

## ***Lao Tzu Lao Tzu***

First published in 1934. Unlike previous translations, this translation of Lao Tzu's Tao Tê Ching is based not on the medieval commentaries but on a close study of the whole of early Chinese literature.

A revolutionary archaeological discovery -- considered by some to be as momentous as the revelation of the Dead Sea Scrolls -- sheds fascinating new light on one of the most important texts of ancient Chinese civilization.

This is a new translation of the ancient Chinese Taoist classic, the Tao Te Ching of Lao Tzu. It

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aims at clarity and simplicity. Its underlying philosophy is explored in the Introduction, and key terms are explained in the Glossary. The Index will show whereabouts in the Tao Te Ching key concepts and ideas are mentioned, making it a handy tool for exploring the text and for locating favourite passages. The book is illustrated with pen and ink drawings.

The classic Taoist text freshly translated using the original Chinese script from Lao Tzu's time, and beautifully illustrated with seventeenth-century artwork. Renowned translator William Scott Wilson

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has rendered Lao Tzu's classic in the most authentic way possible, using both the ancient text and the even older Great Seal script used during Lao Tzu's time. The result is a new and nuanced translation, accompanied by gorgeous Chinese ink paintings and fascinating ancillary material. Wilson includes an introduction that tells the story of Lao Tzu, the "old man" and the "keeper of the archives," and wonderful notes to illuminate the text. He also includes two short essays--one explains the relationship between Taoism and Zen, and the other explores the roots

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that link the spiritual aspects of the Tao with the practice of Chinese and Japanese martial arts. Wilson's version of this ancient classic is wonderfully fresh and readable.

The Tao Te Ching

A Book about the Way and the Power of the Way

Tao Te Ching (The Way) by Lao-Tzu

Lao-tzu and the Tao-te-ching

The Way of Lao Tzu

Dr. Waley reviews China's prehistory, early philosophy, and literature in this treatise

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“The eighty-one sayings in this volume shine like gems-cut clear and beautiful in every facet . . . . This translation will stand as the perfect rendering of a classic work.”—John Haynes Holmes Lao Tzu was one of the greatest mystics of all time. Legend tells us that he was immaculately conceived by a shooting star. Confucius, who met him only once, likened him to a dragon, the one creature in all creation whose ways he would never understand. Some hold that Lao Tzu was not one man but many men, and the work attributed to him, the Tao Teh Ching, the product of many minds over many centuries. But whether or not the Tao Teh Ching, here presented as The Way of Life, is the author’s own matters little. From its original in sixth-century B.C. China it has come down to us as one of the most powerful testaments ever written to man’s fitness in the universe. The basis of

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Taoism, one of the world's great religions, the Tao Teh Ching has been translated more frequently than any other work besides the Bible. Articulating the way of poise, serenity, and complete assurance, it teaches us how to work with the invisible forces of nature, the psyche, and the soul for a more successful life. Not passive contemplation, but creative quietism is the Way of Lao Tzu, and it has never been more relevant than it is today.

Lao-tzu, the legendary sage of ancient China, is traditionally considered to be the author of the Tao Te Ching, one of the most popular classics of world literature. Now Lao-tzu's further teachings on the Tao, or Way, are presented here in the first English translation of the Chinese text known as the Wen-tzu. Although previously ignored by Western scholars, the Wen-tzu has long been revered by the Chinese as one of the great classics of

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ancient Taoism. In it, Lao-tzu shows that the cultivation of simplicity and spontaneity is essential to both the enlightened individual and the wise leader. This timeless work will appeal to a broad audience of contemporary readers who have come to consider Lao-tzu's Tao Te Ching a classic on the art of living.

Tao Teh Ching

Wisdom from Confucius, Lao Tzu, and  
Other Great Thinkers

A Translation of the Startling New  
Documents Found at Guodian

The Legend of Lao Tzu and the Tao Te  
Ching

New Lao Tzu

Revised and re-translated, Red  
Pine's best-selling and authoritative  
translation of Taoteching is  
now--vitaly--available once again.  
An enduring translation of a

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timeless work, now in a new edition. The Tao Te Ching of Lao Tzu is one of the most widely read and deeply cherished books in the world, a work many consider the wisest book ever written. In his introduction, translator Brian Browne Walker says, "It is less a book than a living, breathing angel." Brian Browne Walker's is one of the few modern English versions to be translated directly from the original Chinese. In his translation, Walker stays close to the direct literal accuracy of the Chinese characters while producing a modern, exceptionally clear version that has the ring and voice of Lao Tzu, a man who may or may not have been a single individual. "I have

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come to think of Lao Tzu less as a man who once lived," Walker writes, "and more as a song that plays, eternal and abiding."

Widely recognized as one of the world's great literary classics, Tao Teh King is one of the simplest yet most profound interpretations of man and nature. As a religion, it provides one of the sanest and most enduring of the major religions of mankind. Interpreted here by one of the foremost Western scholars of Eastern philosophies.

A new interpretation of the Tao Te Ching, this book is a celebration of the Way of Harmony and Balance. Ray Grigg transforms what has been traditionally called the Tao Te Ching, what he calls the Lao Tzu,

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from the mysterious to the meaningful. He accomplishes this by abandoning the historical convention of a literal reading of the Chinese texts. The result is a poetic expression of ancient wisdom in a language that readers can approach directly. The wisdom of the Lao Tzu rests in its ability to tease confusion into insight that is beyond the confinement of intellectual understanding. Beautifully illustrated with ink drawings by Bill Gaetz, *The New Lao Tzu* demonstrates that living the wisdom of the Lao Tzu requires more instinct than reason, more intuition than argument.

Tao Te Ching  
The Tao-Te Ching

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The Way of Life According to Lao Tzu

A Study in Chinese Philosophy

81 Verses by Lao Tzu with

Introduction and Commentary

*Tao Te Ching, also commonly known as Lao Tzu, is one of the most important Chinese classics and has had great influence on Chinese thought. It is regarded as the bible of Taoism and is by far the most frequently translated Chinese classic, with over thirty translations into English alone.*

*Comparing the New Testament with the Tao Te Ching, Taoisms most sacred book, Jesus and Lao Tzu reveals a*

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*surprising set of examples in which these two spiritual masters point their followers in the same direction. With over 90 parallel sayings, readers find fresh understanding and new perspectives here, since the time-honored teachings are presented side by side. The book also shows how these shared truths transcend traditional religious boundaries. Examines the traditional and modern Western interpretations of the Tao-te-ching, and its author, Lao-tzu. Explores the life and teachings of Lao Tzu, the philosopher believed to be*

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*the inspiring force behind  
the seminal Taoist work,  
through a collection of  
eighty-one inspirational  
passages that speak to the  
balance of earth and heaven,  
enhanced with full-color  
illustrations throughout.*

*Laotzu's Tao and Wu Wei  
Tao Te Ching Translation  
Based on His Taoism*

*Tao Teh King*

*Wen-tzu*

*Lao Tzu's Tao Te Ching and  
Its Place in Chinese Thought*

The perfect companion to Stephen Mitchell's version of the Tao Te Ching, this is the astonishing rendering of Lao Tzu's further writings. Each of the eighty-one teachings presented by Taoist scholar and poet Brian Walker are rich with wisdom, mystery, and

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startling enlightenment.

Summarizes the history, doctrine, and practices of an ancient Chinese religion based on the harmonious interaction of Yin and Yang

'Of ways you may speak, but not the Perennial Way; By names you may name, but not the Perennial Name.' The best-loved of all the classical books of China and the most universally popular, the Daodejing or Classic of the Way and Life-Force is a work that defies definition. It encapsulates the main tenets of Daoism, and upholds a way of being as well as a philosophy and a religion. The dominant image is of the Way, the mysterious path through the whole cosmos modelled on the great Silver River or Milky Way that traverses the heavens. A life-giving stream, the Way gives rise to all things and holds them in her motherly

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embrace. It enables the individual, and society as a whole, to harmonize the disparate demands of daily life and achieve a more profound level of understanding. This new translation draws on the latest archaeological finds and brings out the word play and poetry of the original. Simple commentary accompanies the text, and the introduction provides further historical and interpretative context.

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further study, and much more. The book Lao Tzu (aka Tao Te Ching ) is a book originated in the sixth century BCE in China. Unlike most writings of that time, it embodies an integrated work of philosophy. Furthermore, it encompasses themes on religion, political science, social science and traditional thoughts(e.g. I Ching) before Lao Tzu. All the original Taoism created by Lao Tzu are manifested in a simple book of about five thousand Chinese characters. From a modern prospective his profound thought is expressed in compressed expressions. Even Confucius, like numerous Chinese, treated sayings of Lao Tzu as adages. Hardly any punctilious Chinese intellectual, including antagonists of this book, could argue successfully that the whole text does not deserved to be painstakingly examined. For example,

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the famous aphorism "A journey of one thousand miles started out from one single step" was initially in this book. This translation and introduction of Tao Te Ching was aimed to be both philosophically and linguistically closest to the original Tao of Taoism. The Chinese version of this English book will shortly be published by People's Press as well. Sir Karl Popper, the author of *Open Society and Its Enemies*, has strongly recommended the translator of this version. When the first attempt on translation was made in 1985 Sir Alfred J. Ayer commented "Your work on Lao Tzu promises to be very interesting".

Lao-tzu's Taoteching

The Later Teachings of Lao Tzu

The Sayings of Lao Tzu - Scholar's  
Choice Edition

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Hua Hu Ching

Library of Liberal Arts title.

Award-winning translator Red Pine, whose previous books from Mercury House include *Road to Heaven: Encounters with Chinese Hermits* and his translation of Sung Po-jen's *Guide to Capturing a Plum Blossom*, renders the classic Chinese text into exquisite English in a breakthrough translation that includes for the first time essential commentaries, considered by Chinese scholars to be vital to understanding the wisdom of Taoism.

A rich, poetic, and socially relevant version of the great spiritual and philosophical classic of Taoism, the *Tao Te Ching*—from one of

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America's leading literary figures In this landmark modern-day rendition of the ancient Taoist classic, Ursula K. Le Guin presents Lao Tzu's time-honored and astonishingly powerful philosophy like never before.

Drawing on a lifetime of contemplation and including extensive personal commentary throughout, she offers an unparalleled window into the text's awe-inspiring, immediately relatable teachings and their inestimable value for our troubled world. Jargon-free but still faithful to the poetic beauty of the original work, Le Guin's unique translation is sure to be welcomed by longtime readers of the Tao Te Ching as well as those

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discovering the text for the first time.

Tao Teh Ching Shambhala

Publications

A New Translation

The Tao Te Ching of Lao Tzu

Lao-Tzu

Lao Tzu's Tao Te Ching

The Philosophy of Tai Chi Chuan

The essence of Tai Chi Chuan lies in the rich philosophy of ancient China. While most Tai Chi

practitioners are aware of the value

that studying Chinese philosophy

can bring to their practice, it is often

difficult to pick out those texts that

are most relevant to Tai Chi and

connected to its development. The

Philosophy of Tai Chi Chuan

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presents, for the first time, a concise overview of the Chinese martial and spiritual philosophies that drive this ancient tradition. Authors Freya and Martin Boedicker, who teach Tai Chi throughout Europe and South Africa, present freshly translated excerpts from such popular and widely studied works as the Tao Te Ching, the I Ching, and The Art of War, as well as writings by philosophers and strategists such as Zhuangzi and Wuzi. Each chapter of this concise volume focuses on a single work or philosopher, and includes a short history of each one as well as a description of their relevance to Tai Chi. An extensive glossary of important Chinese terms

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rounds out the book. The Philosophy of Tai Chi Chuan offers readers a direct connection with the concepts that form the foundation of Tai Chi, inspiring a deeper understanding of the art and its applications.

This is one of the rarest yet most accessible of the Chinese wisdom texts, and a companion to Tao Te Ching. Most likely written in the middle of the first millennium BCE, it survived through oral transmission. It takes the form of 81 dialogues between the sage Lao Tzu and an unnamed prince of China. An illustrated collection of the philosophical teachings of LaoTzu, the Tao-Te Ching, discusses the central Taoist idea of living in

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harmony with the universe.

Written during the golden age of Chinese philosophy, and composed partly in prose and partly in verse, the Tao Te Ching is surely the most terse and economical of the world's great religious texts. In a series of short, profound chapters it elucidates the idea of the Tao, or the Way-an idea that in its ethical, practical, and spiritual dimensions has become essential to the life of China's enormously powerful civilization. In the process of this elucidation, Lao-tzu both clarifies and deepens those central religious mysteries around which our life on earth revolves. Translation of the Ma Wang Tui Manuscripts by D. C.

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teaches people the art of living and the path you must take in order to find fulfillment in your life. This classic Chinese text was written by a sage named Laozi, also known as Lao Tzu. Laozi means "Old Master" in Chinese. Some people like to refer to this classic Chinese text as Laozi instead of Tao Te Ching because they have so much respect for the author. The sage, Laozi, is believed to have lived around 600 B.C. In his professional life, he worked as a record keeper for the Zhou Dynasty

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Court. However, historians are still unsure about the exact date and time when the Tao Te Ching was actually written. The only thing they know is that the oldest Chinese texts that were excavated dates back to sometime in the late 4th century B.C. Even though they were originally written in the 6th century, the texts that were excavated in the 4th century are likely rewritten texts. The Tao Te Ching is one of the main Chinese classic texts that promote the religious and philosophical

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principles of Taoism. It is the most fundamental book of text that is studied by all Taoists. It is also a strong influence on other Chinese schools that teach Confucianism, Legalism and Chinese Buddhism. Chinese painters, poets, gardeners and calligraphers use the philosophies of the book as a source of inspiration. The influence of the Tao Te Ching has spread far throughout Eastern Asia and is one of the most translated books ever written in the history of literature. In

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Roman culture, the book was transcribed using the Wade-Giles Romanization system. They transcribed the title as "Daodejing." The words "Dao" and "Tao" both mean "the way." The words "De" and "Te" both mean inner strength or virtuosity. And finally, the words "Jing" and "Ching" mean "classic" or "the great book." Therefore, the translation of Tao Te Ching and Daodejing is said to be "The Classic Way to Inner Strength." In other words, if you learn the philosophies in this book

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then you will have the knowledge of finding the right path to strength and happiness. Tao Te Ching is not a long book to read by any means. It is only 5,000 Chinese characters long with about 81 very brief sections or chapters. The writing is of a classical form of Chinese called zhuanshu. As the centuries went by, the later versions were written in Lishu and Kaishu. As for the chapters, no one knows if the separated chapters were originally placed there by Laozi or if they

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were added later on. Some people think they were added later on as a way to help memorize the information and add commentary. The whole book is divided into two main parts. The first part is the Tao Ching, which goes from chapter 1 to chapter 37. The second part is the Te Ching, which goes from chapter 38 to chapter 81. Some even refer to this style of writing as laconic and poetic because of its brief chapters and intentional contradictions. This writing is strategic in a

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sense because it creates memorable phrases and then forces the reader to create their own reconciliations from all the supposed contradictions. This is why it takes some people their entire lives to fully understand the message behind the text. For others, they never fully grasp it.

No one can understand China or be an intelligent citizen of the world without some knowledge of the Lao Tzu, also called the Tao-te ching (The Classic of the Way and Its

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Virtue), for it has modified Chinese life and thought throughout history and has become an integral part of world literature. Therefore any new light on it, however little, should prove to be helpful. There have been many translations of this little classic, some of them excellent. Most translators have treated it as an isolated document. Many have taken it as religious literature. A few have related it to ancient Chinese philosophy. But none has viewed it in the

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light of the entire history of Chinese thought. Furthermore, no translator has consulted extensively the many commentaries regarding the text, much less the thought. Finally, no translator has written a complete commentary from the perspective of the total history of Chinese philosophy. Besides, a comprehensive and critical account of the recent debates on Lao Tzu the man and Lao Tzu the book is long overdue. The present work is a humble attempt to fill these gaps. This

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1963 work is organized as follows: I. The Philosophy of Tao 1. Historical Background and the Taoist Reaction 2. The Meaning of Tao 3. The Emphasis on Man and Virtue 4. Weakness and Simplicity 5. Unorthodox Techniques 6. Lao Tzu and Confucius Compared 7. Lao Tzu and Chuang Tzu Compared 8. Influences on Neo-Taoism, Buddhism, and Neo-Confucianism 9. The Taoist Religion 10. Taoism in Chinese Life II. Lao Tzu, the Man 1. Traditional Accounts 2. Lao Tzu's Birthplace and Names 3. Lao Tzu's

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Occupation 4. Confucius' visit to Lao Tzu 5. Lao Lai Tzu and Lao P'eng 6. The Grand Historian 7. Summary and Conclusion III. Lao Tzu, the Book 1. Reactions Against Tradition 2. Arguments About Contemporary References 3. Arguments About Style 4. Arguments About Terminology 5. Arguments About Ideas 7. Titles and Structure 8. Commentaries 9. Translations The Lao Tzu (Tao-te ching) Tao Te Ching translates very roughly as "the way of integrity". In its 81

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verses it delivers a treatise on how to live in the world with goodness and integrity: an important kind of wisdom in a world where many people believe such a thing to be impossible. Taosim affirms that each human being is a reflection of the whole universe, a microcosm within the macrocosm, and that all of us live under the same cosmic laws of the Tao. The Taoist follows the path of non-action (Wu Wei), flowing with the constantly changing stream of life,

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and trying to live in universal harmony and balance. The easily assimilated aphorisms in this great book are a continuous source of spiritual guidance and nourishment, and its insights on statesmanship are practical guides for our own time. Ralph Alan Dale's brilliant translation uniquely captures, as never before, the essential meaning of this profound text, and makes it entirely relevant to today's readers. In what may be the most faithful translation of

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the Tao Te Ching, the translators have captured the terse, enigmatic beauty of the original masterpiece without embellishing it with personal interpretation or bogging it down with explanatory notes. By stepping out of the way and letting the original text speak for itself, they deliver a powerfully direct experience of the Tao Te Ching that is a joy to come back to again and again. And for the first time in any translation of the Tao Te Ching, now you can interact with the text

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to experience for yourself the nuanced art of translating. In each of the eighty-one chapters, one significant line has been highlighted and alongside it are the original Chinese characters with their transliteration. You can then turn to the glossary and translate this line on your own, thereby deepening your understanding of the original text and of the myriad ways it can be translated into English. Complementing the text are twenty-three striking ink

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paintings brushed by Stephen Addiss and an introduction by the esteemed Asia scholar Burton Watson.

Lao-Tzu's Taoteching  
A Study of the Tao Tê Ching and Its Place in Chinese Thought

Lao Tzu

Lao Tzu and Taoism

The Teachings of Lao-Tzu

Written more than two thousand years ago, the Tao Teh Ching, or "The Classic of the Way and Its Virtue," has probably had a greater influence on Asian thought than any other single book. It is also one of the true classics of world literature. Traditionally attributed to the near-legendary "Old Master," Lao Tzu, the Tao Teh Ching

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teaches that the qualities of the enlightened sage or ideal ruler are identical with those of the perfected individual. Today, Lao Tzu's words are as useful in mastering the arts of leadership in business and politics as they are in developing a sense of balance and harmony in everyday life. To follow the Tao or Way of all things and realize their true nature is to embody humility, spontaneity, and generosity.

The Tao Te Ching has long been considered to be one of the most important philosophical texts ever written, providing a guide to living and great insight into the wisdom of the ages. In eighty-one brief chapters, Lao-Tzu's 'Tao Te Ching, ' or 'Book of the Way, ' provides advice that imparts balance and perspective, a serene and generous spirit, and teaches us how to

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work for the good with the effortless skill that comes from being in accord with the Tao-the basic principle of the universe. This translation of the work of Lao Tzu is represented beautifully in this special collector's edition and is highly regarded and considered by many to be the definitive English translation noted for its clarity of expression and for maintaining the integrity of the original text. These eighty-one verses of the Tao Te Ching resound with the elegant, simple yet powerful all-penetrating ideas that have made this ancient work a cornerstone of the world's wisdom literature. This Special Collector's Edition of the Tao Te Ching includes an Introduction by His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama on his message of truth, compassion and peace.

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and profound texts of world literature."

- Publisher's Weekly "This Special Collector's Edition is a revelation in its own right. For those seeking a better understanding of themselves, this translation delivers a wealth of wisdom and insights. " - Des Moines Register

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The Way of Lao Tzu (Tao-te Ching)

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