

Five hundred years of Macau

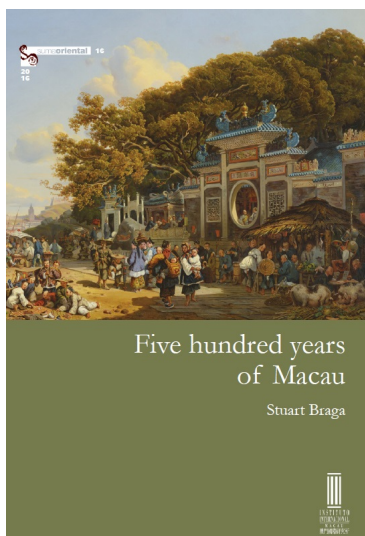


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Introduction

Macau is a small territory, but it has a long and rich history. It was first discovered by the Portuguese in 1557, and it has since been a melting pot of cultures and traditions. This book explores the five hundred years of Macau's history, from its discovery to the present day.

1. The Portuguese in Macau

The Portuguese first arrived in Macau in 1557, and they quickly established a settlement. They built a fort and a church, and they began to trade with the Chinese. The Portuguese remained in Macau for over four centuries, and they left a lasting legacy on the territory.



2. The Jesuits in Macau

The Jesuits arrived in Macau in 1549, and they quickly became the dominant religious force. They built a church and a school, and they began to convert the Chinese. The Jesuits remained in Macau for over three centuries, and they left a lasting legacy on the territory.

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"Five Hundred Years of Macau" introduces the reader to the amazing story of the small territory that was for several centuries the only gateway between China and Europe.

The book is liberally illustrated with maps and pictures, most of which were collected by José Maria Braga (Jack Braga), who lived and worked in Macau between 1924 and 1946. His family roots in Macau go back to 1704, when his ancestor, Manuel Vicente da Rosa, arrived in Macau.

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