an island in the Arabian Sea with a very unique feature: it is home to forests of trees that are 20 million years old. Their trunks are wide and knotted, their crowns are dense and high. It is through these dragon's blood trees that Quentin Müller first hears of Socotra Island. But it won't be easy for the young journalist to travel and stay there, for the island is well-guarded, both by the elements and by the military occupation of neighboring countries he's determined to investigate.

Travel Writings



Critical Zone

Zone critique

Bruno Latour, Philippe Squarzoni

2024 / 192 pages

9782413076995 / €27.95

Éditions Delcourt

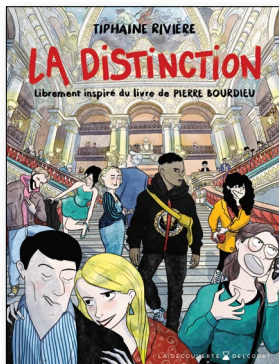
Coedition with La Découverte

Initiated by Bruno Latour, *Zone critique* brilliantly illustrates his demanding and mischievous thought, perpetually curious about the Other.

What is the scope of the catastrophe brought about by the New Climatic Regime? In *Où atterrir?* and then *Où suis-je?*, Bruno Latour – sociologist, anthropologist, and philosopher of science – drew the contours of a new political positioning on a par with the stakes at play. Set into motion before his death on October 9, 2022, this graphic adaptation (which he described as “a work on a work”) invites these two complementary texts to enter into dialogue.

Philosophy

Over 5,500 copies sold in France



The Distinction: Freely inspired

by Pierre Bourdieu's book

La distinction. Librement inspiré du livre de Pierre Bourdieu

Tiphaine Rivière

2023 / 296 pages

9782413081333 / €27.95

Éditions Delcourt

Coedition with La Découverte

A re-reading that mixes the destinies of contemporary individuals with key concepts of this classic of sociology.

When a young teacher decides to introduce sociology to his seniors by asking them to read *La Distinction*, he doesn't totally anticipate the ripple effects... In light of the social determining factors in taste that Bourdieu reveals, the pupils begin to look at their families differently and question their own “choices”. What if cultural distinctions are an impassable barrier between social classes? And what if judgements in taste are judgements of class?

Sociology

Over 48,000 copies sold in France

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Eyrolles

Eyrolles, a renowned publisher in computer science, business, construction, graphic design, photography and arts and crafts, broadened its catalog in the early 2000s by introducing self-help and well-being titles. In 2015, they released their first novel, *Your Second Life Begins When You Realize You Only Have One*, which went on to become a bestseller.

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Israel-Palestine: A War Without Limits? Understanding the History and Current Context of a Major Conflict

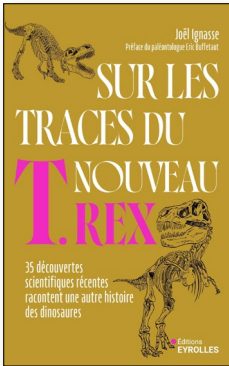
Israël-Palestine, une guerre sans limites? Comprendre l'histoire et l'actualité d'un conflit majeur

Pascal Boniface
2024 / 184 pages
9782416017117 / €12

Understanding the genesis of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and its perspectives.

Drawing on a historical and geopolitical approach, this book describes with precision the major events that set the territory ablaze, the different aborted attempts at peace, and the chain of events in the battles, up until the terrorist attack of October 7, 2023 and its geo-strategic consequences. This book draws up a panorama of the global stakes of a war whose limits are unknown and could very well turn worldwide equilibriums on their head.

Political Sciences



In the Footsteps of the New T-Rex: 35 Recent Scientific Discoveries Recount Another History of the Dinosaurs

Sur les traces du nouveau T.rex. 35 découvertes scientifiques récentes racontent une autre histoire des dinosaures

Joël Ignasse
2025 / 256 pages
9782416018305 / €18

Anatomy, behaviors, new species... Understanding the dinosaurs while avoiding clichés.

Thanks to the most recent tools available to paleontologists (synchrotron, CT-scans, photogrammetry, artificial intelligence, etc.), this work sets out in the footsteps of the dinosaurs, revealing their incredible anatomical characteristics (growth, sexual dimorphism, sensory abilities) and their physiological processes (breathing, reproduction, endothermy). This data finally enables us to understand some of their behaviors, beyond the usual clichés.

Pop-Science



Putin's Russia Versus the West: The Russian Threat Beyond the War in Ukraine

La Russie de Poutine contre l'Occident. La menace russe au-delà de la guerre en Ukraine

Aurélien Duchêne
2024 / 248 pages
9782416017582 / €19.9

What threat does Russia pose to Western countries in the next decades?

In this essay, Aurélien Duchêne demonstrates that Putin's Russia could engender more unthinkable scenarios. The author describes their solidity and power despite setbacks and international sanctions, and analyzes elements within Russian power and society that signal a worsening of the authoritarian spiral. Drawing on renowned experts, he deciphers the struggle that Putin's Russia is waging against Western democracies, and explains how this confrontation could deteriorate into an armed conflict.

Geopolitics

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Your Parents Are No Longer Your Parents: The Keys to Readjusting the Relationship with Your Parents as an Adult

Vos parents ne sont plus vos parents. Les clés pour réajuster la relation avec ses parents à l'âge adulte

Marie-France and Emmanuel Ballet de Coquereaumont
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The keys to creating a mature and honest ex-child/ex-parent relationship.

Your parents are no longer your parents. This idea resonates like a thunderclap for many adults. My parents will always be my parents! And yet, this very simple idea – that your parents no longer need to play a parental role – can be a source of profound relief. Many of us suffer from a sometimes complicated and ambiguous relationship with our parents, or rather, our ex-parents. Maybe it's time for a new relationship.

Self-Help

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American Geopolitics: 40 Illustrated Cards for Understanding the World
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Marie-Cécile Naves
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With the re-election of Donald Trump, the United States is at the crossroads and at the heart of a searing international context marked by violent conflicts. From clichés to reality, this work explains the places, the facts, and the numbers to help us see the situation more clearly. An uncontested specialist, the author proposes 40 highly documented cards to highlight the issues at stake and the challenges for the region, illustrated by maps, graphs, and tables.

Political Sciences

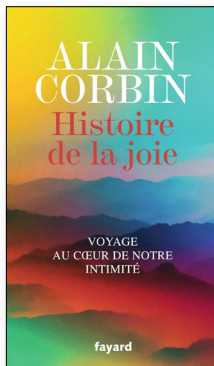
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A History of Joy: A Journey into Our Inner Selves

Histoire de la joie. Voyage au cœur de notre intimité

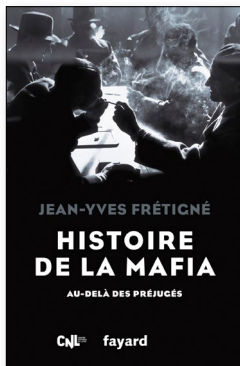
Alain Corbin
2024 / 192 pages
9782213731100 / €16.9

Alain Corbin immerses us in this age-old quest for joy, which continues to influence the way we experience and express great happiness.

At key moments in our lives, we all experience a form of private joy that has nothing to do with any kind of collective celebration. For thousands of years, theologians and thinkers have tried to grasp and explain this elusive emotion. From the spiritual joy of prayer to that of a child discovering a masterpiece, this book invites us to cherish our greatest moments of happiness, relish the private joys of everyday existence, and seek consolation in times of despair by calling these joys to mind.

History

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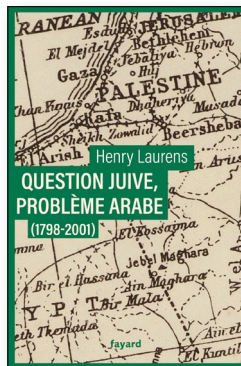
**A History of the Mafia:
Beyond the Legends
and Preconceptions**
*Histoire de la mafia.
Au-delà des préjugés*

Jean-Yves Frétiigné
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**Retracing Cosa Nostra's history,
historian Jean-Yves Frétiigné takes
a look at the most enduring legends
surrounding the Sicilian mafia.**

La Cosa Nostra claims to be a noble and honorable organization, respectful of family and religion, which helped the Allies invade Sicily in 1943. The organization supposedly degenerated after World War II. Nowadays, it's said to be more powerful than the weak Italian state. But how well-founded are these preconceived ideas? Here, the historian draws on literature, law, and cinema to recount this fascinating history and also profiles the main players in the Cosa Nostra saga.

History



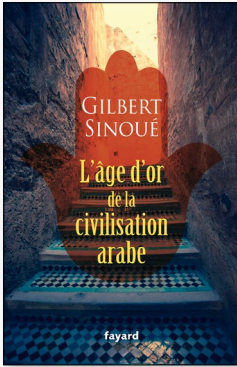
Jewish Question, Arab Problem
(1798-2001)
Question juive, problème arabe
(1798-2001)

Henry Laurens
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**The historian Henry Laurens
masterfully recounts the tumultuous
history of the region, from the 19th
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Starting with Palestine's step-by-step "invention", the author demonstrates how the Holy Land of religions and the Arab-Israeli conflict has become a Holy Land of nations rocked by the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and how the British Mandate ushered in the violent antagonism that has steeped the Middle East in blood to this day. This overview encompasses overt and latent conflicts on the ground as well as diplomatic initiatives, including their achievements, stumbling blocks, and setbacks.

History



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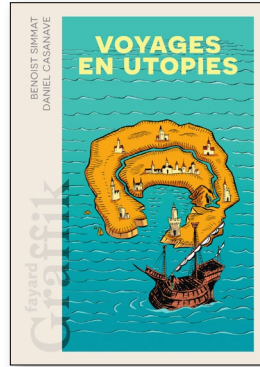
L'âge d'or de la civilisation arabe

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With his storytelling talent, Gilbert Sinoué pays vibrant homage to the great Arab intellectuals who changed the history of the world.

Between the 8th and 13th centuries AD, Arabs made their mark on ancient science, invented new systems, incorporated knowledge from conquered countries, and often transformed it depending on the needs of the era in question. They were true scholars and leading philosophers. During these tumultuous times, this book is a bottle thrown out to sea in hopes that young readers might soak up these intellectuals' open-mindedness and creative audacity.

Essay



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Benoist Simmat, Daniel Casanave
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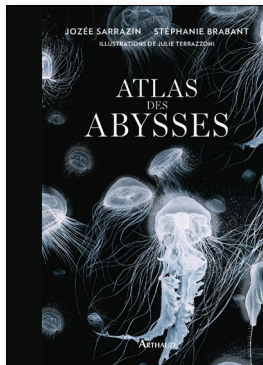
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Jozée Sarrazin, Stéphanie Brabant
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Environmental Sciences

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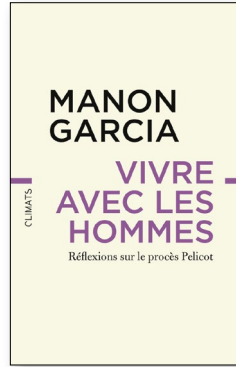


**Atlas of the Palestinians:
Itinerary of a State-less People**
Atlas des Palestiniens.
Itinéraire d'un peuple sans Etat

Pierre Blanc, Jean-Paul Chagnollaud
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Autrement

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Geography|Demography

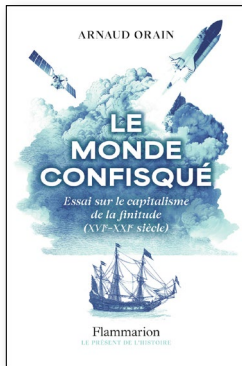


**Living with Men:
Reflections on the Pélicot Trial**
Vivre avec les hommes.
Réflexions sur le procès Pélicot

Manon Garcia
2025 / 256 pages
9782080478160 / €21

What have Gisèle Pélicot and the Mazan Trial taught us?
The crimes committed against Gisèle Pélicot shocked the world. The trial, her determination, the profiles of the accused, her husband's actions: all of these elements make for a detailed and incredibly developed account. Feminist philosopher Manon Garcia decided to go to Mazan, to attend the trial and analyze its meaning and impact today. What does it say about the blind spots in the feminist struggle, and our understanding of rape and sexuality? How far do we still have to go?

Essay



**The Confiscated World:
Essay on Capitalism of Finitude
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Arnaud Orain
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A history of "capitalism of finitude" from the Renaissance to the present day.

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Essay



**The Voluptuous Ones:
A Fragrant History of Legendary Women**

Les voluptueuses. Une histoire parfumée des femmes de légende

Elisabeth de Feydeau
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History

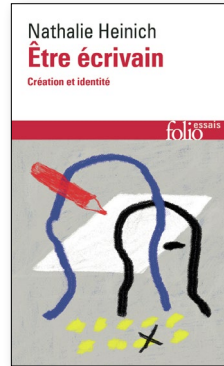
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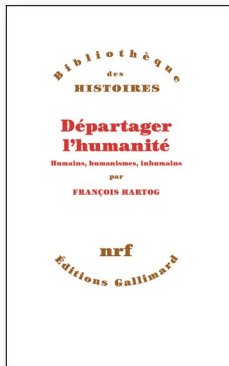
**Being a Writer:
 Creation and Identity**
Être écrivain.
Création et identité

Nathalie Heinrich
 2025 / 150 pages
 9782073098627 / €10

A book that interlaces thoughts regarding the status of the artist and reflections on the notion of identity.

How can one be a writer? In her investigation, Nathalie Heinrich interviewed approximately 30 authors, novelists, poets, and playwrights, and drew on testimonials of past authors. Between the need for personal expression and a response to the demands of the market, a quest for recognition and popular success, inspiration and labor, the writer's identity is full of tensions. Writing thus becomes an opportunity to ask central questions related to material subsistence and commitment to one's work.

Essay



Dividing Up Humanity: Humans, Humanisms, Inhumanities

*Départager l'humanité.
Humains, humanismes,
inhumains*

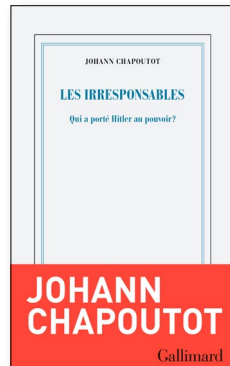
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François Hartog
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**A fascinating investigation into
the different ways of perceiving
and thinking about humanity.**

In light of current debates about potentially overtaking or disbanding humanity, François Hartog offers a vast history of the divisions that have defined and redefined humans over time. Starting with the opposition between mortal and immortal that defined the Greek “anthropos”, he retraces and questions transformations over the centuries, through Roman, Christian, or humanist notions, before the modern consecration that elevates Man to the rank of God – at the risk of plunging into inhumanity.

Philosophy

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The Irresponsible Ones: Who Enabled Hitler's Rise to Power?

*Les irresponsables.
Qui a porté Hitler au pouvoir?*

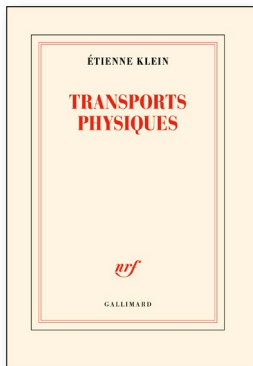
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Johann Chapoutot
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**Understanding the fall of the Weimar
Republic to grasp the fragilities of
democracies that believe themselves
capable of resisting the rise of
fascism.**

A liberal-authoritarian consortium, made up of businesses, conservative-nationalist and conservative-liberal parties, and the elite, loses popular support and begins to wonder how to retain power, without parliament, perhaps without democracy. This story takes place in Germany, between 1930 and 1933. It reveals not the inevitable rise of the brown tide, but a strategy to harness it, to benefit an overconfident and ultimately irresponsible authoritarian liberalism.

History

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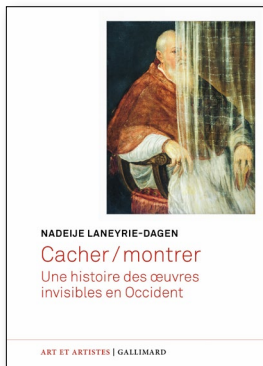
Étienne Klein
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A brilliant and original essay to demystify physics, scientific advances, and their potential consequences on the future of our species.

Could the future of humanity reside beyond its natural body-mind alliance? Could it migrate toward a kind of elsewhere where it would be freed of its slowness, weight, and limitations – for example by boosting our minds through so-called “artificial” intelligence, or by physically transporting us far from here? Étienne Klein brilliantly invites us to join this conversation, drawing on echoes with his personal experience of the world.

Scientific Culture

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Hide-and-Show: A History of the Invisible Works in the West

Cacher-montrez. Une histoire des œuvres invisibles en Occident

Nadejje Laneyrie-Dagen
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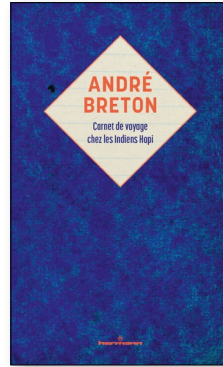
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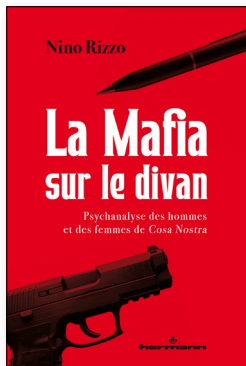
André Breton: Travel Journal from Visiting the Hopi
André Breton: carnet de voyage chez les Indiens hopi

André Breton, Fabrice Flahutez,
Marie Mauzé
2024 / 270 and 76 pages
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In August 1945, while traveling through America, André Breton made notes and sketches in a notebook that provide a detailed overview of life on Indian reservations in Arizona and western New Mexico. Reproduced here as a facsimile, they are accompanied by a second notebook with their retranscription, a critical prism, and never-before-seen photographs.

Ethnology/Anthropology



**The Mafia on the Couch:
Psychoanalysis of the Men
and Women of La Cosa Nostra**

La mafia sur le divan.

*Psychanalyse des hommes
et des femmes de Cosa Nostra*

Nino Rizzo

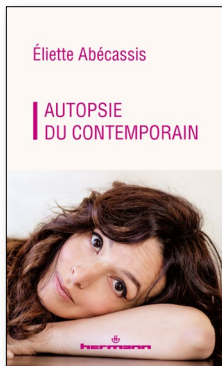
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Dive into the psychology of members of the mafia, alongside a shrink born within the world of La Cosa Nostra!

Born into the Sicilian mafia, the author is the son of a *padrino* who was arrested by Judge Falcone. At 20 years of age, he decided to distance himself from *la famiglia*, seek exile, and become a psychologist. With remarkable courage, he recounts his journey here, and provides a unique analysis of the psychological mechanisms at work within the world of the mafia. This text imparts precious testimony and an “insider” view of these troubling personalities.

Psychology/Psychoanalysis



**Autopsy of the Contemporary
World: Reasons to Hope**

Autopsie du contemporain.

Des raisons d'espérer

Éliette Abécassis

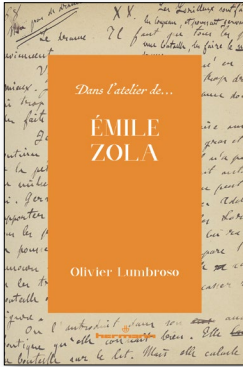
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A personal investigation into the ways we experience societal evolutions in our daily lives and the fractures they engender.

In the face of the climate crisis, the rise of extremes, and the resurgence of war, the contemporary world is a worrisome place. Meanwhile, with artificial intelligence and big data, a new post-human era is emerging. Here, the philosopher and novelist embarks on an autopsy of our contemporary reality, seeking to locate the fault lines where humanity is fracturing, in order to find signs of hope.

Essay



In Emile Zola's Workspace
Dans l'atelier d'Émile Zola

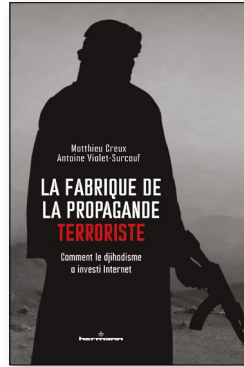
Olivier Lumbroso
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How did Zola write? A dive into the workspace of one of the greatest novelists of the 19th century.

This genetic study of the *Rougon-Macquart* cycle explores Zola's working environment in Médan and the legacies of French literature before turning to the preparatory work for the titles in question and the scenography of their creation.

Biography/Memoirs

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The Terrorist Propaganda Factory: How Jihadism Invaded the Internet

La fabrique de la propagande terroriste. Comment le djihadisme a investi Internet

Matthieu Creux, Antoine Violet-Surcouf
2024 / 241 pages
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How did jihadism invade the Internet?

Terrorist groups are communications masters and spread their ideology with formidable efficacy. How did they develop this expertise, on a par with that of a marketing professional? Matthieu Creux and Antoine Violet-Surcouf analyze their use of storytelling and fear to recruit and mobilize. They thus reveal the tools, strategies, and channels of jihad 2.0 and offer solutions to combat radical disinformation.

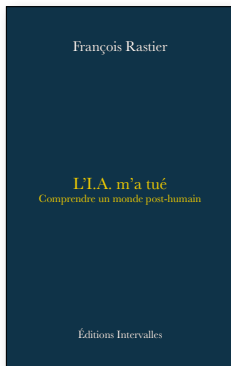
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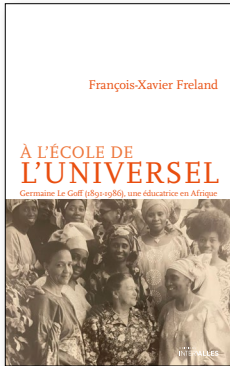
AI Killed Me: Understanding a Post-human World

L'IA m'a tué. Comprendre un monde post-humain

François Rastier
2025 / 147 pages
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"The announcement of my death via ChatGPT could have unsettled me, but instead, all it did was confirm the conclusions I'm trying to explain."
The launch in fall 2022 of the first text and image generators sparked unprecedented - and ever-growing - enthusiasm. This study highlights the anthropological rupture introduced by the automatic generation of texts and images. It affects the sciences and arts alike, and all of social life. But it can also affect personal lives. Here, the author smiles as he refutes the news of his death propagated by the most popular AI system.

Essay



**At the School of the Universal:
Germaine Le Goff (1891-1986),
an Educator in Africa**

A l'école de l'universel.

*Germaine Le Goff (1891-1986),
une éducatrice en Afrique*

François-Xavier Freland
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"When women have the same opportunities as men and equality before the law, nations are the better for it." - Thoraya Ahmed Obaid
In Senegal, in 1938, Germaine Le Goff founded and ran the first teaching school in all of Africa. This initiative gave rise to a new generation of modern and uninhibited African women. Women who share the faith in that which Léopold Sédar Senghor called "the civilization of the universal". A female elite capable of playing a decisive role in the continent's future. This book allows us to follow in the footsteps of this remarkable woman, born in rural Brittany in the 19th century.

History



**Girls from the East,
Women in the West**

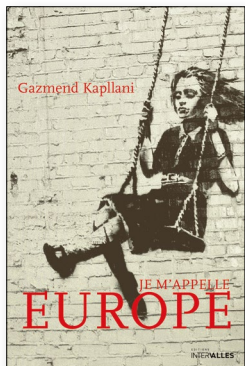
Filles de l'Est, femmes à l'Ouest

Albena Dimitrova, Lenka Horňáková-
Civade, Katrina Kalda Gražyna
Plebanek, Sonia Ristić
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"More than a literary masterpiece full of humanity, this book is necessary to avoid forgetting and cultivate peace." - Revue OxyMORE

"As Europe was commemorating the 30th anniversary of the fall of the Wall, some friends and I, originally from countries in the former Eastern bloc, decided to create something together. A series of short texts, to provide a panorama of our younger years 'on the other side of the Wall.' These stories also act as springboards for questions related to feminism, identity, and activism that shake the country we've chosen to call home."
- Sonia Ristić

History



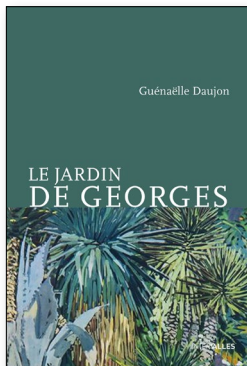
My Name Is Europe

Je m'appelle Europe

Gazmend Kapllani
2013 / 153 pages
9782916355849 / €19

"A beautiful and intelligent reflection on immigration." - *La Petite Revue*
My Name Is Europe chronicles the seemingly ordinary story of an immigrant immersing himself in a new culture. It is the story of a rebirth: discovering another language, the hidden meanings behind the most common words and expressions, the fundamental strangeness of the immigrant status in a society beset by many demons, and how to reveal his true self to another when weaving his first emotional connections in this new land.

Biography/Memoirs



Georges' Garden

Le Jardin de Georges

Guénaëlle Daujon
2024 / 187 pages
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"Each plant tells a story, each pathway reflects the dreams and efforts of a man who dedicated his life to nature." - *Andrea Cerasi*
One morning in July 1897, Georges Delaselle discovers a little island off the coast of Roscoff in Brittany: Batz Island. An amateur artist, he goes there to write and draw, far from the capital city where he was born. He immediately falls in love with two hectares in the eastern part of the island, which he decides to purchase in order to plant seeds that he collects from all over the world. This microclimate turns out to be the perfect place to make his dream come true: an exotic garden.

Biography/Memoirs

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The Secret War in Ukraine

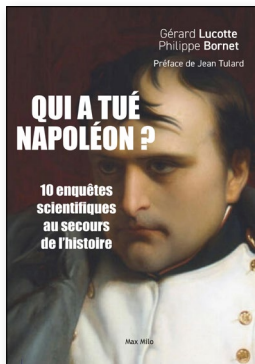
La guerre secrète en Ukraine

Jacques Baud
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The secrets beneath the war in Ukraine.

What forces are at work in the shadows of the war in Ukraine? What clandestine operations have been carried out over the last three years, unbeknownst to the general public? To answer these questions and many others, Jacques Baud draws on official information and American, Western, Ukrainian, and Russian documents. Between secret diplomacy and clandestine operations, the war in Ukraine has been much more complex than its representation in the media would have us believe.

Political Sciences



**Who Killed Napoleon?
10 New Scientific Investigations
to Rescue History**

*Qui a tué Napoléon?
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History



**Hermann Röchling:
Manufacturing the Third Reich**

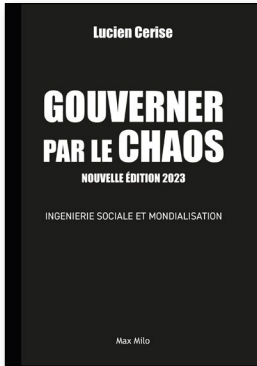
*Hermann Röchling:
la fabrique du III^e Reich*

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The star of German industry.

Who's heard of Hermann Röchling, the industrial magnate condemned for war crimes following the two world wars? His story is that of the expansion of Germany's industrial power. The ironwork of Völklingen was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994 and ARTE drew up a forgiving portrait of this iron and steel baron. Here, the author investigated the man who was one of the war machine's primary protagonists, alongside Albert Speer, and Hitler himself.

History



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Essay



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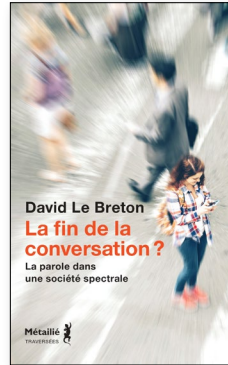
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David Le Breton
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Communicating isn't talking. Communication is the interposition of a screen in a relationship with another person, distance, physical absence. Useful and efficient, it calls for an immediate response and demands absolute availability. David Le Breton draws our attention to the dangers of this new absence in the world and the suffering it provokes. He incites us to continue to smile at strangers and to talk about the rain and weather. Just to stay human.

Sociology



Scars: Existence in Your Skin

*Cicatrices. L'existence
dans la peau*

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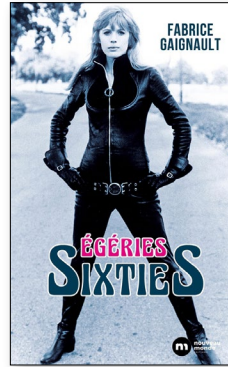
Sociology

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Muses of the Sixties

Égéries sixties

Fabrice Gaignault
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Biography/Memoirs



German Women in the Resistance: Women Fighting Hitler

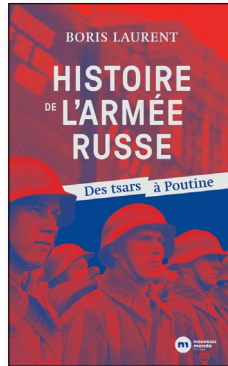
*Résistantes allemandes.
Des femmes face à Hitler*

Hélène Camarade
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Another history of the resistance to Nazi Germany: through the commitments and actions of women long in the shadows.

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History



From the Tsars to Putin: A Global History of the Russian Army (1917-2024)

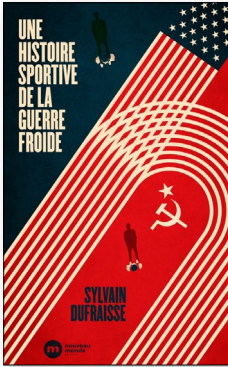
*Histoire de l'armée russe.
Des tsars à Poutine*

Boris Laurent
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Few armies in history have incited so much fear.

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History



A Sports History of the Cold War

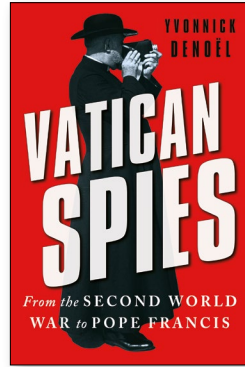
Une histoire sportive de la guerre froide

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History



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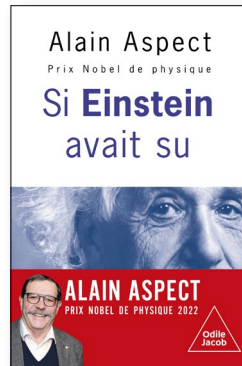
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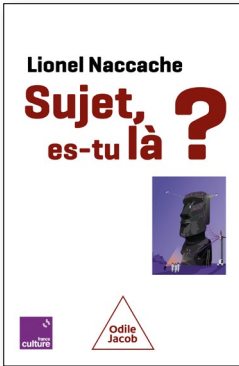
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Alain Aspect, the French winner of the 2022 Nobel Prize in Physics, presents his groundbreaking work on quantum physics to the greater public. He wanted to write this book to share his fascination for the debate between the two titans of physics, Niels Bohr and Albert Einstein, revolving around the interpretation of quantum mechanics. Nearly half a century after his own experiments, Alain Aspect received the Nobel Prize in Physics for demonstrating that we must renounce the vision of the quantum world put forth by Einstein.

Physics/Chemistry/Biology

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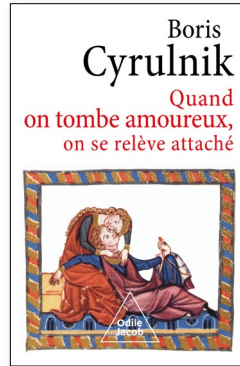
Sujet, es-tu là ?

Lionel Naccache
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A prolific and very original author, the neuroscientist Lionel Naccache brilliantly continues his research on modern subjectivity.

44 intelligent short chapters about subjectivity and consciousness, based on the author's weekly column on a major national radio station. L. Naccache explores varied themes that all bring us back to the question of subjectivity, its powers, and the threats it faces. The new book by a renowned scientist, with an uncategorizable and tirelessly curious mind, always on the lookout for the latest happenings in the world and their potential to help us understand and grasp the human subject.

Essay



After Falling in Love, We Rise Attached

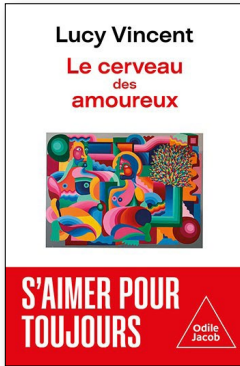
Quand on tombe amoureux, on se relève attaché

Boris Cyrulnik
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A beautiful text about love, attachment, and resilience.

A deep, inspired, and personal reflection on romantic relationships and bonds of attachment, that which they share, and that which differentiates them. B. Cyrulnik presents a history of love since the invention of courtly love: feelings, the institution of the couple, etc. This book is also a journey through the metamorphoses of attachment and the family: why the word came to the fore in the 20th century, how the conditions of childhood create such diverse types of attachment, etc.

Essay

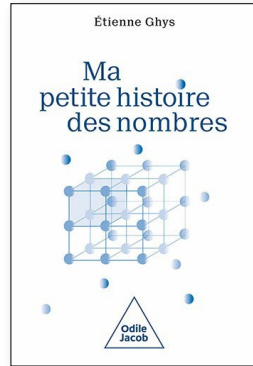


The Brain of the Lovers
Le cerveau des amoureux

Lucy Vincent
2025 / 256 pages
9782415011031 / €22.9

How does your brain function in love? A user manual.
In this book, the neurobiologist Lucy Vincent explores recent scientific research on the brain in love. The idea: to finally understand how our brain and our partner's brain function in love, find the keys to a lasting relationship, etc. An interactive, lively, and enjoyable book that humorously and optimistically shares scientific information and advice aimed at improving couples' daily lives. A very enlightening read that relieves guilt!

Psychology/Psychoanalysis



My Little History of Numbers
Ma petite histoire des nombres

Etienne Ghys
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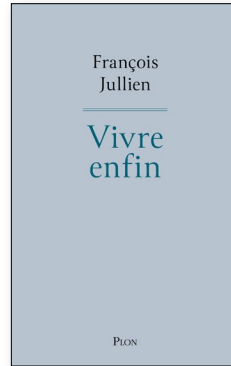
Mathematics

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Resuming the path he began more than a decade ago, François Jullien draws up a map of existence to identify “where to live”.

Starting by dissociating vital and living, by opposing real life to non-life, and by exploring the incredible and immeasurable facets of living, François Jullien proposes a new way to let life take wing. Self-help prospered by selling “miracle cures” atop the ruins of religion. Resuming the path he began more than a decade ago, François Jullien attempts to draw up a map of existence to identify “where to live”.

Philosophy



A Lover's Discourse: Fragments

Fragments d'un discours amoureux

Jean-François Hardy
 2025 / 192 pages
 9782259321686 / €16

When words evoke a lost love and become words of pain, and merely uttering them is torture, how is one to see their meaning?

In the throes of a brutal romantic separation, in order to stay afloat, Jean-François Hardy puts words to paper. Through these shards, fragments, and scraps, he records his sorrow. This short work, at the crossroads of an intimate account, a collection of thoughts, and an essay, wields a scalpel to dissect romantic grief. Inspired by *A Lover's Discourse: Fragments* by Roland Barthes, this grammar of loss offers a semantic and philosophical analysis of the consequences of love.

Sociology



I Chose Life

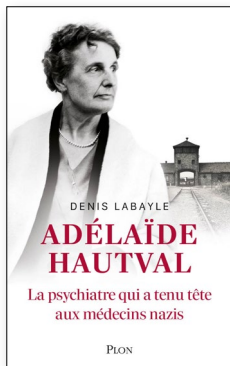
J'ai choisi la vie

Monique Lévi-Strauss, Marc Lambron
 2025 / 256 pages
 9782259322096 / €19

Claude Lévi-Strauss's wife, a woman of her time, full of erudition, elegance, and independence, recounts her century.

An eminent researcher and intellectual, Monique Lévi-Strauss accompanied her husband on his major journeys, read over his texts, and worked closely with him on his various research projects. Here, at 98 years of age, she recounts parts of this rich life, in keeping with her century: a life she shared with Claude Lévi-Strauss for 55 years, after they met in the home of her friend Jacques Lacan. But they would always preserve their intellectual independence and respective fields of reflection.

Essay



Adélaïde Hautval: The Psychiatrist Who Stood Up to the Nazis

Adélaïde Hautval. La psychiatre qui a tenu tête aux nazis

Denis Labayle
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The story of Adélaïde Hautval, an incredibly courageous woman, who stood up to her executioners and saved dozens of women during her imprisonment.

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History



Exit
Exit

Marie Outtier
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New economy/E-commerce

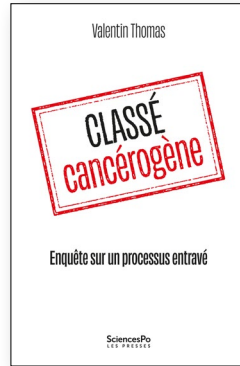
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Classified Carcinogenic

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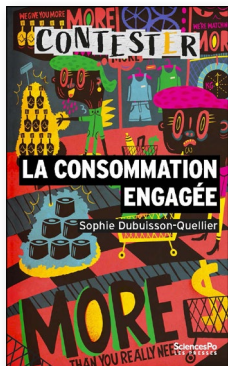
2025 / 204 pages

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How is a substance classified as carcinogenic?

In 2023, over 215,000 synthetic substances are in use in Europe. They can be found in industrial sites, in our cities' air, and in our drinking water. Barely 0.5% of them are considered to be carcinogenic. This book reveals an astonishing reality: when it comes to using and selling chemical substances, "innocent until proven guilty" is the primary driving force behind health policies. Have we at least stopped using the 0.5% of incriminated products? Sometimes, but rarely...

Sociology



Responsible Consumption: 3rd revised and augmented edition

*La consommation engagée.
3^e édition revue et augmentée*

Sophie Dubuisson-Quellier
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Responsible consumption turns the market into a place of political protect against the excesses of capitalism and accumulation society.

Starting in the 18th century, the idea emerged that citizens can influence society's deleterious tendencies. Since then, the movement has only continued to grow. The initial causes of social justice have been joined by fights against the degradation of the environment, against animal suffering, for an ethics of exchange, etc. Both critical of and part of the market, responsible consumption is now a powerful movement, capable of influencing governments, legislators, and economic players.

Sociology

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Global Space *Espace mondial*

Frédéric Ramel, Aghiad Ghanem
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The introductory manual to globality and the interstate, transnational, and supranational relations developing within it.

A virus leads to lockdowns in the majority of countries. An interstate war results in gas and cereal shortages beyond the borders of the warring states. The demand for smartphones makes economies dependent on rare-earth metals, which turn out to be particularly polluting. The tendency to find ourselves exposed to issues that cross borders is increasingly growing in scope. This manual invites readers to hone a new look at omnipresent global concerns.

Reference Books



Political Science

La science politique

Florence Haegel

2024 / 377 pages

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A compass for exploring the political dimension of how societies function.

Get to the heart of the big ideas of political science, from the State to political violence, by way of democracy, authoritarianism, parties, etc. All while respecting the different points of view and retracing intellectual and methodological controversies, this work presents the authors' thought, decenters the gaze, and adopts a comparative approach, citing examples and references from all over the world. It demonstrates how politics come to be and the space they occupy within our societies.

Political Sciences



Décathlon or the Tactics of Virtue

Décathlon ou les tactiques de la vertu

Karel Yon, Pierre Rouxel,

Maxime Quijoux, Amin Allal *et al.*

2025 / 264 pages

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Are the policies of corporate social responsibility just communications techniques or managerial tactics?

The eight researchers behind this vast investigation studied a company present in 70 countries, which has aspired since its creation to a quasi-political objective – the democratization of sports – through its expansion, technological innovation, and its quest for profitability: Décathlon. Here, they reveal the multiple facets of the company's virtue, how this varies depending on local contexts, and how it is never equal to the problems it claims to solve.

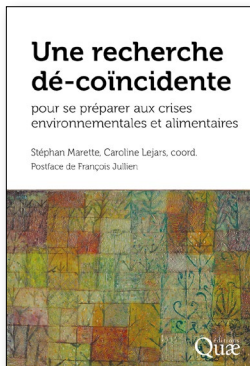
Sociology

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De-coincident Research to Prepare for Environmental and Food Crises

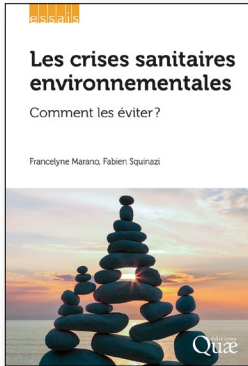
Une recherche dé-coïncidente pour se préparer aux crises environnementales et alimentaires

Stéphan Marette, Caroline Lejars
2024 / 164 pages
9782759238941 / €18.5

Rethinking research and defining innovative solutions and effective public policies to respond to future environmental and food crises.

This work offers anticipatory visions and prospective analyses based on the concept of “de-coincidence”. These three essays aim to outline pathways to prepare for the transformations to come. The first discusses institutional solutions for promoting de-coincident research. The second focuses on a fictitious worst-case scenario in a context of extreme global warming. Finally, the last essay analyzes what we can do right now to brace for the worst and prevent certain crises from occurring.

Essay



**Environmental Health Crises:
How to Avoid Them?**

*Les crises sanitaires
environnementales:
comment les éviter?*

Francelyne Marano, Fabien Squinazi
2024 / 120 pages
9782759238682 / €19

Environmental health crises have been coming one after the other... What factors have triggered them? How can we anticipate and better manage them?

Environmental health crises have heightened awareness of our lack of preparedness on a global scale, and of the risks posed to human health and the environment by the uncontrolled technological development and urbanization of our societies. By analyzing the sequences of events that have triggered these crises, the authors propose solutions aimed at better anticipating and managing crises in harmony with society's concerns.

Environmental Sciences



Companion Animals: Short Stories and the Latest Scientific Findings to Better Understand Our Relationships

Animaux de compagnie. Petits récits et dernières découvertes pour éclairer nos relations

Dominique Autier-Dérian
2025 / 152 pages
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The human-animal bond is now a scientific subject in its own right. Here, the author explores its complexities and mutual benefits.

Humans have domesticated animals for thousands of years, but scientists have long resisted the idea that human societies were also built through interactions with animals. Companion animals are used in a variety of human activities. Drawing on a wide range of studies, the author explores our relationships with companion animals, illustrating her points with reflections, short personal accounts, and humorous feedback, making this sweeping book both fascinating and highly accessible.

Essay



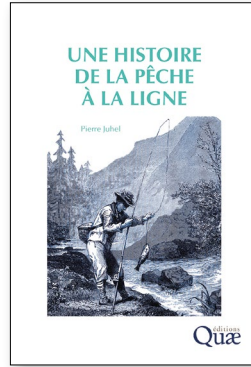
The Odyssey of Waste: From the Big Bang to the Present Day
L'odyssée des déchets.
Du big bang à nos jours

Christian Duquennoi
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This book tells the astonishing story of waste through time, from that produced by the stars to that of our civilization.

We come into contact with it every day, from our kitchens to the roadsides... and even in the media. But do we know what waste really is? That even the stars produce it? That life is impossible without it? In the eyes of science, waste is matter, and like all matter, it carries with it all its potential, both threats and opportunities. Following the example of our Mesolithic ancestors, we may well come to sanctuarize this matter, which will soon become far too precious to be simply... tossed.

Ecology



The History of Angling
Une histoire de la pêche à la ligne

Pierre Juhel
2025 / 100 pages
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A history of freshwater angling: the evolution of its techniques and practices, and its impact on ecology and biodiversity.

This book tells the story of freshwater angling from antiquity to 1930, when innovative materials began to replace ancestral know-how to better adapt to each species of fish. Initially a subsistence activity, fishing became a way of life. From the 19th century onwards, it brought together two communities: the salmon anglers and the whitefish anglers. Here, the author brilliantly takes us on a bucolic stroll, combining ecology, biodiversity, history, and literature.

Ecology

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**“I have not forgotten...”:
Holocaust by Bullets**

*Je n'ai pas oublié... Histoires
de la Shoah par balles*

Pierre-Roland Saint-Dizier,
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A powerful testimony of the Holocaust by bullets from those who witnessed it with their own eyes as children. The scriptwriter met with the survivors, and the storyline is inspired by real events. An investigative journalist accompanies students and their professor to Poland to meet the last witnesses of the Holocaust by bullets. What they see helps identify execution sites, gather evidence of genocide, and provide testimonies upon which history can be built.

Graphic Novels



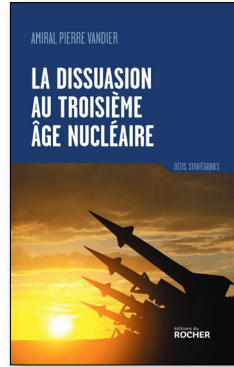
Illustrated Herbarium of Hildegard of Bingen. 60 Plants, 60 Recipes and Remedies: How to Recognize, Grow, and Use Them

L'herbarium illustré d'Hildegarde de Bingen. 60 plantes, 60 recettes et remèdes: les reconnaître, les cultiver, les utiliser

Paul Ferris
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Well-Being/Self-Help

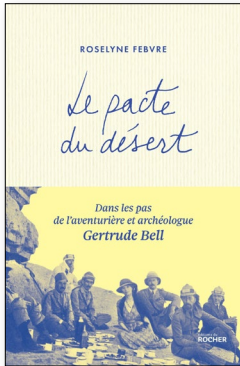


Deterrence in the Third Nuclear Age
La dissuasion au troisième âge nucléaire

Pierre Vandier
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A book which enables a better understanding of current conflicts and also incites debate and strategic thought to prepare our future. For many politicians, military leaders, and simply citizens of the Western world, the temptation is great to view nuclear weapons and deterrence as relics of a bygone era. At a time when all Western countries are faced with the necessity of renewing their nuclear forces, the question of nuclear capabilities as a major determining factor for future strategic balances is a topic of debate. This book immerses us in a world that has become highly economically interdependent.

Political Sciences



The Desert Pact: In the Footsteps of Adventurer and Archeologist Gertrude Bell

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Biography/Memoirs



Where Are You, Mum? The Poignant Testimony of a Woman Born from Surrogacy

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Biography/Memoirs

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Racism and Culture: Transnational Explorations

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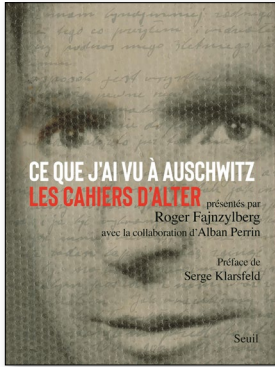
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An analysis of the effects of racism in society and the cultural paths that subvert it.

For a long time, we believed that not talking about race would permit us to fight it. But can one combat racism by refusing to investigate the race it produces? Michel Agier, who has worked in multiple fields for 40 years, has come to grips with the conscience of that which a racialized condition produces. Looking back over his path as an ethnographer, he has undertaken a re-reading of the great theorizations, from Lévi-Strauss to Colette Guillaumin, and from Frantz Fanon to Stuart Hall.

Ethnology/Anthropology



**What I Saw in Auschwitz:
Alter's Notebooks**

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Les cahiers d'Alter*

Alter Fajnzylberg
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The terrifying testimony of a man who was forced to carry out the worst tasks in the inferno of extermination, without ever resigning himself.

The notebooks of Alter Fajnzylberg, a prisoner in Auschwitz-Birkenau from April 1942 to January 1945 who was forced to join the Sonderkommando, are an exceptional contribution to the history of the Holocaust. Written in Polish upon his arrival in France, in response to his urgent need to describe what he had seen, these texts were buried in a shoebox. It took decades for his son Roger to extricate them: transcribing, translating, and contextualizing them with the help of historian Alban Perrin.

History

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Fermentations. Kefir, Compost, and Bacteria: Why Mold Fascinates Us

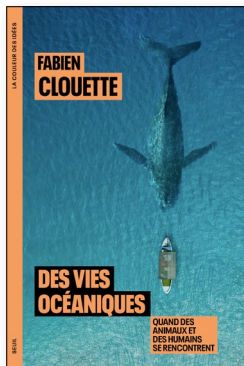
Fermentations. Kéfir, compost et bactéries: pourquoi le moisi nous fascine

Anne-Sophie Moreau
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A philosophical investigation into the current passion for fermentation. Dreams of regeneration in a rotten world?

They are neo-rurals who grow kefir grains while advocating for degrowth. They are feminists who claim the "fermentative power" of women. Others content themselves with an interest in their intestinal microbiome by cultivating a kombucha mother. Why this liking for mushrooms and other bacteria, which inspired aversion for so long? How has this mark of death become a source of life that fascinates us?

Philosophy



Oceanic Lives: When Animals and Humans Meet

Des vies océaniques. Quand des animaux et des humains se rencontrent

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Four biographies of marine mammals to explore our shared animality.

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Scientific Culture



Rebonding with the Earth: A Plea for a New Sublime

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Mathilde Ramadier
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The sublime as a remedy for ecoanxiety? A positive, widely accessible essay, based on personal experiences.

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Ecology

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**Environment Textbook,
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*Manuel de l'environnement.
Vol. 1. Une histoire des idées*

Yanni Gunnell, Christian Giusti
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**A university textbook for a new
approach to the environment.**

Prior to the 1960s, the general public was unfamiliar with the word “ecology” and the term “environment” didn’t have its current meaning. In the space of 50 years, this has dramatically changed. The media and political discourse have taken hold of this subject, without conveying the concepts or knowledge in a clear and critical way. To understand and act on the current challenges, this academic book proposes to redefine scientific concepts and traditional training models.

Ecology



Plastic, Such a Practical Poison

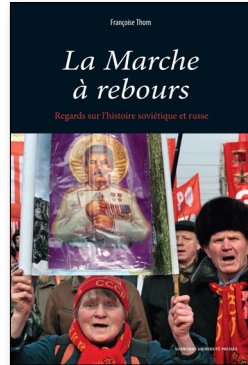
Le plastique, un poison si pratique

Christophe Prazuck
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Plastic is addictive: its production beats records year after year and it is omnipresent in our daily lives.

What is plastic? How is it turned into micro- and then nanoscopic trash? Can it be recycled or biodegraded? How does it end up in the soil, rivers, oceans, and human organisms? Here, 40 researchers from the Sorbonne and France’s “Muséum national d’Histoire naturelle” as well as diplomats and elected officials offer simple and pedagogical answers to these questions. An enlightening reading, especially as the United Nations is trying to develop an international treaty to contain plastic pollution.

Ecology



Walking Backwards: On Soviet and Russian History

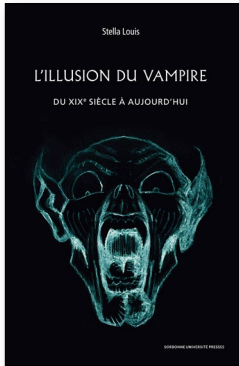
La marche à rebours. Regards sur l’histoire soviétique et russe

Françoise Thom
 2021 / 724 pages
 9791023106862 / €35

What was the Soviet regime, actually, and what face has it presented to the world up until the present day?

The declassification of archives from the Communist world starting during the Gorbachev era has shone new light on the Soviet regime. This book explores numerous aspects of the USSR’s history and highlights a continuum with tsarist Russia that Lenin’s radical new regime concealed. It is now possible to consider Russian history in the long term—and that is the only way to better understand this world so different from the Western world, whose shadow continues to spread across Europe.

History



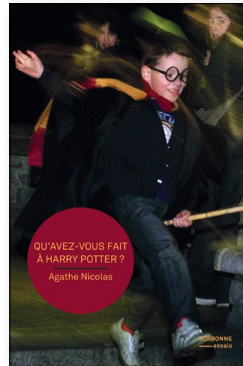
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From the 19th Century to today**
*L'illusion du vampire:
du XIX^e siècle à aujourd'hui*

Stella Louis
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The figure of the vampire has always
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A lost soul, an empty body, absence...
The vampire acts as a mirror that
questions what is projected (blood,
life, dreams, libido, absolute, sublime)
and the act of projection, the film itself.
Through centuries and several
geographic zones, this book develops
a genetic, historical, and aesthetic
perspective, for the vampire illusion,
which outlines the contours of an
identity and disseminates according
to a principle of contamination, cannot
be conceived without vampiric art.

Performing Arts



**What Have You Done
to Harry Potter?**
*Qu'avez-vous fait
à Harry Potter?*

Agathe Nicolas
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**What has become of Harry Potter,
J.K. Rowling, and her readers?**

What has been done to Harry Potter?
A book turned into a film, then a toy,
then a book again, Harry Potter has not
simply been transposed from one
media to another: his different forms
in the eyes of the general public lead
to a reinterpretation of the original
text and question the borders of a
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This essay, designed as an
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the work, its author, and its audience.

Essay

Verdier

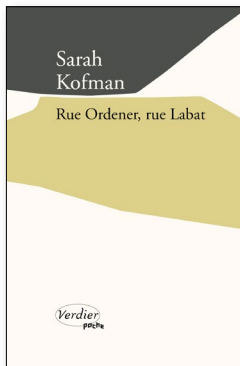
Éditions Verdier was created in 1979, in a place called Verdier in Southern France. The first publications already outlined the main axes: literature, essays, and Hebrew spiritualities. The catalogue now houses important writers of contemporary French literature: Pierre Michon, Mathieu Riboulet, etc. Translated literature is also widely represented (Italian, Spanish, Russian, German, and Japanese). In non-fiction, Verdier publishes historians such as Carlo Ginzburg and Patrick Boucheron as well as philosophers like Barbara Stiegler and Jean-Baptiste Brenet.

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Rue Ordener, Rue Labat: Autobiogravings

Rue Ordener, rue Labat. Autobiogravings

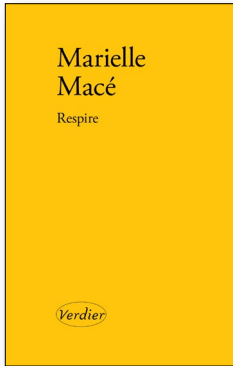
Sarah Kofman
2024 / 235 pages
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One of the first stories of a child hidden during WWII in France by one of the greatest philosophers of the 20th century.

Sarah Kofman is 7 years old when the police arrest her father, the rabbi of a synagogue in Paris. The family must go into hiding. For the little girl, this saga is marked by wrenching rifts: between their home and their place of refuge, her mother and the “Lady of Rue Labat”, two languages... A mere street separates these two worlds, but it is more like a gaping abyss. Published in 1994, these memories bear witness to the lives of Jews in the context of collaboration, Occupation, and war.

Biography/Memoirs

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Breathe

Respire

Marielle Macé
2023 / 126 pages
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This book talks about today, our asphyxiations, and our overwhelming need for air.

A rather stifling atmosphere is in the process of becoming our everyday reality. And yet, we dream more than ever of breathing: detoxifying the soil, the sky, relationships, daily life... Just taking a deep breath in and out. Maybe we only talk to breathe, to make it all breathable. Say the word "breathe", and the outside world comes running, hopeful, drawn, sucked in by the call of your lips.

Ecology

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Nothing Is Ours Except Time

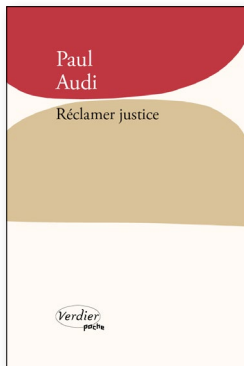
Seul le temps nous appartient

Pierre Caye
2024 / 252 pages
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A solid text that invites us to reflect on our "sense of time".

The transformations demanded by our era, given the exhaustion of our productive system and the disintegration of life together, are not only economic, social, or political. They also apply to our relationship to time, and the philosophical and moral dimensions of its use. Considering the paradox pronounced by Seneca: "Nothing is ours except time", Caye aims to demonstrate the fundamental nature of our relationship to time, reconsidered in particular through the revalorization of the present.

Philosophy



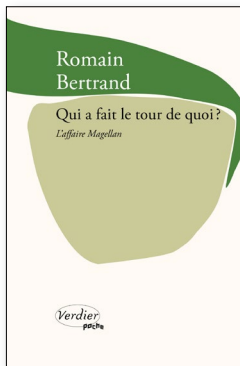
Demanding Justice *Réclamer justice*

Paul Audi
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A brilliant essay that calls for a new look at the difference between justice and law, between the just and the legal.

A human life spent on the sidelines of justice is unbearable. Being a victim of injustice and having one's rights ignored are fundamental infringements on our humanity. But are there not times when, after our demands for justice fall on deaf ears, we tumble into blindness, violence, and even folly and madness? And when that madness rears its head, is it fueled by the need for revenge? How can one explain that in the name of justice, we sometimes act against it, crossing the limits of the law?

Philosophy



Who Discovered What? **The Magellan Case** *Qui a fait le tour de quoi?* *L'affaire Magellan*

Romain Bertrand
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Magellan, who set out for the route to the Indies in 1519, didn't go around the world.

The historian Romain Bertrand demonstrates that Magellan played a less decisive role than History books taught us. In fact, the explorer didn't get past the Cape of Good Hope. A Spanish vessel under the command of Elcano managed the feat. Here, Bertrand takes an innovative look at all of the protagonists on this journey, including the sailors and the populations they met. The Malayan world, which didn't wait for Europeans to undergo its first "globalization", regains part of its identity.

History

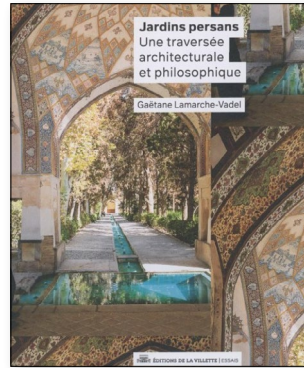
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Persian Gardens: An Architectural and Philosophical Journey

*Jardins persans. Une traversée
architecturale et philosophique*

Gaëtane Lamarche-Vadel
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Persian gardens follow a geometry with an enclosure, perpendicular canals, a central pavilion, lines of trees, and mosaics.

Persian gardens are poems, tales, ruins, drawings that archeologists date back to the 6th century BC and 4000 BC. They are also a heritage, which the last two centuries have frozen in a paradigm, the chaharbagh, legitimized in turns by an anchoring in the Koran, of archeological vestiges. And yet, architects and historians today question the uniqueness of this model, tracing other genealogies and revealing multiple uses.

Architecture/Heritage

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Rez-de-ville. La dimension cachée du projet urbain

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Why are our urban and suburban landscapes so inhospitable?

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With Alberti: Untimely Considerations Regarding Architecture

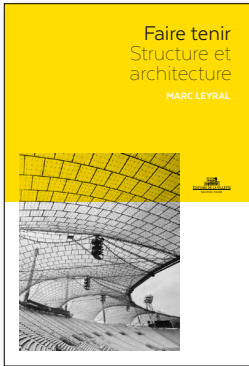
Avec Alberti. Considérations intempestives sur l'architecture

Arnoldo Rivkin
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Contemporary architecture is facing a particularly critical context.

Re-reading Leon Battista Alberti today could rearm contemporary architecture. The race toward digital innovation, the explosion of urban planning, and the global environmental crisis form a context in which the architect struggles to find his place. But what if, on the contrary, this millenary culture was overflowing with ideas and alternative tools? Let’s rediscover, alongside Arnaldo Rivkin, one of the discipline’s canonical texts: *De re ædificatoria* by Leon Battista Alberti.

Architecture/Heritage



Making It Hold: Structure and Architecture

Faire tenir. Structure et architecture

Marc Leyral
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A book that demonstrates that there's a fine line between understanding structures and imagining new architectures.

This work, which doesn't require any previous knowledge other than the four basic operations in math, aims to teach any reader the simple principles that underpin the most complex structures. Written like a dialogue between a young student and his teacher, it introduces fundamental notions of the art of building step by step. What is a force? What are the conditions for the structure to be in equilibrium? What is the material's capacity to resist force?

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