Record Nr. UNINA9910887882403321 Autore Gullberg Steven Titolo Inca Cosmovision: The Astronomical Legacy of an Andean Empire // by Steven Gullberg, Milton Rojas Gamarra Cham:,: Springer Nature Switzerland:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2024 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 3-031-67580-0 Edizione [1st ed. 2024.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (196 pages) Collana Astronomers' Universe, , 2197-6651 Altri autori (Persone) Rojas GamarraMilton Disciplina 509 Soggetti Physics - History Astronomy Cultural property Archaeology America - History Religion and science History of Physics and Astronomy Astronomy, Observations and Techniques Archaeology and Heritage History of the Americas Religion and Sciences Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto Chapter 1. Introduction -- Chapter 2. Inka Chronology -- Chapter 3. Facets of Inka Culture -- Chapter 4. Inka Culture and Quechua Language -- Chapter 5. Archaeoastronomy -- Chapter 6. Facets of Inka Astronomy and Cosmology -- Chapter 7. The Wagas of the Inkas --Chapter 8. Inka Seg'es -- Chapter 9. Inka Constellations -- Chapter 10. Inka Astronomy in Daily Life -- Chapter 11. Conclusion. Sommario/riassunto The Inkas (Quechua spelling) worshipped the Sun, and their emperor was thought to be the son of the Sun. They conquered most of the Andes and their former empire is replete with examples of their astronomy. They used solar positions on the horizon for calendrical purposes and managed their crops and religious festivals in this

manner. Many examples remain of their intentional light and shadow

effects that demonstrate their sophisticated understanding of the Sun's movement and of solar horizon events. Evidence of their astronomy can only be fully understood in its cultural context, and that is the focus of this book. Inka Cosmovision explores the cosmic worldview of the Inkas from the perspective of oral traditions passed from one generation to the next among the Inkas' living descendants. You will learn about Inka astronomy in a way that you perhaps have never encountered. An author of the book is Quechua, a descendant of the Inkas, and what you will read benefits greatly not only from the field research of both authors, but from the many stories he learned from his parents and grandparents and from his Amauta, a highly respected Indigenous teacher of Inka culture. This book enlightens about Inka cosmovision as no other has before.