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The Druids

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Synopsis

An account of who and what the Druids were, covering their Druidic training, philosophies and beliefs, portraying them as doctors, lawyers and advisers to kings and arguing that they were the intellectuals of ancient Celtic society. First published in 1994. --This text refers to an alternate Hardcover edition.

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Customer Reviews

Excellent!!! This is by far the most accessible book on Druid protoculture that I've found. Only missing one star because it's devoid of photographs of archeological evidence. Thank you Mr. Ellis!!!

Great read, but a little too much non-essential filler. Too many suppositions and tangents for my taste. Still very interesting, but I would suggest it more for someone who has already sought a more in-depth knowledge of the Celts and has a greater understanding. Ellis points out a lot of things I hadn't known, especially the relationship between Christianity and Druidism. Very interesting.

If you want to know more about the Druids and what they were really like, look no further. Mr. Ellis establishes himself as an authority, and his clear demonstration of knowledge taught me a lot that is missed in pop culture. If you want serious and thorough information about who the Druids were and what they stood for, here is the book for you.
Ellis's writing style can be a bit frustrating for the pagan reader, but as a student of history I found this book most enjoyable. The author's theories about the similarities between Celtic and Indian culture are, if nothing else, intriguing. I feel that the material was presented in the manner intended: as a sampling of the evidence that will hopefully inspire others to do the research for themselves. As a Celtic reconstructionist pagan, I personally share his views on "new agers" claiming to follow a Celtic path. A triumphant book that delivers us from the New Age dregs of revisionist religion to at least a plausible level of ancient custom.

This was represented to me as a must read when I began serious exploration of the Druid spiritual path. It is not a fast or easy read but it gives you a deep and thorough look at the history and development of Druidry as a religion or at least a spiritual paradigm from ancient days to modern times. It is a keeper for me and a must-have for anyone seriously exploring Druidry and related spiritual paths.

Good book. Good information. Great references

Very informative,

Great condition w/dust cover. Great read!

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