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Land Of The Spotted Eagle, New Edition



Synopsis

When Standing Bear returned to the Pine Ridge Sioux Reservation after sixteen years' absence, his dismay at the condition of his people may well have served as a catalyst for the writing of this book, first published in 1933. In addition to describing the customs, manners, and traditions of the Teton Sioux, Standing Bear also offered general comments about the importance of Native cultures and values and the status of Indian peoples in American society. With the assistance of Melvin R. Gilmore, curator of ethnology at the University of Michigan, and Warcaziwin, Standing Bear's niece and secretary, Standing Bear sought to tell the white man "just how they lived as Lakotans." Land of the Spotted Eagle is generously interspersed with personal reminiscences and anecdotes, including chapters on child rearing, social and political organization, family, religion, and manhood. Standing Bear's views on Indian affairs and his suggestions for the improvement of white-Indian relations are presented in the two closing chapters.

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"A serious and notable contribution to racial understanding."--Saturday Review of Literature

Luther Standing Bear is the author of *Stories of the Sioux*, *My Indian Boyhood*, and *My People the Sioux* (all available in Bison Books editions). Joseph Marshall (Lakota Sioux) is a historian, educator, speaker, and recipient of the Wyoming Humanities Award. He is the author of several books, including *The Journey of Crazy Horse: A Lakota History* and *The Lakota Way: Stories and Lessons for Living*.

Buy this book...rent this book...borrow this book.....but by all means...READ THIS BOOK!! Do not let skintone or religious belief shy you away from reading this great learning of Native peoples' lives..I had to read this last semester at Tribal College. And I was amazed at what I learned.What is inside this book contains knowledge that will help future generations if only they read it.

I study with two Native Elders and Mr. Standing Bear and his interpretation of these wisdom tales is greatly respected by First Nation people. Beautifully written and the stories themselves are still full of the riches of a plundered civilization.

This book shows the honest life lived by many thousands of American Indians prior to the destruction of their culture and take-over of their lands. Luther Standing Bear tells about family life, tribal culture, and the demoralization of their people. But he does so without apparent ill will towards the white man, rather an acceptance that would have proven very difficult for me personally. A very good read for those wanting to understand the other side of the story.

This book gives you an excellent look from the Lakota point of view how the europeans looked to the extremely civilized Lakota Sioux Native Americans. Although not well written it is so informative I just couldn't put it down. It gave me a whole new attitude and opinion of our Native American and how they should be treasured and revealed.

Loved it. Told me the a story I was totally unaware of.

I love reading historical narratives about other cultures. Luther Standing Bear's life as an indigenous person who integrated and assimilated into the dominant culture is very interesting!

Kindle book....I am big fan of Luther Standing Bear.

One of the best books written on Lakota culture

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