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More than 100,000 copies sold! Millions of Americans know yoga as a superb form of exercise and as a potent source of calm in the midst of our stress-filled lives. Far fewer are aware of the full promise of yoga as "the way of the fully alive human being"--a 4,000-year-old practical path of liberation that fits the needs of modern Western seekers with startling precision. Now one of

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America's leading scholars of yoga psychology--who is also a Western-trained psychotherapist--offers this marvelously lively and personal account of an ancient tradition that promises "the soul awake in this lifetime." Drawing on the vivid stories of practitioners at the largest yoga center in America, where he has lived and taught for more than ten years, Stephen Cope describes the philosophy, psychology, and practice of yoga--a practical science of development that urges us not to transcend or dissolve the self, but rather to encounter it more deeply. In this irreverent modern-day Pilgrim's Progress, Cope introduces us to an unforgettable cast of contemporary seekers--on the road to enlightenment carrying all the baggage of the human condition: confusion, loss, disappointment, addiction, and the eternal conflicts around sex and relationship. As he describes the subtle shifts of energy and consciousness that happen at each stage of the path, we discover that in yoga, "liberation" does not require us to leave life in the world for some transcendent spiritual plane. Life itself is the path. Above all, Cope shows how yoga can heal the suffering of self-estrangement that pervades our society, leading us to a new sense of purpose and to a deeper, more satisfying life in the world.

## Essence of the Bhagavad Gita

This highly original book introduces a fascinating new approach to yoga and Torah by combining the practice of classic yoga postures with traditional and mystical Jewish wisdom. Each chapter begins by presenting a central Jewish spiritual concept that engages readers of all faiths on a personal level. It offers an in-depth exploration of the concept, quoting and commenting on sacred Jewish texts from the Pentateuch (Five Books of Moses) and other sources. It then guides its readers with mastery and clarity through a meditation and a set of fundamental yoga postures--clearly illustrated by beautiful photographs--for both

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beginning and advanced yoga students. The Torah concept is actualized and experienced through the practice of these postures. Torah Yoga helps to heighten awareness of body, mind, and spirit? it illuminates the heart of Jewish wisdom.

## The Healing Path of Yoga

In Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism, the word yoga means “ spiritual discipline. ” Modern yoga is thought of mainly in the context of its postures, but the actual meaning of yoga goes much deeper than that. Though its exact history is unknown, the first recorded instance appears in ancient Shamanism, a religion that involved healing its community members, among other functions. Throughout history, yoga has developed and adapted depending on its practicing members. While its original focus was applying and understanding the world, its focus was later changed to the self, with self-enlightenment being the ultimate goal. Later, the poses and meditation became critical elements in practicing yoga, a development introduced by Buddhist teachings. Yoga has many interpretations, and it has many teachers. From ancient yogis such as Buddha to more modern experts such as B. K. S. Iyengar, there is much wisdom to be gleaned from these pages, and there is much that can be discarded. As many say in the yoga world, if something does not work for you, then it is not true for you. There have been countless yogis and yoga experts throughout history, delving into the deepest meanings of yoga as well as scratching its most shallow surface. As readers will discover from this inspirational collection of yoga wisdom, there is no one way to do yoga, see yoga, or feel yoga.

## Yoga and the Quest for the True Self

Millions of Americans today practice the asanas, or postures, of yoga, but many are unaware of the profound spiritual teachings at

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the heart of yoga ' s ancient source scriptures. In this remarkable anthology, acclaimed Vedanta teacher Dave DeLuca presents 166 sacred passages from some of India ' s most revered yoga scriptures — the Upanishads, the Bhagavad Gita, the Yoga Sutras, the Bhakti Sutras, the Astavakra Samhita, and the Srimad Bhagavatam — along with teachings by two of the most beloved yoga masters of the modern era, Sri Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda. This combination of ancient wisdom and modern commentary makes Sacred Jewels of Yoga an invaluable introduction to the scriptural treasures of ancient India and a priceless resource for inspiration, illumination, and guidance.

## Essential Yoga Philosophy

Focusing on the principal meditations used by Hindu and Tibetan gurus and philosophers, this companion volume to "Tibetan Book of the Dead" contains seven authentic Tibetan yoga texts, each accompanied by introductory notes and commentary. Includes photos and reproductions of yoga paintings and manuscripts. 9 halftones.

## Wit and Wisdom from the Yoga Mat

Explore the physiology of 30 key yoga poses, in-depth and from every angle, and master each asana with confidence and control. Did you know that yoga practice can help lower your blood pressure, decrease inflammation and prevent age-related brain changes? Recent scientific research now backs up what were once anecdotal claims about the benefits of yoga to every system in the body. Science of Yoga reveals the facts, with annotated artworks that show the mechanics, the angles, how your blood flow and respiration are affected, the key muscle and joint actions working below the surface of each pose, safe alignment and much more.

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With insight into variations on the poses and a Q&A section that explores the science behind every aspect of yoga, this easy-to-understand, comprehensive book is an invaluable resource to achieve technical excellence in your practice and optimize the benefits of yoga for your body and mind.

## Science of Yoga

"What happens as we grow spiritually? Is there a step-by-step process that everyone goes through-all spiritual seekers, including those of any or no religious persuasion-as they gradually work their way upward, until they achieve the highest state of Self-realization? About 2200 years ago, a great spiritual master of India named Patanjali described this process, and presented humanity with a clear-cut, step-by-step outline of how all truth seekers and saints achieve divine union. He called this universal inner experience and process "yoga" or "union." His collection of profound aphorisms-a true world scripture-has been dubbed Patanjali's Yoga Sutras. Unfortunately, since that time many scholarly translators with little or no spiritual realization have written commentaries on Patanjali's writings that have succeeded only in burying his pithy insights in convoluted phrases like "becomes assimilated with transformations" and "the object alone shines without deliberation." How can any reader understand Patanjali's original meaning when he or she has to wade through such bewildering terminology? Thankfully, a great modern yoga master-Paramhansa Yogananda, author of the classic *Autobiography of a Yogi*-has cut through the scholarly debris and resurrected Patanjali's original teachings and revelations. Now, in *Demystifying Patanjali*, Swami Kriyananda, a direct disciple of Yogananda, shares his guru's crystal clear and easy-to-grasp explanations of Patanjali's aphorisms. As Kriyananda writes in his introduction, "My Guru personally shared with me some of his most important insights into these sutras. During the three and a half

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years I lived with him, he also went with me at great length into the basic teachings of yoga. "I was able, moreover, to ask my Guru personally about many of the subjects covered by Patanjali. His explanations have lingered with me, and have been a priceless help in the [writing of this book]."--

## Yoga and the Wisdom of Menopause

Yoga 365 presents a year's worth of daily readings that invite yoga lovers of every skill level to bring the inspiration they experience on their mats into their everyday lives. Each entry explores a mind-body theme such as balance, strength, and resilience in a short, illuminating paragraph that can be enjoyed in the morning or at bedtime, incorporated into a yoga session, or read on the go. Featuring a serenely beautiful hardcover and a spacious, color-washed interior, the package is as calming in the hand as the readings are to the eye. Yogis will find it to be a motivating tool for personal growth and a lighthearted way to share the joys of their practice with others.

## Demystifying Patanjali

An inspiring guide to finding your life 's purpose—what spiritual teachers call dharma—through mindfulness and self-exploration. Stephen Cope says that in order to have a fulfilling life you must discover the deep purpose hidden at the very core of your self. The secret to unlocking this mystery, he asserts, can be found in the pages of a two-thousand-year-old spiritual classic called the Bhagavad Gita—an ancient allegory about the path to dharma, told through a timeless dialogue between the fabled archer, Arjuna, and his divine mentor, Krishna. Cope takes readers on a step-by-step tour of this revered tale and highlights well-known Western lives that embody its central principles—including such luminaries as

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Jane Goodall, Walt Whitman, Susan B. Anthony, John Keats, and Harriet Tubman, along with stories of ordinary people as well. If you 're feeling lost in your own life 's journey, *The Great Work of Your Life* may help you to find and to embrace your true calling. Praise for *The Great Work of Your Life* “ Keep a pen and paper handy as you read this remarkable book: It 's like an owner 's manual for the soul. ” —Dani Shapiro, author of *Devotion* “ A masterwork . . . You 'll find inspiration in these pages. You 'll gain a better appreciation of divine guidance and perhaps even understand how you might better hear it in your own life. ” —Yoga Journal “ I am moved and inspired by this book, the clarity and beauty of the lives lived in it, and the timeless dharma it teaches. ” —Jack Kornfield, author of *A Path with Heart* “ A rich source of contemplation and inspiration [that] encourages readers . . . to discover and fully pursue their inner self 's calling. ” —Publishers Weekly “ Fabulous . . . If you have ever wondered what your purpose is, this book is a great guide to help you on your path. ” —YogaHara

## Teaching Yoga

How did the universe begin? What is the purpose of human existence? How does the mind work? What happens to us when we die? These are just some of the questions addressed in *The Wisdom of Tantra*. Based on the teachings of Shrii Shrii Anandamurti, a guru and philosopher who is considered one of the greatest thinkers of the twentieth century, *The Wisdom of Tantra* begins with the origins of Tantra and yoga and proceeds to unravel the mysteries of cosmology, the nature of the mind, the eight limbs of yoga, chakras, dharma, and reincarnation, as well as explaining how spirituality can provide solutions to the most pressing social, economic, and political challenges of our times. *The Wisdom of Tantra* is a clear and concise summary of the key concepts of Tantra yoga. Many of

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my students have used this book as their introduction to the philosophical foundations of their yoga practice. Bruce Viveka McEwen, PhD. Yoga and Meditation instructor State University of New York, Albany"

## 1,001 Pearls of Yoga Wisdom

Sacred Body, Sacred Spirit is a book about transforming our ordinary lives into a sacred experience. You will be introduced to Tantra as the essence of yogic practice and philosophy. Known by the ancient yogis as a powerful conduit for personal transformation, Tantra holds the secret to turning our longings into love and our feelings of separation into spiritual union. Generally known in the West as "the yoga of sex," in this book, you will encounter a more integral form of Tantra. Some yogis call this ancient wisdom "the yoga of everything." Because, Tantric yoga is about seeing and realizing that everything we do can become a sacred, spiritual act. This form of alchemical spirituality is insightfully and poetically articulated in this book by Ramesh Bjonnes, a popular yoga blogger, workshop leader and cofounder of the Prama Institute. "An insightful, balanced approach to the frequently misunderstood pursuit of spiritual growth and personal well-being." --Kirkus Review "This book is a source that any person, lay or scholar, will benefit from reading, because here is a practitioner whose fine mind reaches into his heart, converging one into the other. Bjonnes is now an important voice for the study of living Tantra." Douglas Brooks, Professor of Religion, Rochester University, author of Auspicious Wisdom "The writings of Ramesh Bjonnes cut right to the core of the spiritual journey. His essays enter through my mind and then travel to my heart, where they blossom like beautiful flowers of love and truth." Jai Uttal, Grammy-nominated world musician "Sacred Body, Sacred Spirit is an inspiring and provocative book. These essays have been among the most consistently popular ever on our

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website." Bob Weisenberg, Associate Publisher, Elephant Journal "

## The Wisdom of Yoga

Achieve Success and Prosperity through the Principles of Yoga  
Although millions of Westerners practice yoga simply for its health benefits, the philosophy and wisdom behind the multifaceted discipline have far more to offer. In *The Jewel of Abundance*, award-winning author and Kriya Yoga teacher Ellen Grace O' Brian reveals an overlooked aspect of yoga: its powerful teachings on prosperity. She draws upon the ancient Vedic tradition of yoga philosophy and practice and shows how spirituality and earthly success can complement each other, leading to realization of the higher Self. O' Brian presents a clear explanation of both the philosophy of yoga and the nuts and bolts of practice, such as setting up a daily meditation routine, incorporating mantras, discerning how to cooperate with universal principles for complete well-being, and cultivating mindfulness in action. Along the way, she illustrates her lessons with personal stories and timeless sayings from great sages, both Eastern and Western. With O' Brian's insightful guidance, readers will discover an inexhaustible source of abundance that is available to them whenever they look within.

## Tantric Yoga and the Wisdom Goddesses

An inspirational 30-day yoga and lifestyle program that will challenge your mind, body, and spirit--by one of the most dynamic and high-profile contemporary Ashtanga yoga teachers, Kino MacGregor. "The brave heart of a yogi is defined by actions that make the world a better place." Live with authenticity, practice patience, let go of negativity—these are some of the core tenets of a yoga lifestyle, on and off the mat. Yoga is about much more than twisting yourself into shapes—the heart of this ancient practice is an

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inner journey, one of reflection, spiritual awakening, and ultimately a calm, clear mind. The Yogi Assignment is a 30-day introduction to these life-affirming and simple, yet revolutionary, principles. Led by master teacher Kino MacGregor, this journey will challenge and uplift your body, mind, and spirit. Each day offers a practice and meditation that will help you confront your emotional, physical, and mental limitations and inspire real change in your life. MacGregor is a fierce, loving guide who encourages you to look deeply within to find your wellspring of inner strength and courage.

## Yoga as Medicine

Embrace mindfulness and alleviate anxiety by integrating the philosophy of yoga into your daily life with this fun and approachable illustrated book for anyone who needs to restore some balance—even if you can't touch your toes! Center yourself—and your life—on and off the mat with Wit and Wisdom from the Yoga Mat. Everyone can benefit from a little more balance in their lives, and yoga's blend of mindfulness practices and restorative poses creates the perfect antidote to our increasingly high-stress lives. This inspiring collection of quotes, aphorisms, poses, and even breathing exercises will help everyone—yogi or newbie—benefit from the physical, mental, and emotional perks of regular yoga practice, without breaking a sweat. Filled with the wit and wisdom of esteemed yogi Rachel Scott, this approachable book will help clear your mind, while brightening your day.

## Effort and Surrender

Bring the wisdom of ancient Yoga philosophy into your life in a fresh, accessible, and relevant way. In its highest form, yoga is a practice for your body and your mind. Living the Sutras brings the wisdom of classical yoga philosophy into your life in an accessible

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and relevant way. The Yoga Sutras, a foundational text of yoga philosophy and practice, written by the guru Patanjali over two thousand years ago, are made up of 196 aphorisms that offer potent teachings on how to deal with loss and pain, and guidance on how to lead a healthy and fulfilling life. Kelly DiNardo and Amy Pearce-Hayden offer an entrée to this yoga training for the mind and spirit by introducing a sutra or group of sutras on a related theme, providing a brief commentary, and writing prompts to allow you to reflect on and apply the meaning of the sutras to your life. The book is at once an introduction to the classical philosophy, a quick guide for students and teachers, and an active self-study that helps you to engage with yoga wisdom in a deeply personal way.

## Yoga Wisdom

Stress is now considered the foremost contributor to poor health and a major factor in causing heart disease, cancer, and a myriad of chronic and acute diseases. This book will make yoga a fundamental part of your quest for wellness and well-being, whether you are a novice or a current practitioner. Nischala Joy Devi, a pioneer in the field of alternative healing and a renowned yoga expert, has spent years helping people realize the healthful and stress-controlling benefits of yoga. In 1982 she developed yoga-based retreats for Dr. Michael Lerner's now famous Commonwealth Cancer Help Program. That same year Dr. Dean Ornish asked her to create a program of yoga practices for patients suffering from heart disease. Yoga's contribution to the success of both programs has been astounding. Devi shares her years of experience working with the healthful benefits of yoga, teaching visualizations, breathwork, and meditation, as well as providing the classic steps and illustrated instructions for yoga's physical poses. The Healing Path of Yoga uses timeless Indian-based yoga techniques and philosophy, along with Devi's lifestyle-altering regimen, to create one extraordinary

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program with the power to rejuvenate and heal. The Healing Path of Yoga presents the key to: preventing disease and stress in healthy people aiding in recovery from heart disease, cancer, and other illnesses physical conditioning and weight loss deep, healing relaxation techniques heightened overall wellness of body, mind, and spirit From the Trade Paperback edition.

### Torah Yoga

Essential and uplifting advice that will help you get from where you are to who you hope to become. Often referred to as The Traveling Yogini, beloved yoga teacher Stephanie Spence explores what it means to become our truest selves. Weaving her experience as a writer, mother, and PTSD survivor, Spence affirms that not only is the soul 's messy and unpredictable journey inevitable, it is essential to our quest to live a life we thrive in. Yoga heals—not just the body, but the heart and soul. Whether you 've only dabbled with the idea of trying yoga, or have practiced for a long time, yoga is about you. Physically, it increases endurance, strength, and flexibility. Mentally, it reduces stress and helps you find stillness in a chaotic world. Spiritually, it helps you evolve to your highest potential and live in a space of gratitude and peace no matter what 's happening around you. Here, Spence has gathered the wisdom of eighty-five acclaimed yogis to enable readers to live their life to the fullest. Real and raw wisdom from global leaders in the yoga community—from classic yoga superstars to today 's rock-your-daily-asana hipsters—will motivate you to live a life beyond your wildest dreams. Filled with universal insights, intimate, comforting stories, and spiritually practical tips, Yoga Wisdom is here to help keep you on the road to truth, authenticity, and balance in all aspects of your life.

### Sacred Jewels of Yoga

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For modern spiritual seekers and yoga students alike, here is an irreverent yet profound guide to the most sophisticated teachings of the yoga wisdom tradition – now brought to contemporary life by a celebrated author, psychotherapist, and leading American yoga instructor. While many Westerners still think of yoga as an invigorating series of postures and breathing exercises, these physical practices are only part of a vast and ancient spiritual science. For more than three millennia, yoga sages systematically explored the essential questions of our human existence: What are the root causes of suffering, and how can we achieve freedom and happiness? What would it be like to function at the maximum potential of our minds, bodies, and spirits? What is an optimal human life? Nowhere have their discoveries been more brilliantly distilled than in a short – but famously difficult – treatise called the *Yogasutra*. This revered text lays out the entire path of inner development in remarkable detail – ranging from practices that build character and mental power to the highest reaches of spiritual realization. Now Stephen Cope unlocks the teachings of the *Yogasutra* by showing them at work in the lives of a group of friends and fellow yoga students who are confronting the full modern catastrophe of careers, relationships, and dysfunctional family dynamics. Interweaving their daily dilemmas with insights from modern psychology, neuroscience, religion, and philosophy, he shows the astonishing relevance and practicality of this timeless psychology of awakening. Leavened with wit and passion, *The Wisdom of Yoga* is a superb companion and guide for anyone seeking enhanced creativity, better relationships, and a more ethical and graceful way of living in the world.

## The Wisdom of Yoga

A readable, accessible version of the ancient classic primer on the practice of yoga--interpreted by a contemporary Tantric yoga

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master. The Yoga Sutras is Patanjali ' s classic text on how to experience oneness (samadhi) within yoga practice. Serious yoga students want to bring the wisdom of the Sutras to their practice but often find the text impenetrable and difficult to relate to. Here, yogi and Tantric master Alan Finger offers an interpretation of the Sutras that is clear and immediately relevant—and he shows contemporary practitioners that samadhi is something that they can experience here and now. Yoga is a process of spiritual evolution, and samadhi is as natural as breathing and available to all, because it is our true nature. Viewed through a Tantric framework, Finger shows us how the Sutras describe the yogic process that both leads us to the experience of samadhi and allows us to weave the wisdom and grace of that experience back into our everyday life.

## Yoga 365

This book provides an excellent introduction to the essence of Hindu Tantrism, discussing all the major concepts and correcting many existing misconceptions.

## Yoga for Better Sleep

The long-awaited, complete guide to the popular, vigorous American method of yoga that is deeply rooted in ancient wisdom and scriptures “ In this day and age of health and fitness trends, it is assuring to know that Sharon and David encourage their students to draw inspiration from the classical texts of Yoga and timeless scriptural sources. What I appreciate so much about David and Sharon is how they help their Yoga students to understand and appreciate the wisdom of all the great saints and jivamuktas who have contributed to raising consciousness. Ultimately, it is Self-Realization, that is the true goal of Yoga. ” – SRI SWAMI SATCHIDANANDA Creators of the extremely popular Jivamukti

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Yoga method and cofounders of the New York City studios where it is taught, Sharon Gannon and David Life present their unique style of yoga for the first time in book form. As they explain their intensely physical and spiritual system of flowing postures, they provide inspiring expert instruction to guide you in your practice. Unlike many books about yoga, Jivamukti Yoga focuses not only on the physical postures but also on how they evolved – the origins of the practices in yoga ' s ancient sacred texts and five-thousand-year-old traditions – the psychotherapeutic benefits that accrue with a steady practice, and the spiritual power that is set free when energy flows throughout the mind and body. Jivamukti Yoga, which means “ soul liberation, ” guides your body and soul into spiritual freedom, physical strength, peace of mind, better health, and Self-realization – the ultimate goal of any practice. Gannon and Life help you understand each of the practices that comprise the yoga path to enlightenment: AHIMSA – The Way of Compassion: choosing nonviolence, respecting all life, practicing vegetarianism, living free of prejudice ASANA – The Way of Connection to the Earth: postures and sequences, breathing, transforming energy, understanding the bandhas KARMA – The Way of Action: creating good karma, giving thanks NADAM – The Way of Sacred Music: appreciating the sacred sounds of yoga MEDITATION – The Way of the Witness: how to sit still and move inward BHAKTI – The Way of Devotion to God: living with love, grace, and peace Whatever yoga you practice, Jivamukti Yoga will help you to strengthen and deepen that practice and lead you onto a path of spiritual clarity and self-discovery. “ If there is only one book you read about the practice of Yoga, this should be the one. Sharon and David are deeply dedicated students and teachers of Yoga who have the rare capacity to translate their profound understanding to the reader. This book is for anyone who wishes to find transformation through Yoga. I ' m grateful for their work and teaching. ” – STEPHAN RECHTSCHAFFEN, MD Co-founder & CEO, Omega Institute From the Trade Paperback edition.

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## Yoga for the Soul: The Wisdom of Yoga for Everyday Life

A "non-technical abridgement [of the Bhagavadgītā] that clusters and paraphrases verses to convey their general sense"--Page xvii.

## B.K.S. Iyengar Yoga Wisdom and Practice

Popular medicine.

## The Great Work of Your Life

Everyone knows that yoga helps reduce stress and increase the body's flexibility and strength. But the poses are only one part of a larger philosophy offering profound insights for confronting the complexities of daily life. Yoga can help you remain centered, compassionate, positive, and sane every hour of the day—especially those between nine and five. This unprecedented guide shows how practicing the full range of yogic concepts—the traditional “Eight Limbs of Yoga”—leads to a productive, creative, and energizing work environment and features examples from professions like law enforcement, teaching, banking, filmmaking, medicine, and many more. But beyond that, this book is an invitation to use all of yoga's teachings to cultivate the spark of the divine that dwells within each of us. The Enhanced Edition includes six videos (9 minutes) and seven audios (21 minutes). The videos include personal stories about the benefits of practicing yoga at work, a method to help honor non-lying and non-violence, and three breath control techniques. The audios feature meditations to help release negativity, increase energy, calm the mind, tap into one's own essence, and be fully present at work, as well as specific suggestions for living out the yogic precepts of contentment and surrendering to a higher purpose in the workplace.

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## Gita Wisdom

Here is an inspirational and accessible introduction to the deep inner wisdom of yoga gathered from sources both ancient and modern by one of America ' s most respected yoga scholars. YOGA GEMS For the millions of Americans who now practice yoga regularly, here is the perfect introduction to the rich philosophical and spiritual tradition behind the exercises. George Feuerstein has drawn short, memorable quotations from the key texts of this five-thousand-year-old legacy, with an emphasis on the wisdom of modern yoga masters. The quotations have been selected and arranged to address the needs of yoga practitioners in the twenty-first century. Among the many themes touched on in this treasure of a book: the process of inner growth; the value of silence; how to meditate; how to infuse everyday life with joy; universal kinship; overcoming suffering; dealing with grief, loss, anger, and jealousy; remembering and cultivating one ' s true inner self; developing self-discipline; and bringing out the good in all you say and do. For both new and experienced yoga students alike, Yoga Gems is the perfect travel companion on the road to inner peace.

## Sacred Body, Sacred Spirit

"A new translation of: The yoga sutras of Patanjali, the ancient Indian text which sets forth the practical and philosophical foundations of yoga, presented here with extensive commentary and spiritual exercises to assist in the practice and understanding of one's own spiritual search"--Provided by publisher.

## Deep Yoga

In this companion to his best-selling translation of the Bhagavad Gita, Easwaran explores the essential themes of this much-loved

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Indian scripture. Placing the Gita in a modern context, Easwaran shows how this classic text sheds light on the nature of reality, the illusion of separateness, the search for identity, and the meaning of yoga. The key message of the Gita is how to resolve our conflicts and live in harmony with the deep unity of life, through the principles of yoga and the practice of meditation. Easwaran grew up in the Hindu tradition and learned Sanskrit from an early age. A foremost translator and interpreter of the Gita, he taught classes on it for forty years, while living out the principles of the Gita in the midst of a busy family and community life. In the Gita, Sri Krishna, the Lord, doesn't tell the warrior prince Arjuna what to do: he shows Arjuna his choices and then leaves it to Arjuna to decide. Easwaran, too, shows us clearly how these teachings still apply to us – and how, like Arjuna, we must take courage and act wisely if we want our world to thrive.

## The Jewel of Abundance

Drawing on several forms of yoga, a student of Thich Nhat Hanh serves up an accessible introduction to yoga from a Buddhist perspective that outlines the movements, poses, and breathing technique in seventy-five illustrations. Original.

## Yoga Gems

Hormone Treatment Is Called Harmful-Washington Post, 7/10/02  
Estrogen Use Linked to Higher Cancer Risk-Boston Globe, 7/17/02  
31.2 million women facing menopause in America are concerned by these headlines. Most women today will live over one-third of their lives post-menopausal, but what about the age-old solution of hormone replacement therapy? In 2002 the U.S. government halted a major study of hormone therapy because it increased the risk of invasive breast cancer. Now, millions of women

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are left wondering whether they should approach menopause without hormones, suffering from hot flashes and low sex drive or take hormones and live in fear of being another statistic. Suza Francina has a simpler solution: Yoga. In this practical book, Francina, a leading yogi and author of *The New Yoga for People Over 50*, shows how yoga can be a powerful tool to help women turn menopause into a positive and empowering experience, both physically and spiritually. Included are easy-to-follow, indexed photos of yoga poses that alleviate key menopausal problems including: hormonal changes; hot flashes; irregular bleeding; fibroids; stress and anxiety, mood swings, depression and fatigue; bone loss; heart disease and cancer. Francina delivers a timely and truly heartening message to women: you don't have to get weaker or depressed when facing menopause, it can truly be an empowering, restorative time.

## The Wisdom of Tantra

This chunky, richly colorful volume takes yoga "beyond the mat" to reveal classic yogic wisdom pertaining to the mind, emotions, spirit, and of course, the body. Drawing from such classical texts as the *Bhagavad Gita* and the *Upanishads*, as well as modern Indian and Western teachers, this treasure trove of yoga knowledge defines key terms and highlights important themes. It's also a helpful supplement to yoga classes, offering asanas, meditations, breathing exercises, mantras, and mudras for every occasion and skill level. Just the right size to pop into a yoga bag, here's a guide to the practical and philosophical aspects of yoga that complements any spiritual practice.

## Living the Sutras

Practical yoga instruction and words of wisdom for health,

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happiness and a better world, from BKS Iyengar Through the writings, experiences and philosophy of the world's greatest yoga guru and teacher, BKS Iyengar, discover what yoga can do for your health, happiness and whole life. This blend of wisdom both ancient and modern and practical advice and guidance, provides a holistic, all-embracing way to bring health, happiness and harmony to the way you live. BKS Iyengar passes on the lessons of his own life journey, and shares the physical and spiritual rewards you can gain from an uplifting series of beautifully presented asanas, breathing exercises and meditations. Yoga for your contentment, for joy, for true inner peace, for life.

### Samadhi the Highest State of Wisdom

Teaching Yoga is an essential resource for new and experienced teachers as well as a guide for all yoga students interested in refining their skills and knowledge. Addressing 100% of the teacher training curriculum standards set by Yoga Alliance, the world's leading registry and accreditation source for yoga teachers and schools, Teaching Yoga is also ideal for use as a core textbook in yoga teacher training programs. Drawing on a wide spectrum of perspectives, and featuring more than 150 photographs and illustrations, the book covers fundamental topics of yoga philosophy and history, including a historical presentation of classical yoga literature: the Vedas, Upanishads, Bhagavad Gita, Yoga Sutras of Pataljali, and the main historical sources on tantra and early hatha yoga. Each of the eleven major styles of contemporary yoga is described, with a brief history of its development and the distinguishing elements of its teachings. Exploring traditional and modern aspects of anatomy and physiology, the book provides extensive support and tools for teaching 108 yoga poses (asanas), breathing techniques (pranayama), and meditation. Teaching Yoga offers practical advice for classroom setup, planning and sequencing

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classes, as well as the process involved in becoming a teacher and sustaining oneself in the profession. The book has over 200 bibliographic sources, a comprehensive index, and a useful appendix that lists associations, institutes, organizations, and professional resources for yoga teachers. From the Trade Paperback edition.

## Mindfulness Yoga

Swami Rama's description of the totality of the mind, the functions of the mind, and the emotions goes far beyond the concepts of modern psychology.

## Yoga Wisdom at Work

B.K.S. Iyengar--hailed as "the Michelangelo of yoga" (BBC) and considered by many to be one of the most important yoga masters--has spent much of his life introducing the modern world to the ancient practice of yoga. Yoga's popularity is soaring, but its widespread acceptance as an exercise for physical fitness and the recognition of its health benefits have not been matched by an understanding of the emotional, intellectual, and spiritual development that the yogic tradition can also offer. In *Light on Life*, B.K.S. Iyengar brings readers this new and more complete understanding of the yogic journey. Here Iyengar explores the yogic goal to integrate the different parts of the self (body, emotions, mind, and soul), the role that the yoga postures and breathing techniques play in our search for wholeness, the external and internal obstacles that keep us from progressing along the path, and how yoga can transform our lives and help us to live in harmony with the world around us. For the first time, Iyengar uses stories from his own life, humor, and examples from modern culture to illustrate the profound gifts that yoga offers. Written with the depth

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of this sage's great wisdom, *Light on Life* is the culmination of a master's spiritual genius, a treasured companion to his seminal *Light on Yoga*.

## Tantra of the Yoga Sutras

Learn simple yoga techniques--poses, meditations, and breathwork--to sleep better and longer, from master yoga teacher trainer and author, Mark Stephens Although modern science has unraveled some of the mysteries of our sleeping, dreaming, and waking states and age-old yoga practices are helping us enjoy better sleep, clearer minds, and healthier bodies, over 65 percent of U.S. adults are still sleep deprived. Sleep deprivation causes and aggravates ailments like stress, heart conditions, high blood pressure, obesity, and depression. Master yoga teacher, trainer, and best-selling author Mark Stephens provides easy-to-do, effective yoga activities--including postural sequences, breathing exercises, and meditation practices--for better sleep, no matter your age. He integrates the ancient wisdom of yoga with the insights of modern neuroscience and psychology to offer practical age- and condition-specific tools and sequences for improving sleep naturally and without drugs.

## The Wisdom of Patañjali's Yoga Sutras

Examines the history of yoga, describes its many health benefits, details various ailments that yoga can help prevent or treat, and explains basic yoga techniques, including postures, breathing, meditation, and safety.

## Light on Life

Apply the wisdom of yoga philosophy to your personal yoga

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practice and throughout your life with The Yoga Mind. The profound inspiration that yoga promises begins not in the body, but in the mind. In The Yoga Mind, internationally renowned yoga expert Rina Jakubowicz takes a simple, accessible approach to the complex origins of yoga philosophy. With clear, thoughtful guidance, The Yoga Mind offers everything you need to deepen your yoga practice and discover a meaningful way of life. Your complete resource for bringing yoga philosophy off the mat and into your life, The Yoga Mind includes: Clear explanations of core yoga principles that turn complex theories into memorable lessons Guided meditations and simple exercises that offer clear, tangible instruction for practicing each principle in your daily life A structured approach to vital yoga themes that brings clarity to crucial, but rarely understood, concepts Whether you read The Yoga Mind cover to cover or skip to a certain topic, you'll find simple actions to incorporate the principles of yoga into a yoga practice that is meaningful to you.

## Jivamukti Yoga

Happiness is not something you find, it is a skill you learn. Open your heart to a simple wisdom that has enlightened people for centuries, Be Happy Now.

## The Yogi Assignment

Yoga how-to books abound, a direct reflection of the rapidly expanding popularity of this ancient practice. Effort and Surrender does not show how to "do" yoga. Instead, it tells - through illustrations and quotations - how to "feel" what yoga is and what it means to experience mind and body movements as a life enhancer and as a way of life. This beautiful celebration of yoga's artistry and insight makes a one-of-a-kind gift book. Talented editor and

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photographer Eric Dinyer, a dedicated yoga practitioner himself, used his own experience and deep understanding to convey yoga's challenges and far-reaching possibilities. Eric's sepia-rich photographs of 37 classic asanas intertwined with vibrant and sweeping ink lines give the postures an energy of their own. Equally moving are the collection of historical and modern yoga quotes, such as this: "Yoga is a way of moving into stillness in order to experience the truth of who you are." - Erich Schiffmann. Effort and Surrender is a very rich experience indeed.

### The Little Red Book of Yoga Wisdom

The author of *Yoga and the Quest for the True Self* offers spiritual seekers from all traditions a practical introduction to the wisdom and teachings of the *Yogasutra*, as he brings together insights from yoga philosophy with modern psychology to offer lessons in ethical living, enhanced creativity, and the discovery of one's higher purpose. 20,000 first printing.

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