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The Terracotta Warriors

The Terracotta Army of Qin Shihuangdi, the First Emperor of China, is one of the most spectacular and best-known finds in world archaeology. It was discovered by surprise in 1974 by peasants digging a well an 8,000-man garrison in battle-ready formation, spread across four pits. Here were life-size warriors made over two thousand years ago from fired clay (originally brightly painted), carrying real weapons: cavalry, archers and infantry; lowly foot soldiers and high-ranking officers; horses and war chariots. But who was this powerful Emperor of the Qin Dynasty who needed an army to guard him in the afterlife? How were the figures made? How could they have been manufactured on such a vast scale? The astonishing facts behind the figures are revealed in this little books fascinating introduction. Individual pieces are then examined in detail to illustrate the amazing nature of the Terracotta Army. Not only are there figures of different ranks and units, but each head is unique: every racial group in China seems to be represented; facial expressions and hairstyles vary; ages and characters are different. Atmospheric photography and extended captions bring the Army to life and make this book a perfect introduction to what has often been described as the eighth Wonder of the World.

Bronze Weapons of the Qin Terracotta Warriors

"With contributions from leading scholars, this fully illustrated catalogue represents a panoramic view of Qin artistic, military, and administrative achievements under the powerful First Emperor, who unified China in 221 BCE. In addition, it examines the period of Chinese history preceding the emperor's reign and the role of earlier Qin rulers in the evolution of a small state into a superpower."--Provided by publisher.

The Emperor's Silent Army

Exciting investigations in northwest China are about to reveal more of the mysteries of the huge mausoleum of the Qin Emperor, a portion of which was accidentally discovered in 1974 by farmers who were digging a well. The second phase of an international research project began in 2011, and more recently, promising new excavations began in Pit 2, with exciting fresh discoveries already announced. The Terracotta Warriors seeks to examine one of China's most famous archaeological discoveries in light of these new findings. The book begins with the discovery of the terracotta warriors and then tells the history of the Qin Dynasty and as much as is known about the construction of the third century BCE mausoleum, based on the work of the historian Sima Qian (145–90 BCE). He wrote that the First Emperor was buried with palaces, towers, officials, valuable artifacts, and wondrous objects. The new findings and the historical description of the mausoleum suggest that the next discoveries may surpass the size and conception of the original discovery of the terracotta warriors. In the second part, Edward Burman questions who built the warriors, how, and what purpose they served. Finally, he anticipates the ongoing discoveries and describes the new methods of excavation and preservation.

The Underground Terracotta Army of Emperor Qin Shi Huang

"Provides fascinating and highly-detailed photographs from the terracotta army site in Xi'an. Discusses significance of warrior dress, stance, and layout adjacent to the tomb itself. Hundreds of full-color photos. One of the best books available on the terracotta warriors."

Terracotta Army

Describes the archaeological find of thousands of life-sized terra cotta warrior statues discovered in China, and discusses the emperor who had them created and placed in his tomb.

The Incredible Story of China's Buried Warriors

Embark on a captivating journey through the corridors of ancient China with \"The Terracotta Army Uncovered: Discovering the Hidden Past of China's First Emperor and His Terracotta Warriors.\" This immersive exploration unravels the enigmatic tale of the renowned Terracotta Army, a silent army of clay warriors guarding the afterlife legacy of China's First Emperor, Qin Shi Huang. Dive into the compelling narrative, beginning with the rise to power of the visionary First Emperor and the unification of China, setting the stage for an extraordinary imperial vision that transcended the boundaries of life. The story unfolds as we delve into the emperor's quest for immortality, culminating in the creation of the Terracotta Army-a testament to ancient China's unparalleled artistic, technological, and military achievements. As the archaeological discoveries come to light, the book takes you through the origins of these life-sized clay soldiers, their meticulous construction, and the architectural marvel of the mausoleum complex. From the chance discovery of the army to the challenges of excavation and preservation, each chapter unveils a new layer of the hidden past, inviting readers into the heart of ancient Chinese culture. The narrative unfolds seamlessly, offering a rich tapestry of historical context, archaeological revelations, and the ongoing research that continues to unveil the mysteries surrounding the emperor's tomb. Explore the significance of each warrior, the artistic brilliance, and the technological innovations that shaped this awe-inspiring creation. \"The Terracotta Army Uncovered\" not only delves into the historical and cultural dimensions but also navigates the controversies and theories that shroud these silent guardians. Unanswered questions and interpretive frontiers come to life, adding layers of intrigue to an already fascinating narrative. This book is more than a historical account; it's a journey through time, inviting readers to witness the legacy of the First Emperor and his warriors. The global impact of the Terracotta Army resonates beyond the pages, captivating imaginations and fostering a deeper understanding of our shared human history. Are you ready to uncover the hidden past, walk among the clay soldiers, and explore the enduring legacy of ancient China's First Emperor? Join us on this enthralling expedition with \"The Terracotta Army Uncovered.\" Your ticket to history awaits.

Terracotta Warriors

This catalog sets the Terracotta warriors in a wider context by examining art of the Qin state in the period that led to the unification of China.

The First Emperor

The rise of Qin and the military conquest of the warring states -- The First Emperor and the Qin empire -- Imperial tours and mountain inscriptions -- The First Emperor's tomb: the afterlife universe -- A two-thousand-year-old underground empire.

The Emperor's Army

Take a photographic journey into China's xi'an provence and into the pits of the Terracotta Warriors. Learn about the warriors and how they were found thousands of years after the Qin Dynasty ended! Who was Emperor Qin and why did he have an army built? see the warriors as they stand today! Enjoy the Terracotta Warriors!

The Terracotta Warriors

Over 40,000 lethal bronze weapons were discovered with thousands of terracotta warriors in the tomb complex of the Qin First Emperor (259-210 BC). This book carries out the first systematic and comprehensive study on these weapons to investigate the mass production and labour organisation in early imperial China. The research draws upon extensive measurements, typological analysis and related statistical treatment, as well as a study of the spatial distribution of the bronze weapons. A combination of metrical and spatial data is used to assess the degree of standardisation of the weapons' production, and to evaluate the spatial patterns in the array of the Terracotta Army. This provides further information about the labour organisation behind the production, transportation and placement of weapons as they were moved from the workshop and/or arsenal to the funeral pits. Integrating these insights with inscriptions, tool marks, and chemical analysis, this book fills a gap in the study of mass production, the behaviour of craftspeople, and related imperial logistical organisation in the Qin Dynasty (221-206 BC), marking the most crucial early stage in Chinese political unification.

The Terracotta Army Uncovered

A history of the famous Terracotta Army in Xi'an, China, exploring what we now know about it, what remains hidden, and the fascinating theories that surround its creation. Exciting

investigations in northwest China are about to reveal more of the mysteries of the huge mausoleum of the Qin Emperor, a portion of which was accidentally discovered in 1974 by farmers who were digging a well. The second phase of an international research project began in 2011 and is ongoing. More recently still, promising new excavations began in Pit 2, with exciting fresh discoveries already announced. The Terracotta Warriors seeks to examine one of China's most famous archaeological discoveries in light of these new findings. The book begins with the discovery of the terracotta warriors and then tells the history of the Qin Dynasty and as much as is known about the construction of the 3rd century BCE mausoleum, based on the work of the historian Sima Qian (145–90 BCE). He wrote that the First Emperor was buried with palaces, towers, officials, valuable artifacts, and wondrous objects. According to this account, one hundred flowing rivers were simulated using mercury; the ceiling was decorated with heavenly bodies, high above the features of the land. The new findings and the description of the mausoleum based on the quoted historical accounts suggest that the next discoveries may surpass the size and conception of the original discovery of the terracotta warriors. In the second part, Edward Burman asks: Who built it and how? He also questions the role of the terracotta warriors, who may be servants and not warriors, and what their function may have been in the afterlife. Finally, he anticipates the ongoing discoveries and describes the new methods of excavation and preservation.

A Wonder of the World, Treasures of the Nation

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China's Terracotta Warriors

Describes the archaeological discovery of thousands of life-sized terracotta warrior statues in northern China in 1974, and discusses the emperor who had them created and placed near his tomb.

The Terracotta Army

The Terracotta Army is one of the greatest, and most famous, archaeological discoveries of all time. 6,000 life-size figures of warriors and horses were interred in the Mausoleum of the First Emperor of China - each is individually carved, and they are thought to represent real members of the emperor's army. This is the remarkable story of their creation, the man who ordered them made, their rediscovery and their continuing legacy as a pre-eminent symbol of Chinese greatness. The First Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, was king of the Chinese state of Qin and the first man to unite China into a single empire. He built the first Great Wall and brought a single written script to the whole country. He was an inspired and ruthless ruler, but one also beset by paranoia and a desire for immortality. He is still considered the founding father of the modern state of China. On his death in 210 BC he was buried in a giant mausoleum near modern-day Xi'an. Legends of the treasures contained therein still tantalize the imagination today. In 1974 local farmers digging a well for water broke through into the burial mound and found the first of the Terracotta warriors. Further excavations have revealed the full splendour of the buried army. But the majority of the mausoleum is yet to be opened, including the burial chamber itself - myth tells us that amongst the treasures yet to be uncovered is a vast map of the First Emperor's kingdom with rivers marked with channels of flowing mercury. The story of the First Emperor and the Terracotta Army is a fascinating one, not least for the discoveries yet to be made.

Terracotta Warriors: Guardians of Immortality

A vast army of over 7000 terracotta statues of soldiers surrounds the tomb of the first emperor of the Qin dynasty in the Shannxi province in northwestern China. This book answers many of the questions that have intrigued travelers, archeologists, and students of Chinese culture since the site was discovered in 1974.

Emperor Qin's Terra Cotta Army

A dead emperor guarded by his army for 2,000 years One day in 1974, a group of farmers in rural China found a life-size clay statue of a man's head buried deep in a field. When government archaeologists inspected the area, they discovered that beneath the ground were more than eight thousand life-size clay soldiers, each one with a unique face. In nearby chambers, they unearthed clay horses, carefully preserved swords, bronze statues, and other astonishing things. Where did these treasures come from? And why were they buried? Slowly the story revealed itself. It centered around Qin Shi Huangdi, the first emperor of China, who died in 210 B.C.. For forty years leading up to his death, thousands of artists from across China had sculpted an enormous city where he would be buried, guarded and protected by thousands of clay soldiers. This city remained hidden for over two thousand years. This important archaeological find offers amazing insight into the civilization of ancient China.

The Qin Terracotta Army

*Includes pictures *Includes ancient accounts of the emperor's reign and description of his tomb *Describes how the Terracotta Army was designed and created *Includes a bibliography for further reading

"The terracotta army was a one-off creation, original in both concept and execution, unmentioned in any source, no sooner buried than destroyed and forgotten. ... Why so realistic? Why this many? Why full-size? Why clay? ... The initial inspiration was the need to duplicate a new force, of which the main element was infantry, conscripted from the emperor's newly acquired masses of peasants, and protected not with custom-made armor but with scales of leather and simple, standardized weapons. It was the combination of archers, infantry and charioteers, this particular balance between officers and men, that had enabled the First Emperor to unify the nation.\" - John Man, The Terracotta Army: China's First Emperor and the Birth of a Nation

China has always fascinated outsiders, much in the same way that distant light fascinates someone looking down a dark road. It is both familiar and mysterious, ancient and new, and fully understanding it seems to always remain just out of reach. From the Great Wall to the ancient teachings of Confucius, China's natural and man-made wonders have been topics of interest among Westerners since the Middle Ages and the pursuit of trade routes both by land and sea, amazing Marco Polo and 19th century British expeditions in similar ways despite the passage of several centuries between them. For these reasons, it comes as little surprise that people across the world were excited when it was revealed in 1974 that archaeologists had uncovered a new and amazing find: an underground army consisting of thousands of clay soldiers, still standing at their posts despite being over 2,000 years old. In addition to the remarkable feats of craftsmanship and the almost unimaginable size and scale of the Terracotta Army, the sculpted statues seemed to bear testimony of something that modern people could not quite wrap their minds around, representing a time when China was born almost 200 years before Christ. The hope for many was that this remarkable army could reveal the secrets of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, a man who united seven warring tribes into one of the most powerful nations on earth. Even as research continues 40 years after the initial find, some of the facts about the Terracotta Army are staggering. It's estimated that the army consists of 8,000 soldiers, 130 chariots, and hundreds of horses and cavalry, all of which were sculpted on a mass scale by various factories but were subsequently molded to feature their own unique appearances separate of one another. As if that wasn't enough, there are also terracotta sculptures of acrobats, servants, and musicians, and the sculptures were painted (though most of the paint has faded away over time). This impressive horde of funerary art was buried with Qin Shi Huang to serve him in the afterlife, much the same way Egyptian pyramids were constructed for pharaohs. While the sculptures comprising the Terracotta Army are impressive as a work of art, they have indeed proven to be an invaluable historical source as well. Thanks to collections of weapons buried with the sculptures, as well as the shapes and sizes of the various military equipment, historians can get a sense of what Qin Shi Huang had at his disposal when he fought battles, and the Terracotta Army itself is even organized based on military rank, allowing historians a chance to understand ancient Chinese military formations. The Terracotta Army: The History of Ancient China's Famous Terracotta Warriors and Horses chronicles the history of the Chinese emperor who commissioned them and a description of the famous funerary art. Along with pictures of important people, places, and events, you will learn about the Terracotta Army like never before.

Wonders from the Earth

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The Subterranean Army of Emperor Qin Shi Huang

When society has already entered an age of high-tech and computers, an army of powerful imperial soldiers clad in armour and wielding threatening weapons suddenly looms out of the fog of time. As mysterious as extraterrestrial beings, the terracotta soldiers are at the same time life-like. They emerge out of the earth under which they have remained buried and unknown for more than 2,200 years. Was it because they could no longer bear the darkness and loneliness underground, or because they wanted to reveal their ancient, long forgotten glory? Or was it because Emperor Qin Shi Huang had always intended to demonstrate to later generations his absolute imperial power? For whatever reason, the reappearance of his legions has given the impression that this is a story we may never fully comprehend.

The Terracotta Army of the First Emperor of China

In 1974, near Xi'an in central China, villagers chanced upon what has become one of the world's most astonishing archaeological finds--an 8,000-man army in battle-ready formation,

each warrior a life-size figure in pottery made over 2,200 years ago.

The Qin Dynasty Terra-cotta Army of Dreams

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The Terra Cotta Warriors of the Qin Dynasty

The terracotta warriors of Qin Shihuang, China's first emperor, are regarded as one of the greatest archaeological finds of the twentieth century. Terracotta Warriors: Guardians of Immortality showcases these extraordinary Qin dynasty objects, along with priceless gold, jade and bronze artefacts dating from the Zhou dynasty through to the Han dynasty. With written contributions from Wayne Crothers, NGV Senior Curator, Asian Art; Zhang Weixing, Research Fellow at Emperor Qin Shihuang's Mausoleum Site Museum in China; and Professor Tonia Eckfeld, a Chinese archaeology and cultural heritage expert and Principal Fellow at the University of Melbourne, this volume presents a rich and nuanced exploration of more than 1000 years of Chinese art and culture.

The Terracotta Army

"This catalog accompanies the exhibition Terracotta Army: Legacy of the First Emperor of China, organized by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts"--

The Terra Cotta Army of Emperor Qin

Describes the discovery of the great clay army buried near China's Emperor Qin's tomb.

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Legend has it that in 210 BC the first emperor of unified China, Shi Huang-te, decreed that after his death his body should be clothed in jade, cast adrift in a lake of mercury within a pyramid, and protected by an everlasting army. In 1974, archaeologists discovered the first of more than 7000 lifesize terracotta warriors buried near the pyramid tomb of Shi Huang-te, confirming that the legend was more than a myth. But why were the massive soldiers, each weighing more than half a tonne, buried there at all? Was it simply to guard the emperor in the afterlife? Or was there more to the legend?

China's Terracotta Army and the First Emperor's Mausoleum

A fascinating study of this amazing archaeological discovery.

The Terracotta Warriors

When the first emperor of unified China, Ch'in Shi Huangdi, felt his death approaching, he decreed that he be entombed within a pyramid and that his tomb be protected by an army of terracotta figures. Cotterell decodes the emperor's farewell message concealed in the terracotta warriors--a message that reveals the secrets of heaven and hell.

Emperor Qin's Terra-Cotta Army

Every new and groundbreaking archaeological discovery refines our understanding of human history. This title examines the exploration and study of Emperor Qin's terra-cotta army. The

book explores the mausoleum's creation, traces its discovery and scientific investigation, and discusses future study and conservation efforts. Well-placed sidebars, vivid photos, helpful maps, and a glossary enhance readers' understanding of the topic. Additional features include a table of contents, a selected bibliography, source notes, and an index, plus a timeline and essential facts. Aligned to Common Core standards and correlated to state standards. Essential Library is an imprint of Abdo Publishing, a division of ABDO.

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