SUGGESTED READING GUIDE
Circumnavigation of the Black Sea: Turkey, Georgia, Ukraine & Bulgaria

Here is a brief selection of favorite, new and hard-to-find books, prepared for your journey. For your convenience, you may call (800) 342-2164 to order these books directly from Longitude, a specialty mail-order book service. To order online, and to get the latest, most comprehensive selection of books for your voyage, go directly to reading.longitudebooks.com/N911941.

RECOMMENDED PACKAGE
These five items are available as a set for $92 including shipping, 15% off the retail price (Item EXEUR787). Any additional books ordered will be shipped free of charge.


Pitman, Walter, and William Ryan. *Noah's Flood, The New Scientific Discoveries about the Event That Changed History*. Touchstone, 1999. Yes, there was a flood! So report the scientist-authors in this vivid account of the geology of the Black Sea. They draw on biblical history, marine geology, archaeology and mythology to demonstrate that the Black Sea was breached by the Mediterranean 7,600 years ago. (PAPER, 320 Pp., $19.99, Item BLK42)


Marco Polo. *Russia, Ukraine Belarus Map*. Mairs Geographischer Verlag, 2009. This more detailed regional map shows a slice of Russia from Moscow south to the southern shores of the Black Sea. (MAP, $15.95, Item RUS313)

MAPS & GUIDEBOOKS

HISTORY, CULTURE & EXPLORATION

Crowley, Roger. **1453, The Holy War For Constantinople and the Clash of Islam and the West.** Hyperion, 2006. In this well-paced history, Crowley recounts with drama the events surrounding the fall of Constantinople to the Ottoman Turks. (PAPER, 304 Pp., $15.99, Item TKY114)


Goodwin, Jason. **Lords of the Horizons.** Picador USA, 2003. Goodwin artfully combines his modern travels with scholarship, history and reflection, capturing the outrageous personalities, events and vagaries of the 600-year-old Ottoman empire. (PAPER, 351 Pp., $18, Item TKY44)

Herlihy, Patricia. **Odessa, A History, 1794-1914.** Harvard University Press, 1991. Herlihy contrasts Odessa's rapid development as a cosmopolitan, polyglot port city, with the growing tension within its society in the years leading up to WWI in this lively scholarly history. (PAPER, 432 Pp., $29.95, Item UKR18)

Herodotus. **The Histories.** 1994. In what may be the first travel book, Herodotus records the heroic struggle between Europe and Asia that culminated in the invasion of Greece by Xerxes. (PAPER, 656 Pp., $12, Item MED15)

Hingley, Ronald. **Russia, A Concise History.** Thames & Hudson, 2003. Well-known scholar Hingley sketches Russia's multiple transformations from her illiterate, pagan, Slavic roots to a multi-ethnic empire in this highly readable, well-illustrated brief history. (PAPER, 224 Pp., $19.95, Item RUS04)

King, Charles. **Odessa, Genius and Death in a City of Dreams.** W. W. Norton & Company, 2012. King (Black Sea, The Moldovans) writes with verve not only of the history of this great port city but also of noteworthy personalities, including Alexander Pushkin, Isaac Babel and Nobel Prize-winning biologist Ilya Mechnikov. (PAPER, 336 Pp., $16.95, Item UKR21)


Kinzer, Stephen. **Crescent and Star.** Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2008. This insightful anecdotal report on contemporary life, culture and politics in Turkey comes from a former New York Times Istanbul bureau chief, who is especially attuned to the powerful geographic position of Turkey and its multiple identities in Europe, Asia and the Middle East. (PAPER, 265 Pp., $17, Item TKY64)

Kort, Michael. **The Soviet Colossus, History and Aftermath.** M.E. Sharpe, Inc., 2010. Will Russia ever be prosperous, peaceful, and free? The new edition of this popular textbook brings the story to the 21st century, placing the Soviet experience in the context of both pre- and post-Soviet Russian history. (PAPER, 502 Pp., $39.95, Item RUS495)

Lloyd, Seton. **Ancient Turkey, A Traveller's History.** University of California Press, 1999. Turkey's archaeology and early history for the traveler by the former head of the British Archaeological Institute in Ankara. (PAPER, 240 Pp., $31.95, Item TKY43)


Reid, Anna. *Borderland, A Journey through the History of Ukraine*. Perseus, 2000. Reid, who was for three years the Kiev correspondent for The Economist, combines first-person reports, interviews and history in this vivid portrait of the region and its people. With chapters on Kiev and Odessa. (PAPER, 272 Pp., $17, Item RUS84)


Wilson, Andrew. *The Ukrainians, Unexpected Nation*. Yale University Press, 2009. An outstanding guide to modern identity, politics and history in Ukraine, highly recommended for an understanding of the geopolitics of the region and, especially, uneasy relations with mother Russia. (PAPER, 380 Pp., $19, Item RUS125)

TRAVEL, BIOGRAPHY & MEMOIR


LITERATURE

