



# The Animal in Ottoman Egypt

By Alan Mikhail

Download now

Read Online ➔

## The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail

Since humans first emerged as a distinct species, they have eaten, fought, prayed, and moved with other animals. In this stunningly original and conceptually rich book, historian Alan Mikhail puts the history of human-animal relations at the center of transformations in the Ottoman Empire from the sixteenth to the nineteenth centuries.

Mikhail uses the history of the empire's most important province, Egypt, to explain how human interactions with livestock, dogs, and charismatic megafauna changed more in a few centuries than they had for millennia. The human world became one in which animals' social and economic functions were diminished. Without animals, humans had to remake the societies they had built around intimate and cooperative interactions between species. The political and even evolutionary consequences of this separation of people and animals were wrenching and often violent. This book's interspecies histories underscore continuities between the early modern period and the nineteenth century and help to reconcile Ottoman and Arab histories. Further, the book highlights the importance of integrating Ottoman history with issues in animal studies, economic history, early modern history, and environmental history.

Carefully crafted and compellingly argued, *The Animal in Ottoman Egypt* tells the story of the high price humans and animals paid as they entered the modern world.

📄 [Download The Animal in Ottoman Egypt ...pdf](#)

📖 [Read Online The Animal in Ottoman Egypt ...pdf](#)

# The Animal in Ottoman Egypt

By Alan Mikhail

## The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail

Since humans first emerged as a distinct species, they have eaten, fought, prayed, and moved with other animals. In this stunningly original and conceptually rich book, historian Alan Mikhail puts the history of human-animal relations at the center of transformations in the Ottoman Empire from the sixteenth to the nineteenth centuries.

Mikhail uses the history of the empire's most important province, Egypt, to explain how human interactions with livestock, dogs, and charismatic megafauna changed more in a few centuries than they had for millennia. The human world became one in which animals' social and economic functions were diminished. Without animals, humans had to remake the societies they had built around intimate and cooperative interactions between species. The political and even evolutionary consequences of this separation of people and animals were wrenching and often violent. This book's interspecies histories underscore continuities between the early modern period and the nineteenth century and help to reconcile Ottoman and Arab histories. Further, the book highlights the importance of integrating Ottoman history with issues in animal studies, economic history, early modern history, and environmental history.

Carefully crafted and compellingly argued, *The Animal in Ottoman Egypt* tells the story of the high price humans and animals paid as they entered the modern world.

## The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail Bibliography

- Rank: #1687869 in Books
- Published on: 2013-11-19
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 6.30" h x 1.50" w x 9.20" l, 1.25 pounds
- Binding: Hardcover
- 336 pages

 [Download The Animal in Ottoman Egypt ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online The Animal in Ottoman Egypt ...pdf](#)

## Editorial Review

### Review

"The book is well researched and supported by copious archival and manuscript resources from Europe, North America, North Africa, and Asia.... Mikhail marshals abundant evidence to support his thesis about the dramatic changes in human-animal relationships wrought by modernization." --Tobias J. Lanz, *Environmental History*

"Camels, donkeys, dogs, and water buffalo have their histories too, and in this compact book Alan Mikhail deftly shows just how closely intertwined they, and the histories of other animals, were with the human history of Ottoman Egypt. Carefully researched, lavishly illustrated, and engagingly written, this book sets a high standard for the historical study of human-animal relations and opens new vistas on the history of Egypt." --J.R. McNeill, author of *Mosquito Empires*

"In this deeply and imaginatively researched book, Alan Mikhail uses insights drawn from the new field of animal history to revisit major transitions in Egyptian history, including modernization, urbanization, and integration into global networks. Particularly striking is the way his argument encompasses both the material conditions of animal existence, such as labor and disease, and the more abstract impact of religion, law, and politics." --Harriet Ritvo, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

"This is a fascinating book, which uses the diminishing presence of animals in various key locations to shed light on major social transformations in late 18th and early 19th century Egypt. Everything from climate and bacteria to foreign imperialists and their new technologies shaped the new Egypt that we see emerging in this book; each of these agents of change gets its due in Mikhail's intricate story." --Kenneth Pomeranz, University of Chicago

### About the Author

**Alan Mikhail** is Professor of History at Yale University. He is the author of *Nature and Empire in Ottoman Egypt: An Environmental History*, which won the Roger Owen Book Award of the Middle East Studies Association, and editor of *Water on Sand: Environmental Histories of the Middle East and North Africa*.

## Users Review

### From reader reviews:

**Manuel Rodriguez:**

Nowadays reading books be than want or need but also get a life style. This reading addiction give you lot of advantages. The huge benefits you got of course the knowledge your information inside the book which improve your knowledge and information. The info you get based on what kind of e-book you read, if you want have more knowledge just go with schooling books but if you want truly feel happy read one having theme for entertaining for instance comic or novel. The The Animal in Ottoman Egypt is kind of publication which is giving the reader erratic experience.

**Olive Wilson:**

The publication with title The Animal in Ottoman Egypt has lot of information that you can find out it. You can get a lot of profit after read this book. This particular book exist new information the information that exist in this publication represented the condition of the world currently. That is important to yo7u to be aware of how the improvement of the world. This kind of book will bring you within new era of the internationalization. You can read the e-book on your own smart phone, so you can read it anywhere you want.

**Anita Cannon:**

Do you have something that you like such as book? The e-book lovers usually prefer to pick book like comic, brief story and the biggest an example may be novel. Now, why not striving The Animal in Ottoman Egypt that give your fun preference will be satisfied by simply reading this book. Reading practice all over the world can be said as the means for people to know world better then how they react in the direction of the world. It can't be explained constantly that reading behavior only for the geeky individual but for all of you who wants to be success person. So , for all of you who want to start looking at as your good habit, you are able to pick The Animal in Ottoman Egypt become your own starter.

**Tracy Rojas:**

As a scholar exactly feel bored to be able to reading. If their teacher inquired them to go to the library or make summary for some e-book, they are complained. Just minor students that has reading's internal or real their interest. They just do what the trainer want, like asked to go to the library. They go to generally there but nothing reading really. Any students feel that looking at is not important, boring in addition to can't see colorful images on there. Yeah, it is being complicated. Book is very important to suit your needs. As we know that on this age, many ways to get whatever we would like. Likewise word says, many ways to reach Chinese's country. So , this The Animal in Ottoman Egypt can make you feel more interested to read.

**Download and Read Online The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail #1N0OJ6ABRW9**

# **Read The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail for online ebook**

The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail books to read online.

## **Online The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail ebook PDF download**

**The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail Doc**

**The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail Mobipocket**

**The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail EPub**

**1N0OJ6ABRW9: The Animal in Ottoman Egypt By Alan Mikhail**