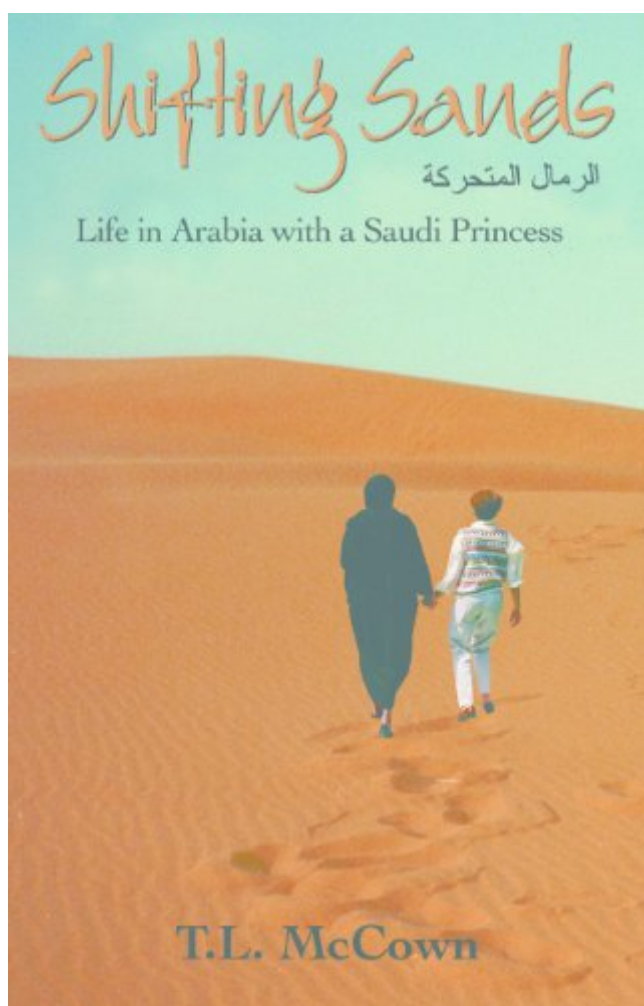


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Shifting Sands: Life In Arabia With A Saudi Princess (True Stories Of Life With A Saudi Arabian Princess Book 1)



Synopsis

In her revealing memoir, "Shifting Sands," T.L. McCown shares insights into the Saudi Arabian culture which were previously hidden to the Western world. Having had a unique opportunity to experience the "inner circle" (as coined by best-selling author Jean Sasson) of Saudi Arabia's royal family first-hand, T.L. chronicles her experiences and offers unique insight gained from sharing 10 years of life with her Princess in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. When the Islamic-controlled East meets West in this illuminating adventure through the mysterious world of Arabia, a startling and unexpected result is produced. Two women from completely different worlds wind up developing a deep friendship built through sharing their fears, dreams, beliefs, and challenges of life in the desert. As the reader encounters the humorous results of Westerners living in a foreign land, the extravagance of royal weddings, remote Bedouin villages, radical Islamic clerics, and the chilling fear of experiencing the effects of terrorism, the differences and similarities between T.L. and the princess are unveiled. "Shifting Sands" reveals the reality of life for a Christian, Western expatriate in the Middle East who discovers a special relationship with a Muslim princess. As terrorism and pressure from the Islamic religious police invades both of their lives, they fight to keep their dream of bringing liberation to the women of Saudi Arabia, and their friendship alive. *****T.L. lived and worked in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. For this decade, she worked with her Princess daily while befriending hundreds of other wonderful Saudi women. T.L., under the request of her Princess, is responsible for starting the first educational learning center for women in the Eastern Province of the Kingdom. Her story begins with "Shifting Sands" and is continued through her second title, "Creating Shamsiyah: Empowering the Saudi Feminist Movement."

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Customer Reviews

I gave this 2 stars as it was kind of a build up with a big let down as it ended so abruptly. Having read many other books on Saudi Arabia and Saudi Princesses I expected more about their life, this was mostly about the author and her life. The author alludes to the fact that she and the princess will come to a bad end, early in the book and throughout the book. But you find you will need to order the sequel to find out how the Princess and the author part ways. I couldn't wait to get back to it this morning to find out how it ends but it leaves you hanging. The title should say "Part one"

I really liked this book, but I cannot figure out why so many Kindle books appear to be unedited. This writer does a fine job of story telling, but it is so annoying to read were, instead of where, or see mute instead of moot. Other than that it's an interesting book and I enjoyed it.

I lived in Jeddah (on the west coast of Saudi Arabia, on the Red Sea) and this book is dead on, I was there on 9/2001, it was such horror. Very difficult place to live.

I'm 3/4 through the book and have kind of gotten a little bored with it so I'll finish it later.

I loved the book. Reasons ??-- my company in 79(BHP Aust.) sold iron ore fines to the Saudi Cement Coy. In the contract BHP was to provide someone to advise the Cement Coy. how to prevent loss from wind erosion So they send me to supervise the discharge of ship in Dammam and go to Hufhuf (during Ramadan) to tell "them" how. Me--I spent my life on the water(salt) and ships---CAMELS NO . All that Teresa said brought back memories .Deka

I really enjoyed this book and was sorry that I had to wait to read the rest of the story by buying its sequel. I appreciated the fact that the author was so positive about the nationals of Saudi Arabia while not being so naive as to think that all is well in the kingdom.

Lots of interesting info on daily life in Saudi Arabia. I can't wait to read the sequel to this book.

I liked this book because she made it sound so interesting. I am very anxious for her sequel to come out.

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