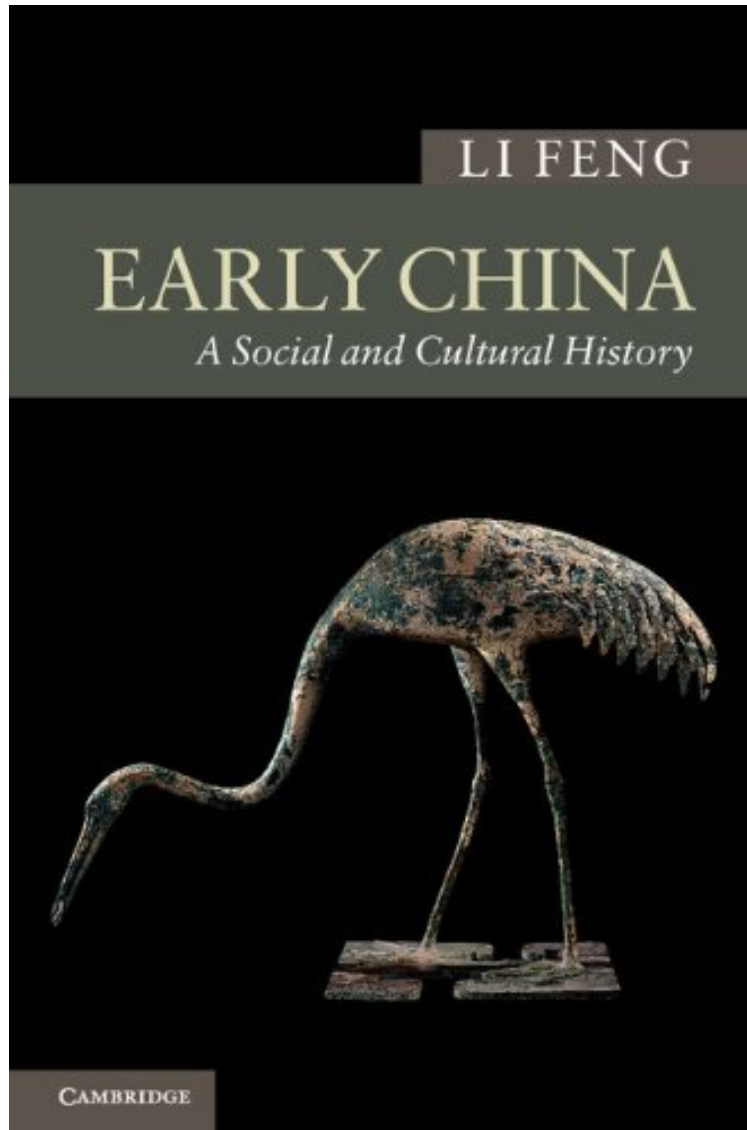


[Mobile ebook] Early China: A Social and Cultural History (New Approaches to Asian History)

# Early China: A Social and Cultural History (New Approaches to Asian History)

Von Li Feng

ePub | \*DOC | audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF



 Download

 Read Online

Produktinformation -Verkaufsrank: #308922 in eBooksVerffentlicht am: 2013-11-30Erscheinungsdatum: 2013-11-06File Name: B00GA22L0E | File size: 77.Mb

**Von Li Feng : Early China: A Social and Cultural History (New Approaches to Asian History)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Early China: A Social and Cultural History (New Approaches to Asian History):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. very good introduction to Ancient ChinaVon kkbsIf anybody is looking for an abbreviated, updated and more readable

version of the standard "Cambridge History of Ancient China" plus its volume on the Qin and Han dynasties, this book is it. On approximately 300 pages Li Feng gives an overview of early Chinese history from the first complex societies, through Erlitou and Erlingang, Shang Anyang and Western and Eastern Zhou dynasty, including spring and autumn as well as the Warring States periods to the Qin unification and finally the consolidation under the Han dynasty. While of course lacking the detail of the above mentioned standard, this book even gives some new insights and perspective resulting from archaeological findings in recent years. Since it was written by one author "Early China" is however, easier to read as a single book. It contains numerous b/w pictures of archaeological findings (in particular bronze vessels) and many maps on individual aspects. The book certainly is strongest in its chapters on Shang and Zhou, but worthwhile to read also on the other periods handled herein. For me this is a highly recommendable introduction on the early periods of Chinese history. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. the printing quality is extremely terrible: (Von Charles Chang CAUTION: Printed in Germany, not the official printing company! the printing quality is extremely terrible: (hate the petty corporation between Cambridge University Press and .

Kurzbeschreibung 'Early China' refers to the period from the beginning of human history in China to the end of the Han Dynasty in AD 220. The roots of modern Chinese society and culture are all to be found in this formative period of Chinese civilization. Li Feng's new critical interpretation draws on the most recent scholarship and archaeological discoveries from the past thirty years. This fluent and engaging overview of early Chinese civilization explores key topics including the origins of the written language, the rise of the state, the Shang and Zhou religions, bureaucracy, law and governance, the evolving nature of war, the creation of empire, the changing image of art, and the philosophical search for social order. Beautifully illustrated with a wide range of new images, this book is essential reading for all those wanting to know more about the foundations of Chinese history and civilization. Pressestimmen 'Li Feng has delivered a highly competent and accessible account of the social, political, and institutional history of early China. The text incorporates the most current state of scholarship in a rapidly developing field and deserves particular praise for its expert inclusion of archaeological evidence. The book will be welcomed by non-specialists and specialists alike.' Roel Sterckx, University of Cambridge 'As Professor Li acknowledges, it is daring for a single scholar to attempt a coherent account of the history of early China over the truly longue dure. The task demands a staggering command of the textual sources and archaeology of two millennia, before one even contemplates the writing of a synthetic account of a vast sweep of social and cultural history. The simple fact is that there is no historian writing in English who can match Professor Li's magisterial command and historical insight, and this account is sorely needed. Early China is a great achievement!' David Pankenier, Lehigh University 'An extremely useful overview. It provides undergraduates in particular with a comprehensive, competently written and digestible one-volume introduction to the study of early China, while also offering scholars in the field a sense of where early China studies as a whole are heading at the present moment.' Oliver Weingarten, Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies über das Produkt 'Li Feng's new critical interpretation provides a comprehensive and accessible overview of China's early history. Based on the most recent scholarship and archaeological discoveries from the past thirty years, this is essential reading for anyone who wants to find out more about the foundations of Chinese history and civilization.