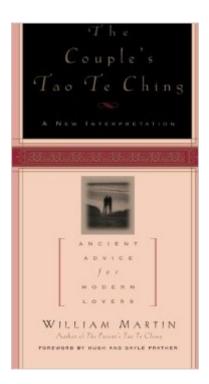
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The Couple's Tao Te Ching: Ancient Advice For Modern Lovers





Synopsis

Following the successful debut of the Parent's Tao Te Ching--which Hugh Prather praised as "pure gold"--William Martin now reinterprets the Tao for couples. "The love relationship between two people can be the most rewarding and enlightening adventure possible," Martin writes, and he imparts the Tao's spirited, sage advice for everyone on that adventure. "Not since The Tao of Pooh has Taoist wisdom transmogrified into something so practical, gentle, and good."--from the foreword by Dan Millman, author of Way of the Peaceful Warrior

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Customer Reviews

Each time I think it's time I settled for something less than fulfilling in life I sit down and read through this book. It calms my soul. It realigns my senses to what it is I'm truly seeking in life and in a partner. I have given this as a wedding gift to those who I think have the mind and soul for such small wisdom as this. I would recommend this book to anyone who seeks to be complete before entering into a relationship or who seeks understanding of why their past relationship failed. It has helped me to keep clarity of mind.

This loving interpretation of Lao Tzu's sometimes enigmatic Tao Te Ching is a warm-hearted and wonderful primer on unconditional love. This is the perfect book to read to your partner in bed each evening (I do). We will read passages from it at our wedding, as well. Also, this is not the usual icky-poo stuff on unconditional loving -- it has a straight to the heart of the matter tone that sets it apart from most other things I've read. If you love your partner, or would like to love him or her again

the way you used to, read this book!

This book goes straight to the heart of the matter. No rules to follow, no advice for the lovelorn, this is a book that will shine a light in all of the dark places and show couples where their love stands and where it can lead. The Couple's Tao Te Ching is absolute proof that true love does exist for without pure love- this book could not be written. Share this with your mate and together uncover the depths of your relationship. I strongly promote this book because it puts into simple terms the behavior of true love without resorting to teaching games of manipulation and suspicion. It gives you the opportunity to see the truth, the plain simple truth.

I have a library full of books on relationships and improving communication. Those books (like Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus, etc.), tend to be read quickly with their advice being filtered through my brain for ideas to tweak our relationship. This book is refreshingly different. If you want to involve your brain by thinking about the deep meaning of the words, you can... or you can just hear the words and feel them nurturing your heart and spirit. Each page offers beautifully written verses to provide quick inspiration or a thought to meditate on for as long as you like. This books is a great addition to any library and makes a wonderful gift for any couple.

I have been fortunate to be married to a wonderful woman for more than 30 years. We have been through a lot in that time: raising four children, moving countries three times, changing careers, financial worries, and much more. I believe there are simple but essential elements to a great relationship. This book, of all books I have seen on the subject of relationships, is simple and sensible and it works. Forget the tricks and fads. Get a copy of this, and read a verse each morning and evening, together, and see what happens. I can vouch for it personally.

This book was a wonderful gift from a friend. I used to beat my self up when I couldn't follow the advice of the many self help books I have. The Couple's Tao Te Ching really changed the way I looked at my behavior because it didn't tell me how to behave. I memorized this passage because it has been helping me through this global, troubled time: "The world will never know love, respect, kindness and tolerance until you experience them in the safety of your love. When you do, it will." It means a lot to me. It's more than just about a relationship with another person. It makes a lot of things clear.

I totally agree with the previous reviewers. This world's teaching on relationships is just fluff. Sit down and read this book and you will immediately realized that what is being offered is both simple and deep. If, at the end of a day, you want to be refreshed, read and meditate on just one page. This is the kind of book that is to be read slowly and savored.

I gave this as a gift to a couple for their 20th wedding anniversary. After they raved about reading it together, I ordered it for my husband and myself. It is an inspiring and transformative read. Helps us to celebrate one another and our marriage every day.

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