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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The Inca legacy in photosBy K. MaxwellThis book is a lovely photo album of images both of ancient structures and modern people (c1977) in Ecuador, Boliva, Chile and Peru. The introduction to the book gives an overview of Inca history (it was only a short lived empire of around 100 years) The book has a number of lovely, clear images of ancient ruins with a focus on the beautiful and even now astonishing Inca stonework and a lot of photos of their modern descendants, principally at festival or religious events. If you are looking for a book of well taken photos of south America with an emphasis on the Inca legacy then this book is worth getting.

The Inca empire at its height stretched down the Andes for well over a thousand miles. Hans Silvester has toured its length, photographing surviving remnants of the Inca way of life, capturing the harsh beauty of the mountain landscapes. The magnificent stonemasonry and roads of the Incas frame their modern descendants, who still cultivate the terraces built by their ancestors; maintaining their own eclectic culture and religion, and struggling to find a place in the cities of six South American states. Hans Silvester has toured many locations and captured their beauty in volumes such as "The Camargue", "The Other Provence" and "Cats of the Greek Islands" (Thames and Hudson, 1993). Jacques Soustelle, who wrote the introductory text for the book, is a noted authority on the archaeology and anthropology of Latin America.

