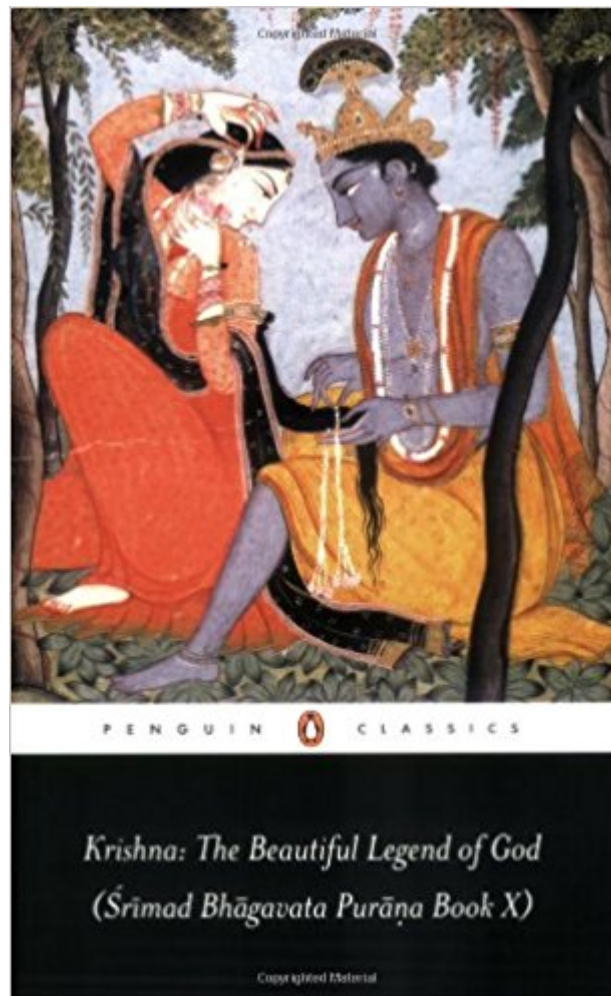




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Customer Reviews

Edwin F. Bryant is a professor in the Department of Religion at Rutgers University and a specialist

in Indic civilizations, religions, and languages.

Professor Bryant is a brilliant scholar and this translation is just one of the concrete manifestations of his unique scholarly gifts. The introduction to the translated text is excellent and, as another reviewer says, worth the price of the book on its own. The Bhagavata Purana (especially the 10th book - translated here) embodies an immensely important tradition in Indic spirituality and should be read at least as much as some of the other classics of Indic traditions - like the Gita or the Upanishads (e.g.). Hopefully, through the ease of Professor Bryant's translation, the interesting features of the text itself and the translator's enlightening introduction, this edition of the text will allow the Bhagavata to become better known and better appreciated in the West.

For anyone interested in attaining the Supreme Divine Love of God, this is the crest jewel of knowledge. It transcends the Vedas. Reading about the divine Lilas or pastimes of Krishna soothes and inspires the heart and clears the mind. I purchased the ebook version and find it very convenient to refer to. It is translated into a very accessible style of English, so you don't have to wade through the archaic terms.

Beautiful, poetic rendering of a Sanskrit text, that is faithful to the original but easy to read. This is a modern classic.

Beautiful rendition of the deepest most esoteric event in history, the life of Krishna.

excellent commentary at the beginning of the book. includes the 10th book and a little of the 11th so you can get the full Krishna story. Recommended reading!

Beautifully written - such wonderful stories that can be read again, again, and again. Krishna Das is a master - thank you for a beautiful book.

A beautiful translation that brings the essence and background of Krishna available to everyone. It's definitely something that readers should look into. The delivery was very fast. I received this product from the day after I ordered.

This is a great translation of Canto 10 of the Srimad Bhagavatam, the biography of Krishna. This

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