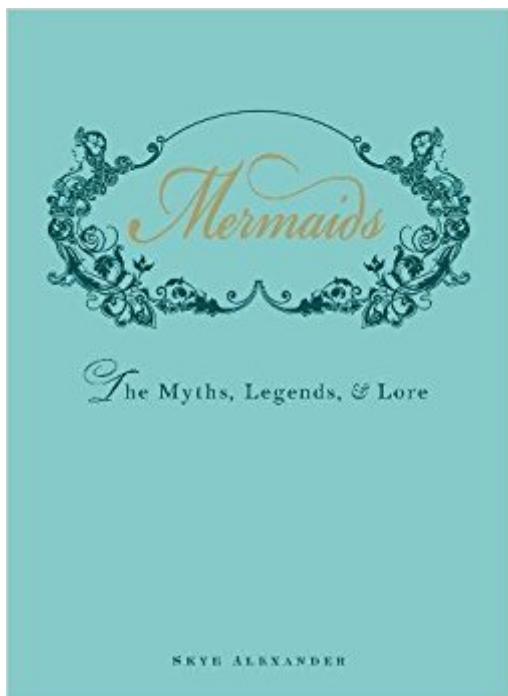


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Mermaids: The Myths, Legends, And Lore



Synopsis

The allure and mystery of mermaids has taken hold of our psyche for ages. From the Irish merrows who come on land to search for human husbands to the fake Fiji Mermaid made popular by P.T. Barnum, these sea maidens (and sometimes men) can be found in folklore and mythology from every tradition in the world. Inside this captivating collection, complete with beautiful illustrations throughout, you'll discover the myths surrounding these enigmatic beings, explore the common symbols associated with them, and learn tales of merfolk from around the world. Dive into Mermaids and get swept away!

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"A mermaid found a swimming lad, Picked him for her own, Pressed her body to his body, Laughed; and plunging down Forgot in cruel happiness That even lovers drown." (William Butler Yeats)"

Mysterious, magical, and mesmerizingly beautiful, mermaids have enchanted humanity for thousands of years. No matter where you go on Planet Earth you'll hear stories of the elusive and evocative sea creatures, who are sometimes benevolent, sometimes destructive, but always alluring. They swim the seven seas, splash about in rivers and lakes, and even frolic in fountains and wells. And these tantalizing creatures play a more important role in today's society than you might think. Some researchers theorize that we're drawn to the dichotomy of light and dark that mermaids embody. These lovely ladies are simultaneously desirable and dangerous. They can bring good luck or disaster. Seafarers have long swapped stories about mermaids charming sailors

with their heavenly singing, then smashing their ships and drowning the hapless seamen. Mermaid myths usually depict these sensuous sirens with a dual nature--they can be benevolent or malevolent, depending on what mood they're in at a given time. Like women, it's a mermaid's prerogative to change her mind--and when she does, watch out! As you explore the history of mermaids in the pages of this book, read the scores of colorful myths and legends about sea-beings, and chuckle at some of the oddities associated with them, you'll find yourself intrigued by these beguiling beings of the deep. But as you dive in, be careful. You never know what mysteries are lurking in the fathoms below.

If you have a huge obsession for mermaids like I do then this is the book for you. I read a little every night before bed. It goes over what mermaids were called all over the world.

Very interesting book since I have not read much about mermaids. I am giving it to my granddaughter who is a mermaid (really) . The illustrations are beautiful but I think my granddaughter's tail is prettier. Highly recommend this for anyone interested in mermaids, a fun and interesting read

Bought this for a friend who loves mermaids, super cute book with beautiful illustrations! Worth the price for a mermaid lover!

Tons of facts and legends on mermaids and where they came from. Just what I was hoping for.

It's a nice book, but not really "myths, legends and lore". It reads more like a bunch of essays the writer has written over time & then decided to compile together in one book. It leaves a lot to be desired.

This book is the perfect size. The stories are entertaining & informative. The illustrations, though not in color, are lovely. A few pages came crinkled, but it arrived quickly. Over all, I'm pleased!

This isn't a story book it's a collection of myths and stories through out time and all over the world about mermaids. This book is awesome. I truly loved reading all the stories from around the world and will look forward to reading them with my daughter. The font in this book is blue which at first bothered my eyes but over time it worked out. This is just a wonderful book that personally helped

me connect with the energy of the mermaids and understand mand of the stories and myths from around the world and see how they all tied together. The writing is well done, the images used are stunning and perfect and I love the quotes about mermaids from all kinds of sources. This is a very intro to these stories and myths, and it can open you up to researching more of these stories and questioning.....what did they see at the sea what are these stories all around the world.

I love this book. It looks beautiful the illustrations.. the cover.. it's reminiscent of a vintage book. It's a good read too! I want to check out the unicorn and fairie ones next! Mermaids are of course my favorite.

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