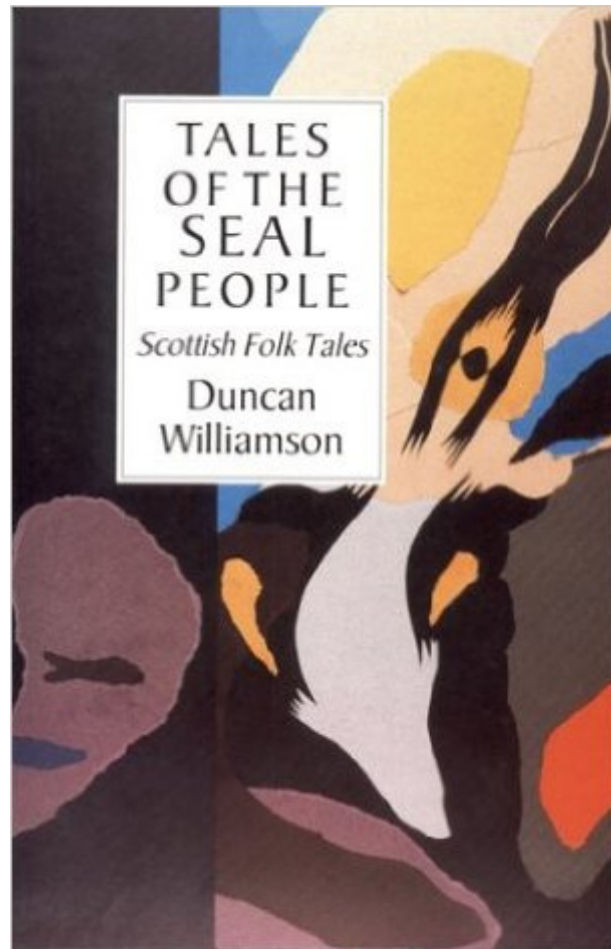


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# Tales Of The Seal People: Scottish Folk Tales (International Folk Tales)



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## Customer Reviews

Tales of the Selkies, half human, half seal people are woven in Scottish myth and lore - even in my own family. So I was delighted to find this wonderful collection of short tales about the Selkie collected by Duncan Williamson. Just wish the tales were presented in a bit more depth. Highly recommended to those who wish pure Scottish Lore.

As an avid reader with a passion for shape-shifters of all kinds, this book suits my needs to perfection. These stories about the seal people were collected on site and are flavored with the smell and taste of the sea. Our curiosity about seals is stoked by their remarkable resemblance to ourselves in some ways--those melting brown eyes, their cries and more. In a time when folk lived close to the earth and sea, these legends helped them navigate unexplained mysteries. Today, when perhaps we know too much, they take us back to the possibilities of fantasy.

From story one in this book I was hooked. This is my favorite book of Scottish Folk Tales of the Sealies. The writings are accurate to the versions of these stories that I have heard from other

sources over the years. I recommend this book to a collector of Scottish Folk Tales definitely.

I think this is a really beautiful collection of authentic Scottish crofters' stories. Those not used to reading Scottish folk tales will probably find the stories repetitive at times, but the repetition is important - these themes were constants in the peoples' lives. It seems that Mr. Williamson did a good job of capturing the real stories and the real people who told them.

I am a tour guide, docent to the elephant seals at Ano Nuevo, California. I love to tell the silkie seal stories. I know the people do not give a phoquelazation about me but I do believe they like to hear the stories of the hidden secret under the bed. Q: does anyone know more Silkie, Seal stories? Does anyone have a secret seal story?

Beautifully written and memorable.

The stories about Selkies are a very traditional Folktales and this collection is a very good representation.

Colloquially told tales of tinkers, selkies, and the sea. A great read.

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