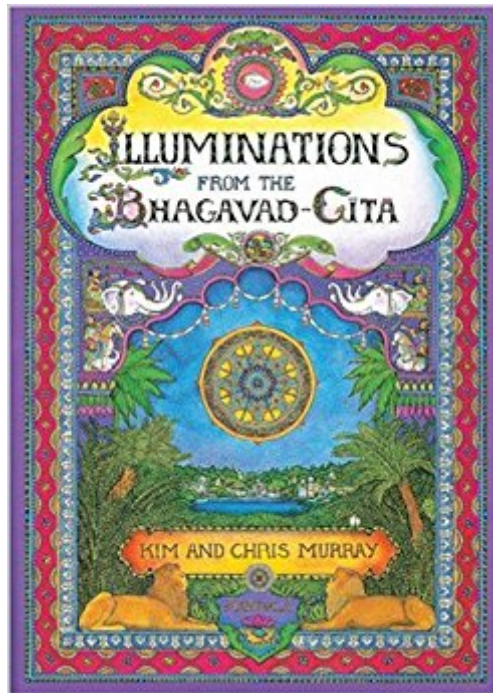




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This fresh, opulent presentation of the Bhagavad-Gita, India's great spiritual masterpiece, is truly unique. Profusely illustrated with 40 color plates and more than 50 black-and-white drawings, this edition provides a fresh look at this immensely popular classic. A selection of essential verses is lavishly illustrated, incorporating both Eastern and Western classical illumination styles. The authors worked on the illustrations for over five years, inspired by the timeless wisdom of the Gita and their personal association with A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami, the translator of the book's verses. Illuminations captures the timeless wisdom of the Bhagavad Gita with artistic inspiration from Renaissance, Pre-Raphaelite and Celtic art.

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Customer Reviews

Murray is director of Govinda Gallery in Washington, D.C. and has organized over 100 exhibitions of paintings, drawings, and photographs. His love for India and its spiritual culture has led him to travel there frequently. --This text refers to an alternate Hardcover edition.

This book is splendid. The illustrations are gorgeous. The excerpted portions of text from the Bhagavad Gita are beautifully translated and read like poetry. I've read portions of the Gita before; but reading them in the context of this truly "illuminated" work made them more real and comprehensible to me. What may look like a children's book is actually an adult's "feast for the

eyes." Anyone traveling the spiritual path will appreciate the sudden insights afforded by this inspired presentation of a sacred treatise.

Written more for an adult reader than a child. Beautiful verses, amazing illustrations. Nice book.

Beautiful illustrations! Awestruck by the detailed artwork and amazing use of color. Awesome idea for a gift.

So good. Breathtaking illustrations, I'm so happy I got it!

Love it! Ordered used came like new.

Inspirational. Totally amazing. So beautiful. The illustrations were done as a sacrifice with love and care. It is a tribute of praise to the absolute cause of creation.

I just reread the Bhagavad Gita and I am in love with it! Then I went hunting for an illustrated edition and this little (purse-size) volume is perfect!!!! (I want a large edition of now.) The art is gorgeous and the passages have been thoughtfully chosen to give the reader the essentials of the Gita.

I came across this book by chance. I do not know if it was a coincidence but it was during Indian holiday Diwali - festival of the lights. I have been practicing yoga for almost a decade and as time goes by I am more and more interested in the aspects of yoga that are other than just physical practice. I am reading and learning about ayurveda, pranayama, mudras. This book however is a pocket size and has most wonderful illustrations I have seen lately, Kim Murrey who illustrated this book, put a lot of love in creating most magical scenes depicting Indian culture and philosophy. Images are so sublime that I sometimes only wish to look at their images. What is interesting about the book it provides basic ideas about philosophy that began 5,000 years ago. It is a guide on how to obtain enlightenment through spiritual learnings from gurus, gaining peace and practicing non-attachment and compassion. I carry it in my purse and look at it any time I need a little bit of inspiration in my life.

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