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Water 2001

this book provides an eye opening account of how we are using misusing and abusing our planet s most vital resource

What Is Water? 2010-07-01

we all know what water is and we often take it for granted but the spectre of a worldwide water crisis suggests that there might be something fundamentally wrong with the way we think about water jamie linton dives into the history of water as an abstract concept stripped of its environmental social and cultural contexts reduced to a scientific abstraction to mere h₂o this concept has given modern society licence to dam divert and manipulate water with apparent impunity part of the solution to the water crisis involves reinvesting water with social content thus altering the way we see water an original take on a deceptively complex issue what is water offers a fresh approach to a fundamental problem

The Big Thirst 2011-04-12

praised as an entertaining and torrential flow of a book by nature magazine the big thirst is a startling examination of the passing of the golden age of water and the shocking facts about how water scarcity will soon be a major factor in our lives the water coming out of your kitchen tap is four billion years old and might well have been sipped by a tyrannosaurus rex rather than only three states of water liquid ice and vapor there is a fourth molecular water fused into rock 400 miles deep in the earth and that s where most of the planet s water is found unlike most precious resources water cannot be used up it can always be made clean enough again to drink indeed water can be made so clean that it s toxic water is the most vital substance in our lives but also more amazing and mysterious than we appreciate as charles fishman brings vibrantly to life in this surprising and mind changing narrative water runs our world in a host of awe inspiring ways yet we take it completely for granted but the era of easy water is over bringing readers on a lively and fascinating journey from the wet moons of saturn to the water obsessed hotels of las vegas where dolphins swim in the desert and from a rice farm in the parched australian outback to a high tech ibm plant that makes an exotic breed of pure water found nowhere in nature fishman vividly shows that we ve already left behind a century long golden age when water was thoughtlessly abundant free and safe and entered a new era of high stakes water in 2008 atlanta came within ninety days of running entirely out of clean water california is in a desperate battle to hold off a water catastrophe and in the last five years australia nearly ran out of water and had to scramble to reinvent the country s entire water system but as dramatic as the challenges are the deeper truth fishman reveals is that there is no good reason for us to be overtaken by a global water crisis we have more than enough water we just don t think about it or use it smartly the big thirst brilliantly explores our strange and complex relationship to water we delight in watching waves roll in from the ocean we take great comfort from sliding into a hot bath and we will pay a thousand times the price of tap water to drink our preferred brand of the bottled version we love water but at the moment we don t appreciate it or respect it just as we ve begun to reimagine our relationship to food a change that is driving the growth of the organic and local food movements we must also rethink how we approach and use water the good news is that we can as fishman shows a host of advances are under way from the simplicity of harvesting rainwater to the brilliant innovations devised by companies such as ibm ge and royal caribbean that are making impressive breakthroughs in water productivity knowing what to do is not the problem ultimately the hardest part is changing our water consciousness as charles fishman writes many civilizations have been crippled or destroyed by an inability to understand water or manage it we have a huge advantage over the generations of people who have come before us because we can understand water and we can use it smartly the big thirst will forever change the way we think about water about our essential relationship to it and about the creativity we can bring to ensuring that we ll always have plenty of it

The Meaning of Water 2020-06-03

water is the most valuable resource and the most passionately contested drought has become an increasingly extreme problem in many parts of the world and it is predicted that 60 of the major cities in europe will run short of water in the next decade in industrialized countries per capita water usage continues to rise intractably despite strenuous efforts by environmentalists and resource managers to encourage conservation conflicts over water and environmental degradation from the overuse of resources are intensifying water is not merely a physical resource in every cultural context it is densely encoded with social spiritual political and environmental meanings and these have a powerful effect upon patterns of water use and upon the relationships between water users and suppliers this book makes an in depth analysis of the meanings of water and considers how they are experienced and formed at an individual and societal level focusing on the river stour in dorset strang draws upon a wide range of data ethnographic research cultural mapping local archives and folklore she explores the controversies surrounding water ownership and management and the social and political questions raised by water privatization in the uk the topical nature of these issues and their global relevance make this book a vital contribution to contemporary research on water and an essential read for anyone with an interest in getting under the surface of one of the worlds most important social and environmental issues

The Way of Water 2012

this beautifully illustrated book explains how water influences our culture the many phases of water from ice to gas its simple but still so unpredictable nature and water resources on earth how water is distributed in ice oceans rivers lakes and more how it creates transport possibilities how it produces and absorbs energy how it is constantly changing the surface of the earth how there is enough water on earth yet sometimes there is too much or too little the role of water in recreation and how water supplies us with food in a myriad of ways few things are like water a subtle and thought provoking element so simple and yet complicated so conspicuous yet unpredictable so soft and peaceful yet powerful and so universal yet unique water is by far the world s largest commodity though it belongs to all of us it is still not shared by all we very seldom take time to reflect on the many ways that water affects our lives though it would be too ambitious to believe that it claims all the meanings and roles of water this book by showcasing water s versatility and by sharing the experiences and insights gained by the two authors during their many travels across the globe contributes to a greater awareness of the most important substance in our society water the book offers an insightful and intriguing read for anyone interested in science and culture related to water from laymen to students and decision makers

How Water Influences Our Lives 2016-11-22

these three volumes present an original exploration of all aspects of water social cultural political religious historical economic and technological from ancient times until the present day among the varied themes the contributors examine the changing histories of water as a private or common good the politics of water at local urban national and international level with empirical and ethnographic case studies from around the world the three volumes together represent one of the most complete and up to date accounts of the central role of water in the history and development of humanity

A History of Water: Series III, Volume 1 2014-08-27

water is never just h₂o it is always more it has its own ways of world making and is much more than just a substance or a commodity water is also a focal point of religious meanings and inspires cultural practices the book shows the different forms the wide range and the impressive diversity of people s dealings with water in different cultures it presents case

studies from various parts of the world staging problems about changing accessibility of water and the expectations of men and women at different places while focusing on the micro level the transdisciplinary approach highlights the fundamental differences of water related meanings and practices

People at the Well 2012-04

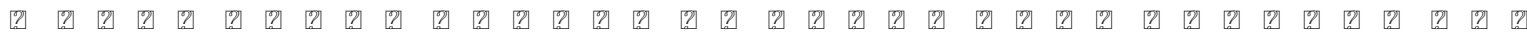
water is a limited resource the average person might ask how this can be we are literally shrouded in water water covers most of the earth water water water everywhere you look there is water obviously this person does not live in or is not familiar with arid and semi arid parts of the globe maybe our viewer is referring to the hydrologic cycle that natural process of rainfall runoff evaporation which repeats itself continuously we can only hope that it continues to do so our viewer is not alone in his her assessment of water the state of water the fact is most people do not give water a second thought a belief prevails that the earth s finite water resources can be increased constantly to meet growing demands at the present time the supply of water is constantly made to respond to demand modern technology has allowed us to tap potable water supplies and to design and construct elaborate water distribution systems we have developed technology to treat water we foul soil pollute discard and flush away history has demonstrated that consumption and waste increase in response to rising supply but the fact remains fresh waters are a finite source one that can be increased only slightly through desalinization or some other practice all at tremendous cost if water is so precious so necessary for sustaining life then two questions arise 1 why do we ignore water 2 why do we abuse it pollute or waste it we ignore water because it is so common so accessible so available so unexceptional unless you are lost in the desert without a supply of it that we don t have to think about it why do we pollute and waste water several reasons are discussed in this text this text deals with the essence of water what water is and what water is all about while this text points out that water is one of the simplest and most common chemical compounds on earth it is also one of the most mysterious and awe inspiring substances we know essential to this discussion of water and its critical importance on earth is man man and his use misuse and reuse of fresh water and wastewater since water is the essence of all life on earth it is precious too precious to abuse misuse and ignore the common thread woven through the fabric of this presentation is water resource utilization and its protection

The Science of Water 1998-03-09

the co authors of future storm direct their attention to one of the biggest challenges being faced across the globe today the lack of clean water water address the issues surrounding this topic and propose solutions to this global crisis

Water 2008-07

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2018-02-28

presents two alternative scenarios of water demand and supply for 118 countries over the 1990 to 2025 period and develops indicators of water scarcity for each country and for the world as a whole this study is the first step in iwmi s long term research goal to determine the extent and depth of water scarcity its consequences for individual countries and what can be done about it

World Water Demand and Supply, 1990 to 2025 1998

water is the illustrated story of the most extraordinary molecule known to humankind one that has determined our beginnings sustains our present and holds the key to our future this miraculous substance covers more than 70 per cent of planet earth and constitutes about 70 per cent of our bodies yet if all the earth s fresh water were decanted into a gallon jug less than a tablespoon would be drinkable all known forms of life depend on water to survive yet in many places this has been taken for granted until recently as benjamin franklin remarked when the well s dry we know the worth of water

Water 2008

water is a symbol of life wisdom fertility purity and death water also sustains and nourishes irrigates our crops keeps us clean and healthy and contributes to our energy needs but a strain has been put on our water resources as increased energy demands combine with the effects of climate change to create a treacherous environment individuals and communities around the globe increasingly face droughts floods water pollution water scarcity and even water wars we tend to address and solve these concerns through scientific and technological innovations but social and cultural analyses and solutions are needed as well in this edited collection contributors tackle current water issues in the era of climate change using a wide variety of recent literature and film at its core this collection demonstrates that water is an immense reservoir of artistic potential and an agent of historical and cultural exchange creating familiar and relatable contexts for water dilemmas authors and directors of contemporary literary texts and films present compelling stories of our relationships to water water health ecosystems and conservation they also explore how global water problems affect local communities around the world and intersect with social and cultural aspects such as health citizenship class gender race and ethnicity this transformative work highlights the cultural significance of water the source of life and a powerful symbol in numerous cultures it also raises awareness about global water debates and crises

Make Waves 2019-10-16

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A History of Water: 3 Volume Set *2006-09-19*

this volume is the third of three that explore all aspects of water social cultural political religious historical economic and technological from ancient times to the present day the contributors examine the changing histories of water as a private or common good the politics of water at local urban national and international level water in cities great river plans dams river biographies and images of water in religion myth literature and art empirical and ethnographic case studies from around the world feature

A History of Water: Series I, Volume 3 *2005-12-20*

during the devastating floods of 1910 perdita halley a young woman studying music in paris finds herself falling passionately in love with baron alexander von reisen and together they flee a madman with dual personalities and confront the theft of the mona lisa

Water, the Essence of Life *1981*

bringing together 14 papers previously published in refereed journals the price of water provides information that many readers would not otherwise have access to through their professional and academic libraries the basic disciplines of the articles are economics and philosophy built upon by discussion of hydrology civil engineering water law and water resource planning the scope of the book is broad dealing with a diverse range of subjects such as regional and catchment planning and integrated water resources management topics considered include both water quantities and qualities drought management the virtual water controversy farmers water rights the economic demand for water the design of abstraction charges the cost and use of irrigation water the design of effluent charges the willingness to pay methodology the price of water aims to link up economics with the other dominant water resource disciplines establishing an economics of the real world rather than an academic abstraction the hydrosocial balance in providing a new and practicable basis for planning outstream water investments as well as understanding the baseline situation the development and use of the hydrosocial balance to modelling water resources supply and use at the regional or river basin scale delivers this link

The Knowledge of Water *1997*

as any scientist will tell you there is no substance more vital than water our history is necessarily a history with water whether we have irrigated our fields with it cooled our machines washed ourselves drank it down deeply or even worshipped it in water veronic strang ladles through the rich history of our interaction with water offering an accessible examination of the crucial properties that make water so unique alongside the complex story of our evolving relationship with it as strang shows our attitudes about water and the things that we rely on it for have changed dramatically over time once a mystical source of regenerative powers it has since played various roles as our attitudes about hygiene health and disease have developed as it has become useful to our industry as agriculture has become ever more complex and of course as we have learned to make money from it today water who controls it and how is one of the largest issues facing our society influencing everything from the welfare of the billions of people living on earth to the vitality of its natural habitats balancing history science and environmental and cultural studies strang offers an important multi faceted view of a critical resource

The Price of Water 2005-02-01

section 304 a 1 of the clean water act 33 u s c 1314 a 1 requires the environmental protection agency epa to publish and periodically update ambient water quality criteria these criteria are to accurately reflect the latest scientific knowledge a on the kind and extent of all identifiable effects on health and welfare including but not limited to plankton fish shellfish wildlife plant life shorelines beaches aesthetics and recreation which may be expected from the presence of pollutants in any body of water including ground water b on the concentration and dispersal of pollutants or their byproducts through biological physical and chemical processes and c on the effects of pollutants on biological community diversity productivity and stability including information on the factors affecting rates of eutrophication and organic and inorganic sedimentation for varying types of receiving waters in a continuing effort to provide those who use epa s water quality and human health criteria with up to date criteria values and associated information the document was assembled the document includes summaries of all the contaminants for which epa has developed criteria recommendations

Water Analysis 1884

water bodies reminds us that water isn t a resource to manage or a commodity to sell rather it s a natural force as beguiling as it is seductive whose will supersedes our own as the climate crisis simultaneously pinches water supplies and exacerbates flooding some of the west s most thoughtful journalists poets and writers remind us that water isn t a natural resource to manage or a commodity to sell nor do humans live out their lives at the scale of interstate river compacts interbasin transfers or 30 year projections rather water is a force that s beguiling and seductive and a creature whose knowledge and will supersedes our own this diverse group of contributors shares intimate stories of rivers and snow patches swimming holes and ephemeral streams they also explore how waters shape our landscapes and our consciousness as they consider what becomes endangered when we lose sight of the power of water

Water 2015-04-15

policymakers and development planners have been curiously struck with water blindness in the face of a quadrupling of water use throughout the world during the last five decades without resorting to doom and gloom scenarios robin clarke offers the first comprehensive approach to this most valuable and fragile of earth s life supporting substances clarke describes the economics and the politics that have led to today s freshwater shortage and observes that inappropriate water resources development is a major factor in the degradation of land and water his insightful analyses include new ideas as well as simple and well tried solutions that can be extended to ensure future water security robin clarke is the author of numerous environmental books and consultant to the publishing program of the global environment monitoring systems of the united nations environment program gems unep

Quality Criteria for Water, 1986 1986

water shapes our landscapes and sustains life on earth it also influences our emotions and inspires imagination and creativity yet we take it for granted treating it as a convenience or for cleansing in this comprehensive new book alick bartholomew argues controversially that water is the medium of communication between all living organisms he suggests that only through understanding water s true role in nature can we begin to live responsibly and sustainably the book covers all aspects of water from water in the cosmos and solar system through the earth s water cycles to water in our bodies and in plants it goes on to consider the larger picture as well water s cosmic role the memory of water and its crucial relationship to the quantum field finally the author addresses the future the global water crisis and how to access

the best quality of living water for human health this is a serious but popularly written illustrated book which offers an original and fascinating study of water as a vital dimension that interconnects all life on earth

Water Is... 2015

a fascinating book for all curious children covering all aspects of water on earth the water cycle water sources water use by humans animals and plants and more

Water Bodies 2024-10

there is no more important substance on earth than water it is the source of life one of the four classic elements and makes up over 70 of our bodies and our planet this remarkable new book allows us to discover and understand more about this most common of molecules water is the most common and also the most important substance on earth we are hypnotically attracted to its simplicity purity and transparency as well as its astonishing physical behaviour structural vibrations and ordered flow not to mention its amazing therapeutic virtues despite its prevalence however this astonishing molecule still harbours many mysteries through the ages not only scientists but also philosophers and mystics have sought to interpret the fact that our lives are completely dependent on water they have drawn parallels with spiritual growth water is always ready to change to adapt itself to create and transform it could be seen as nature s guide to improving and renewing ourselves in wisdom and serenity by going further than just describing its attributes and celebrating its physical properties the hidden secrets of water seeks to uncover and understand the true depths of this most enigmatic of elements taking the reader on a journey of discovery that covers the whole spectrum of water s influence traversing scientific social and spiritual planes from the ancient chinese concept of yin and yang to numerical and literary symbolism in the torah the fibonacci sequence to string theory this innovative intelligent and far reaching exploration seamlessly brings together modern science and ancient wisdom technology and humanism logic and mysticism in a way that will inspire and stimulate all

Water 1993

a review of the nation s new coverages serves as a ready reminder that drinking water safety is more than regional or local concern in recent times the print media alone has drawn attention to barium bacteria heavy metals and increasingly organic contaminants in public water supplies located in florida rhode island texas oregon illinois minnesota north carolina michigan and california to name a few in an effort to address one of the major issues confronting the future of the nation s drinking water supplies chemical contamination the drinking water research foundation and the american chemical society presented the symposium safe drinking water the impact of chemicals on a limited resource to add balance to the total presentation two papers were included that were not part of the symposium many questions as to the public significance of hundreds of organic chemicals known to be present in the national drinking water supply are waiting to be answered in some areas of the country aid rain induced alterations of the natural leaching process represent an unexplored potential source of toxic pollutants finding workable ways to clean up the water supply will be an ongoing task addressing these questions as well as investigating how other countries are responding to these problems the alternate sources available such as bottled water and point of use devices the presenters in this symposium have attempted to explain the problems situation and alternatives as progress is made in one area setbacks will occur in another as we eliminate problems thought chemical technology we often create others such as contamination of our waters while all the situations problems and alternatives are not discussed in these proceedings it is hoped that some attention will be brought to the public government and private sectors so that future work will be done to assure the nation of safe drinking water resources

problems linton argues that part of the solution to the water crisis involves deliberately reinvesting water with social content

One Well 2007

a multidisciplinary text considering both general issues and principles of water law and administration at national and international level dealing with current legal and institutional aspects of water resources management new information has been added in this latest edition including the situation in countries previously a part of the former soviet union added emphasis is given to areas of growing topical importance such as stakeholders influence on decisions the need to maintain a minimum flow in water bodies and the necessity for legislation in support of water resource monitoring there is new material on the european union water framework directive which is referenced heavily in the work the book is aimed at those who carry out functions in water resources administration and those who deal with legal issues raised by water management the book will be particularly useful to academics and graduate students of law engineering hydrology hydrogeology sanitary engineering and planners as well as national and international water resources managers

The Hidden Secrets of Water 2017-09-19

illuminating new york times wired s required science reading 2016 when we think of water in the west we think of conflict and crisis in recent years newspaper headlines have screamed scarce water and the death of california farms the dust bowl returns a megadrought will grip u s in the coming decades yet similar stories have been appearing for decades and the taps continue to flow john fleck argues that the talk of impending doom is not only untrue but dangerous when people get scared they fight for the last drop of water but when they actually have less they use less having covered environmental issues in the west for a quarter century fleck would be the last writer to discount the serious problems posed by a dwindling colorado river but in that time fleck has also seen people in the colorado river basin come together conserve and share the water that is available western communities whether farmers and city dwellers or us environmentalists and mexican water managers have a promising record of cooperation a record often obscured by the crisis narrative in this fresh take on western water fleck brings to light the true history of collaboration and examines the bonds currently being forged to solve the basin s most dire threats rather than perpetuate the myth whiskey s for drinkin water s for fightin over fleck urges readers to embrace a new more optimistic narrative a future where the colorado continues to flow

Safe Drinking Water 2017-11-22

this book pursues a comprehensive multidisciplinary approach in order to analyze the relationship between water and food security it demonstrates that most of the world s economies lack sufficient water resources to secure their populations food requirements and are thus virtual importers of water one of the most inspiring cases which this book is rooted in is italy the third largest net virtual water importer on earth the book also shows that the sustainability of water depends on the extent to which societies recognize and take into account its value and contribution to agricultural production due to the large volumes of water required for food production water and food security are in fact inextricably linked contributions from leading international experts and scholars in the field use the concepts of virtual water and water footprints to explain this relationship with an eye to the empirical examples of wine tomato and pasta production in italy this book provides a valuable resource for all researchers professionals policymakers and everyone else interested in water and food security

Water 2007-12

hans silvester s dramatic photography of water in its many forms combine with a lyrical text on water s infinitely mysterious nature to produce this tribute to a life giving substance that occupies three quarters of our world s surface area

Precious Water 2002

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Water 2001

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