

## Feng Shui Style The Asian Art Of Gracious Living

Although Feng Shui is a relatively new concept in the West, when we break it down into Feng / Wind, our breath and Shui/ Water, our sustenance, it becomes very basic. In reality, Feng Shui is about balance and harmony on all levels. This book explores its ancient wisdom through the elements, and how they shape us and our world from the inside out. Charlyne's experience in the design world allows her a unique interpretation of its various applications. Whether used as a reference guide for design professions or a self help book to learn who we are, it teaches us on many levels how to create nourishing lives and environments.

Thousands of years old—and today's hottest interior design trend. "Gives suggestions for balance and harmony."—Publisher's Weekly. "Learn how to use color, texture and shape to boost your energy, calm your spirit and simply create a stunning home that will feel as good as it looks." —Timber Homes Illustrated.

Transform your home into a calm, balanced and harmonious oasis using architect Anjie Cho's helpful advice, drawing on her background in green design and feng shui. You don't have to get rid of all your possessions and become an ascetic to change your space and discover the benefits that living in a considered, organic way can bring. The easy suggestions in *Holistic Spaces* show you how to implement the principles of feng shui and green design in your home. Written for the way we live today, as we move toward a more mindful approach to health, diet and the way that we choose the objects in our homes, this is the perfect guide to help you to clear and refresh your living environment. Learn how to make every room in your home serve its highest purpose, create eco-friendly spaces, bring nature indoors, choose colours for maximum impact, select a space for meditation practice, and overall, create a peaceful and organic home. From the bedroom to the home office, these intuitive, straightforward tips will teach you to how improve your spaces to boost the flow of energy through your life.

*Feng Shui Style* is a striking design book from Stephen Skinner, the man instrumental in focusing Western attention on the ancient art of feng shui. Discussing various common themes of feng shui—such as water, alignments, mountains and wind—Skinner demonstrates these concepts in 26 houses, restaurants and galleries in London, Hong Kong and Malaysia.

The term Fengshui, which literally means 'wind and water, ' is the ancient Chinese art of selecting an auspicious site to provide the most harmonious relationship between human and earth. The term is generally translated as "geomancy," and has had a deep and extensive impact on Korean, Chinese, and other East Asian cultures. Hong-key Yoon's book explores the nature of geomantic principles and the culture of practicing them in Korean cultural contexts. Yoon first examines the nature and historical background of geomancy, geomantic principles for auspicious sites (houses, graves, and cities) and provides an interpretation of geomantic principles as practiced in Korea. Yoon looks at geomancy's influence on cartography, religion and philosophy, and urban development in both Korea and China. Finally, Yoon debates the role of geomancy in the iconographical warfare between Japanese colonialism and Korean nationalism as it affected the cultural landscape of Kyongbok Palace in Seoul.

"Feng Shui American Style" is the "cappuccino" of the environmental healing arts. It's a tasty mix of the best techniques for designing a life style built upon ancient Asian and

European design knowledge, and then supercharged with healthy amounts of modern ergonomics and energetic physiology.

In Feng Shui, the gold fish has long been associated with powerful soul mate and abundance energy. I painted these series of gold fish in pairs with this in mind. I wanted to surround myself with positive love energy. And with this book, I share this with you. Feng Shui is not all about tradition. The integration and harmony between the natural and built environments concerning modern architecture has long been discussed in Feng Shui, or more academically, Kan Yu. Based on Scientific Feng Shui for the Built Environment: Fundamentals and Case Studies published in 2011, this enhanced new edition has further taken into account the enhancements and new inputs in theories and applications. Emphasis is placed on two themes, sustainability and science. New case studies regarding sustainable design as viewed from a Feng Shui perspective, and integrated applications of different architectural models and their associations with Feng Shui concepts are added and elaborated. On science, other than exploring the new development of particle physics in relation to Feng Shui studies, a totally new approach to numerology and Luo Shu study based on modern linear algebra may bring readers new insight into the possibility of researching Feng Shui mathematically, in addition to the use of spherical trigonometry. This book offers a remarkable in-depth view of Feng Shui by integrating the historical theories with scientific explorations and examples of applications. It once again demonstrates that Feng Shui can be studied scientifically, and eventually scientific Feng Shui may become a new field of science in the academic world as well as a professional and orthodox discipline of architectural design for the built environment. Published by City University of Hong Kong Press. ????????????

The keys to manifesting major life transformation are within reach! In this fresh interpretation of the ancient art of Feng Shui, certified practitioner Ashley Cantley offers the simple and straightforward guide she wishes she'd had when she started learning about Feng Shui. Cantley's 11-step program demystifies foundational ideas and practices, with guided exercises for creating intention, tapping into intuition, cleaning and decluttering, and balancing and enhancing energy in your home. But this is no rule book! Cantley's process for eliminating blockages, realizing goals, and "living in the flow" is designed to be customized to anyone's desires, experiences, and style.

Feng Shui, as one of the Chinese design principles, is a design and architecture framework developed in China. Its aim is to create peaceful, pleasant, healthy and sustainable environment for people who live in. When families in China look for their new home or upgrade their current home, they stick on several factors including location, shape, and the layout of the home and the structure of its internal elements. Based on the principle of Feng Shui, they evaluate what is missing, what is not needed and how can these elements be improved and balanced. The purpose of this project is to incorporate some simple Feng Shui principles along with sustainable design principles to remodel a house and make it more livable and sustainable. The subject of this project is an Asian American house located in Northridge, California. A design proposal to remodel the client's living room and backyard was presented based on some simple Feng Shui principles and other sustainable design principles. The goal of the design was to improve living quality and harmony. In this project, different patterns have been selected based on Feng Shui and sustainable design ideas. The project was evaluated by the client, an interior design expert and a Feng Shui Master who practices professional Feng Shui Design mainly in the United States. The project realized its goal of successfully incorporating Feng Shui principles with sustainable patterns in interior design to create a more humane and eco-friendly green environment. It also demonstrated that many guidelines of

Feng Shui are in accord with sustainability requirements. The findings of this project indicate that the use of simple Feng Shui and other sustainable patterns can help to improve the living quality of a house.

An essential and accessible guide to increasing happiness, improving your financial well-being, and bettering your health through the timeless Chinese art of feng shui. Promising health, wealth, and happiness, feng shui offers endless appeal—at least in concept. Unfortunately, feng shui's seemingly complicated methods are often difficult to learn and apply in a meaningful way. Fortunately, *Move Your Stuff, Change Your Life* is written in plain and simple English for the modern Western reader. Revealing the ancient Chinese secrets that are as useful and necessary today as they have been for centuries, *Move Your Stuff, Change Your Life* communicates how to:

- MEET "THE ONE"
- FIND A DREAM JOB
- EARN BETTER GRADES IN SCHOOL
- ENJOY A BETTER SEX LIFE

*Feng Shui Before and After* uses the ancient art of feng shui to help you improve the energetic quality and visual appeal of your home or office. The book tells you how to find your most and least fortunate directions, your element and star number, and how to use the "magic square" to discover which sectors of your house relate to specific areas of your life. This book will show you how to transform your home or office, restoring harmony and maximizing the flow of good energy or ch'i in your life by doing things as simple as rearranging furniture, redecorating using the right colors, or adding a mirror, plant, or wind-chime. With beautiful "before and after" color photographs and informative text, this title contains everything you need to improve any area's feng shui.

Whether you're looking to reorganize your home or office, *The Everything Feng Shui Book* can help you create a room filled with tranquility with little effort or expense. Based on the ancient Chinese concept of harmony and balance, feng shui is said to have the ability to improve many areas of life, including happiness, wealth, and inner peace. *The Everything Feng Shui Book* is a complete, room-by-room guide to the Chinese design technique that has become immensely popular among those trying to simplify their lives. With easy-to-follow steps and instructional diagrams, this book shows you practical ways to incorporate the principles into your own home. You'll learn how to make the most of your home's positive energy by simply rearranging your furniture, adding a plant or two, and eliminating useless clutter.

With over 200 photos this Asian design book showcases the feng shui techniques instrumental in some of the world's most spectacular structures. *Feng Shui Style* demonstrates clearly that ancient Chinese principles of feng shui are not just compatible with good architectural and interior design—but that the two may be carefully engineered to be mutually supportive on many different levels. Presented here are some of the most interesting and beautiful homes and interiors designed along feng shui principles in both Asia and the West to enhance the wellbeing and prosperity of those who use them. The feng shui techniques covered include simple Eight Mansion feng shui, the placement of Water Dragons, interior and exterior furnishings and alignments, and the calculation of intricate Flying Star charts. Examples range from the grand 19th century mansion belonging to one of the last and richest mandarins of Imperial China, via the timeless Balinese luxury of Begawan Giri, to the latest and most exciting Philippe Starck designed environments in London, each showing how the timeless concepts and techniques of feng shui are used to enrich, harmonize, and stimulate.

Improve your wellness, extend your longevity, and secure a healthy environment with the ancient power and wisdom of Classical Feng Shui. This comprehensive guide reveals ancient and modern techniques for lasting health and beauty that both beginners and advanced students can use. Providing step-by-step instruction, *Feng Shui Master Denise Liotta Dennis* teaches you: The two most popular Classical Feng Shui systems: Flying Stars and Eight Mansions Feng Shui's Taoist roots and a variety of health modalities from ancient and modern times Profound secrets of the "Heavenly Doctor" position and its importance in enhancing

health Ways to protect your body and mind from detrimental formations, devices, and environments With well-researched information, period charts, astoundingly accurate health predictions, and much more, Classical Feng Shui for Health, Beauty & Longevity will help you be happier and healthier. Praise: "Denise Liotta Dennis has done a great job of clearly expressing [the application of feng shui to health], going into great detail."—Grand Master Dr. Stephen Skinner

Create fun and easy scrapbooks with an Asian flair! For scrapbookers tired of the same old same old, Scrapbook Asian Style! is chock full of new ideas, art, and inspiration for creating beautiful scrapbook craft. It's perfect for experienced scrapbookers who are looking for something new to try in their layouts and for beginners who love the distinctive look of Asian design—or who simply want to make a splash with something special. With 150 projects from several accomplished scrapbook artists, such as a Buddha Light Switch Cover and Grandma's Origami Brag Book, this inspiring reference provides tons of ideas as well as step-by-step instructions on how to add pizzazz to layouts with Asian colors, motifs, fabrics, papers, text and brush work. Dozens of fun and exciting materials and techniques are used to give scrapbook layouts an Asian feel—including rub-ons, Asian characters, Chinese seals, die cuts, pressed flowers, patterned paper, handmade paper, washi paper, fabric, letter stickers, stamping, embossing, distressing, Chinese calligraphy, paper weaving, faux batik, journaling, origami, digital effects and more. Scrapbookers of all levels will find ideas to document and celebrate special memories and occasions—including vacation, baby layouts, "all about me" pages, grandparents and grandchildren layouts, family portraits, anniversaries, birthdays, graduations, baby showers and holidays.

The first Chinese firm included in The Master Architect Series richly deserves inclusion with a large body of commercial work to his credit.

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A feng shui book specifically for teens. • Shows how to create balanced teen environments that promote personal development and positive self expression. • Tailors solutions to teen spaces: bedrooms, dormitories, desks, drawers, and lockers. • Shows how, when, and where to use music, incense, and posters. • Addresses real teen issues such as body image, tattoos and piercings, and cigarettes and other drugs. Teen Feng Shui demonstrates how the universal principles behind the design practice of feng shui can be applied to the contemporary environments of teenagers--from school lockers to dorm rooms--in order to maximize personal power, develop harmonious relationships, and define personal space. Noting that all books on feng shui are created for adults, Susan Levitt has provided a resource geared specifically toward the needs and realities of the teenage experience, addressing how young adults can design their living spaces to transform their lives. She describes how music, posters, and incense can influence space and includes before-and-after illustrations of feng shui "fixes." Teen Feng Shui also incorporates Chinese astrology, financial management and shopping tips for teens, insights on love and sex, personal stories, and case studies to provide a fun and comprehensive guide to this ancient art of placement.

Proper balance in life and in business can leave people inspired, engaged, and ready to take action. And for real estate professionals, home buyers, designers, or just personal home life, the way you stage and design a home or your business can keep you or your clients energized, focused, and in-tune with goals both today and in the future. A Course in Real Feng Shui is a book focused on the holistic nature of how Feng Shui impacts our lives and the spaces surrounding them. A wonderful look into an artform employed for thousands of years, the hidden secrets within these pages will help fortify your personal accomplishments and overall business success! Written by renowned consultant, teacher, and author Althea S.T., you'll learn all about the influence of Feng Shui as it pertains to landscape, surroundings, and properties. From finding out why some locations stay inactive or become negative spaces, to

choosing locations and layouts that empower and guide you along, you'll gradually learn how to evaluate, design, redesign and improve any property. This comprehensive Feng Shui book will also teach you: What Comes with a Property and Why Its Shape and Direction Matter Real, Applicable Practices Behind Feng Shui How to Employ Maps, a Compass, Layouts, Locations, and Directions Advanced Teachings to Change Energy and Perspective And so much more! Inside A Course in Real Feng Shui , you'll also find jam-packed appendices and more than 200 illustrations and tables for you to study and compare; along with a 2017-2030 DS calendar, complete chapter on Annual Assessment, and the difference between good and bad locations in detail. Get this book today and rejuvenate your current living or work spaces, homes or properties, and other locales where you need to set the right tone, comfort, and style. Award Winner in the Eastern Philosophy category of the 2017 Soul-Bridge Body-Mind-Spirit Book Awards of Europe (January 29, 2018).

Illustrated by a series of international case studies, this book provides an interdisciplinary cover view of heritage, culture and identity in this dynamic region and demonstrates how the forces of 'post-colonialism' in their various manifestations are accelerating social change and creating new and 'imagined' communities.

The Handbook of the Asian Way and Eastern Feng Shui is a unique introduction to Asian culture, life style, and the use of the genuine Eastern Feng Shui. You will learn about Chinese society and how religion, the arts, history, Chinese medicine, martial arts, and Feng Shui interrelate in everyday life.

Take the popular decorating concept of Feng Shui to a whole new level with authentic information on how to create a Chinese aesthetic. Learn how to alleviate clutter and increase the flow of chi, the universal life force; discover ways of integrating Chinese furniture and decorative arts to decorating styles; and stroll through a rich collection of images from homes, museums, and galleries.

This comprehensive title is among the first to extensively use newly released 2010 U.S. Census data to examine multiculturalism today and tomorrow in America. This distinction is important considering the following NPR report by Eyder Peralta: "Based on the first national numbers released by the Census Bureau, the AP reports that minorities account for 90 percent of the total U.S. growth since 2000, due to immigration and higher birth rates for Latinos." According to John Logan, a Brown University sociologist who has analyzed most of the census figures, "The futures of most metropolitan areas in the country are contingent on how attractive they are to Hispanic and Asian populations." Both non-Hispanic whites and blacks are getting older as a group. "These groups are tending to fade out," he added. Another demographer, William H. Frey with the Brookings Institution, told The Washington Post that this has been a pivotal decade. "We're pivoting from a white-black-dominated American population to one that is multiracial and multicultural." Multicultural America: A Multimedia Encyclopedia explores this pivotal moment and its ramifications with more than 900 signed entries not just providing a compilation of specific ethnic groups and their histories but also covering the full spectrum of issues flowing from the increasingly multicultural canvas that is America today. Pedagogical elements include an introduction, a thematic reader's guide, a chronology of multicultural milestones, a glossary, a resource guide to key books, journals, and Internet sites, and an appendix of 2010 U.S. Census Data. Finally, the electronic version will be the only reference work on this topic to augment written entries with multimedia for today's students, with 100 videos (with transcripts) from Getty Images and Video Vault, the Agence France Press, and Sky News, as reviewed by the media librarian of the Rutgers University Libraries, working in concert with the title's editors.

Modern Asian Design provides a comprehensive introduction to the development of Asian design in the modern period, both tracing historical threads and offering

a theoretical framework within which to chart the history of design in Asia. Rather than a singular "Asian history", this book presents a series of studies centred on trade routes, colonial relationships, regional networks and cross-cultural exchanges. Modern Asian Design builds on existing resources beyond design history in an effort to map the field, focusing particularly on relations between Asia and the West and also across Asian design cultures. Opening with a brief overview of trade and exchange networks in the 17th and 18th centuries, the bulk of this study comprises analysis of the development of modern design in Asia during the later 19th and early 20th centuries, a period of rapid modernisation. The book's final two chapters bring these central ideas into a contemporary and highly relevant context.

When it comes to both the technical and aesthetic considerations of using textiles in interior design, this book gives working professionals what they need to know. You'll receive expert guidance to the process of textile specifications, selection, installation and maintenance, as well as an understanding of the properties of fabric types and a historical context of styles. Sustainable design and code issues are also considered. More than 500 illustrations and photographs elucidate key ideas. This survey of textiles for interior design is divided into three main parts: Fabrics: The interior design textile industry and marketplace. A study of fibers, yarns, constructions, and finishes. Codes and "green" design. Applications: Textile specifications and coordination of upholstery and wall coverings, window treatments, linens and accessories, and rugs and carpeting. Period Style: Oriental styles, Renaissance and Formal styles, Medieval, Colonial, Country and Provence styles, Regional and Ethnic styles, and Modern styles. Order your copy today!

This comprehensive compilation of entries documents the origins, transmissions, and transformations of Asian American folklore and folklife. \* More than 600 entries \* Contributions from more than 170 expert contributors \* Introductory essays covering disciplinary theories and methods in the study of folklore and folklife \* An appendix of Asian American folktales

Flying Star Feng Shui adds a new "time dimension" to feng shui practice reflecting the fact that the subtle energies present in our living environment are constantly changing. The flying star combinations make it possible to respond to or prepare for these changing energy "situations." These methods produce impressive and rapid results and can both shorten periods of bad luck, while initiating or prolonging periods of good fortune. These concepts have previously been available only from a few untranslated or highly technical sources. Author Stephen Skinner has a international reputation as a populizer of feng shui concepts for Western readers. In Flying Star Feng Shui he introduces one of the most effective and popular aspects of feng shui practice today.

Feng Shui for Architecture is an easy-to-use manual to incorporate Scientific Feng Shui into the design, renovation, and decorating of your home. The final goal is to support your well-being, as well as your family's, in all aspects of life. It

is also particularly useful during a real estate pre-acquisition inspection, for it offers examples of bad Feng Shui (to avoid), good Feng Shui (to desire), and how to correct any overall problems. This will help you to evaluate the kind of investment to be made and to make the property Feng Shui proof (as well as decide if you want to either buy it or pass on it). The only book on the market written by an architect, interior designer, and Feng Shui expert who has over 20 years of expertise in the fields of architectural planning, design, and Scientific Feng Shui Mastery, *Feng Shui for Architecture* is largely the result of answering frequent questions that have arisen over the years by concerned Feng Shui and Interior Architecture students in classes taught by the author as well as addressing common issues brought up by professional architects, designers, and clients with whom the author has consulted with during the development of hundreds of projects (and whom are also the same people who encouraged her to write this book).

Editorial Reviews "Dr. Simona Mainini has an astonishing ability to interpret and install ancient Chinese formulas in such a way that they change lives today. Her discipline and precision in a field not often distinguished by these qualities is both unique and world class." Richard Ashworth Author of *The Feng Shui Diaries* Editor-in-Chief of *The Journal of the Feng Shui Society* "Dr. Mainini is one of those few, wonderful people who have managed to weld together the strict disciplines of architectural practice with the aesthetics and philosophies of the ancient Chinese traditions of Feng Shui. Readers can be assured that what she writes is not founded just on theory alone, but sound, practical experience." Derek Walters Author of *The Feng Shui Handbook & The Complete Guide to Chinese Astrology* "Feng Shui for Architecture is an excellent guide for both the Feng Shui professional and layperson. You can benefit from the knowledge presented here and use it to make your environment as harmonious as possible." Larry Sang Author of *The Principles of Feng Shui* President & Founder of *The American Feng Shui Institute* "Feng Shui for Architecture has been extremely inspirational to me and many of my students at the School of Architecture and Urbanism at the University of Sao Paulo (Brazil). We are very impressed with Dr. Mainini's knowledge and experience. She brings a new pattern to design and architecture." Maria Cecilia Loschiavo dos Santos, PhD Author of *Movel Moderno no Brasil* Professor, Design Department, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil "The title and subtitle promises a lot-- and this book delivers even more! Dr. Mainini has done a fabulous job organizing and explaining-- in a clear, precise manner-- the principles of Feng Shui and the ancient Chinese art of placement for good energy flow as it applies to the spaces in which we live and work. Not only is this book great for the preparation of buildings, it is also extremely useful even if you are only searching for an energetically superior apartment, house, or office space to rent. If you are looking for an invaluable source of Feng Shui information to help bring harmony to your living and working space and your life, this is a book for you. I applaud Dr. Mainini for the publishing of this, her first book, and highly recommend it to those

who want to learn more about this most fascinating modality of healing. A+!"  
Raphaelle Tamura Founder, Star of Peace Publishing Founder, Seraphim at Mount Shasta

Change Your Look, Change Your Life Feng shui master Carole Swann Meltzer and David Andrusia present feng shui in a new way: Instead of feng shui-ing the space around you, you feng shui your body. Learn how to use color, cut, fabric, and style -- even your accessories and hair color -- to: jump-start your career inspire your creativity ensure your health You'll also learn effective meditation techniques to gain focus in all that you do, plus easy exercises for greater energy than ever before. Feng Shui Chic will help you achieve your greatest goals...and prosper in every part of your life -- today, tomorrow, and in the time to come. A comprehensive study of feng-shui discusses the theoretical and philosophical principles of the ancient Chinese art of harmonious design, the history of its practice, and ways to adapt one's environment to harmonize the patterns of the universe. 15,000 first printing.

Unlock the full wealth potential of your home or office using the potent formulas and wisdom of Classical Feng Shui. Written by a Feng Shui master, Classical Feng Shui for Wealth & Abundance reveals authentic techniques for success with money, business, and career. In this book, beginners and advanced students will learn: The two most popular Feng Shui systems: Eight Mansions and Flying Stars Easy-to-use Get Rich Keys and your personal Life Gua number for money luck Wealth building formulas such as Five Ghosts Carry Treasure, Dragon Gate, and Water Dragons How to identify and eliminate killing chi like Eight Roads of Destruction, Robbery Mountain Sha, and Eight Killing Forces Whether you're buying a house, creating a home, or managing a business, these ancient and powerful techniques are exactly what you need to capture prosperity and success.

Comprises a collection of papers presented at the 7th International Conference on Harmonisation between Architecture and Nature, this volume reviews the challenges and new opportunities of contemporary architecture. These papers cover the results of advances in design and new building technologies, as well as the development of new materials. Many of the changes are motivated by a drive towards eco-architecture, trying to harmonise architectural products with nature. Another important issue is the adaptation of the architectural design to the natural environment, learning from nature and traditional construction techniques. Never before in history have architects and engineers had such a range of new processes and products open to them. In spite of that, the construction industry lags behind all others in taking advantage of a wide variety of new technologies. This is understandable, due to the inherent complexity and uniqueness of each architectural project. Advances in computer and information systems, including robotics, offers the possibility of developing new architectural forms, construction products and building technologies which are just now starting to emerge. Changes have also taken place in the way modern society works and lives, due

to the impact of modern technologies. Patterns of work have been disrupted and changed, affecting transportation and the home environment. The demand is for a new type of habitat that can respond to the changes and the consequent requirements in terms of urban environment. The papers contained in this book deal with topics such as building technologies, design by passive systems, design with nature, cultural sensitivity, life cycle assessment, resources and rehabilitation and many others including case studies from many different places around the world. They will be of interest to architects, engineers, planners, physical scientists, sociologists and economists.

Reading *Graphic Design in Cultural Context* explains key ways of understanding and interpreting the graphic designs we see all around us, in advertising, branding, packaging and fashion. It situates these designs in their cultural and social contexts. Drawing examples from a range of design genres, leading design historians Grace Lees-Maffei and Nicolas P. Maffei explain theories of semiotics, postmodernism and globalisation, and consider issues and debates within visual communication theory such as legibility, the relationship of word and image, gender and identity, and the impact of digital forms on design. Their discussion takes in well-known brands like Alessi, Nike, Unilever and Tate, and everyday designed things including slogan t-shirts, car advertising, ebooks, corporate logos, posters and music packaging.

Discover the rarified Peranakan (native-born Chinese of Southeast Asia) aesthetics that are today highly sought-after for their beauty: distinctive furniture and ceramics, textiles and jewelry, and many other art objects. *Peranakan Chinese Home* displays these extraordinary objects, visible markers of a highly developed culture. The broad range of beautiful objects which the Peranakan Chinese created and enjoyed in their daily lives is astounding. Each chapter in *The Peranakan Chinese Home* focuses on a different area and presents objects used or found in those spaces. Each piece is described in the context of their utility as household objects, as part of periodic celebrations to mark the Chinese New Year and other holidays, or in important life passage rituals relating to ancestor worship, birth, marriage, mourning and burial. The meaning of the rich symbolic and ornamental motifs found on the objects is discussed in detail and key differences are highlighted between Peranakan objects and similar ones found in China. A fascinating mix of Chinese, European and Southeast Asian influences, the distinctly Peranakan identity of a people and their culture is beautifully portrayed through objects and archival photographs in this lovely and exotic book.

*Simple Feng Shui* takes the agony out of understanding this esoteric discipline and offers an easy, clear, and user-friendly approach to the Eastern art of placement. Starting with a concise history and philosophy of the Taoist-based method of channeling the life energy, or chi, Sharp's uniquely readable "feng shui made easy" provides all the tools for practicing the fascinating Chinese art that strives for complete accord with nature.

• The first book to explain how feng shui developed from the Taoist systems of astrology, yin and yang, and the five elements. • Provides a background on Taoist philosophy to help readers better understand the principles of feng shui and how to use them properly. • Helps readers improve home, business, garden, property, neighborhoods, and much more. The Chinese art of feng shui has become extremely popular in the West, but too often advice on the subject consists of overly simplistic instructions for rearranging one's house without any explanation of the profound philosophical system behind these changes. The ancient Taoists developed feng shui from their understanding of the subtle interplay of energies that make up the universe, and no true mastery of feng shui is possible without a knowledge of Taoism. Taoist Feng Shui provides step-by-step guidelines for improving your home, business, garden, property, and neighborhood using this ancient system of knowledge. In Taoist Feng Shui, Susan Levitt traces the history of feng shui and shows how it is grounded in knowledge of yin and yang and the five Taoist elements of fire, earth, metal, water, and wood, as well as many other principles essential to Taoism. Once a background in Taoism is established, readers can better understand the philosophy behind concepts such as choosing the best colors for each room of the home, room-by-room furniture placement, yin and yang balance, correct lighting, outdoor landscaping, the function of hallways and entrances, and the proper use of mirrors, crystals, fountains, and other feng shui tools. With in-depth examples from the author's private feng shui practice, Taoist Feng Shui can help all readers transform their personal environments to create peace, harmony, health, wealth, and good fortune.

The same principles of feng shui that help us harmonize our environments can also be applied to our bodies. Focusing on the special needs of women, the author provides exercises and meditations that promote both inner and outer beauty.

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