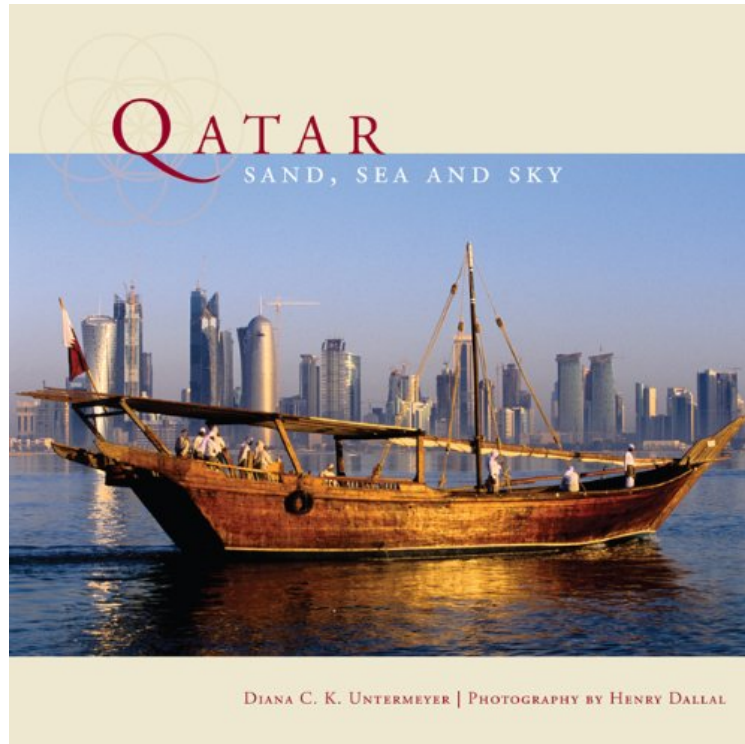


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About the Author Diana Untermeyer worked in the White House during the George H. W. Bush administration and at the Christ Church Cathedral in Houston before moving to Qatar as the ambassador's wife. There she forged strong relationships with the ruling family through their mutual love of horses. This book is endorsed by many of the major institutions affiliated with Qatar.