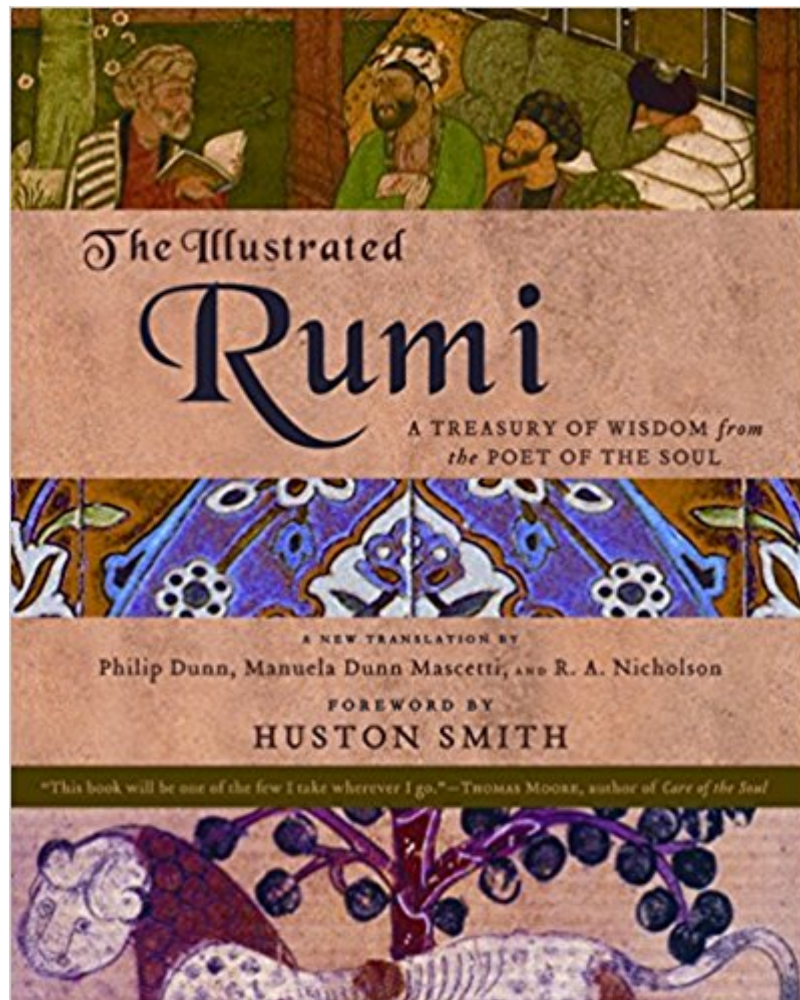


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The Illustrated Rumi: A Treasury Of Wisdom From The Poet Of The Soul



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Beautiful writing of course, but not so thrilled with the packaging. More of a school text book than a beautifully bound coffee table book. Awkward size. Grayish pages/print. Would be better in hard cover.

I originally purchased this book simply to add to our Rumi collection. However, it has become an indispensable guide whenever one needs help or advice. The great Shaikh Jalaluddin Rumi is rightly considered the most outstanding mystic poet of all time and one of the most popular and widely read poets today. Anyone who purchases this outstanding, beautifully illustrated book will see why. It contains most of Rumi's well known stories, all with excellent translations. This is a book anyone needing guidance through the difficulties of life will greatly appreciate.

I chose this book as a gift for a friend dying of cancer. It was too large a gift for her but her mourning husband found it to be very moving.

Beautiful book, arrived quickly

I looked long and hard to find a hard cover edition of this book. We already have two soft cover versions. When I found it on a site, I immediately ordered it. I was a bit puzzled at the price which was lower than I expected. I went back to re-check it a few days later and noticed that the hard cover version was no longer listed as an option. About a week later, I received the paper-back edition in the mail with no explanation as to why my order was changed, or what other avenues I might explore to find a hard cover version.

Not what I expected

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A really beautiful book and highly recommend it. I left it at work for moments when I needed to relax.

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