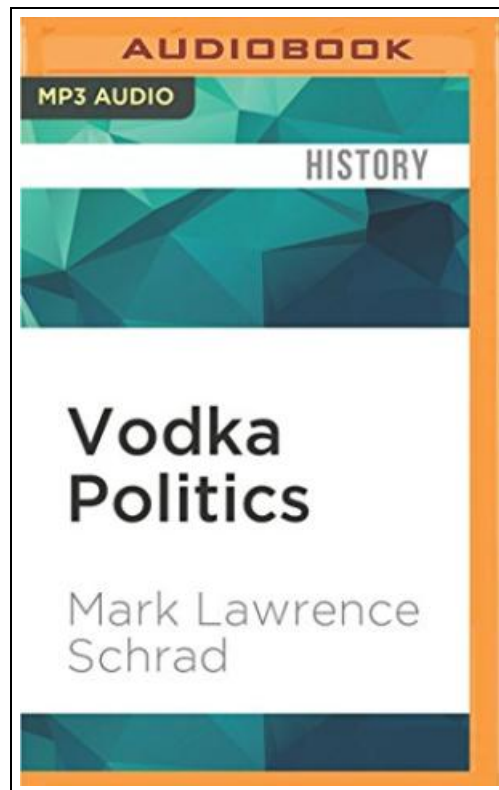


Vodka Politics: Alcohol, Autocracy, and the Secret History of the Russian State



Filesize: 8.67 MB

Reviews

It in a of the best book. Yes, it can be perform, nevertheless an amazing and interesting literature. You may like the way the article writer publish this ebook.

(Wava Hettinger)

VODKA POLITICS: ALCOHOL, AUTOCRACY, AND THE SECRET HISTORY OF THE RUSSIAN STATE

[DOWNLOAD PDF](#)

Audible Studios on Brilliance, 2016. CD-Audio. Condition: New. Unabridged. Language: English . Brand New. Russia is famous for its vodka, and its culture of extreme intoxication. But just as vodka is central to the lives of many Russians, it is also central to understanding Russian history and politics. In *Vodka Politics*, Mark Lawrence Schrad argues that debilitating societal alcoholism is not hard-wired into Russians genetic code, but rather their autocratic political system, which has long wielded vodka as a tool of statecraft. Through a series of historical investigations stretching from Ivan the Terrible through Vladimir Putin, *Vodka Politics* presents the secret history of the Russian state itself--a history that is drenched in liquor. Scrutinizing (rather than dismissing) the role of alcohol in Russian politics yields a more nuanced understanding of Russian history itself: from palace intrigues under the tsars to the drunken antics of Soviet and post-Soviet leadership, vodka is there in abundance. Beyond vivid anecdotes, Schrad scours original documents and archival evidence to answer provocative historical questions. How have Russia's rulers used alcohol to solidify their autocratic rule? What role did alcohol play in tsarist coups? Was Nicholas II's ill-fated prohibition a catalyst for the Bolshevik Revolution? Could the Soviet Union have become a world power without liquor? How did vodka politics contribute to the collapse of both communism and public health in the 1990s? How can the Kremlin overcome vodka's hurdles to produce greater social well-being, prosperity, and democracy into the future? Viewing Russian history through the bottom of the vodka bottle helps us to understand why the liquor question remains important to Russian high politics even today--almost a century after the issue had been put to bed in most every other modern state. Indeed, recognizing and confronting vodka's devastating political legacies may be...

[Read Vodka Politics: Alcohol, Autocracy, and the Secret History of the Russian State Online](#)[Download PDF Vodka Politics: Alcohol, Autocracy, and the Secret History of the Russian State](#)

Related eBooks



Bully, the Bullied, and the Not-So Innocent Bystander: From Preschool to High School and Beyond: Breaking the Cycle of Violence and Creating More Deeply Caring Communities

HarperCollins Publishers Inc, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Reprint. 203 x 135 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. An international bestseller, Barbara Coloroso's groundbreaking and trusted guide on bullying-including cyberbullying-arms parents...

[Download eBook »](#)



Children's Educational Book Junior Leonardo Da Vinci : An Introduction to the Art, Science and Inventions of This Great Genius Age 7 8 9 10 Year-Olds. [British English]

Createspace, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 248 x 170 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.ABOUT SMART READS for Kids . Love Art, Love Learning Welcome. Designed to...

[Download eBook »](#)



Two Treatises: The Pearle of the Gospell, and the Pilgrims Profession to Which Is Added a Glasse for Gentlewomen to Dresse Themselves By. by Thomas Taylor Preacher of Gods Word to the Towne of Reding. (1624-1625)

Proquest, Eebo Editions, United States, 2010. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.EARLY HISTORY OF RELIGION. Imagine holding history in your hands. Now...

[Download eBook »](#)



Two Treatises: The Pearle of the Gospell, and the Pilgrims Profession to Which Is Added a Glasse for Gentlewomen to Dresse Themselves By. by Thomas Taylor Preacher of Gods Word to the Towne of Reding. (1625)

Proquest, Eebo Editions, United States, 2010. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.EARLY HISTORY OF RELIGION. Imagine holding history in your hands. Now you...

[Download eBook »](#)



The Day Lion Learned to Not Be a Bully: Aka the Lion and the Mouse

Createspace, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Large Print. 279 x 216 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.The beloved Classic tale The Lion and the Mouse gets the...

[Download eBook »](#)