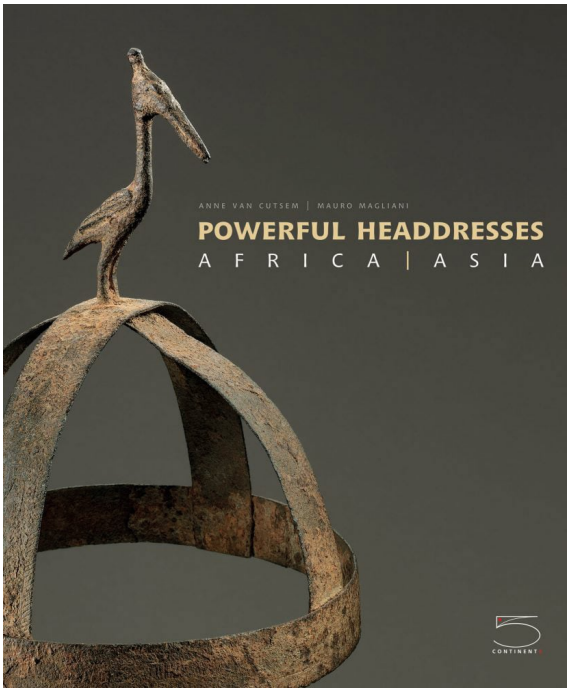
TITLE INFORMATION
Tel: +44 (0) 1394 389950
Email: uksales@accartbooks.com
Web: https://www.accartbooks.com/uk



Powerful Headdresses

Africa | Asia

Anne van Cutsem

Mauro Magliani

ISBN	9788874395514
Publisher	5 Continents Editions
Binding	Hardback
Territory	World excluding Italy & France
Size	293 mm x 247 mm
Pages	200 Pages
Illustrations	140 color
Price	£55.00

- This selection of 120 African and Asian headdresses from the Ira Brind collection takes readers into the most hidden corners of two continents throughout the 20th century

Over the centuries, craftsmen have applied their creativity and technical skills to exploit the generous resources of Nature to marvellous effect. In this case they have employed seeds, leaves, flowers and fibres from the plant world, along with feathers, plain or iridescent shells, teeth, and fur from the animal kingdom to fashion objects of astonishing beauty, enhanced with the addition of elements in iron, copper, silver, and gold. Such materials have always provided the basis for magnificent headdresses of all varieties, including hats, caps, crowns, and headbands. In time, as the conditions of trade and pilgrimage routes improved, rare materials and manufactured products spread all over the globe, as well as new knowledge, techniques, and methods of fabrication. Each class of individual sported a distinct type of headdress: initiates and adults, hunters and warriors, religious dignitaries and healers, rulers and notables; unmarried girls, married women, and young mothers. In each case the author explains their opulence and symbolism to the reader.

Anne van Cutsem, art historian, is the author of books, articles and catalogues on the ethnic world. Her work has been published by different publishing houses, including 5 Continents, Skira and Dapper.

Anne van Cutsem, art historian, is the author of books, articles and catalogs on the ethnic world. Her work has been published by different publishing houses, including 5 Continents, Skira and Dapper.

Published 1st Jan 2019