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mecca and medina are the two sanctuaries of islam places which every muslim dreams of visiting at least once in a lifetime mecca is believed to be the very first location of human settlement and it was the birthplace of the prophet muhammad peace be upon him the ka ba found in mecca was raised by the prophet abraham from its foundations to become the direction of prayer for believers medina is the city in which islamic civilization was centralized and flourished religiously politically and socially faruk aksoy a bbc cameraman

took hundreds of photographs of these blessed cities from the most spectacular angles this album includes over 160 select pictures shot by aksoy since 1980s he provides for us a picturesque pilgrimage experience and gives us an opportunity to share in the blessings of a lifetime journey as we browse through the pages accompanied by inspirational text features the ka ba and the golden gutter the prophet s mosque and the rawda cemeteries of jannat al mualla and jannat al baqi mount nur mina mount arafat

mecca the blessed medina the radiant is an unprecedented photographic exploration of the holiest cities of islam and the hajj or annual pilgrimage during ramadan when more than a million faithful journey to mecca s great mosque to commemorate the first revelation of the qur an koran this book allows both muslims and those unfamiliar with the islamic faith complete access to the holiest sites of one of the world s major religions practiced by a quarter of the world s population but often misunderstood in the west photographer ali kazuyoshi namachi a muslim convert from japan garnered the full support of saudi arabian authorities rarely given to shoot in cities where photography is strictly controlled and non muslims are not allowed an expansive work of photojournalism mecca the blessed medina the radiant includes 140 full color never before seen photographs mystical places and scenes of islam breathtaking aerial photographs of the arabian terrain vistas of teeming crowds of worshippers surrounding the kasbah mecca s sacred center intense portraits of faithful muslims in prayer magnificent architecture reflecting the faith of the believers archival illustrations text by seyyed hossein nasr one of the most highly regarded scholars of islam enhances the stunning islamic holy city photographs to illuminate many aspects of islamic belief that have remained enigmatic to non muslims until now

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the purpose of this book is to draw attention to the sites of life politics and culture where current and past generations of the islamic world have made their mark unlike many previous volumes dealing with the city in the islamic world this one has been expanded not only to include snapshots of historical fabric but also to deal with the transformation of this fabric into modern and contemporary urban entities salma khadra jayyusi was awarded cultural personality of the year by the sheikh zayed book award for her profound contribution to arabic literature and culture in 2020 the paperback edition of the city in the islamic world was published to celebrate the occasion

one of the most neglected areas of medieval islamic history has been the development of the city this collection the islamic city containing twelve papers presented at the meeting of the near eastern history group p at oxford in 1965 fills a notable void it examines varied aspects of the major cities located in persia iraq syria and egypt and in one section even compares them with their chinese counterparts furthermore several of the eminent scholars participating in this panel expertly synthesized much of the earlier disparate research on urban islam renaissance quarterly autumn 1973 vol 26 no 3 autumn 1973 pp 303 307

during the season of ramadan when the first revelation of the quran is commemorated more than a million visitors journey to mecca s great mosque despite islam s position as a powerful religion boasting one quarter of the world s population as its followers many aspects of muslim thought and belief remain an enigma to non muslims the cities of mecca and medina are restricted to muslims and photographing the sites requires special and rarely given permission from the saudi arabian authorities this book is an unprecedented exploration of islam s most holy cities and the great pilgrimage mostly presented in full colour never before seen photographs

mecca is the heart of islam it is the birthplace of muhammad the direction towards which muslims turn when they pray and the site of pilgrimage which annually draws some three million muslims from all corners of the world yet mecca s importance goes beyond religion what happens in mecca and how muslims think about the political and cultural history of mecca has had and continues to have a profound influence on world events to this day in this captivating book ziauddin sardar unravels the significance of mecca tracing its history from its origins as a barren valley in the desert to its evolution as a trading town

and sudden emergence as the religious centre of a world empire sardar examines the religious struggles and rebellions in mecca that have powerfully shaped muslim culture interweaving stories of his own pilgrimages to mecca with those of others sardar offers a unique insight into not just the spiritual aspects of mecca the passion ecstasy and longing it evokes but also the conflict between heritage and modernity that has characterised its history he unpeels the physical social and cultural dimensions that have helped transform the city and also though accounts of such orientalist travellers as richard burton and charles doughty the strange fascination that mecca has long inspired in the western imagination and ultimately he explores what this tension could mean for mecca s future an illuminative lyrical and witty blend of history reportage and memoir this outstanding book reflects all that is profound enlightening and curious about one of the most important religious sites in the world

presenting a critical yet innovative perspective on the cultural interactions between the east and the west this book questions the role of travel in the production of knowledge and in the construction of the idea of the islamic city this volume brings together authors from various disciplines questioning the role of western travel writing in the production of knowledge about the east particularly focusing on the cities of the muslim world instead of concentrating on a specific era chapters span the medieval and modern eras in order to present the transformation of both the idea of the islamic city and also the act of traveling and travel writing missions to the east whether initiated by military religious economic scientific diplomatic or touristic purposes resulted in a continuous construction de construction and re construction of the self and the other including travel accounts which depicted cities extending from europe to asia and from africa to arabia chapters epitomize the construction of the orient via textual or visual representations by examining various tools of representation such as drawings paintings cartography and photography in depicting the urban landscape in constant flux the book emphasizes the role of the mobile individual in defining city space and producing urban culture scrutinising the role of travellers in producing the image of the world we know today this book is recommended for researchers scholars and students of middle eastern studies cultural studies architecture and urbanism

this book contains articles on historic cities of the islamic world ranging from west africa to malaysia which over the centuries have been centres of culture and learning and of economic and commercial life and which have contributed much to the consolidation of islam as a faith and as a social and political institution the articles have been taken from the second edition of the encyclopaedia of islam completed in 2004 but in many cases expanded and rewritten all have been updated to include fresh historical information with note of contemporary social developments and population statistics the book thus

delineates the urban background of islam has it has evolved up to the present day highlighting the role of such great cities as cairo istanbul baghdad and delhi in islamic history and also brings them together in a rich panorama illustrating one of mankind s greatest achievements the living organism of the city

i am so happy to write the introduction of a new issue of my recent ly published book in arabic by the yemen center for studies and research in sana a i write this introduction for the translation of the book into the english language i remain greatly indebted to my good friend mr basheer muhammad khan the dean of translators into the english language and a distinguished scientific personality in the yemen the idea of translating the book into the english language was an objective response to what is happening in today s world of oppressive change of a number of religious concepts stands and values concerning islam and its civilization this is an attempt to communicate an intellectual idea for the readers in the english language on a small part of the experience of the islamic arab state in the sphere of administration which in fact is the root of human civilization

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vicchio believes that by understanding how much muslim tradition overlaps with the biblical traditions of judaism and christianity we might begin to expose a wedge of common ground on which understanding and respect might begin to be built vicchio begins with a brief introduction sketching some fundamentals of muslim history and culture and clearing away some common misconceptions his main goal however is to give us a detailed look at the treatment of biblical figures in the literature of islam the broad range of his research and presentation is startling he begins with the qur'an but continues on to the collected writing of the roughly two hundred years after mohammed hadith sunnah akhbar that came to be regarded as authoritative in the various traditions that developed in early islam he then traces the interest in these biblical figures on into modern treatments of the role of these figures in muslim scholarship and how these figures are understood and used in the traditions of islam yet today the result of vicchio's scholarship and presentation will be a revelation to most christian and jewish readers it has become somewhat commonplace to refer to judaism christianity and islam as the three abrahamic faiths this shows a beginning awareness of the beginnings of each of these three great religions birthed in the middle east in a common ancestor abraham ibrahim abraham's faithfulness and his closeness to god make his a revered figure in each

of these three great faiths and for each abraham is a beginning of the story of the particular relationship between god and the people of each of these religions from the foreword

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the encyclopaedia of islam second edition sets out the present state of our knowledge of the islamic world it is a unique and invaluable reference tool an essential key to understanding the world of islam and the authoritative source not only for the religion but also for the believers and the countries in which they live

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