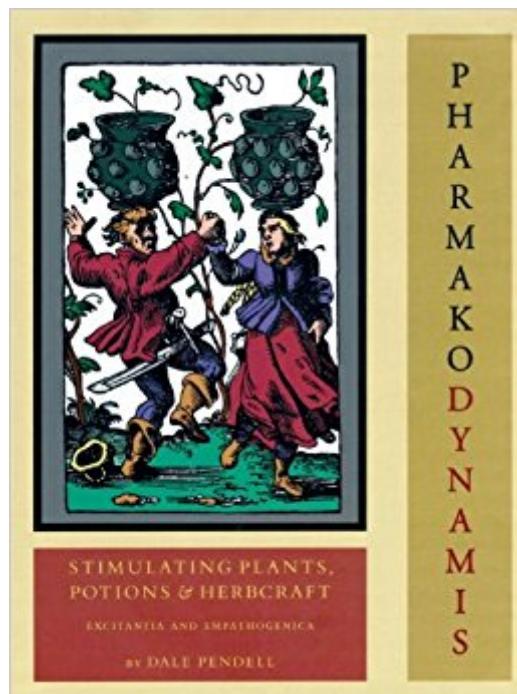


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# Pharmako/Dynamis: Stimulating Plants, Potions, And Herbcraft



## Synopsis

This is the second volume of North Atlantic Books' hard cover edition of Dale Pendell's Pharmako trilogy, an encyclopedic study of the history and uses of psychoactive plants and related synthetics first published between 1995 and 2005. The books form an interrelated suite of works that provide the reader with a unique, reliable, and often personal immersion in this medically, culturally, and spiritually fascinating subject. All three books are beautifully designed and illustrated, and are written with unparalleled authority, erudition, playfulness, and range. *Pharmako/Dynamis: Stimulating Plants, Potions, and Herbcraft* focuses on stimulants (including coffee, tea, chocolate, and coca and its derivatives) and empathogens (notably Ecstasy). Each substance is explored in detail, not only with information on its history, pharmacology, preparation, and cultural and esoteric correspondences, but also the subtleties of each plant's effect on consciousness in a way that only poets can do. The whole concoction is sprinkled with abundant quotations from famous writers, creating a literary brew as intoxicating as its subject. The Pharmako series also includes *Pharmako/Poeia* (which covers tobacco, alcohol, cannabis, opiates, salvia divinorum, and other substances) and *Pharmako/Gnosis* (which addresses psychedelics and shamanic plants).

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Plant student Dale Pendell established himself as one of the foremost popular exponents of shamanic ethnobotany with his unprecedented Pharmako trilogy. A noted poet, he was the founding editor of the avant-garde magazine Kuksu and a co-founder of the Primitive Arts Institute and has led workshops on ethnobotany and ethnopoetics for the Naropa Institute and the Omega Institute. Pendell was part of the Oracular Madness theme camp at Burning Man for a number of years (his book Inspired Madness: The Gifts of Burning Man was published by Frog Books in 2006). Also an experienced computer scientist, he lives in California's Sierra foothills.

These three books are beautiful. Poetic, informative, sneakily subversive, and personal. People looking for a straight textbook read might not like them as much, but I couldn't put them down.

A great addition to any psychoactive library. Dale Pendell is the perfect combination of poet, shaman, basement scientist, historian and all around cool MF'er

And erudite scholarship and exploration of subjects. Kind of like when you start to Wiki something and keep linking until you have no idea how you got there. Here.

Very interesting information. Good to have all three books in this set, a fascinating study.

Really in depth information on medicinal plants. The information is given in a beautifully artistic manner.

This is an amazing rumination on the nature of psychoactive drugs. It's textile and cerebral simultaneously, gorgeously written, sometimes spooky. Buy it for sure.

It's great, but not essential like the other two volumes. It still tells a number of interesting and vitally important stories, but it's a much slimmer volume than the first and third.

Highly interesting. I have yet to read. Guess I'm reading the pharmako series in reverse. Any which way you read them, these are wonderful tomes.

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