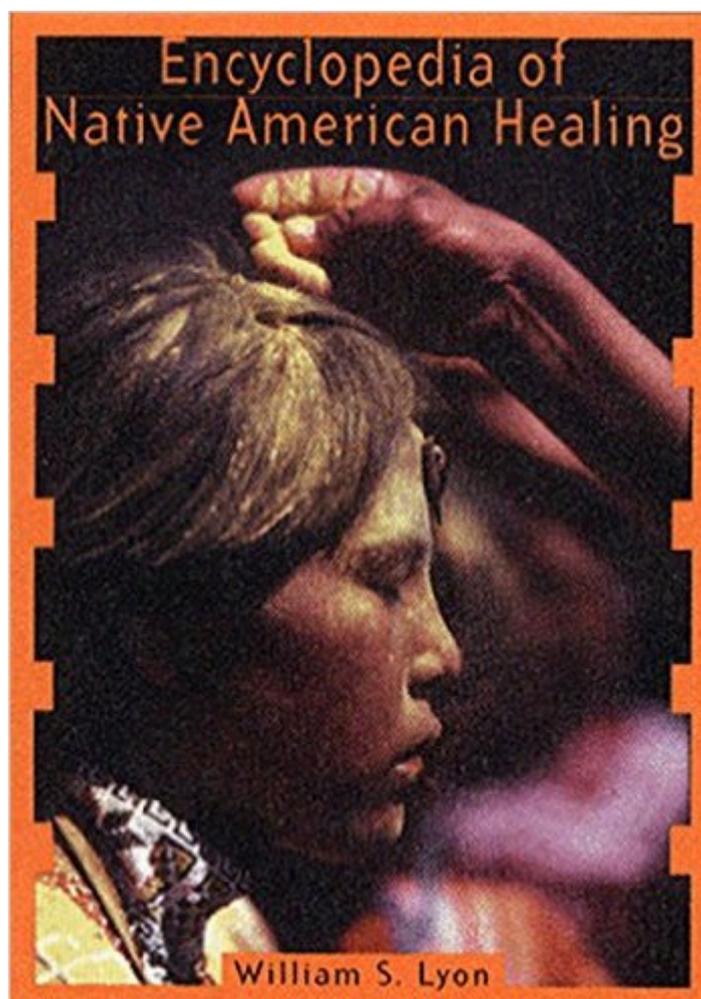


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# Encyclopedia Of Native American Healing (Healing Arts)



## Synopsis

This monumental volume explores, explains, and honors the healing practices of Native Americans throughout North America, from the southwestern United States to the Arctic Circle. Designed for ease of use with maps, a detailed subject index, an extensive bibliography, and cross references, this book is sure to fascinate anyone interested in Native American culture and heritage. Illustrated throughout

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## Customer Reviews

I originally purchased this book to see if I liked William Lyon's style of writing before purchasing the Encyclopedia of Native American Shamanism. I have enjoyed this book. It does duplicate itself sometimes but that will happen when dealing with so many different tribes in one book. It is amazing the similarities and differences in how different tribes treated the same illness. The personal accounts gave the book a spiritual and ancestral aspect. Even though it has a lot of information it does not read like a textbook. This book is a keeper for me. It will be a great help for me in researching many things dealing with animal spirits and herbal medicines. If you are using the book to look up something specific it is best to go to the index. Most of the entries are listed in different languages. If you are interested in Native American Teachings and Spirituality. Read the book cover to cover. It is a great way to find out what your interests are and use the bibliography to expand your knowledge. Once a person gets past the language barrier there is a historical and mystical quality to

this book. It takes on a life of its own if you have an open mind.

This book contains some very useful information for anyone spending a lot of time in the great outdoors. It will help you learn many of nature's self-healing herbs available used for years by native Americans.

The title clearly says it is an encyclopedia. A systems-oriented society also doesn't neatly separate itself into categories, the way Western culture likes to think. Religion is not separable from life, for native peoples. Having said that, this is a very good White Man culture encyclopedia. I was impressed. It has snippets from each culture, which is a little frustrating, I would have liked more detail. It is a bit dry, as are all encyclopedias. Still, the level of detail is most fascinating. I would want to balance it, by reading such books as *You the Healer: The World-Famous Silva Method on How to Heal Yourself and Others*, and maybe *Redneck Shaman*, *The Secret Science Behind Miracles: Huna Magic and Ho'Opono*, *Ho'Opono Instant Healing*, *Instant Healing: From Cutting-Edge Scientific Research to Ancient Rituals and Holistic Medicine, Powerful, Drug-Free Methods to Help You Heal Your Body and Stop Pain NOW!*, for balance. *Secrets of Shamanism: Tapping the Spirit Power Within You*, *Journey to the Ancestral Self: The Native Lifeway Guide to Living in Harmony with the Earth Mother (Bk.1)*, *Urban Shaman*, *Food of the Gods: The Search for the Original Tree of Knowledge A Radical History of Plants, Drugs, and Human Evolution*, *House of Shattering Light: Life as an American Indian Mystic*, and others would also be useful.

No balogna information, teaching ways of the old by people that learned it from someone at a school, etc. Huge resource of information and notes on papers preserved. Can look up in the index by tribe and well categorized, much like looking up a plant. Very well put together. May not cover all the things a reader is hoping for, but there is a lot to be learned by all nations. -Justine/YaHo [...]  
(We These Nations Unite, coming soon)

Currently I'm doing some research on the Lakota and wanted a decent reference book. This encyclopedia has much more than I expected. It includes a few pictures as well, which I like! It includes references to ceremonial practices, well known leaders and holy men, and detailed vocabulary. This is a keeper!

This is what it says it is, an encyclopedia. You are not going to learn in-depth about any one subject,

but you are going to get brief definitions/descriptions about a vast number of subjects related to healing from Native American tribes all across the land and across time. It is a mind-blowing tour that gives peeks into the similarities, and the contrasts, between Native American cultures, and the enriching details that show points of view from which we can begin to see the world in a different way if we will only open our eyes. More of a highlight tour or short synopsis compilation than long, thoughtful exposition, but definitely worth a look if you are a fan of Native American culture as lived or perceived, or a fan of healing practices.

I have found this is an excellent reference book the descriptions in each of the entries are clear, and not overly verbose every nice addition to my collection

Very Information. Shows that the natives had knowledge of natural medicine way before the europeans arrived here.

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