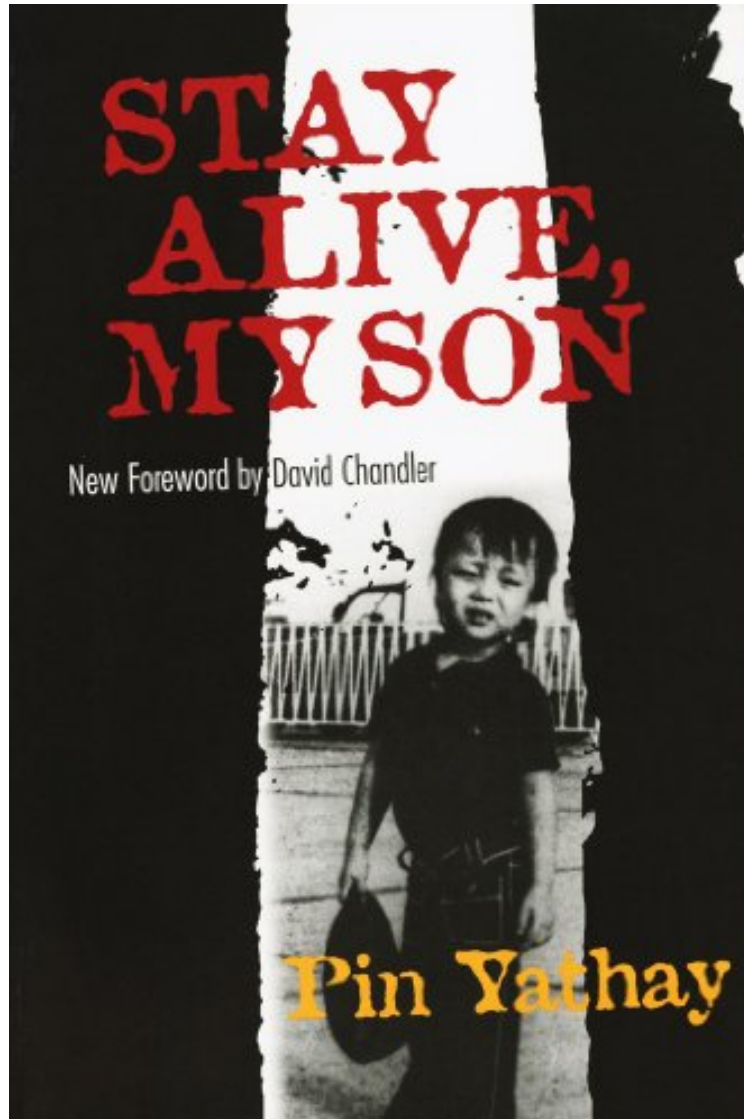


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Ergreifend!Von Dorothea KnigDies ist eines der besten Bcher, das ich ber die Zeit in Kambodscha unter den Roten Khmer gelesen habe. Ungeschminkt beschreibt Pin Yathay die Flucht aus Phnom Penh und das Versteck"spiel" in den Wldern Kambodschas. Immer in der Angst, es knne herauskommen, das er gebildet ist!Er muss sich schlielich von

seinem letzten Kind trennen und macht sich mit seiner Frau auf die Flucht nach Thailand. Im dichten Urwald Kambodschas verlieren sie sich, und er erreicht den thailändischen Boden schließlich allein. Dieses Buch ist auch in englischer Sprache recht gut zu lesen. Schade, dass es die deutsche Ausgabe nicht mehr gibt! 2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Unglaublich wahr! Von Ein Kunde Dieses Buch ist so spannend wie ein Krimi, lehrreicher als Geschichtsunterricht, ergreifender als jede Familiensaga und alles in allem einfach zu schrecklich, um wahr zu sein, aber: Es ist wahr und es ist nicht einmal 30 Jahre her, seit diese Wahrheit geschrieben wurde. Meines Wissens ist bis heute noch kein Verfahren beim internationalen Kriegsverbrechergericht anhängig. Um so mehr bedarf es solcher Bücher, damit nicht nur Zahlen und Statistiken in die Geschichte eingehen und als Summe das Wort Völkermord steht. Es sind die Einzelschicksale, die den Weg in die Herzen der von Unheil gestügten Mediengesellschaft finden. Und allen, die der englischen Sprache nicht so mächtig sind, sei gesagt, es lässt sich sehr gut lesen, mir ging's genauso. Das Nachschlagen von Wörtern gibt man bald auf, denn es kommt alles an und die "Story" ist einfach zu spannend, als dass man damit seine Zeit verschwenden möchte. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Zutiefst ergreifend! Von Andes Ich gabe das Buch in Cambodia bei meiner Reise am Flughafen gekauft ... meine Eindrücke vor Ort von diesem jungen, so liebenswerten Volk haben sich erst mit dem Lesen dieses Buches vervollständigt. Die tiefgreifende Wunden dieses abscheulichen Genozids sind noch nicht verheilt und dennoch konnte ich bei diesem Volk eine Lebensfreude erleben, die ich in unserer westlichen Welt nur selten welebe. Lesen Sie dieses zutiefst ergreifende Buch! Die Geschichte ist fesselnd, erschütternd und vor allem: traurig ... man spürt den Schmerz und die Traurigkeit dieser wahren Geschichte in einer Stärke, wie ich dies bei keinem anderen Buch erlebt habe. Ich konnte die Tränen nicht unterdrücken. 5 Sterne!

**Kurzbeschreibung** On April 17, 1975, the Khmer Rouge entered Phnom Penh to open a new and appalling chapter in the story of the twentieth century. On that day, Pin Yathay was a qualified engineer in the Ministry of Public Works. Successful and highly educated, he had been critical of the corrupt Lon Nol regime and hoped that the Khmer Rouge would be the patriotic saviors of Cambodia. In *Stay Alive, My Son*, Pin Yathay provides an unforgettable testament of the horror that ensued and a gripping account of personal courage, sacrifice and survival. Documenting the 27 months from the arrival of the Khmer Rouge in Phnom Penh to his escape into Thailand, Pin Yathay is a powerful and haunting memoir of Cambodia's killing fields. With seventeen members of his family, Pin Yathay were evacuated by the Khmer Rouge from Phnom Penh, taking with them whatever they might need for the three days before they would be allowed to return to their home. Instead, they were moved on from camp to camp, their possessions confiscated or abandoned. As days became weeks and weeks became months, they became the "New People," displaced urban dwellers compelled to live and work as peasants, their days were filled with forced manual labor and their survival dependent on ever more meager communal rations. The body count mounted, first as malnutrition bred rampant disease and then as the Khmer Rouge singled out the dissidents for sudden death in the darkness. Eventually, Pin Yathay's family was reduced to just himself, his wife, and their one remaining son, Nawath. Wracked with pain and disease, robbed of all they had owned, living on the very edge of dying, they faced a future of escalating horror. With Nawath too ill to travel, Pin Yathay and his wife, Any, had to make the heart-breaking decision whether to leave him to the care of a Cambodian hospital in order to make a desperate break for freedom. "Stay alive, my son," he tells Nawath before embarking on a nightmarish escape to the Thai border. First published in 1987, the Cornell edition of *Stay Alive, My Son* includes an updated preface and epilogue by Pin Yathay and a new foreword by David Chandler, a world-renowned historian of Cambodia, who attests to the continuing value and urgency of Pin Yathay's message. **Pressestimmen** "This memoir describes in harrowing detail life in the early years of the Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia. . . . Written in the hope that his missing son might see the book and be reunited with his father, Pin's memoir is a direct, honest account of his two years on the prison farm." -MultiCultural , June 2001 "In 1975, the Republic of Cambodia was torn asunder by the 'liberating' forces of Pol Pot. Pin Yathay, an engineer employed by the Ministry of Public Works, was a witness to the tragedy. . . . His entire family and unnumbered friends were annihilated. . . . A heart-rending account of the disintegration of an entire social system, caused by the paranoid policies of Khmer Rouge cadres." Christian Science Monitor "During the Kampuchean revolutionary madness . . . all the urban population was driven out to work in the country, creating new peasant communities which operated on strict, dogmatic Maoist lines. . . . Pin Yathay's story is told with no attempt at self-aggrandizement. . . . For he has to live with the shame of having deserted his own child in order to facilitate his escape, of losing his wife in the jungle through ineptitude: it is a revelation of prehistoric strength within the human conscience which is far beyond our imaginings." Times Literary Supplement "This memoir describes in harrowing detail life in the early years of the Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia. . . . Written in the hope that his missing son might see the book and be reunited with his father, Pin's memoir is a direct, honest account of his two years on the prison farm." MultiCultural " "This memoir describes in harrowing detail life in the early years of the Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia. . . . Written in the hope that his missing son might see the book and be reunited with his father, Pin's memoir is a direct, honest account

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