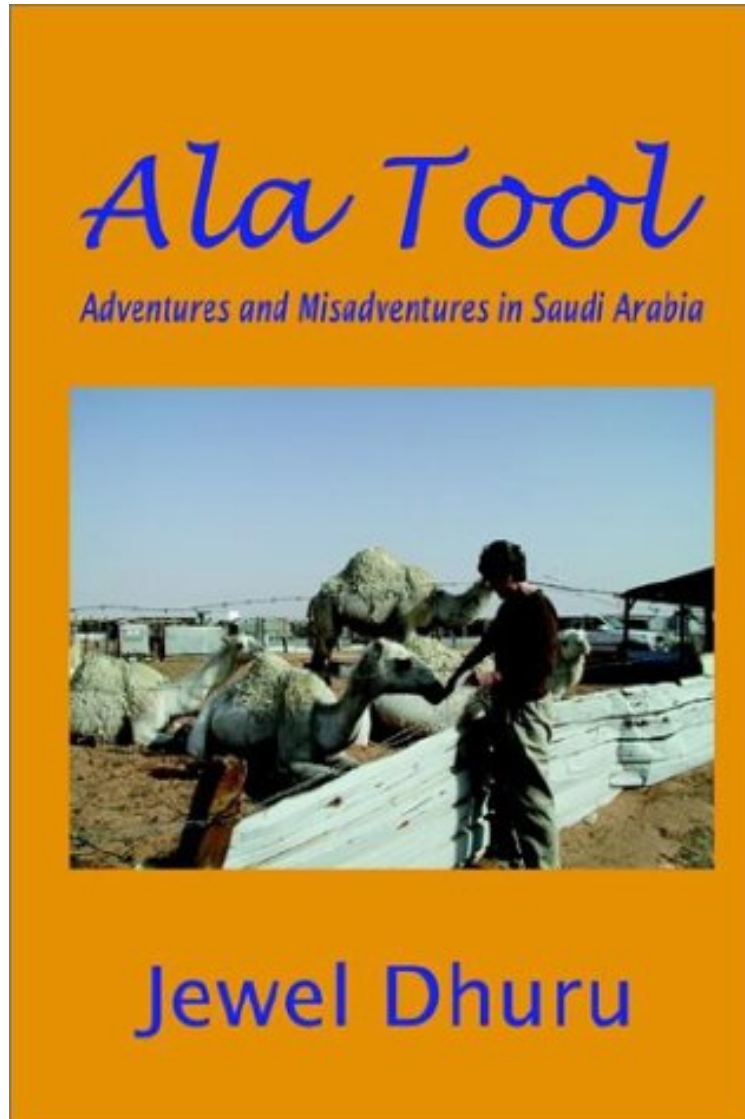


[Free] Ala Tool: Adventures and Misadventures in Saudi Arabia

Ala Tool: Adventures and Misadventures in Saudi Arabia

Jewel Dhuru

*audiobook / *ebooks / Download PDF / ePub / DOC*



 Download

 Read Online

#10736829 in Books Jewel Dhuru 2003-01-29Original language:EnglishPDF # 1 9.02 x .83 x 5.98l, 1.24
#File Name: 1403381445372 pagesAla Tool Adventures and Misadventures in Saudi Arabia | File size:
64.Mb

Jewel Dhuru : Ala Tool: Adventures and Misadventures in Saudi Arabia before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Ala Tool: Adventures and Misadventures in Saudi Arabia:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. worth reading, but.....By Richard Nash CreelSaudi Arabia is a country off-limits to tourists other than hadjis, and accessible to those who have a work contract or other business in the country. While living there, their passports are sequestered by their employers, and living for Westerners is hardly exciting, other than for a taste of culture shock, frustration and boredom. Casual contact as we understand it does not

exist, and the barriers between the sexes are rigid, apart from the overriding emphasis on religion and religious orthodoxy. Saudis, from my readings, are not averse to lying, cheating and exploiting, especially in dealings with their Third World workers, they drive like homicidal maniacs, and abroad, allow themselves abundant doses of sex and alcohol, as if religion were only important within the kingdom. The account by a Canadian wife of a native of India, seems mildly critical, and particularly self-absorbed in a boring narrative of a solid middle-class mindset, in which creature comforts and their accompanying environmental aspects are taken for granted. I hardly expect the Saudis to allow entry to critical writers, but this book leaves much to be desired and has convinced me once again that Saudi Arabia is a truly desolate space in human as well as geographic terms. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. if only we'd read this first!By roger savageNothing can really prepare you for the first visit to Saudi Arabia. No wonder ex-pats refer to it as "The Magic Kingdom"! We read all the usual guides, ranging from the commercially available ones to the highly enthusiastic Saudi government ones... We tried to learn a few phrases in advance and - as fairly experienced ex-pats, were looking forward to another new phase in our life. However, Saudi is so different that we might as well have saved ourselves all the bother! Jewel Dhuru's book definitely sums up the "Saudi experience" that we, and most of the other ex-pats we met, came eventually to enjoy. I would recommend it not only as a good read "per se" but also as a frank and revealing insight into the pangs and pleasures in store for those heading to the "Magic Kingdom". 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. if only we'd read this first!By roger savageNothing can really prepare you for the first visit to Saudi Arabia. No wonder ex-pats refer to it as "The Magic Kingdom"! We read all the usual guides, ranging from the commercially available ones to the highly enthusiastic Saudi government ones... We tried to learn a few phrases in advance and - as fairly experienced ex-pats, were looking forward to another new phase in our life. However, Saudi is so different that we might as well have saved ourselves all the bother! Jewel Dhuru's book definitely sums up the "Saudi experience" that we, and most of the other ex-pats we met, came eventually to enjoy. I would recommend it not only as a good read "per se" but also as a frank and revealing insight into the pangs and pleasures in store for those heading to the "Magic Kingdom".

Keep Going Forward English for Ala Tool That s the option Canadian born Jewel Dhuru counselor English teacher and artist chooses after two bittersweet sojourns in Saudi Arabia As her Indian born husband teaches at a Saudi college she chronicles the daily delights and dreads of expatriates women and bachelors coping with polarities while holding on to common bonds of humanity Not just another travelogue this poignant inspirational account describes sunset from a Bedouin tent at the camel souk and aromatic frankincense and ood perfuming Jewel s kitchen and touches on the zealous morality police lessons behind a clandestinely tailored green abaya conflicting personal styles as guests gather for dinner why a jeweler in bustling Riyadh won t shake Jewel s hand and visits to friendly smaller Saudi towns four neighboring Arab countries India and Canada Underneath hilarious and harrowing anecdotes this Western woman grapples with questions of her identity and marriage using this interval of about face as a catalyst for her own continuing spiritual evolution The story unfolds of a woman blooming in the desert not renown for female friendliness feeling her life change substantially discovering there is no going back to the way it was and choosing to Ala Tool a transformational travelogue enhanced by glimpses into the author s relationships and spiritual journey Nunda Ambegaonkar President Bridging Nations Foundation