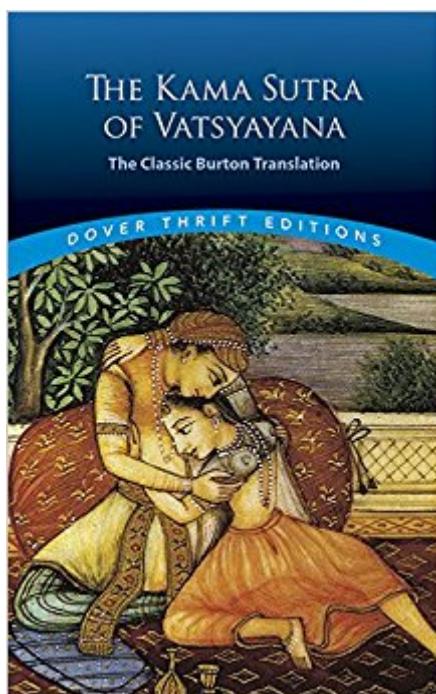


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# The Kama Sutra Of Vatsyayana: The Classic Burton Translation (Dover Thrift Editions)



## Synopsis

Kama means desire, love, and lust; sutra means teachings and "verses." The Kama Sutra, then, is the book of love, teaching the best methods of cultivating sensual pleasure, sexual desire, and loving union. A classic of world literature for 1,700 years, this is the most explicit and fascinating book ever written for lovers. This immortal work also serves as a window into Indian culture and mysticism. Its unique approach — combining meditations on politics and social customs with counsel on love and intimacy — features frank, direct advice on bodily pleasures, from aphrodisiacs and kissing to orgasm-delaying techniques. This edition is the renowned translation by the great 19th-century explorer and writer Richard Burton. Its crisp style sets a new standard for Sanskrit translation, and its unblushing faithfulness to the original text sparked controversy in certain corners of the Victorian world. A wellspring of erotic knowledge, it remains an inspiration to readers of every era.

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This book is an instructional book, Kama means love and Sutra mean lessons. This book is

teaching one the act of love from a 3,000 +/- perspective. A simple, natural and intimate way which many have forgotten. Puts life into a new perspective and opens one's own sexuality! Enjoy and take notes.

This is a clear and clean reprint of Burton's classic annotated translation. Despite some modern motivated and politicised translations cramming academic marketplace and accusing the Victorian scholar-traveler Sir Richard of mistranslation, his pioneering work still commands gratitude of readers, lay and specialists alike. My only criticism of this awesome work has to with a single instance. I found his calling lovemaking "sexual congress" rather amusing, albeit not wholly inaccurate.

It's a great read and it shows me how 2 look at love from another perspective

It doesn't have illustrations; I would've avoided buying it if I got a chance to check in a brick and mortar shop. You can't condense a book like this, a classic that transcends time.

The book I received had the Kama Sutra cover, but Greek Mythology content written for little children! A complete sham. Someone's idea of a bad joke... or worse.

This is a very good translation. It is a real classic which can enlighten the student of culture. A great window into the antiquities.

This \$5 wasted! At the end it is announced that this 10% of the book. Maybe I accidentally brought a trial.

Interesting very interesting/a culture accused of belittling women...spent a lot of time studying how to please them how to know their moods etc. Very 50/50 and modern in its guidance. Of course you do have to interpret ancient culture to the times but that is a given I hope.

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