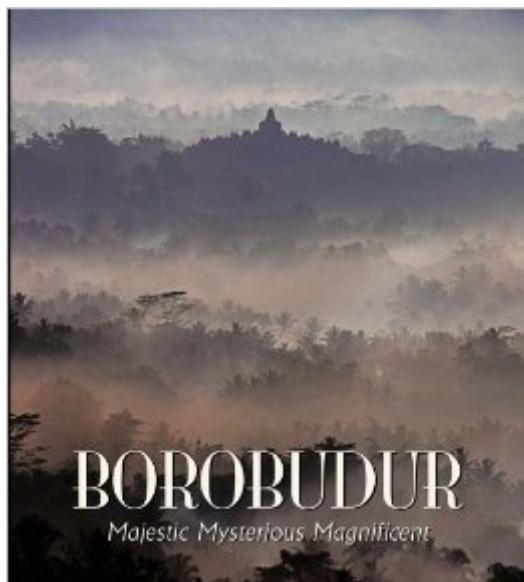


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# Borobudur: Majestic Mysterious Magnificent



## Synopsis

With vivid photography, and insightful commentary, this travel pictorial shines a light on the Buddhist art and architecture of Borobudur. The glorious ninth-century Buddhist stupa of Borobudur—the largest Buddhist monument in the world—stands in the midst of the lush Kedu Plain of Central Java in Indonesia, where it is visited annually by over a million people. Borobudur contains more than a thousand exquisitely carved relief panels extending along its many terraces for a total distance of more than a kilometer. These are arranged so as to take the visitor on a spiritual journey to enlightenment, and one ascends the monument past scenes depicting the world of desire, the life story of Buddha, and the heroic deeds of other enlightened beings—finally arriving at the great circular terraces at the top of the structure that symbolize the formless world of pure knowledge and perfection.

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The title is very accurate - "Borobudur: Majestic Mysterious Magnificent." The pictures captured the essence of feelings the monument and the location evoke. I was fortunate to find the book on as I had not purchased it while on site because I did not want to carry it throughout the rest of my trip.

A truly beautiful volume about an extraordinary place from a time long gone. Great photographs and good text. The text could be beefier but I give it five stars just because it is the best on the subject I have found.

I adore this very informative book, full of lovely pictures, and some of the best written essays on this important world heritage. This could easily be one of the very best books on this place. Extremely suitable for coffee table casual reading, and preparing one's trip to Borobudur. It also makes a lovely souvenir.

This book provide a broad information for general public with an idea how it was discovered and after. Photograph and diagram were adequate to understand the majestic layer out of Borobudur. Very good effort of the writer to put together these informations indicated the power behind this magnificent monument .

Excellent book of a magnificent monument! Text and pictures are first class!

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