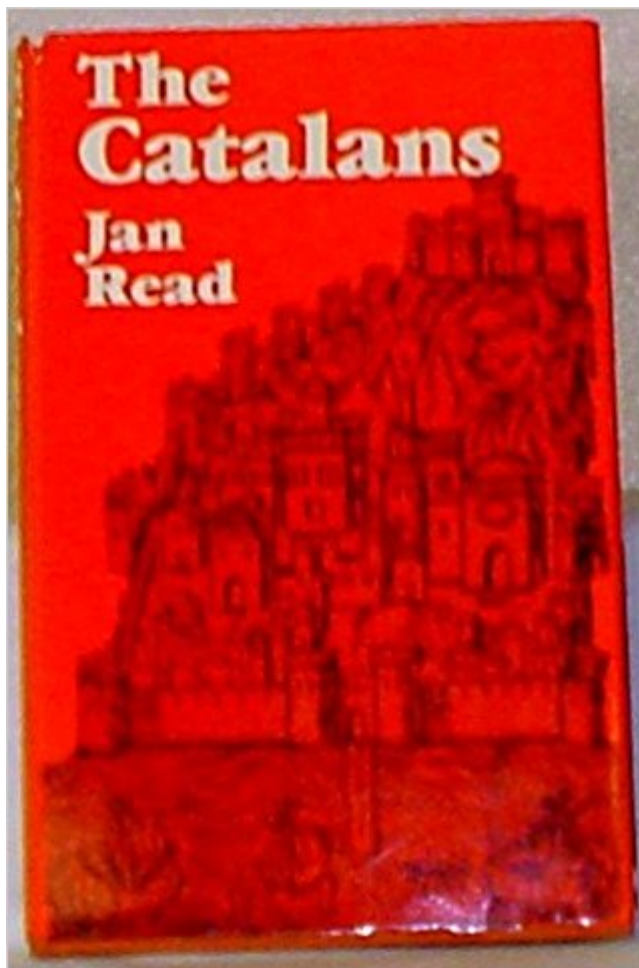




Ebook Directory
the best source of ebook

The book was found

Catalans



DOWNLOAD EBOOK

Synopsis

Book by Read, Jan

Book Information

Hardcover: 223 pages

Publisher: Faber & Faber; 1st edition (June 1979)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0571109691

ISBN-13: 978-0571109692

Package Dimensions: 8.8 x 5.8 x 0.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.7 pounds

Average Customer Review: 2.0 out of 5 stars 1 customer review

Best Sellers Rank: #6,847,812 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #58 in [Books > Travel > Europe > Spain > Catalonia](#) #15474 in [Books > Reference > Writing, Research & Publishing Guides > Writing > Travel](#) #21138 in [Books > Travel > Travel Writing](#)

Customer Reviews

Book by Read, Jan

This little book is packed with the history of Catalan region from the beginning of time until 20th century. For me, the pace of the book was too quick as each chapter seems to move thru another century and most remarkable people (monarchs, artists, teachers, physicians) of that time. We learn that initial rulers were very protective of their land and have purposely engaged in arranged political marriages in order to preserve and expand the power. We also learn of famous rulers Isabel and Ferdinand are equals in terms of their power even though they came from two different houses: house of Aragon and house of Catalan. This sort of equality has entitled them to share riches from new land (Americas) equally between each other. But as time progresses, regents become weaker: physically, spiritually and mentally and thus becomes time of change when the ideas of republic start to overpower centuries old loyalties to monarchy. This is an ambitious book, but without any deep understanding of this region prior to reading the book, I was simply overwhelmed with names, titles, relationships, marriages and complex history of the region. It is a beautiful country with rich culture, language, customs and people and it will take a couple of more books before I can fully understand it. I am sure that my visit to the region this Spring will help too.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Catalans

Contact Us

DMCA

Privacy

FAQ & Help