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Barabaig: Life, Love And Death On Tanzania's Hanang Plains



Synopsis

A fascinating anthropological account of the Barabaig Documents the struggle to save their land An invaluable record of a way of life that is under threat The Barabaig are a group of nomadic cattle herders in north central Tanzania. In the 1980s, Charles Lane had the privilege of living as one of them. Despite being known as killers by their enemies, he found them to be generous and caring companions, giving him his own cattle and sharing all aspects of their lives. However, their reputation for stealing cattle and killing their foes, has led them to be widely feared and disliked by administrators and neighbors, thereby contributing to the seizure of much of their lands and abuse of their rights. This beautifully illustrated book, photographed by Charles Lane, shows the Barabaig's artistry in many facets of their lives, and provides both a fascinating anthropological record and a visual feast. It also recounts how Charles joined with the Barabaig in an ultimately unsuccessful legal challenge for the loss of their lands. This rich and hitherto sustainable culture is now under threat, ensuring that this book will become an invaluable record. With a Preface from Survival International Director, Stephen Corry, and Foreword by author and activist, George Monbiot.

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