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## Mare Nostrum

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Pensoft Publishers, Sofia-Moscow, 2006. Condition: New. The Mediterranean world, the sea, the islands and the shores facing it, is a self-centered microcosm subjected to a very agitated geological history during the Neogene. At the same time, this region absorbed the profound influence of the earliest human cultures. The present book by two researchers from the Hebrew University presents the wide panorama of this interaction. Regional earth science, oceanography, marine and inland flora and fauna, together with regional anthropology and ancient history are for the first time presented on equal footing in this well-illustrated book. In the corner of the Levant, the interdependence between the water bodies of the Rift Valley, the earliest waves of human settlement and the emergent agro-pastoral culture are especially in evidence and a source for management efforts even today. The most updated knowledge on the environmental history of the region together with the exciting new oceanographic discoveries and processes are presented alongside the human impact-prehistorical, classical and contemporary. The resulting symbiosis between sea, land and society created a homogeneous circum-Mediterranean nature and culture. Biogeography and human geography are inextricable. "Mare Nostrum" is the best example of an anthropic environment, seasoned by long-standing human influence and therefore...



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