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This collection of essays in honour of Dr Ian Glover, who for over fifty years has been one of Southeast Asia's most pioneering and leading archaeologists, offers a complete and up-to-date account of the main issues and debates on the region's archaeology spanning the late Pleistocene to the early historic period. Aimed at both the specialist and general reader alike, this volume discusses issues ranging from food subsistence management, technology transfer and long-distance exchange, to social complexity and political and ethical debates that are today an important aspect of Southeast Asian studies.

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What's What in a Wat: Thai Buddhist Temples: Their Purpose and Design: A Handbook / Carol Stratton Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books, 2010 v. ; 98p. ; 20cm. ISBN-13: 9789749511992 \$ 17.95

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Dashes to Dragons : The Ikat Patterned Textiles of Southeast Asia / (Ed) Michael C. Howard Bangkok : White Lotus Press, 2010 280p. 34p. Ill. 94p. in Col. 29cm, STUDIES IN THE MATERIAL CULTURES OF SOUTHEAST ASIA NO. 14 9789744801661 \$ 55.00

From Dashes to Dragons: The Ikat-Patterned Textiles of Southeast Asia provides a comprehensive survey of Southeast Asia's ikat-patterned textiles. These include some of the most dramatic textiles from the region such as the famous warp ikat patterned textiles of Sumba along with many textiles that are of great importance to the cultural heritage of the region, such as theTai tubeskirt cloths with weft ikat gray heron motifs and the double ikat cloths from Tenganan, Bali. The book includes a diseussion of ikat techniques and the origin and diffusion of ikat in Southeast Asia. This is followed by surveys of the ikat-patterned textiles of peoples speaking Tai, Austronesian, Mon-Khmer. and Tibeto-Burman languages. 296 color photographs accompany the text.

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Tawau : The Making of a Tropical Community / Ken Goodlet Kota Kinabalu, Sabah : Opus Publications Sdn. Bhd., 2010 Viii, 362p. 978-983-3987-38-2 \$ 47.00

The story of Tawau and its people is only around 130 years old. People alive today, including this author, have known those who were present at the very start of a recognisable settlement at the mouth of the Tawau River. Ken Goodlet's interviews cover around 21 linguistic groups in those early days, making this record of Tawau rainbow-coloured in its diversity.

The book shows that Tawau has had at least two natural advantages: its location and its natural wealth. Situated at the meeting point of three states that were formerly very different (and competing) colonies, Tawau has been a haven of prosperity and peace, first under the British and then as part of Malaysia. This has attracted trade and immigration (and, at times, envy) not only from far distant Japan and China, but from the Dutch East Indies (later, Indonesia) to its immediate south and from the Spanish and American and, later, independent Philippines to its east.

Tawau's natural wealth, evidenced in a favourable climate, large pockets of excellent soil and coal deposits, has provided residents with jungle produce, then mining and timber, then rubber and hemp and cocoa, and finally oil palm prosperity, augmented by a host of less important agricultural products. The book shows how this has led to extensive migration and capital investment and to the growth of a diverse agriculture-based economy with a complex infrastructure. While previously unimagined wealth has brought better health and a higher standard of living, inevitably it has brought problems unsustainable exploitation of natural resources, illegal immigration, wealth inequity and loss of some community values. But the final chapters make clear the present is a better world for most than it was at any time in the past.

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