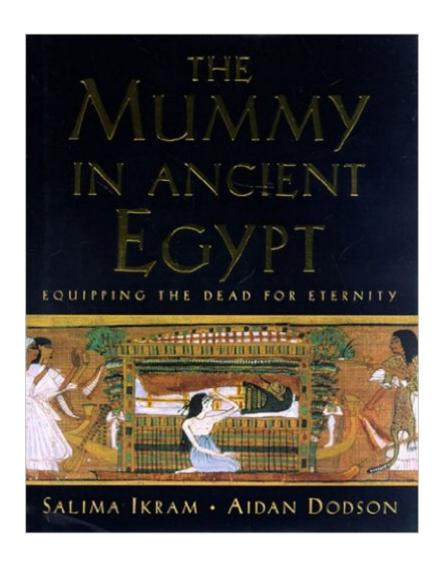
# The book was found

# The Mummy In Ancient Egypt: Equipping The Dead For Eternity





## **Synopsis**

Mummies have gripped the popular imagination through highly publicized discoveries and macabre horror movies. But for the ancient Egyptians, mummification and a full set of magical "machinery" including a tomb, a sarcophagus, masks, amulets and canopic jars was essential to secure eternal life. This work comprises a survey of the entire panoply of Egyptian burial equipment over 3,000 years. Part 1 provides an overview of burial rites and tomb development, from the Giza pyramids to the Valley of the Kings and beyond. Great discoveries are documented, from Belzoni's early explorations to Tutankhamun's magnificent tomb and recent scientific detective-work using x-rays and CAT-scanners. Part 2 provides a detailed survey of changing burial practices during the pharonic era. The authors reveal the evolution of methods for treating the body. All important innovations are described, incorporating the latest research, some carried out by the authors themselves.

## **Book Information**

Hardcover: 352 pages

Publisher: Thames & Hudson (June 1998)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0500050880

ISBN-13: 978-0500050880

Product Dimensions: 10.6 x 8.3 x 1.3 inches

Shipping Weight: 3.8 pounds

Average Customer Review: 5.0 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (8 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #828,417 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #24 in Books > Religion &

Spirituality > Other Religions, Practices & Sacred Texts > Egyptian Book of the Dead #703

in Books > History > Ancient Civilizations > Egypt #1417 in Books > Politics & Social Sciences

> Social Sciences > Customs & Traditions

### Customer Reviews

Those who are interested in Ancient Egyptian mummification practices will find this book fascinating. Each aspect of the funerary practices is described in great depth, following its development through different periods of Egyptian history. It is a very detailed account, with lots of illustrations. Absolutely great analysis of the royal mummies; fascinating photos - which, I admit, might gross some people out, but that's what makes them so great.

This book delivers on what it promises--It is a readable and fascinating book on Egyptian funeral practices (mummies, sarcophagi, accourrements, etc.), and how they changed over thousands of years. There is a useful appendix with a table summarizing how different aspects of funeral practice changed over the course of Egyptian civilization. The photography is excellent, though some of the illustrations of the mummies themselves are a bit spooky!

Like Dodson and Ikram's later book on tombs, this aims to be a comprehensive guide to mummies. The first chapter is an overview funeral rites and burial and the second gives a history of the interest in mummies in Western culture, from powdered mummy in the Middle Ages to CT scans today. The third chapter is an extensive description of the mummification process and how it developed through Egyptian history. Somewhat shorter chapters cover those burial goods that were kept close to the mummy: jewellery, wrappings, masks, coffins, sarcophagi, and canopic equipment (in which the mummy's removed organs were stored). Appendices list ancient Egyptian cemetery sites, royal mummy caches, and the burial sites and current locations of royal mummies. A page next to the bibliography even lists "mummies in the media": prominent examples of mummy-related fiction. The book is well rounded, though a couple of other books could still be useful supplements to it. Wolfram Grajetzki's Burial Customs in Ancient Egypt devotes more space to poorer and less typical burials, and Mummies and Death gives more information about modern examination of mummies.

This is a very interesting book with excellent illustrations and very informative. It is a hard book to put down. It is highly recommended even for someone who has a slight interest in the subject of mummification.

### Download to continue reading...

The Mummy in Ancient Egypt: Equipping the Dead for Eternity Egyptian Mythology: Discover the Ancient Secrets of Egyptian Mythology (Egypt, Ancient Egypt, Ancient Civilizations, Gods, Pharaohs, Ra, Isis, Set) (Ancient Civilizations and Mythology) Prepared for Eternity: A study of human embalming techniques in ancient Egypt using computerised tomography scans of mummies (Archaeopress Egyptology) Egyptian Gods: The Gods and Goddesses of Ancient Egypt (Egyptian Gods, Ancient Egypt) History: Greatest Ancient Civilization History: (History Rome, Romans, Egypt, SPQR, Aztec, Ancient China, Ancient Greece, Julius Caesar, Jesus, Muhammed, Alexander the Great) Ancient Egypt: The Egypt of Nefertiti (Beauty of the Nile) Mummy Dearest: How Two Guys in a Potato Chip Truck Changed the Way the Living See the Dead Historia Del Antiguo Egipto/ History of Ancient Egypt (Historia Antigua / Ancient History) (Spanish Edition) Real-Life Discipleship

Training Manual: Equipping Disciples Who Make Disciples The Case for Life: Equipping Christians to Engage the Culture The Book of the Dead or Going Forth by Day: Ideas of the Ancient Egyptians Concerning the Hereafter as Expressed in Their Own Terms (Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization) Sumerians: Discover History's First Civilization: Everything You Need to Know About the Sumerians of the Ancient World (Ancient History, Ancient Civilizations Handbook) The Worship Of The Dead Or The Origin And Nature Of Pagan Idolatry And Its Bearing Upon The Early History Of Egypt And Babylonia Hieroglyphic Vocabulary to the Book of the Dead (Egypt) Truckin' with the Grateful Dead to Egypt Mummy Laid an Egg! Lose Your Mummy Tummy Meditation within Eternity: The Modern Mystics Guide to Gaining Unlimited Spiritual Energy, Accessing Higher Consciousness and Meditation Techniques for Spiritual Growth Pathfinder Adventure Card Game: Mummy's Mask Base Set Pathfinder Adventure Card Game: Mummy's Mask Character Add-On Deck

Dmca