



Near a Thousand Tables: A History of Food (Paperback)

By Felipe Fernandez-Armesto

SIMON SCHUSTER, United States, 2003. Paperback. Condition: New. Reprint. Language: English . Brand New Book. In Near a Thousand Tables, acclaimed food historian Felipe Fernandez-Armesto tells the fascinating story of food as cultural as well as culinary history -- a window on the history of mankind. In this appetizingly provocative (Los Angeles Times) book, he guides readers through the eight great revolutions in the world history of food: the origins of cooking, which set humankind on a course apart from other species; the ritualization of eating, which brought magic and meaning into people's relationship with what they ate; the inception of herding and the invention of agriculture, perhaps the two greatest revolutions of all; the rise of inequality, which led to the development of haute cuisine; the long-range trade in food which, practically alone, broke down cultural barriers; the ecological exchanges, which revolutionized the global distribution of plants and livestock; and, finally, the industrialization and globalization of mass-produced food. From prehistoric snail herding to Roman banquets to Big Macs to genetically modified tomatoes, Near a Thousand Tables is a full-course meal of extraordinary narrative, brilliant insight, and fascinating explorations that will satisfy the hungriest of readers.



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