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368 gm.

Chungking Mansions, a dilapidated seventeen-story commercial and residential structure in the heart of Hong Kong's tourist district, is home to a remarkably motley group of people. Traders, laborers, and asylum seekers from all over Asia and Africa live and work there, and even backpacking tourists rent rooms in what is possibly the most globalized spot on the planet. But as Ghetto at the Center of the World shows us, the Mansions is a world away from the gleaming headquarters of multinational corporations instead it epitomizes the way globalization actually works for most of the world's people. Through candid stories that both instruct and enthrall, Gordon Mathews lays bare the building's residents' intricate connections to the international circulation of goods, money, and ideas.

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Ethnic Group of Cambodia, Introduction and Overview, is the first of a comprehensive three-volume work that provides a detailed account of the ethnic groups of Cambodia. All three volumes are lavishly illustrated in color and contain relevant references.

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Ikat Weaving and Ethnic Chinese Influences in Cambodia is a ground-breaking study of the role of ethnic Chinese in the production and marketing of Cambodia's famous weft ikat textiles. Despite the prominence of these textiles little is known about how the ikat weaving industry is organized and about those who produce the ikat textiles. The ethnic identity of the silk weavers and traders has been something of a mystery. As the present study shows, although the Khmer and Cham have been involved in the Cambodia ikat weaving industry, it has been dominated by ethnic Chinese, both in the production and trade of silks. Making use of French colonial archives the author fills this gap and describes under what conditions Cantonese silk weavers and traders arrived in Cambodia at the end of the 19th century. Based on ethnographic fieldwork in Cambodia he also describes under what economic, political, and cultural conditions the once humble rural silk industry grew into a global network. This network is not in the hands of the majority ethnic Khmer, but is dominated by Sino-Khmer (Chinese Cambodians), descendents of the 19th century Cantonese immigrants.

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