Buddhism: A Selected Bibliography

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Although a selected bibliography, this is nonetheless a rather long list commensurate with the immense number of titles available on Buddhism. The categories employed are subject to the liabilities and qualifications intrinsic to any such categorization. Some of the more philosophically analytical titles not beholden to a specific Buddhist school of thought I’ve placed in the Miscellany section.

1. General
2. The Theravāda Tradition
3. The Mahāyāna Tradition
4. Ch’ān/Zen Buddhism
5. Tibetan Buddhism
6. Buddhism in Asia
7. Buddhism outside Asia
8. Social & Political Topics
9. Buddhism and the Arts
10. Miscellany
1. - General (Introductory, Survey, Early History, Texts from the Pāli Canon):


Arnold, Sir Edwin. *The Light of Asia or The Great Renunciation.*... Boston, MA: Roberts Brothers, 1890.


2. – The Theravāda Tradition


Thera, Nyanaponika (Bhikkhu Bodhi, ed.). *Abhidhamma Studies: Buddhist Explorations of*
3. – The Mahāyāna Tradition (See too, Ch’an/Zen Buddhism)


Jamieson, R.C. *A Study of Nāgārjuna’s Twenty Verses on the Great Vehicle (Mahāyānaavimsikā) and His Verses on the Heart of Dependent Origination (Pratītyasamutpādahrdayakārikā) with the Interpretation of the Heart of Dependent Origination (Pratītyasamutpādahrdayavayākhyāna)*. New York: Peter Lang Publ., 2000.


Ruegg, David S. *The Literature of the Madhyamaka School of Philosophy in India.* Wiesbaden: Otto Harrassowitz, 1981.


Sprung, Mervyn, trans. *Lucid Exposition of the Middle Way: The Essential Chapters from the...*
4. Ch’an/Zen Buddhism

Brinker, Helmut and Hiroshi Kanazawa. *Zen Masters of Meditation in Images and Writing*.
Honolulu, HI: University of Hawaii Press, 1996.


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5. - Tibetan Buddhism


Gyatso, Losang Kalsang. *The Seventh Dalai Lama (Lama Thubten Zopa Rinpoche and


Kunga Gyaltshen, Sakya Pandita (Jared Douglas Rhoten, trans.). *A Clear Differentiation of
Maitreya, Arya (and Arya Asanga). Buddha Nature: The Mahayana Uttaratantra Shastra;
commentary by Jamgön Kongtrül Lodrö Thayé, “The Unassailable Lion’s Roar,”
explanations by Khenpo Tsultrim Gyamtso Rinpoche, translated by Rosemarie Fuchs.


Panchen Sonam Dragpa (Martin J. Boord and Losang Norbu Tsonawa, trans.). *Overview of Buddhist Tantra: General Presentation of the Classes of Tantra, Captivating the Minds of the Fortunate Ones.* Dharamsala: Library of Tibetan Works and Archives, 1996.


Rinchen, Geshe Sonam (Ruth Sonam, trans. and ed.). *Eight Verses for Training the Mind.*


Stearns, Cyrus. *The Buddha from Dolpo: A Study of the Life and Thought of the Tibetan Master*


Chicago, IL: Open Court, 1998.


6. **Buddhism in Asia** (Many of the titles on Buddhism in Sri Lanka and Thailand that would otherwise be within this rubric are found under ‘The Theravāda Tradition’)


Strong, John S. *The Legend of King Aśoka: A Study and Translation of the Aśokāvadāna.*


7. - Buddhism outside Asia


McLellan, Janet. *Many Petals of the Lotus: Asian Buddhist Communities in Toronto*. Toronto:
University of Toronto Press, 1999.
8. – Social & Political Topics


9. – Buddhism and the Arts


Cummings, Joe (text) and Bill Wassman (photographer). *Buddhist Stupas in Asia: The Shape of Perfection*. Melbourne: Lonely Planet Publ., 2001.


Huntington, Susan L. and John C. Huntington. *Leaves from the Bodhi Tree: The Art of Pala India (8th-12th centuries) and Its International Legacy*. Seattle, WA: The Dayton Art Institute, 1990.


Sharf, Robert H. and Elizabeth Horton Sharf, eds. *Living Images: Japanese Buddhist Icons in
Singer, Jane Casey and Philip Denwood, eds. Tibetan Art: Towards a Definition of Style.
Snodgrass, Adrian. The Symbolism of the Stūpa. Ithaca, NY: Southeast Asia Program,
Cornell University, 1985.
Soni, Sujata. Evolution of Stupas in Burma: Pagan Period, 11th to 12th Centuries A.D. Delhi:
1959.
1990.
Taneda, Santōka (John Stevens, trans.). Mountain Tasting: Zen Haiku by Santōka Taneda.
ten, Grotenhuis. Japanese Mandalas: Representations of Sacred Geography. Honolulu, HI:
Tucci, Giuseppe (Uma Marina Vesci, trans. and Lokesh Chandra, ed.). Stūpa: Art
Washizuka, Hiromitsu and Roger Goepper. Enlightenment Embodied: The Art of the
Weidner, Marsha Smith, et al., eds. Latter Days of the Law: Images of Chinese Buddhism,
Woodward, Hiram W., Jr. The Sacred Sculpture of Thailand: The Alexander B. Griswold
Wray, Elizabeth, Clare Rosenfeld and Dorothy Baly. Ten Lives of the Buddha: Siamese

10. – Miscellany

Abe, Ryuichi and Peter Haskel, trans. Great Fool: Zen Master Ryokan – Poems, Letters, and
Albahari, Miri. Analytical Buddhism: The Two-Tiered Illusion of the Self. New York:
Ama Adhe. Ama Adhe: The Voice that Remembers – The Heroic Story of a Woman’s Fight to
Ani Pachen and Adelaide Donnelley. Sorrow Mountain: The Journey of a Tibetan Warrior
Avedon, John F. In Exile from the Land of Snows: The Definitive Account of the Dalai Lama


deCharms, Christopher. *Two Views of Mind: Abhidharma and Brain Science.* Ithaca, NY:
Snow Lion, 1997.


