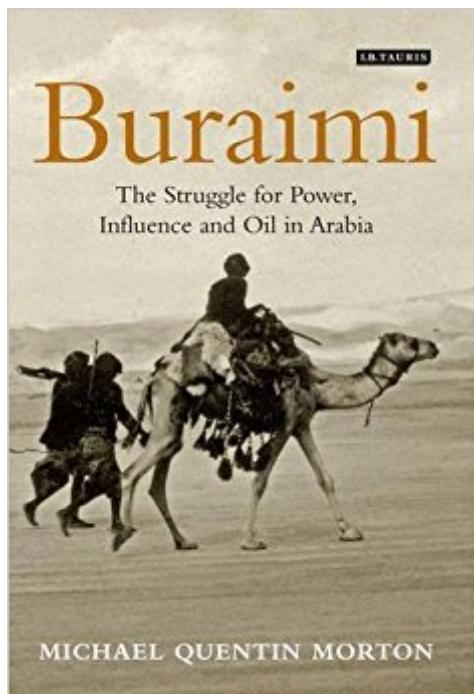


The book was found

# Buraimi: The Struggle For Power, Influence And Oil In Arabia



## Synopsis

Buraimi is an oasis in an otherwise bleak desert on the border between Oman and the UAE. In the early twentieth century, it shot to notoriety as oil brought the world's attention to this corner of the Arabian Peninsula, and the ensuing battle over energy resources between regional and global superpowers began. In this lively account, Michael Quentin Morton tells the story of how the power of oil and the conflicting interests of the declining British Empire and the United States all came to a head with the conflict between Great Britain and Saudi Arabia, shaping the very future of the Gulf states. The seeds of conflict over Buraimi were sown during the oil negotiations of 1933 in Jeddah, where the international oil companies vied for control of the future industry in the Arabian Peninsula. As a result of lengthy discussions, including the efforts of men such as St John Philby and Ibn Saud himself, the Saudis granted an oil concession for Eastern Arabia without precisely defining the geographical limits of the area to be conceded. Matters came to a head in 1949 when Saudi Arabia made claim to the territory, and Great Britain, acting on behalf of Oman and Abu Dhabi, challenged the actions of the Saudis. Attempts at arbitration failed, and only one year before Britain's defeat over the Suez Canal, Britain expelled Saudi Arabia from the oasis. In the wake of Britain's withdrawal 'East of Suez' in the early 1970s, the dispute was apparently solved between Saudi Arabia and the UAE. But whilst the controversy dominated Anglo-Saudi relations for more than 30 years, it still casts its shadow across the Gulf today, threatening to expose the fragility of the West's ever-present dependency on the region for its supply of oil. Morton brings a range of historical figures to life, from the American oilmen arriving in steamy Jeddah in the 1930s, to the rival sheikhs of Buraimi itself competing for power, wealth and allegiances as well as the great players in world politics: Churchill, Truman and Ibn Saud. This entertaining and thoroughly researched book is both a story of a decisive conflict in the history of Middle East politics and also of the great changes that the discovery of oil brought to this previously desolate land.

## Book Information

Hardcover: 304 pages

Publisher: I.B.Tauris (October 29, 2013)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1848858183

ISBN-13: 978-1848858183

Product Dimensions: 6.2 x 1.1 x 9.3 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.3 pounds ([View shipping rates and policies](#))

Average Customer Review: Be the first to review this item

Best Sellers Rank: #2,208,016 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #26 in Books > History > Middle East > Oman #39 in Books > History > Middle East > United Arab Emirates #1944 in Books > Textbooks > Humanities > History > Middle East

## Customer Reviews

'This is very well and entertainingly written and covers the subject in a way I've not seen before, bringing to it a good deal of primary sources research and weaving it together into a riveting story, with lots of juicy anecdotes.' — Gerd Nonneman, Al Qasimi Professor of Gulf Studies, Exeter University

Michael Quentin Morton grew up in Qatar, Bahrain and Abu Dhabi in the 1950s and 1960s. A barrister using his first-hand knowledge of the region, he has written a number of books and articles on the history of oil exploration in the Arabian Peninsula.

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

Buraimi: The Struggle for Power, Influence and Oil in Arabia Oil Painting: Learn Oil Painting FAST! Learn the Basics of Oil Painting In No Time (Oil Painting Tutorial, Oil Painting Books, Oil Painting For Beginners, Oil Painting Course, Oil Painting) (Volume 1) Coconut Flour Recipes: Your Ultimate Low Carb, Gluten Free & Paleo Friendly Coconut Flour Cookbook (Coconut Oil, Coconut Oil Recipes, Coconut Oil For Weight ... Oil For Beginners, Coconut Oil Miracles) Diffuser Recipes: Essential Oil Diffuser Recipes For Weight Loss, Better Sleep & Fat Loss (Aromatherapy, Essential Oils, Detox, Cleanse, Healthy Living, ... Lavender Oil, Coconut Oil, Tea Tree Oil) Essential Oils: 50 Essential Oil Dog & Cat Recipes From My Essential Oil Private Collection: Proven Essential Oil Recipes That Work! (Essential Oil Pet Private Collection Book 1) Olive Oil: (Free Gift eBook Inside!) How it Heals and Mends the Body, Beauty and Health Tips of Olive Oil (55 Beneficial Tips on How Olive Oil can Help You Today) Essential Oils for a Clean and Healthy Home: 200+ Amazing Household Uses for Tea Tree Oil, Peppermint Oil, Lavender Oil, and More Oil Painting: Masterful Techniques to Oil Painting, Portrait Painting and Landscape Painting (painting, oil painting, painting for beginners, paint techniques, ... paint, portrait painting, art and painting) Weed This Way! Cannabis Oil, CBD Oil, Dry Herb, Hemp Oil, & Wax Vaping with Electronic Cigarette Coconut Oil Hacks: 19 Life Changing Coconut Oil Hacks for Weight Loss, Radiant Health & Beauty Including Amazing Coconut Oil Recipes Essential Oils: Essential Oil Recipe Book - 30 Proven Essential Oil Recipes :: My Essential Oil Private Collection Vol. 1 (Private Collection Essential Oils) The Struggle

for Power and Influence in Cities and States The Oil Kings: How the U.S., Iran, and Saudi Arabia Changed the Balance of Power in the Middle East Solar Power: The Ultimate Guide to Solar Power Energy and Lower Bills: (Off Grid Solar Power Systems, Home Solar Power System) (Living Off Grid, Wind And Solar Power Systems) Power Training: For Combat, MMA, Boxing, Wrestling, Martial Arts, and Self-Defense: How to Develop Knockout Punching Power, Kicking Power, Grappling Power, and Ground Fighting Power Power Pivot and Power BI: The Excel User's Guide to DAX, Power Query, Power BI & Power Pivot in Excel 2010-2016 The Travels of Ludovico Di Varthema in Egypt, Syria, Arabia Deserta and Arabia Felix, in Persia, India, and Ethiopia, 1503 to 1508 (Classic Reprint) An A-to-Z Pocket Guide to Living and Working in Saudi Arabia: Twenty-Six Things to Know about Living and Working in Saudi Arabia The Travels of Ludovico di Varthema in Egypt, Syria, Arabia Deserta and Arabia Felix, in Persia, India, and Ethiopia, A.D. 1503 to 1508 Manipulation: Proven Manipulation Techniques To Influence People With NLP, Mind Control and Persuasion! ( Persuasion, Mind Control, Influence People)

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)