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Anthropology

Literature of the Curative Rituals in Southern Sri Lanka / Jayasena Kottegoda
Boralesgamuwa: J.K. Publications, 2018

xiv, 426p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789559438229

\$ 30.00 / PB

582gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403636>

Constructing Commongrounds : Everyday Lifeworlds Beyond Politicised
Ethnicities in Sri Lanka / Anton Piyarathne

Colombo: Sarasavi Publishers, 2018

xvii, 274p. ; 21cm.

9789553111111

1. Ethnology – Sri Lanka
2. Anthropology – Sri Lanka
3. Cultural relativism – Sri Lanka

\$ 20.00 / PB

332gm.

"Focusing on the post-war period, the book shows that ethnicities in Sri Lanka are continuously changing. The prominence of stubborn ethnic labels is the result of a long history of politicisation of ethnicities. Showing that these labels fail to do justice to lived realities, Anton highlights the various situational natures of ethnic identities as they link with as caste, class, education, profession, religious practices, etc."--Back cover.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403637>

Nimal De Silva , Felicitation Volume : Contribution to Art, Archaeology and Architecture / (Ed) Prof. S. Manawadu, Archt. D. P. Chandrasekera & Ms M. K. Dissanayake

Moratuwa: Center for Heritage and Cultural Studies, University of Moratuwa, 2015

xxxii, 296p.

English & Sinhalese Text

9789559027508

- De Silva, Nimal.
- Art, Sri Lankan -- Study and teaching -- Sri Lanka.
- Architecture -- Study and teaching -- Sri Lanka.
- Sri Lanka -- Antiquities.
- Archaeology -- Study and teaching -- Sri Lanka.

\$ 60.00 / HB

1380gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403638>

Under the Shadow of Lakegala Meemure : An account of an ancient historic village in Udadumbara, Mahanuwara District / Sudath Gunasekara

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (PVT) Ltd., 2017

xx, 252p.

9789553081674

\$ 15.00 / HB

540gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403639>

Art

Angampora – A Nation's Legacy in Pictures : A Pictorial Narrative of Sri Lanka's Ancient Martial Art / (Author) Ajantha Mahanthaarachchi

(Photographer) Reza Akram

Ethul Kotte: Oceans and Continents, 2017

9789557844008

\$ 135.00 / HB

2340gm.

The mysteries of the world are all but gone. For thousands of years, Sri Lanka has been the abode of the martial art Angampora, a sophisticated ancient discipline that was fortified with military philosophy, a deep spiritual connection with nature, and a deadly array of combat techniques. The dramatic saga of this exotic art begins with legends that date back to the dim recesses of time and unfolds to the present day, where it has survived the onslaught of three centuries of colonialism and political unrest in Sri Lanka's recent past. Angampora: A Nation's Legacy in Pictures is a stunning pictorial narrative of this ageless martial art. For the first time in the world, the art will be showcased in breathtaking pictures that capture the vast span of its influence on Sri Lanka's history and culture. From artifacts never seen before to combat techniques that have remained in supreme secrecy for centuries; illustrating the art's vibrant rituals to its secretive and deadly node science, Angampora: A Nation's Legacy in Pictures brings to the world an unparalleled work of Sri Lankan research and photography. Written by Deshamanya Ajantha Mahanthaarachchi and photographed by Reza Akram, this book is a seminal work on an undiscovered cultural legacy of Sri Lanka.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403640>

Sri Lanka in Focus : A unique photographic journey / Infocus

Colombo: Infocus, 2018

viii, 256p.

9789553735003

1. Sri Lanka – History – Pictorial works

\$ 90.00 / HB

2210gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403641>

Yantra Drawings on Palm Leaf – Sri Lanka / L.S.D. Pieris

Colombo: National Trust, Sri Lanka, 2018

182p.

9789550093151

\$ 75.00 / HB

1220gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403642>

Imaging the Isle Across Vintage Photography from Ceylon / Ismeth Raheem
(et al.)

The Alkazi Collection of Photography

New Delhi, India: National Museum & Alkazi Foundation, 2015

108p.

Includes Selected Bibliography

- Sri Lanka -- Pictorial works -- Exhibitions.
- Sri Lanka -- Exhibitions.
- Photography, Artistic -- Exhibitions.
- Alkazi Foundation for the Arts -- Exhibitions.
- Photography, Artistic.

\$ 45.00 / PB

596gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403643>

A/V Materials

Polonnaruwa Buddhist Culture, Sri Lanka

Nugegoda: Quality Audio and Video Vision, 2017

CRS Audio – DVD Video

English & Sinhalese Language ; Dolby Digital

\$ 20.00

80gm.

Among the administrative Capitals in Sri Lanka, the 2nd position was given to the Polonnaruwa Kingdom, which commenced in 1017 AD. This ancient capital, is a abundance of various and remains of Royal and Religious Edifices, Monuments, great reservoirs, was situated to the east of Prakrama Samudra or the “Sea of Prakrama” and to the north of the new town.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403644>

Anuradapura Buddhist Culture, Sri Lanka
Nugegoda: Quality Audio and Video Vision, 2017
CRS Audio – DVD Video
DVD Video
English & Sinhalese Language ; Dolby Digital
\$ 20.00
64gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403645>

Sokari Ritual Drama : Sri Lanka Traditional Art
Nugegoda: Quality Audio and Video Vision, 2017
CRS Audio – DVD Video
English & Sinhalese Language ; Dolby Digital
\$ 20.00
62gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403646>

Sri Lankan Traditional Art and Dance : Kandy Esala Perahera, Bellanwila Esala
Perahara, Tissamaharama Perahara
Nugegoda: Quality Audio and Video Vision, 2017
CRS Audio – DVD Video
English & Sinhalese Language ; Dolby Digital
\$ 25.00
80gm.

Traditionally dressed dancers, incessant drum beats, caparisoned elephants
swaying on parade keeping to drum beats... intoxicating scent of incense...
whip crackers exhibiting their stature. Fire eaters show their skills at Kandy
Esala Senakeliya or Kandy Esala Perahara.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403647>

18 Sanniya and Paaliya : Sri Lankan Traditional Devil Dance
Nugegoda: CRS Audio Vision, 2017
DVD Video
English & Sinhalese Language ; Dolby Digital
\$ 20.00
86gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403648>

Dambadiva : The birth land of the Buddha / Ranjith Perera
Colombo: Winson Films, 2016
DVD Video
Includes 82 minutes Running Time ; English & Sinhalese Language
\$ 25.00
68gm.

This documentary contains details about the following most sacred Buddhist sites in India and Nepal:

1. Buddhagaya, the place where he attained enlightenment
2. Isipatana Migadaya, the place where he delivered his first sermon
3. Srawasthi Jethawanarama
4. Kusinara, where he passed away.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403649>

Kataragama : The Holy Land for All Faiths / Ranjith Perera
Colombo: Winson Films, 2016
DVD Video
Includes 70 minutes Running Time ; English, Sinhalese & Tamil Language
\$ 25.00
64gm.

Kataragama a popular pilgrimage destination frequented by adherents of all religions in Sri Lanka. God Skanda is the ruling deity of Kataragama and the main shrine devoted to him. The foremost iconographic features of this god are six faces and twelve arms. The history of the shrine dates back to 2 century BC. The annual procession held in July or August is the main event of the shrine. Kataragama is also one of the sixteen places of highest honour by the Buddhist in Sri Lanka.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403650>

Jathika Namal Uyana : The Largest Ironwood Forest in Sri Lanka and The Largest Pink Quartz Mountain Range in Asia / Ranjith Perera

Colombo: Winson Films, 2017

DVD Video

Includes 23 minutes Running Time ; English & Sinhalese Language

\$ 25.00

84gm.

The Jathika Namal Uyana in Sri Lanka is the largest ironwood forest and pink quartz mountain in Asia. The Ironwood Tree is endemic to Sri Lanka and the replanted forest is over 260 acres in extent. According to archeological researcher's findings, the pink quartz in this historical place has a history of more than 550 millions of years. Naamal Uyana is an extremely rare forest replanted with Iron wood trees in the 8th Century AD commenced during the starting from King Devanampiyathissa and ending with king Dappula IV. Namal Uyana had been a sanctuary for Buddhist monks during King Devanampiyatissa's reign in the 8th century. Later it had been used as a prison camp where the punishment was to plant Na trees. King Dappula period it declared it as a human sanctuary. This unique natural place has been brought forward to the attention of the world almost 15 years before, by a Buddhist monk, Venerable Wanawasi Rahula Thero.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403651>

Polonnaruwa : Mediaval Capital City : UNESCO World Heritage Site

Colombo: Winson Films, 2017

DVD Video

Includes 53 minutes Running Time ; English & Sinhalese Language

\$ 25.00

66gm.

The glory of Anuradhapura was destroyed by the South Indian invaders compelling the Sinhala monarchs to establish the capital in a different location Pulatthinagara - modern Polonnaruwa. The architectural features, sculptures, paintings and writings on stone have its own identity of Polonnaruwa type influenced not only by Buddhism but also by Hinduism as well. The UNESCO declared Polonnaruwa a World Heritage Site in 1982.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403652>

Sigiriya : Abode of the God King : UNESCO World Heritage Site

Colombo: Winson Films, 2017

DVD Video

Includes 47 minutes Running Time ; English & Sinhalese Language

\$ 25.00

66gm.

Sigiriya is a unique landscape city, created in the 5th century by king Kashyapa embracing a 200 meter rock out crop and its surrounding with nature driven architecture composed of buildings, pathways, terracs, ponds, fountains, paintings and sculpture. There are more than 1000 hand written poems on the mirror wall written by visitors to Sigiriya from 7th - 14 th century. The UNESCO declared this a World Heritage Site in 1982.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403653>

Galle : Fort City Alive / Ranjith K. Perera

Colombo: Winson Films, 2017

DVD Video

Includes 46 minutes Running Time ; English & Sinhalese Language

\$ 25.00

62gm.

The built environment of Galle resembles multicultural features of all four nations, craftsmanship, solidness & the best preservation encouraged the UNESCO to declare it a World Heritage Site in 1988. This Documentary gives you a comprehensive pictorial account covering all about Galle.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403654>

Dambulla : Gold Rock Temple / Ranjith K. Perera

Colombo: Winson Films, 2017

DVD Video

Includes 43 minutes Running Time ; English & Sinhalese Language

\$ 25.00

76gm.

Dambulla is an overhanging rock located about 120 meters above the surrounding plain, which had been a famous cave-dwelling since several centuries before Christ. UNESCO declared Dambulla a World Heritage site in 1991.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403655>

Mihintale : The Cradle of Sinhala Buddhist Civilization / Ranjith K. Perera
Colombo: Winson Films, 2017
DVD Video
Includes 42 minutes Running Time ; English & Sinhalese Language
\$ 25.00
64gm.

Mihintale is a rocky hill where the first Buddhist monastery in Sri Lanka is located and is also considered the world's first sanctuary. Arahath Mahinda Maha Thero converted king Devanampiyatissa to a Buddhist at this historical site in the 3rd century B.C. This led Buddhism to be the official religion of the state, thus making Mihintale the cradle of Sinhala Buddhist Civilization.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403656>

Biography

A Thousand Voiced Choir : A memoir of the first two years as the Head of the English Language Teaching Unit, University of Sri Jayewardenepura / Madhubashini Disanayaka Ratnayake
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2017
xii, 144p.
9789553081551

1. Sri Jayavardhanapura Visva Vidyalaya Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences English Language Teaching Unit -- Faculty -- Biography
2. College teachers -- Sri Lanka -- Biography
3. Sri Lanka -- Biography

\$ 10.00 / HB
328gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403657>

A.M.A. Azeez : Reminiscences / Marina Ismail
Colombo: A.M.A. Azeez Foundation, 2017
112p.
9789553808905
\$ 40.00 / PB
508gm.

The book is written by Marina Ismail, the daughter of Dr. A.M.A. Azeez. It is a biographical sketch of Dr. Azeez's achievements in many fields and shows briefly significant incidents in his life and tributes by eminent persons. Marina relates her unforgettable memories about the family as well.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403658>

Broke 'n' English : Learning to live in Sri Lanka / Jerry Smith

Colombo: Jerry Smith, 2017

280p.

9781974150205

\$ 20.00 / PB

446gm.

Broke'n'English began life as a journal I kept of my visits to Sri Lanka between 1998, when I came for the first time, to 2008, when our house 'Jungle Tide' was completed. When we opened Jungle Tide as a guest house early in 2010 a copy of the journals was left in a ring binder for guests to read if they were interested. It stirred up a fair bit of interest and I lost count of the e-mails asking "When is the book coming out?" so eventually succumbed to demand and decided to try to turn the journals into a book. By this time (2016) I was living in Sri Lanka. Bringing the material up to date - an awful lot happened between 2008 and 2016 - was the easy part. Much harder was getting away from the journal style into a memoir which had some kind of a narrative flow. Perhaps harder still was wielding the knife and excising great chunks which were of great interest to me but unlikely to be of much interest to general readers. Self-indulgent jokes and stretches of political and social commentary which didn't really fit were the main offenders. Fortunately I'm married to the world's greatest critical friend. This is my first book. I'm not yet sure whether it will be my last. We'll see.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403659>

Diary of A Migrant : Thoughts Between Shores / Inoka Chandrasekara

Pannipitiya: Stamford Lake Publication, 2018

76p.

9789556584622

\$ 10.00 / PB

96gm.

This book is a recollection of author's experiences as migrant in a real life narrative. It touches with humour a migrant's dilemma of living in two worlds. The world she left behind and the new world she wants to be embraced into.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403660>

Rebel Meets Liberation / Jayatissa Kumarage
Malabe: Sarasavi Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., 2018
576p.
9789555306515
\$ 28.00 / PB
608gm.

This is not only a biography but also a cross-section of Sri Lanka society that has been under the national leaders since 1948. It depicts the cause of social ills that we are still undergoing. Even though the youth struggles in the south and in the north are defined, analyzed and criticized from various angles in the scholarly society, this book shows the main cause of them is one and the same that is the power-greed of the political leaders who are blind to the burning social issues. As this biography says, a society can never be favourable for ordinary life when the members of that society are blind to the common human sensitivity. And also the writer tries to show the path he selected through his experiences to exempt from the disarray to see what life means.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403661>

One Distinguished Family of Moor Street Jaffna / Marina Ismail & Ali Azeez
Colombo: Dr. A.M.A. Azeez Foundation, 2014
viii, 82p.
9789554171916
\$ 15.00 / PB
136gm.

The book gives an account of the family of Dr. Azeez in Jaffna. The information was obtained from his records which have been carefully preserved. It is written by his two children.

The book consists of 82 pages and 15 family photographs.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403662>

Endgames and Excursions : Lakmahal, Sri Lanka and a wider world / Rajiva Wijesinha

Colombo: S. Goldage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2017

376p. ; color illustrations ; 22cm.

9789553083654

1. Wijesinha, Rajiva -- Friends and associates.
2. Wijesinha, Rajiva -- Travel.
3. Wijesinha, Rajiva -- Family.
4. Wijesinha, Rajiva -- Homes and haunts.
5. Politicians -- Sri Lanka -- Homes and haunts.
6. Politicians -- Sri Lanka -- Friends and associates.
7. Politicians -- Sri Lanka -- Family.
8. Politicians -- Sri Lanka -- Travel.

\$ 35.00 / PB

622gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403663>

A City of Acquaintance : Letters from Oxford to Colombo, 1971-79 / Rajiva Wijesinha

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (PVT) Ltd., 2018

312p.

9789553087980

\$ 20.00 / HB

650gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403664>

Cinema Studies

On Films Seen / K.S. Sivakumaran
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2017
176p. ; 21.7x14.1x0.3cm.
9789553080929
\$ 15.00 / PB
312gm.

Understanding the film medium has become an essential prerequisite. Usually most of us see a film purely for entertainment. The entertainment value in all arts is always there, but its emphasis varies in terms of its purpose. The purpose again is manifold. If we take the film medium as an art form, we find that there are basically three kinds of films: The entertainers termed commercial films, the arty films which are creative and personal statements of filmmakers and the middle cinema which is neither too arty nor too crude as a banal commercial film. Therefore viewing a film can be in many ways. But the real enjoyment of seeing a film can be derived only if we understand the medium thoroughly. Cinema too is a functional art meaning that every component in the film has a definite purpose. Such is how K S Sivakumaran sees cinema. Reading Sivakumaran is significant as he takes us a few decades back.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403665>

Cookery

Mahasupavamsaya : The Great Chronicle of Sri Lankan Culinary Art /

Desabandhu Dr. T. Publis Silva

Colombo: Desabandhu Dr. T. Publis Silva, 2018

xxxiii, 1046p.

9789554110755

\$ 90.00 / HB

2320gm.

Dr. T.Publis Silva's Mahasupavamsaya, a chronicle recording of the evolution and food culture of the Sri Lankan society, can be interpreted as an encyclopedia of food and cuisine of Sri Lanka. The book also explores the changes that took place in the food culture of Sri Lanka from the beginning of its literary history, mostly from the arrival of the Prince Vijaya, to the present with the aid of written records such as Mahavamsa, Deepavamsa, Saddharma Rathnavaliya and Sanskrit Kavya besides similarly, stone inscriptions and archaeological details are used to analyze the changes in the food culture of the country. The Mahasupavamsaya is not written in the form of a traditional recipe book. Having included information ranging from evolution of types of food since the stone ages to 1815 when the Sinhala Kingdom was conquered by the British, the provincial variation that can be seen, to the types of food consumed by different communities.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403666>

Handmade : Stories of Strength Shared Through Recipes From the Women of Sri Lanka

Sydney, Australia: Palmerah Projects, 2015

260p.

9780646939650

\$ 60.00 / HB

1370gm.

HANDMADE is a cookbook that takes you on a journey of amazing food shared through the stories of 34 women - their struggle, hope & strength as they rebuild their lives after a 30 year conflict. HANDMADE tells the stories of 34 women of Sri Lanka, in the time of war, before and after, through food. With beautifully transcribed stories and exquisite photography, 'Handmade' gives you the opportunity to engage with these women, to be inspired by their creativity and strength, and to savour new foods. Accompanying these stories are their recipes that celebrate a rich food tradition, that speak of life and pulsate with resilience, that nourish, are filled with hope and in their making display a resourcefulness and ultimately survival.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403667>

Tony's Recipes / Tony Bohoran

Nugegoda: Sarasavi Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., 2018

156p.

9789553110824

\$ 40.00 / HB

1000gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403668>

Ecology/Environment

The Peeping Frogs of Nuwara Eliya : A photographic educational guide /

Ishanda Senevirathna (Ed) Shimazie Adjumain

Nuwara Eliya: Jetwing Hotels, Sri Lanka, 2018

vii, 62p.

9789557540047

\$ 15.00 / HB

188gm.

Despite being little known, Sri Lanka is a world frog hotspot with an abundant variety of frogs that are conserved and given great prominence as recently seen at St. Andrew's in Nuwara Eliya. Naturalist at Jetwing St. Andrew's Ishanda Senevirathna's newly launched book 'The Peeping Frogs of Nuwara Eliya' shares great insights and vast knowledge on the endangered species that are mostly endemic to Sri Lanka while promoting the country as the ideal destination for frog watching excursions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403687>

Economics/Development Studies

Sri Lanka State of the Economy 2017 : Demographics, Labour Markets and Growth

Colombo: IPS-Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka, 2017

1v.

9789557397047

1. Sri Lanka – Economic conditions – 21st Century
2. Sri Lanka – Economic policy

\$ 40.00 / PB

842gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403669>

Child Poverty in Sri Lanka : Issues Related to their Education and Access to Safe Water and Sanitation / Wimal Nanayakkara

Colombo: IPS-Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka, 2018

vi, 56p. ; 30cm.

9789557397085

1. Poverty – Sri Lanka
2. Poverty – Sri Lanka – Economics aspects
3. Economic conditions – Sri Lanka

\$ 20.00 / PB

230gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403670>

Cost of Low-Skilled Migration to Saudi Arabia, South Korea and Malaysia :
Value Chain Analysis – Sri Lanka / Bilesha Weeraratne, Janaka Wijayasiri &
Suwendrani Jayaratne

Colombo: IPS-Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka, 2018

viii, 35p. ; 28cm.

9789557397023

Labour Economic Series No. 20

1. Migrant Labour – Sri Lanka – Law and legislation
2. Labour economic – Sri Lanka
3. Labour law and legislation – Sri Lanka

\$ 20.00 / PB

168gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403671>

Exploring Women's Empowerment /(Ed) Ranmini Vithanagama

Colombo: ICES-International Centre for Ethnic Studies, 2018

xviii, 558p.

Includes Index

9789555802178

\$ 40.00/ HB

782gm.

This research has set out to understand how these initiatives have changed the economic landscape for women in the North. More specifically, it explores the economic opportunities that have been created for women's advancement and empowerment in the post-war North. By employing a multi-disciplinary approach, the different studies in this book have been able to uncover not just economic factors, but also cultural, social and psychosocial reasons associated with women's decisions to work, their livelihood outcomes and their state of economic empowerment.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403672>

Attitudes and Behaviour Orientations of Sri Lankan Entrepreneurs : An
Empirical Study of SME Perspective of Business Development Services (BDSs)
/ Dr. Sarath Buddhadasa

Colombo: Samudra Book Publications, 2018

xxxiv, 304p.

9789556808186

\$ 25.00 / PB

524gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403673>

Sri Lanka Tea Industry in Transition : 150 Years and Beyond / (Ed) Janaka Wijayasiri, Nisha Arunatilake & Saman Kelegama
Colombo: IPS-Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka, 2018
vi, 240p. ; 25cm.
9789557397061

1. Tea Trade – Sri Lanka
2. Agricultural Industries – Sri Lanka

\$ 30.00 / PB

516gm

This publication documents as to how the tea industry has changed over time and considers the future prospects for the industry. Areas covered by the book include, the challenges faced by the plantation and smallholder sectors, labour issues facing the industry, the role of the tea Research institute in improving the profitability of the tea sector, standards governing the tea value chain, the Colombo Tea Auction, Vulnerability of the tea industry to climate change, and future of Sri Lanka's tea industry.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=362559>

Education

The Chitra Lane Way : A Definite Approach to Empowering Children with Special Needs in Sri Lanka / (Ed) Radhika Philip
Colombo: R. Parker Publishing (Pvt) Ltd., 2018
220p.

9789553664020

\$ 30.00 / HB

More a practical than scientific guide, The Chitra Lane Way charts the progressive approach of an organization that has learned over the last 50 years through trial and error, laughter their own way to meet the often specific needs of raising a special needs child in Sri Lanka.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403674>

Education in Sri Lanka : Past, Present and the Future / (Ed) Dayanath Jayasuriya

Nugegoda: Nanila Publication (Pvt) Ltd., 2018

913p.

9789554850583

\$ 35.00 / HB

1060gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403675>

General

The Mystical Explorer Wins / Anne de Costa

Sri Lanka: Ann de Costa, 2017

72p.

9789551723408

\$ 9.00 / PB

74gm.

THE MYSTICAL EXPLORER WINS is a book of spiritual awakening. Born after many years of deep study and daily application, the author Anne de Costa made a conscious decision to change her life by practising gratitude and forgiveness on a daily basis. By the powerful use of positive affirmations she shows one how to change thinking and speech patterns, bringing about a change of consciousness. This book comes into your hands for you to be able to connect with the spirit within and unlock the spirit of opulence.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403676>

A Comprehensive Guide to Ornamental Fish Keeping in Sri Lanka / Udaya

Priyantha Epa

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2017

160p. ; 22cm.

9789553073778

\$ 15.00 / PB

282gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403677>

Mannar, Sri Lanka / (Author) Roland Silva (et al.) (Ed) Sarala Fernando
Colombo: The National Trust of Sri Lanka, 2017
208p.
9789550093144
\$ 65.00 / HB

This book is special for many reasons, not least because it is the first recent coffee table publication on the Northern Province which covers so many areas, history, archaeology, architecture, geography, culture, biodiversity on land and sea. Here in Mannar lie the roots of our earliest civilization, marked by the copper sands of the first landing at Tamraparni and the great ancient port of Mantai now buried under silt. The book moves easily from past to present, recalling that Mannar is a strategic place, the closest point for connectivity with the neighbouring subcontinent separated by the spectacular Adam's Bridge of islands. This is the opening of the window for migration of thousands of birds that arrive in Mannar as described by Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403678>

The Ceylon Chronicle : Analog + Digital / (Ed-in-Chief) Govind Dhar
Arts Culture Archive, The Launch Issue, Volume 1, Issue 1, 2018
Colombo: The Galle Press Pvt. Ltd., 2018
178p.

ISSN: 2602-8689

- Colombo (Sri Lanka) -- Newspapers.
- Sri Lanka -- Newspapers.

\$ 20.00 / PB

762gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403679>

History

Customs History / G. A. Leslie Gamini

Colombo: Sooriya Publishers, 2016

144p.

9789556563894

\$ 12.00 / PB

176gm.

Interesting stories on the Origin of Customs, its evolution and its importance and impact on the economics.

This books compiled by G. A. Leslie Gamini seeks to cover areas such as Ancient trade, Silk road, Ancient Tax Systems and Custom History hitherto not touched by other writers including specialist historians.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=403680>

Mahawanso : The Translation of the Volume One / George Turnour

Colombo: Central Cultural Fund, 2016 (Re Print)

xcviii, 262p. ; xxxiii (errata)

9789556132991

\$ 50.00 / HB

1420gm.

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Portuguese Rule in Ceylon, 1594 – 1612 / Tikiri Abeyasinghe

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