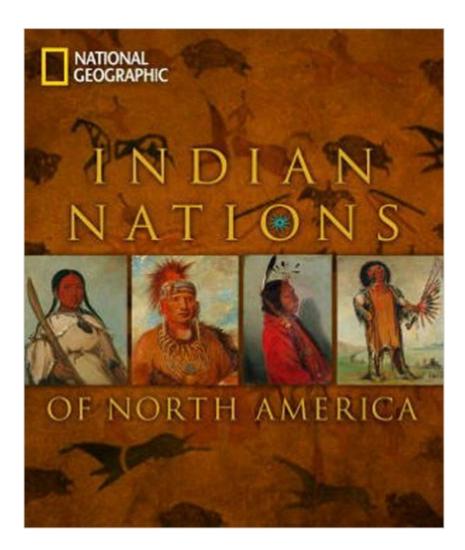
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Indian Nations Of North America





Synopsis

Walk with the indigenous people who settled North America â "and with their descendants, whose more than 500 tribes range from the Arctic Circle across the Great Plains and to the Eastern Seaboard. Lakota, Cherokee, Navajo, Haida: these groups and many others are profiled in engaging entries and portrayed in magnificent images and maps that authentically evoke each tribe's history and character. Organized into eight geographical regions, this encyclopedic reference gives fascinating details about key tribes within each area: their beliefs, sustenance, shelter, alliances, interaction with nature, historic events, and more. Learn about the spiritual and cultural traditions of Native Americans across the continent...investigate how and when each tribe came into contact with Europeans, and how their lives changed. This is the definitive, insightful reference on Native Americans â "captivating and informative for all who appreciate history, diverse cultures, stunning images, and the artistry of maps.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I suspected from the promotional material I received that this book would have errors, but since I could look at it on a trial basis I ordered it. I had it for ten minutes before sending it back. It has many nice illustrations and photos and is a handsome book. It mentions many large, well known tribes and includes an unusual number of small,obscure, almost non-existent tribes, but imagine my shock and disbelief when I tried to look up my own two tribes, Osage, and Omaha, and they were NOT in the book. These are two Federally recognized tribes with long established reservations, not to mention distinctive and unusual histories. The map of reservations misrepresents the Osage

reservation. I was so amazed and angry that I did not do an in depth inspection of the material in the book but I suspect there are many, many, errors and misleading information. I don't recommend this at all. There are many fine books on tribes out there which are probably much more accurate than this. This would make a handsome "coffee table book".

My only disappointment with this book was its lack of information on tribes that lived between Canada and the United States. Good encyclopedia of information but lacked the first 6 Nation tribes, before the standoff with the soldiers. There was very little mention of the Iroquois and Mohawk tribes so in my opinion it is incomplete.

... And where are the Crows and their significant place in Native America!? It is irresponsible to randomly leave out such a historically important tribe, as well as others.

I ordered this from National Geographic as well, and they made such a big deal, about having facts, and all. I live in California, so there's plenty of history available, but I might be moving to Ohio, so I was super excited to learn about the American Indian history in Ohio..to my shock..the book covered NOTHING in Ohio, even the name itself is Native! AWW!! very disappointed. Oh and the price \$50. I WILL be returning it back. I just wanted to check if carried it. My search continues for a more comprehensive American Indian book.

One would expect that a book such as this would discuss, for example, topics such as longhouse and totem poles. instead, I had to use the Internet to find out more detailed information. Other than the excellent photographs, this dull, slanted book, written in encyclopediac style, misses the mark for many topics. I will use it with my grandchildren to tear out the photos.

Nicely put together. Lots of beautiful photographs and okay text. The narrative is sparse, but for an overall introduction to the many Indian nations of North America, it's a good place to start. The maps are partcularly helpful in showing where each tribe lived and where the reservations are now. Of course, it's a terribly sad story, but it's one we should all be aware of.

Indian Nations is a wonderful book to read & reread to find out about the history of the American Indians who are a part of everyone's past one way or another. It's too bad we couldn't have gotten alone & learned more from each other. I give the book a 5 star for everything in it. Can't wait to get the new addition to see the difference between them. It's a book you can just pick up, turn to a chapter & start reading.

This book has so much information, beautiful illustrations and lovely hardcover. Anyone who wants to learn more of their own Native American heritage and their peoples should really consider this a go-to volume. Love it and it was a present for my darling husband who was thrilled with its presentation.

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