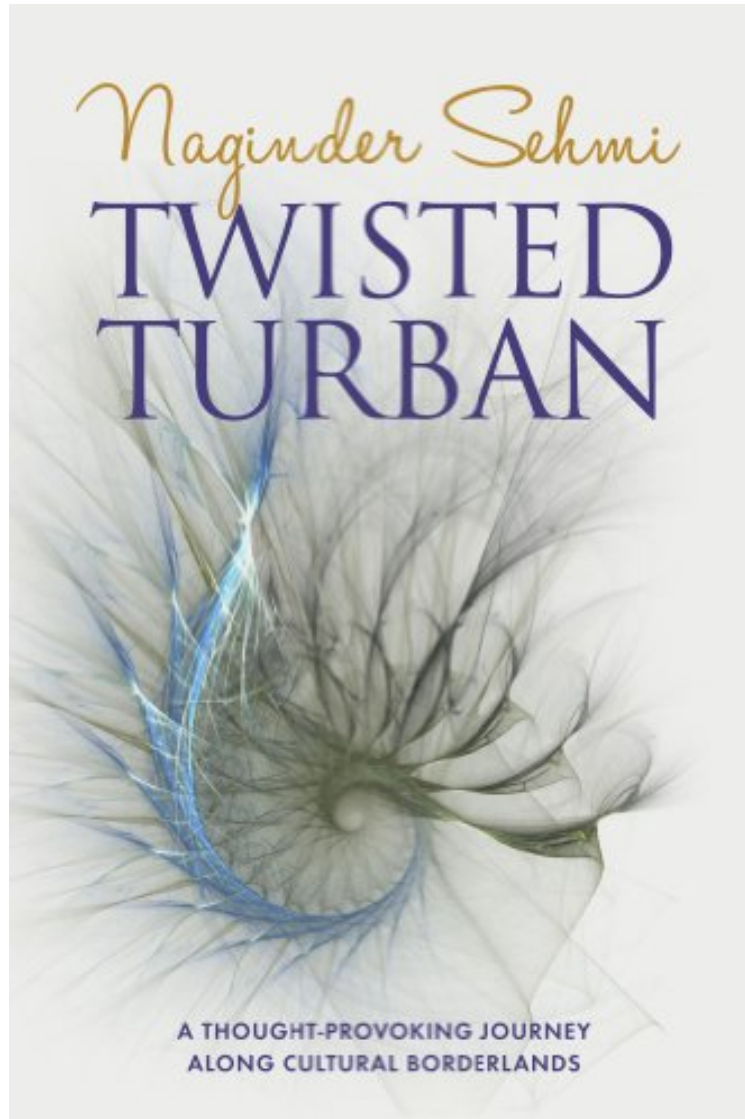


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Review from a person knowing the author since many years:Von Richard HelmerWhat an impressive Christmas present 2013 just in time for the start of the New Year 2014! Reading these four hundred pages between the years carried me far away from Lake Geneva into the meanders of an extraordinary flow of life in another culture which spreads over the lands and waters of the familiar continents. The book makes the reader experience the places we think we know well

from a quite different perspective: the global Sikh universe; opening rather new and unexpected ways to conduct a social and religious life within different socio-political settings. Marriages and funerals within the extended Sikh family take us along to far away countries, yet staying within the same cultural context. The Indian Ocean, the Mediterranean, and the Atlantic have to be crossed many times to follow the author on his restless path; no wonder when considering his professional dedication to water resources. Trying to understand what keeps the Sikhs tied together and how they tick, individually and as a global group, is immensely helped by the author who takes the reader into their world. Putting his own beliefs and philosophical insights in relation to the great Indian and European thinkers of past and present times provides a plate full of food for thought challenging his Sikh peers as well as his Western friends alike. His concept of Life is a River has certainly been sensed by many along their own flow of life. *Panta Rhei* is with us since the ancient Greeks, and also with our contemporary author. Certainly surprising to many of his friends (who naively thought they know him well), the love story revealed by the author emerges as the omnipresent thread that accompanies his life from adolescence to his premonition of *Hopping to Paradise*, a logical last chapter of the book. In literary terms, the *Malika* story keeps the book together and keeps up the tension and eagerness of the reader to learn how their relation evolves. Thus the extended philosophical and religious discussions are spiced by real life situations with vivid pictures of village life in the Punjab, the Kenyan Highlands, and the multi-cultural urban society of the US West Coast. Flying and jogging together with the author along cultural borderlands is the one challenging feature of the book, sharing personal religious beliefs and sentimental secrets the other captivating face of the book. The autobiographic honesty of the book privileges the reader to meet an accomplished wise man in person.

**Kurzbeschreibung** *Twisted Turban* centres on a heart-rending story of hardship and unfulfilled romantic love between two people facing the inevitable approach of death and decay in a caste-based society. Through true-life accounts, it provides an unparalleled insight into the lives of Sikhs in India and the Asian diaspora across Africa, Europe and America. Full of humour, insight and keen observation, the book is an account of a personal journey and at the same time a commentary on some of the problems of today's society. As an intellectual and an academic, the author has never ceased to wonder at the cynical and often gullible cultural and religious assumptions of Sikh society. Naginder Sehmi was born in Kenya and has now retired to French-speaking Switzerland, but at heart he remains an Indian and a Sikh who has spent much of his life exploring and challenging the borders between eastern and western cultures and the frontiers between science and spirituality. **Kurzbeschreibung** *Twisted Turban* centres on a heart-rending story of hardship and unfulfilled romantic love between two people facing the inevitable approach of death and decay in a caste-based society. Through true-life accounts, it provides an unparalleled insight into the lives of Sikhs in India and the Asian diaspora across Africa, Europe and America. Full of humour, insight and keen observation, the book is an account of a personal journey and at the same time a commentary on some of the problems of today's society. As an intellectual and an academic, the author has never ceased to wonder at the cynical and often gullible cultural and religious assumptions of Sikh society. Naginder Sehmi was born in Kenya and has now retired to French-speaking Switzerland, but at heart he remains an Indian and a Sikh who has spent much of his life exploring and challenging the borders between eastern and western cultures and the frontiers between science and spirituality.