

## Chinese Festivals in Hong Kong

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**Barbara E. Ward : Chinese Festivals in Hong Kong** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Chinese Festivals in Hong Kong:

It comes as a surprise to many to discover that Hong Kong, outwardly so modern, still celebrates a wide range of traditional Chinese festivals. Because many festivals for gods and ghosts are now forbidden in mainland China, Hong Kong remains one of the few places in the world to watch these fascinating Chinese traditions. Researched and written by noted social anthropologist Barbara E. Ward, a Fellow of Newnham College, Cambridge, who was closely involved with Hong Kong for over forty years. At the time of her death in January 1983, she was preparing a book on the Boat People of Hong Kong, among whom she lived for several years. First published in 1982, this redesigned edition will retain the original lively text with updated information, festival calendar, and some 90 vivid color photos taken by Hong Kong photographer Joan Law Mee Nar who adopts a field-work photo-anthropological approach for the photographs of this book.

Beautiful book. There are noisy colorful public festivals integrating into city life and in village environment, there are also quieter festivals based mainly on the home and family, and others associated with religious institutions. A festival-watcher book outlines each festival in each month, describing what the community folks do and the stories behind. --  
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