

Traditional Thai Massage

Written by the UK's leading teacher and practitioner Natasha de Grunwald, a pioneer of Thai massage and bodywork for 30 years. Thai Massage Dissected is a book aimed at massage therapists, yoga teachers, physiotherapists, osteopaths and all manual therapists who want to expand their therapeutic approach and are curious to learn about the body from a Thai anatomy and dissection perspective. Therapeutic Thai massage and bodywork is a rich and diverse modality, so much more than the stretching and deep tissue work for which it is known. The book provides a richly curated combination of tools, techniques and protocols that will enhance all practitioners' skill sets. Natasha discusses the roots of this modality as Buddhist medicine, the five element system, the use of therapeutic herbs and Thai anatomy, whilst also writing about concepts such as proprioception and interoception. There is an additional chapter looking at traditional healthcare practices for women, informed by her time spent with village midwives on the Thai/Burmese border. Natasha de Grunwald uses imagery from many hours spent in a cadaver lab to describe anatomical, textural layers and structures, bringing human form to life. She consolidates this with a therapeutic perspective on Thai medical theory and how Thai massage and bodywork can be carried out in a clinical setting. This comes from her extensive research, studies and knowledge spanning over three decades.

Thai herbs are part of a vibrant culture of healing that has been practiced and preserved over the centuries in traditional medicine schools, Buddhist monasteries, and village homes all over Thailand. Many quite ancient herbal traditions continue to be practiced throughout Thailand to this day, and some of these have now been recognized by the Ministry of Public Health as an important facet of the country's national healthcare system. This revised and updated edition provides an overview of traditional Thai medicine—including both the theory and the practical application of Thai cuisine, bodywork, and herbal medicine. Of interest to herbalist, massage therapists, and practitioners of other alternative healthcare systems, the book introduces the basic principles of Thai herbal healing in simple and clear terms, and it includes a detailed compendium of individual herbs. Best of all, this book is fun, offering easy recipes for home remedies, healthcare products, and cuisine that will make the world of Thai tradition come alive in your home.

This fascinating anthology presents a much wider scope than other books on Thai massage, and uncovers a wealth of previously unavailable information on the historical, spiritual, and cultural connections to this powerful healing art. Topics include ways to refine and maintain a healthy practice, breathwork and body mechanics, self-protection techniques, reading body language, acupuncture concepts, and Thai herbal compress therapy. The spiritual and cultural section offers modern translations of ancient texts, Indian and Buddhist influences, magic amulets and sacred tattoos, and accessory modalities such as reusi dat ton (stretching) and tok sen (hammering therapy). Rounding out this thorough text, the final section features essays about actual practice with clients, written by therapists and teachers from around the world. The extensive experience and information provided in this reference book is invaluable to students or practitioners who wish to deepen their personal and professional understanding

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of traditional Thai healing arts.

Learn to apply the traditional Thai Massage techniques on the massage table, by the Thai Massage instructor Elefteria Mantzorou. What you will find in this book: - Techniques in supine, side and prone positions. Face included. - Techniques are matched with anatomy plates. - Sen work and Thai acupressure included. - The techniques can be combined with Swedish massage. Take your massage therapy skills to the next level with Thai mobilizations. The instructor has her own school and teaches the art since 2004! This book contains only black and white images, but full-color Kindle edition is free when you buy the paperback.

Recommended for manual therapists, yoga instructors and practitioners, physiotherapists, dancers and massage therapists. This is an illustrated guide to a powerful ancient massage therapy, combining breathwork, acupressure, gentle stretching and applied yoga to promote physical and spiritual health and well-being.

Sometimes called "yoga in action," Thai massage has worked its relaxing wonders for millennia. Explore its secrets with a detailed program that includes ten complete lessons, each concentrating on a particular part of the body. Full-color photographs of every move match still shots with superimposed artwork that indicate the direction of the movements. Each technique is clearly explained and its benefits--from improved flexibility to increased vitality--detailed.

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postures to help therapists incorporate Yoga into their practices. A new chapter, Suggested Sequences, provides guidelines for 60-, 90-, and 120-minute sessions - taking the guesswork out of planning Thai massage sessions.

Based on traditional Thai herbal lore, the secrets of this country's ancient healing therapies, are offered for the first time in this Thai guide to health and beauty. Feel-good therapies and natural healing are the lifestyle mantras of the new millennium. Asia leads the way in the back-to-nature market, reviving many of its ancient techniques and treatments that have been handed down from one generation of women to the next. Thai Spa Book focuses specifically on stress-busting therapies from Thailand, running the gamut from the many types of Thai massage and meditation, to full beauty treatments, facials, relaxing baths and scrubs, healthy tonics and much more. These therapies are offered with recipes or instructions, or both, which are easy to follow. practical tips are given to recreate these health and beauty recipes at home, and specific treatments are outlined for specific ailments. All are designed to soothe, nurture and calm. With superb, full-color photography using many of Thailand's top supermodels, the book was shot entirely on location in some of Thailand's super-delux spas.

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A complete guide to the ancient technique of Ruesri Dat Ton, also known as Thai yoga • Presents 60 step-by-step, illustrated exercises for self-healing and balanced well-being • Reveals the practice and evolution of Thai yoga, said to have originated with Buddha's physician, Jivaka Kumarabhaccha • Explains how the postures allow individuals to rebalance the flow of energy in the body Traditional Thai yoga--or Ruesri Dat Ton--is an individual yoga practice rooted in the ancient Ayurvedic tradition. It is comprised of exercises that--like the partnered practice of traditional Thai massage--originated with Buddha's own physician, Jivaka Kumarabhaccha. Enrico Corsi and Elena Fanfani present, for the first time in English, 60 of these postures fully illustrated with step-by-step instructions designed to stimulate self-healing by rebalancing the flow of energy in the body. Each of the postures works within the sen energy system that underlies Thai medicine. Fundamental to the practice is retention of the breath once the body has assumed the desired posture. The practitioner concentrates the breath on the place where the body is storing tension or dysfunction. When the breath is exhaled the body also expels the negative energy, allowing restorative energy to take its place. The simple yet highly effective postures in Traditional Thai Yoga address many common ailments--including physical ailments of the back, knees, shoulders, hips, arms, feet, and neck and more generalized ailments such as nausea and shortness of breath--as well as offering exercises that promote weight loss, longevity, and overall balanced well-being.

The Complete Guide to Traditional Thai Massage contains valuable information about this ancient, sacred form of bodywork. - Historical background - Sip Sen: the Thai meridians - Instructions for techniques in 4 positions (supine, side, prone and seated). - Luk Pra Kob: Thai herbal packs. Preparation and application - A short section on Tok Sen - See full table of contents below. This book is indispensable for the serious massage therapist, as well as for anyone who studies any form of bodywork. It will be also useful for those who simply wish to learn some massage techniques in order to apply them to family members and friends. 261 pages, with many photos and illustrations! table of contents about the author 4 the theory introduction & history 5 methodology of Thai massage 7 principles of Thai Royal Medicine 8 the mantra of Jivaka 10 contraindications & precautions 11 space & hygiene 11 sip sen: the Thai meridians 13 the techniques Jap Sen: working on the energy lines 25 how To Stop The Blood Flow 32 the feet 35 what lies underneath 48 leg techniques 52 single leg techniques 54 two legs techniques 78 what lies underneath 95 trunk - abdomen & thorax 99 what lies underneath 111 arms & hands 114 what lies underneath 134 side position 137 prone position 173 what lies underneath 206 Thai massage and lumbar disc degeneration 210 seated position 212 what lies underneath 228 face &

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Thai Foot Massage is an ancient art, and part of traditional Thai Medicine. In Thailand, it is the most widely applied treatment. This book is indispensable for all massage teachers, as it contains information and tips from a well experienced massage instructor with 10+ years of experience. Also, it will be valuable for those who wish to start learning simple massage techniques in order to apply them to family members and friends. In this book, you will find:

- Detailed descriptions on traditional Thai Foot Massage techniques.
- Instructions on massage techniques on the dorsal and palmar surfaces of the foot
- Work with massage wooden tools and towels
- Thai Hand Massage instructions
- A small section on self-massage.

The book teaches you how to get a Thai massage. This book will show you:

- Clear, detailed, step-by-step instructions for each massage technique.
- Multiple benefits of each movement.
- How to ensure the safety and comfort of your loved ones when giving them a massage.
- Detailed instructions for massage in any position or position, from bed to mat on the floor.

Learn how to reduce joint pain and stiffness and muscle aches and pain naturally with this fully illustrated, step-by-step guide to the Self Massage and Joint Mobilization Techniques of Traditional Thai Yoga "Reusi Dat Ton," the traditional holistic self-care system of Thailand. After an enlightening introduction to traditional Thai yoga, Wells dives into step-by-step instructions and color photos allowing you to start practicing these techniques on your own. These gentle low-impact techniques will help you to:

- Reduce joint pain and stiffness
- Ease muscle aches and pains
- Improve flexibility and range of motion
- Reduce neck, shoulder, back, hip, and knee pain
- Improve circulation
- Increase your energy and vitality
- Reduce stress
- Increase your mobility and pain-free movement during your daily activities
- Save money by learning how to give yourself a "full body Thai style massage"
- Improve your massage skills by learning the system which is the origin of "traditional Thai massage"
- Deepen your yoga knowledge and practice by studying this little known yoga tradition from Thailand.

The thorough guide stays true to its traditional roots, serving as a rich resource to yoga students, massage therapists, and all people who want to improve their health and vitality. "I have been doing the Thai Yoga Joint Mobilization exercises almost daily for 6 months now. My balance and strength have improved immensely. It helps relieve the morning stiffness that comes with aging. I am so glad to have all of this information at my fingertips as I get older." Jo Jensen, LMT "Thai Yoga "Reusi Dat Ton" offers healing practices that are as close to magic as I've ever gotten! They are simple exercises, postures, and other tools that bring energy, relieve joint pain, sore muscles, and back pain while improving both flexibility and range of motion. This gorgeous book reveals for the first time both the lore and wisdom of these ancient practices." Carol Sullivan, PhD, E-RYT "Thai Yoga is a wonderful gift which has truly improved

my life! Thanks to David Wells for this carefully researched and meticulously detailed manual. As a massage therapist and yoga instructor the work has become an important daily practice for me and one that I share with my clients. The exercises help me to prepare my body for the day, identify limitations and restrictions in my body and balance my energy. The self-massage practice gives me a soothing way to treat those issues and heal myself. I use Thai Yoga to relieve tension headaches, reduce neck and shoulder tension and pain, improve a chronic back injury by mobilizing the low back and hips and releasing the accompanying muscles with self-massage. I also find the practice to reduce stress and increase energy. Most important Thai Yoga is really fun and feels good. I recommend this practice for everybody!" Jennifer Vanderburg, LMT "Thai Yoga Joint Mobilization is part of my personal daily practice and something I recommend to all my clients for keeping joints open and in full function. It can be practiced standing or seated, making it accessible to people at any level of health." Jill Strong-Harman LMT, Founder/ Director Yin Thai Somatics "Thai Yoga has done more to free me from pain than anything else I've ever tried. For most of my adult life I endured crippling back, neck and joint pain due to several injuries. Now after a year and a half of daily practice of the joint mobilization exercises, I have virtually no pain and every muscle feels energized. I have gone from almost disabled to fully functional and can work and play like I did when I was a young man. I am self-sufficient and master of my physical health for the first time in my adult life. It has literally given me my life back!" James Galusha

An illustrated guide to the art of traditional Thai massage offers step-by-step instructions on how to use this integrative and interactive therapy to increase range of motion, stretch the muscles, balance the body's flow of energy, and promote overall wellness of the body, mind, and spirit. Original. 10,000 first printing.

In Traditional Thai Massage, one aligns the body through stretching the entire structure and working the lines and points, according to the individuals needs. The session works physically, emotionally, energetically and spiritually, bringing balance to the whole being. The nature of Thai Massage is to BALANCE the energy bodies. If you are tired, it will awaken you and if you are nervous, it will calm you. Four Handed/Footed -Double Practitioner Thai massage is founded on the same principles as Traditional Thai, but it is inspired by its Ayurvedic cousin, Abhyanga Massage, which is performed by two practitioners. It has been my experience, that when receiving Thai Massage by two practitioners at the same time there is a sense of losing control and total surrender. In This book we will learn a Sequence that was developed by Ariela. It holds the foundation of the classic sequence but is synchronized to function with duality. The two practitioners work in harmony, mindfully and attentive to the breath as the inward/ outward stretches are congruently done in a harmonious mindful union. Students will learn to give an hour-long sequence, learning both parts, (Upper and Lower body) and will have the confidence to offer a Sensational Double Practitioner Session.

Drawing from Thai history, cultural studies, Buddhist religion, and yogic practices, as well as a modern understanding of anatomy and physiology, this guidebook bridges the gap between theory and practice while presenting bodywork as it is understood in Thailand—as a therapeutic medical science. Presenting detailed analysis of each step in a Thai massage routine, the history, spiritual traditions, and ethical codes are offered in an engaging, informal style. Numerous photographs and diagrams illustrate the variety of techniques used, and examples of routines for treating specific disorders are discussed. Updated with new layout, photos, and expanded text, this exhaustive handbook is complete with a section on the main energy meridians and diagrams of acupressure points, making it the perfect tool to accompany anyone studying this popular healing modality.

Seven Peppercorns covers the vast scope of traditional Thai medicine practices including: Thai element theory, physical therapies, medical Buddhism, herbal medicine for massage, divinatory practices, and spirit medicine; all held within the context of a Thai bodyworker's instructional manual. This is not another step by step Thai massage photographic sequence book, but rather an in-depth training in the theory behind the steps, with instruction in a wide range of esoteric Thai physical therapies designed to bring practical understanding of Thai bodywork as it is practiced by traditional doctors in Thailand. Seven Peppercorns is divided into twelve main segments; each segment containing several chapters. The organizational flow takes the reader from introduction, overview and history, through an understanding of Thai anatomy, including element, point, and sen line theory, to instruction in Thai diagnosis, actual physical manipulations and practical application of the shamanistic and Buddhist components of traditional Thai medicine as it applies to bodywork; all in an easy to follow well organized format. Included in this guide are Thai self care practices and exercises as well as treatment guidelines for specific disorders. Seven Peppercorns serves as both an instruction manual and a reference book fully annotated with appendixes, notes, glossary, bibliography and index. The straight forward academic informational writing is gentled with moments of conversational author to reader comments (often humorous), and peppered with short personal narrative stories that bring the reader into the aensory tapestry of Thailand. It is intended as a stand alone manual, or as a text book for Thai massage instructors to use in classes.

Thai Acupressure is presenting 60 acupressure lines and points traditional formulas. It is Thailand's Physical therapy. It is practiced in special clinics in most of Thailand's Hospitals. It's the medical knowledge of Thai Massage. It's a very effective and simple method to treat the most common orthopedic disorders.

How about adding some fragrant, healing herbal steam in your massage treatments and in your home? You are in the right place! Master the ancient, sacred art of Luk Pra Kob (Thai herbal compress) by the Thai Massage instructor Elefteria Mantzorou. In this book you will find: - How to prepare beautiful herbal balls and poultices - four different methods of preparation included.- The

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properties of the medicinal herbs used in the compress, plus recipes with Thai and Western herbs.- Applications for professional and home use.- Protocols for health problems.- Amazing photographic material from Thailand.Enhance your professional skills and take care of your friends and family with these fragrant allies - the wonderful herbal balls! Recommended for anyone who practises physical therapy and rehabilitation, cupping, manual therapy, yoga therapy, herbal medicine or aromatherapy, as well as similar health professions. It is an essential reading for massage therapists, spa managers and herbalists.Elefteria was trained in Chiang Mai, Thailand, and now runs her own school which includes a small herbal garden. She teaches the art of traditional Thai Massage since 2004, and has trained hundreds of students! She also gives courses on herbal medicine and aromatherapy, and has prepared and applied thousands of herbal balls throughout her career as an instructor and practitioner of Thai bodywork and herbalism

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