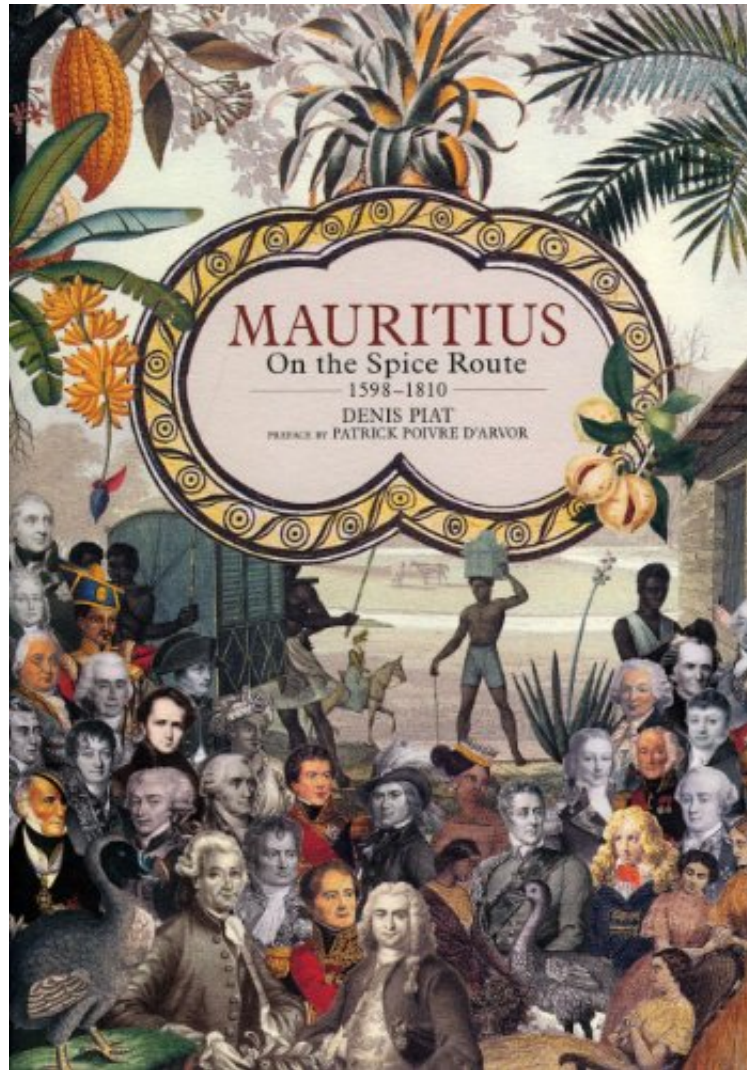


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Needs a spicier textBy danny boyThis is a good looking book. There are nice illustrations to accompany the text. However, the text does not flow well. Perhaps it suffers from being translated from French into English? Note the odd spelling of "Mauritus" on the item description. There are detailed snippets of info on various aspects of Mauretian culture - the geographical location, the Portuguese, Dutch and then the French influence, the Dodo, then the various influential personages in Mauritius history but the coverage is very uneven throughout. The text also has a cut and paste feel and there are some paras and sections which appear to be in

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About the Author Denis Piat was born in Mauritius in 1943. He has been fascinated by his homeland's rich culture and heritage since he could read. This volume, an updated and translated version of his original French-language volume, is the culmination of years of research.