



A Curious History of Food and Drink

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Quercus. 1 Cloth(s), 2013. hard. Book Condition: New. Did you know that vindaloo was introduced to India by the Portuguese? That Samuel Pepys liked nothing better than a dish of cow's udder? Or that sawdust, grass cuttings, and mud have all had their gastronomic champions? From the hippo soup eaten in Africa in 6,000 BC to the giant rabbits guzzled by North Korea's late "Dear Leader," this book offers a cornucopia of stories about the things we humans have put into our mouths. Ian Crofton, former editor-in-chief of The Guinness Encyclopedia and the author of Science Without the Boring Bits, uncovers the surprising origins of foods from pasta to potato chips, and offers recipes for historical dishes like Roast Rat, Snail Water, and Chrysanthemum Salad. 308.



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