

## Discover a fascinating world with one of the internationally best known desert photographers



Michael Martin

### About Deserts

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**Michael Martin** is a photographer, lecturer, adventurer and geography graduate. For more than 35 years he has been reporting on his journeys to the deserts of the earth and has become the world's best-known desert photographer. He has published 30 picture books that were translated into many languages, held more than 2,000 lectures and produced several television films. The focus of his work is not only on the arid deserts but also the polar and ice deserts of the Arctic and Antarctic.

Endless expanses, unique beauty, an unspoiled natural world – for 40 years adventurer and photographer Michael Martin has been exploring the earth's deserts and keeps discovering new aspects of this fascinating environment.

Breath-taking sand constructions and barren crater landscapes or the surprisingly wide range of human, animal and plant life are but a few of the many facets that make up the fascination of the desert. Are oases really just a few palm trees round a watering hole? Why do more people drown in the desert than die of thirst? And why do all the world's monotheistic religions come from the desert?

Michael Martin draws on his wealth of experience and knowledge and lets us plunge into a world full of miracles and secrets. In the stillness, loneliness and minimalism of this world he sees a counter concept to our overstimulated way of life. Amazing, eye-opening, at times incredible!