This fourth edition of Odyssey's travel guide to Iran packs a hefty weight, both physically and in its content. Written by scholarly experts who have traveled extensively in the area, this is no ordinary travel book. Chapters on historical background are comprehensive, moving from prehistory to the present. In-depth descriptions for nine geographical areas delve into local geography, landmarks, and advice about what to see and how to get there. The geography chapter includes discussions of ethnic groups and water issues; facts for the traveler cover practical aspects such as clothing, visas, and shopping. Short "Special Topic" sections are interspersed throughout, contributing interesting digressions in areas such as cinema, food, and music. Plentiful color maps provide terrain details and information on roads, towns, and UNESCO World Heritage sites. The expected guidebook inclusions of useful Web sites, a list of hotels, a glossary, and a language guide are augmented by recommended subject area readings. With its depth of information, this compact volume will enlighten students and faculty whether they are seeking basic information or conducting research as armchair or active travelers. ** Summing Up: Recommended. ★★★ Lower-level undergraduates and above; general readers. — F. M. Hutson. West Chester University of Pennsylvania

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