Record Nr. UNINA9910807377203321 Autore Sheller Mimi Titolo Consuming the Caribbean: from Arawaks to zombies / / Mimi Sheller Pubbl/distr/stampa London;; New York:,: Routledge,, 2003 **ISBN** 1-134-51677-0 0-415-25759-X 1-280-07142-7 1-134-51678-9 0-203-41794-1 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica ix, 252 p.: ill Collana International library of sociology Disciplina 339.4/7/09729 Soggetti Consumption (Economics) - Moral and ethical aspects Exploitation Exports - Caribbean Area Caribbean Area Commerce Moral and ethical aspects Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto chapter Introduction -- part Part I Natural and material mobilities -chapter 1 The binding mobilities of consumption -- chapter 2 Iconic islands -- Nature, landscape, and the tropical tourist gaze -- chapter 3 Tasting the Tropics -- From sweet tooth to banana wars -- part Part II Bodies and cultural hybridities -- chapter 4 Orienting the Caribbean --When East is West -- chapter 5 Eating others -- Of cannibals, vampires, and zombies -- chapter 6 Creolization in global culture. Sommario/riassunto From sugar to indentured labourers, tobacco to reggae music, Europe and North America have been relentlessly consuming the Caribbean and its assets for the past five hundred years. In this fascinating book, Mimi Sheller explores this troublesome history, investigating the complex mobilities of producers and consumers, of material and cultural commodities, including: foodstuffs and stimulants - sugar, fruit, coffee and rum human bodies - slaves, indentured labourers and service workers cultural and knowledge products - texts, music,

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consumed by tourists as tropical paradise. Consuming the Caribbean demonstrates how colonial exploitation of the Caribbean led directly to contemporary forms of consumption of the region and its products. It calls into question innocent indulgence in the pleasures of thoughtless consumption and calls for a global ethics of consumer responsibility.