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MAORI AGRICULTURE*By Elsdon Best*

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THE MAORI CANOE*By Elsdon Best*

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451 p. 1976. \$17.50 plus \$1.50 p & p
 A reprinted edition without textual alterations and retaining the old Dominion Museum number. Another example of Elsdon Best's dedicated effort to preserve Maori culture. The material presented on canoes, their materials, types, methods of construction, and associated artifacts make interesting reading for the layman as well as for scholars of the Maori. (Government Printer.)

MOA-HUNTER PERIOD OF MAORI CULTURE

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436 p. 3rd edition, 1977. \$17.50 plus \$1.50 p & p
 This book deals with the most important site yet investigated and in its discussions it traverses most of the New Zealand archaeological field.

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Although scholarly and technical, the book sustains throughout the drama of this archaeological discovery, and recreates from the evidence of bone and stone the life of our first Polynesians in the Moa-hunter period of Maori culture.

NATIONAL PARKS OF NEW ZEALAND

178 p. Revised third edition. 1974. \$10.50 plus \$1.50 p & p
 The revision of this popular publication has included numerous new colour plates and additional information on some of our parks. Because of the popularity of this book it is expected this edition will be in great demand. In addition to the book being an ideal souvenir for the overseas visitor it makes an ideal gift and also a valuable asset to anyone's home library.

MAORI RELIGION AND MYTHOLOGY PART 1*By Elsdon Best*

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 10

424 p. 1976. \$18 plus \$1.50 p & p
 An account of the theory of the universe and its creation, study of the origin of man, religious beliefs, rites, magic and folklore of the Maori people of New Zealand. First published in 1924, reprinted without textual alterations and retaining the original bulletin numbers. (Government Printer.)

MAORI*By Witi Ihimaera*

45 p. 1975. \$1.20 plus 40c p & p
 A colourful booklet describing the coming of the Maori to New Zealand, his history, heritage, folklore, beliefs, and cultural unity.

Each chapter has a quotation from a Maori proverb, phrase, saying, or canoe chant and these concepts are presented in words and pictures.

Continues with the arrival of the pakeha and the pattern of events which followed, the Treaty of Waitangi and the Land Wars. Moves on to the Maori today, finishing with the theme, one country, two heritages in unity.

Well illustrated with 64 coloured photos, of interest to all New Zealanders and tourists. (Tourist and Publicity Department.)

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