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In its heyday (1400-1600), the kingdom of Lo dominated the Kali Gandaki River trade between India and Tibet. By the 18th century, Lo had lost control over this trade and had been incorporated into the modern Kingdom of Nepal. Isolated deep in the Himalayas, Lo's hereditary Rajas retained most of their feudal powers and the area remained closed to the outside world until 1991. In the spring of 1992, author Peter Matthiessen and photographer Tom Laird travelled deep in the secret valley of Sao Kohla, tucked high in the northernmost reaches of the Himalayas. They were the first Westerners to venture there in 30 years. From the central city of Lo Monthang, known as "Mustang", Matthiessen and La



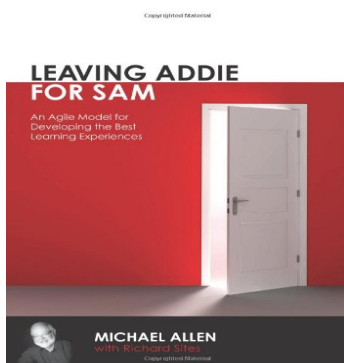
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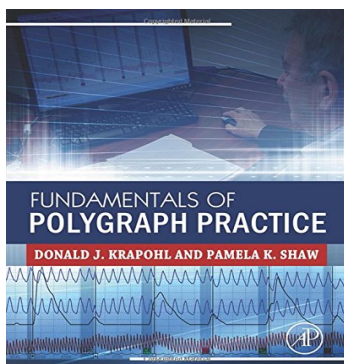
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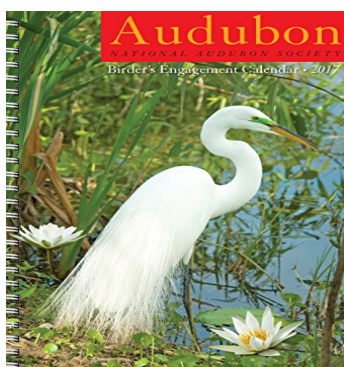
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**Review 1:**

I remember being a very young child, reading this book when it was brand new, when the pages were crisp and had that new-archival-paper smell, and it was so big that I had to splay it out on the comfortable, clean rug at my local library to adequately read and absorb in all of the photographs.

This book had it all for a young reader: What boy of 8 or 9 wouldn't be excited by lost kingdoms, thousands of miles away from your own home, isolated by time and rugged terrain, with its own unique cultural heritage, way of life, and preserved traditions? And what better writer and guide than one of the world's last authentic adventurers, the late Peter Matthiessen?

Matthiessen led the entirety of life: He was a CIA agent in exotic localities, was published in National Geographic, visited the most unique places in the world to report his findings to readers like me, both young and old. He is a gem that will truly be missed, but the scope of his character can be found left behind in books where he searches for the subliminal parts of our society forgotten by time (and they're not always prescient, either--in "Snow Leopard", Matthiessen never finds the eponymous creature, for example).

Now, as an adult, this book is no longer too small for my hands--it fits quite nicely, a bit like a newspaper would--yet I still prefer reading it, much as I did when I was a very young child, laid out so I can see all the pictures and fully engross myself in this lost world forgotten by time and modern travel.

I just hope The Land of Mustang is still much the way it was today, as it was then.

**Review 2:**

great photos and look at life in Mustang Nepal...one of the better books.

**Review 3:**

If you are traveling to Lo Manthang, or if you love Tibetan culture and history this is a must-read book. The writing and photographs are stunning. This region of Nepal was only recently opened up to tourism. This book gives a vivid and realistic portrait of this rapidly changing area. I would pair it with the book "The Snow Leopard" for maximal enjoyment of this wonderful place.

**Review 4:**

Far flung & far far away, not exactly easy to get to.  
can't wait to go  
gorgeous photos  
thank you peter matthiessen

**Review 5:**

Wonderful account of early visit to this unusual area. Great photos. I was very pleased to find this out of circulation volume.

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