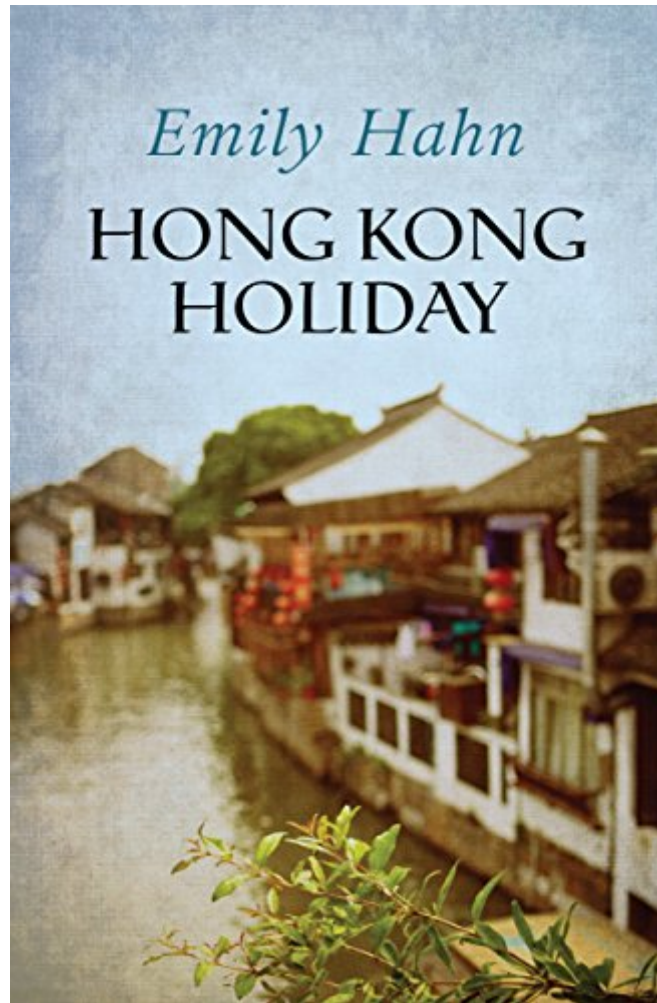




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Synopsis

Author of such celebrated and acclaimed works as *The Soong Sisters*, *China to Me*, and *Fractured Emerald: Ireland*, Emily Hahn has been called by the *New Yorker* “a forgotten American literary treasure.” Now Hahn is reintroduced to a new generation of readers, bringing to light her richly textured voice and unique perspective on a world that continues to exist through both history and fiction. In a sense, *Hong Kong Holiday* is a supplement to Emily Hahn’s *China to Me*, marked by the illustrative anecdote and incisive wit that spotlighted the most important incidents of her life during the long months from the Japanese capture of Hong Kong until she was finally returned home on the second voyage of the exchange ship, *Gripsholm*. Presented here is a crystal-clear picture of the oppressed city—its life in the bazaars, beauty shops, restaurants, and dens. Among the rich and among the poor, in hospitals and in internment camps, *Hong Kong Holiday* is exotic, intriguing, and all too real.

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Evocative of an interesting time in Hong Kong’s history, by a rather fascinating woman.

Pleasant reading.

I've read "The Islands", EH's biography, and now Hong Kong Holiday. Fascinated with Emily Hahn and love her clear, simple writing.

Written like short stories, each chapter a different aspect of life in Hong Kong just before and during the Japanese takeover, it's very interesting with somehow a humorous and also sad take. Believe most of the stories were first published in the New Yorker. First read it 20 years ago and recently reread it and found it just as interesting. If you like it, would recommend the following that fill in the details of her life, a biography— *Nobody Said Not to Go: The Life, Loves, and Adventures of Emily Hahn*— and *China to Me*— by Emily Hahn

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