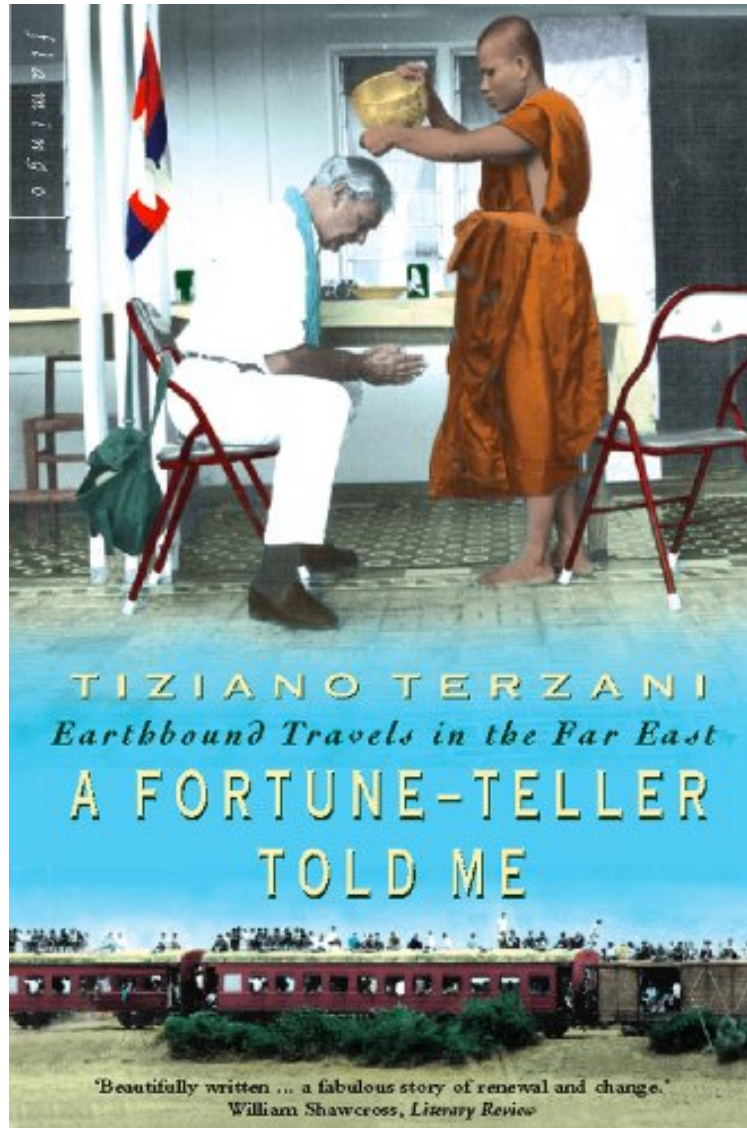


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Fortune-Teller Told meVon BlackteaIn diesem Buch hat Terziani schon massive gesundheitliche Schwierigkeiten. Er scheut keinen Weg und keine Mhe, Spitler, Heiler und Gurus aufzusuchen, um wieder gesund zu werden. Aber dafr

htte er wohl rechtzeitig seit strapaziertes Leben aufgeben mssen. Tat er aber nicht. Sehr behrend, wie er sein Dahinsiechen beschreibt, wie mutig und aufrichtig er ist. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Enlightening Von Ein Kunde I have always had my doubts about the westernization of orietal philosophies. They are for some people and very chosen ones. Tiziano seems to be one of them. The book is very good but a bit long and repetitive. But very enjoyable all the same. 5 von 5 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Fortune Teller Told Me Von Carola Drr Das Buch beinhaltet absolutes Insiderwissen ber Hongkong, Bangkok und Singapore. Dabei erfahrt man viel ber deren Vergangenheit, deren Entwicklung zu modernen Grostzten und gesellschaftliche und politische Hintergrnde. Ich habe in Bangkok und Singapore selbst gelebt und habe durch dieses Buch sehr viel dazu gelernt. Ich kann dieses Buch sehr empfehlen!

Kurzbeschreibung Warned by a fortune-teller not to risk flying, the author a seasoned correspondent took to travelling by rail, road and sea. Consulting fortune-tellers and shamans wherever he went, he learnt to understand and respect older ways of life and beliefs now threatened by the crasser forms of Western modernity. William Shawcross in the Literary praised Terzani for his beautifully written adventure story a voyage of self-discovery He sees fortune-tellers, soothsayers, astrologers, chiromancers, seers, shamans, magicians, palmists, frauds, men and women of god (many gods) all over Asia and in Europe too Almost every page and every story celebrates the mystical and the unknowable. It is a fabulous story of renewal and change Terzani is already something of a legend. He has written magnificently all his life. Never better than now. Yes, the fortune-teller did save him from an air-crash in Cambodia. Looking back afterwards, Terzani reckoned that I was marked for death and instead I was reborn.. de It was 1976 when Tiziano Terzani was warned by the fortune-teller in Hong Kong: "Beware! You run a grave risk of dying in 1993. You mustn't fly that year. Don't fly, not even once." Sixteen years later, Terzani had not forgotten. Despite living the life of a jet-hopping journalist, he decided that, after a lifetime of sensible decisions, he would confront the prophecy the Asian way, not by fighting it, but by submitting. He also resolved that on the way he would seek out the most eminent local oracle, fortune-teller or sorcerer and look again into his future. So after a feast of red ant egg omelet and a glass of fresh water, he brought the new year in on the back of the elephant. He even made it to his appointments--Cambodia to cover the first democratic elections; Burma, for the opening of the first road to connect Thailand and China; and even Florence to visit his mother, a trip that would take him 13,000 miles across Cambodia, Vietnam, China, Mongolia and Siberia. In this way, the jet-hopping journalist rediscovered the art of travel, the intricate chains of chance which lead to discovery, and the mass of humanity he'd overlooked in his rush for newsworthy quotes. And he also saved his life. Terzani's odyssey across Asia is full of revelations and reflections on the dramatic changes underway in Asia. Having spent two decades on the continent, he brings a deep love for the place to his journeys, but also the eyes of someone troubled by the changes he sees. Burma and Laos, finally open to outside contact, are now funnels for AIDS and drugs; Thailand has been traumatised by its rapid development; China is an anarchy fuelled by money rather than ideology and Mao has been transformed into the God of traffic. Surrounded by the loss of diversity wrought by modernism, Terzani asks if the "missionaries of materialism and economic progress" aren't destroying the continent in order to save it. Fortunately, there is a flip side to his occasionally dispiriting commentary, which Terzani discovers in his hunt for fortune-tellers. Through his side trips to seers who read the soles of his feet, the ashes of incense, even the burned scapula of sheep, it becomes clear that the Orient of legends, myths and magic still determines people's lives as much as the quest for money. By staying earthbound, Terzani lived to tell of an extraordinary journey through the ever-shifting kaleidoscope of Asia.--Lesley Reed Kurzbeschreibung Warned by a fortune-teller not to risk flying, the author a seasoned correspondent took to travelling by rail, road and sea. Consulting fortune-tellers and shamans wherever he went, he learnt to understand and respect older ways of life and beliefs now threatened by the crasser forms of Western modernity. William Shawcross in the Literary praised Terzani for his beautifully written adventure story a voyage of self-discovery He sees fortune-tellers, soothsayers, astrologers, chiromancers, seers, shamans, magicians, palmists, frauds, men and women of god (many gods) all over Asia and in Europe too Almost every page and every story celebrates the mystical and the unknowable. It is a fabulous story of renewal and change Terzani is already something of a legend. He has written magnificently all his life. Never better than now. Yes, the fortune-teller did save him from an air-crash in Cambodia. Looking back afterwards, Terzani reckoned that I was marked for death and instead I was reborn.