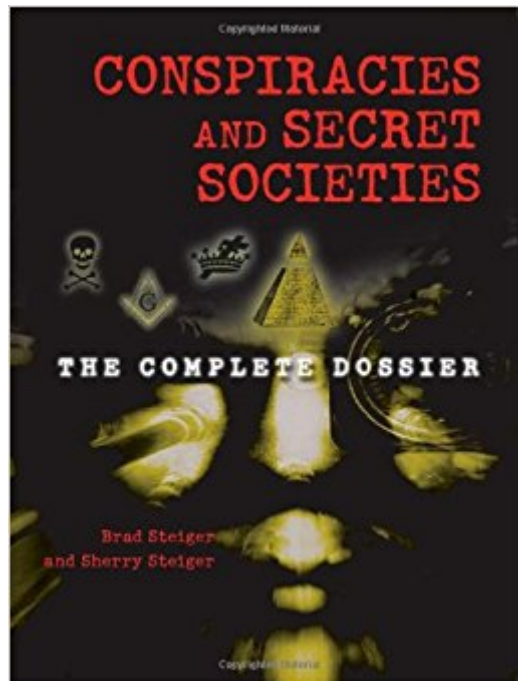




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Name a conspiracy theory that has made its way into the popular mass media, and it is most likely included in this informative and entertaining encyclopedia, which provides an introduction for anyone looking for "the basics" about any of the well-known and even lesser-known theories. Included among the nearly 200 alphabetically arranged entries are Diana, Princess of Wales; Internet--a tool of the new world order; Knights Templar; Raelians; and Roswell, New Mexico, UFO crash. Entries range from short paragraphs to several pages in length, and sources are listed. The writing style is elementary without being condescending. The authors state that they are "reporting without bias." This does appear to be the case, based on reading random entries on a wide variety of subjects. The index makes up somewhat for the lack of cross-references. A list of "Resources to Assist in Conspiracy and Secret Society Research" includes recommended books, films, and Web sites. The volume is attractively laid out, with black-and-white images, sketches, and photos. This is a captivating look at a topic that fascinates many. Recommended for public libraries and elsewhere where interest is apparent. Terri TomchyshynCopyright Â© American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Very good work! I have read many conspiracy books, good and "out there," and this is great compendium, much like Vankin and Whalen's 80 Greatest Conspiracies. It has reasonable detail on well-known and lesser-known conspiracies and societies, is well-written with a nice bibliography. The tone is even-handed, which is an extra-plus. If you're willing to engage in critical thinking about the topics, or just want to enjoy learning about the topics, this will provide several hours of good reading.

This book is a wonderfully written encyclopedic work of mankind's secret societies and conspiracy theories. I don't believe the authors intended there to be a thorough discussion of all subjects mentioned...but rather an excellent starting point for the reader to conduct additional research. There are many topics I've never heard of in the book and I'm enjoying skipping around and reading those first. Nicely written...Thank You!!

This is a worthwhile overview of the conspiracy literature, though it's not perfect. It's missing subjects like the USS Liberty attack and the Franklin child sex ring in Nebraska. It's also centered on Anglo-American cases (there is nothing about Gladio, the Dutroux human trafficking ring in Belgium, the assassinations of Aldo Moro and Olof Palme). Some articles are better written than others. Separating fact from fiction can be difficult. There are also too many entries about political groups (religious extremists, racist groups) that do not qualify as conspiracies or secret societies. But overall, there is a lot of information here and it's a good introduction to the subject.

I've collected tons of "conspiracy" books since the mid 80s - There is a lot of content in here that you can find in other books, but there's a lot of new content in here as well. The material is well researched - it doesn't read like it was put together by a nut who didn't question the first thing they heard before repeating it as gospel. Very informative, intelligent - a must have for the serious collector of this kind of information. Presented in an encyclopedia format, you can open it up anywhere and start reading, or go from A to Z. By far this is the best "all-in-one" book in my own

library.

I was expecting something a little different in the sense that I thought there would be more in depth analysis. I would liken this more to an encyclopedia. However, as an encyclopedia, this is an awesome overview of conspiracies if you are always wondering what some obscure news reference means.

Loved it! I could barely put it down. Like that there was detail on each theory...really opens the mind to what goes on and let's the reader draw their own conclusions to them.

Good read on different societies and theories. Some are actual and some are a bit way out there. BUT the book gets you THINKING!

This book is more of a page turner than I had even hoped for! I gave this to my brother as a Christmas gift, and I can't help but keep borrowing it for myself. The discussed conspiracies and secret societies are explained thoroughly enough without taking too much time breaking down every small detail. They make a great case for what they state - maybe it's just me, but I worry when purchasing something like this that it will be a bit too out in outer space. But it's not the case here! Really a quality a book that I would recommend everyone spend some time reading. Hard to put down!

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