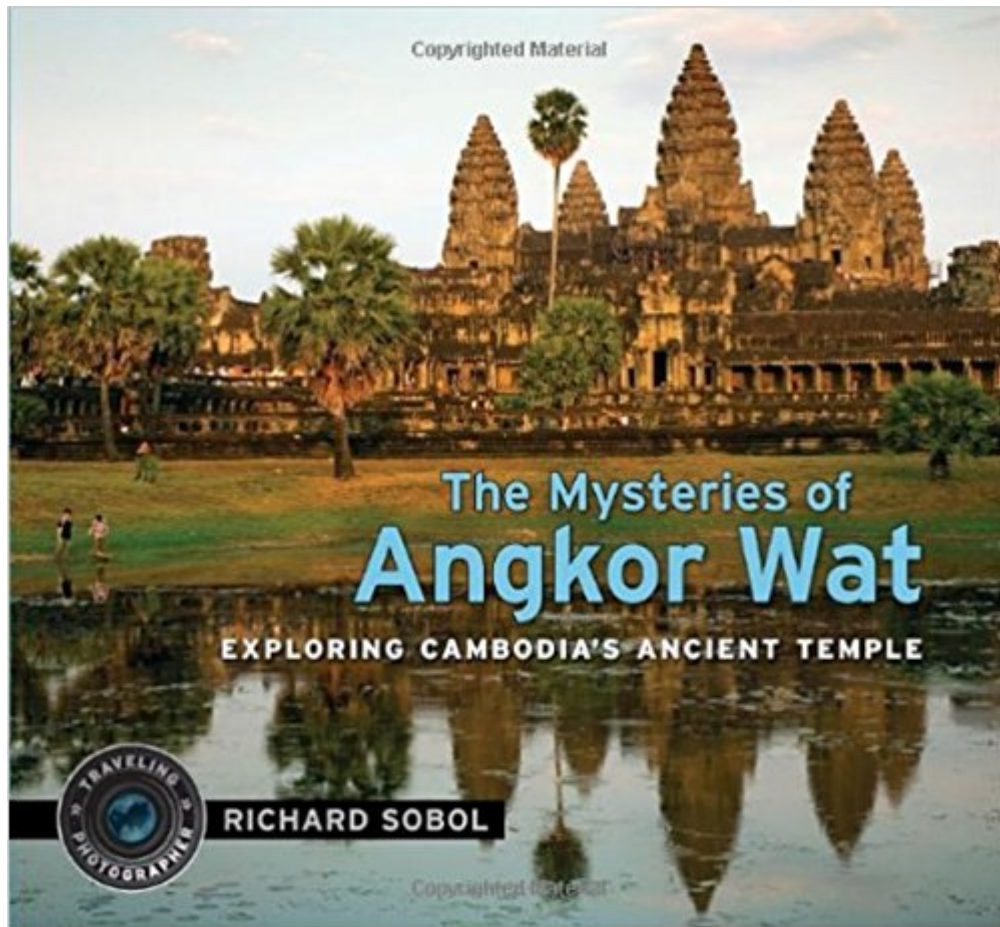




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# The Mysteries Of Angkor Wat (Traveling Photographer)



## Synopsis

What mysteries hide inside this ancient Cambodian temple? When local children lead the author through the ruins, he discovers a little-known secret. In 1100 CE, the mighty Khmer people of Cambodia built the world's largest religious monument: the sprawling stone temple of Angkor Wat. Now, thousands visit the crumbling ruins each year to see the last remains of the ancient and mysterious Khmer civilization. Photographer Richard Sobol explored these fascinating ruins, searching among the fallen, moss-covered stone slabs and wall carvings for clues that might link the ancient Khmer people to present-day Cambodian culture. A personal narrative and illustrative photography document his pilgrimage, capturing the historical legacy and mystery contained within the walls of Angkor Wat. A glossary, maps, and key facts are included.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

The handsome book contains captioned color photographs on each page; they give interesting glimpses into the modern lives of the people living around this ancient site and a fascinating look at the ruins themselves. —[School Library Journal](#)

Richard Sobol is an author and award-winning photographer whose work has appeared in

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, TIME, NEWSWEEK, ROLLING STONE, and numerous other magazines. His children's books include BREAKFAST IN THE RAINFOREST and THE LIFE OF RICE, also part of the TRAVELING PHOTOGRAPHER series. When not traveling, Richard Sobol is home in Massachusetts with his family.

I just returned from a trip to Cambodia to see Angkor Wat and the other temples. Although I took hundreds of pictures, I still was looking for a nice book of pictures of Angkor Wat. The cover and dustjacket have a stunningly beautiful picture of Angkor Wat so I was expecting a book full of pictures of the temples. Also, the "Traveling Photographer" part of the title made me think it would be a photo book. Yes, there are lots of color pictures of the temples but almost every picture shows children frolicking among the temple ruins. Other pictures show children doing traditional dances or at school so they do not directly relate to the temple complex. There is some history given on the temples but it's more a short travelogue from the author about his travels. I knew the book was geared toward children but after seeing the cover, I was thinking this book would be full of pictures. I wasn't expecting almost every picture to include children.

Not informative. You can buy better and much cheaper books about the temples at Angkor Wat itself. Save your money. It's mostly pictures with very little text.

Gorgeous book that really helped us to prepare for our trip and review details of what we saw. However, nothing beats going there, but this is the best picture compilation I found.

I am going to Angkor Wat in a few months. I got this book as part of my research on the area. It is absolutely beautifully photographed and written. I decided to give it to my 8-year-old granddaughter who is an avid reader because it is a wonderful story about the author's delightful interaction with a group of children on the other side of the world. It's just marvelous, and it's all real.

I guess I was looking for a bit more on the history and background on the Angkor Wat temple complex. Great pictures, interesting story of the photographers' visit, but a very thin picture book.

When I tried to peek inside the book online I wasn't able to. It wasn't as complete as the ones I had seen in Vietnam and was let down.

Beautiful book I just wish it was a little larger to be a proper coffee table book. Love looking through it to bring back memories of our trip.

Excellent gift!

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