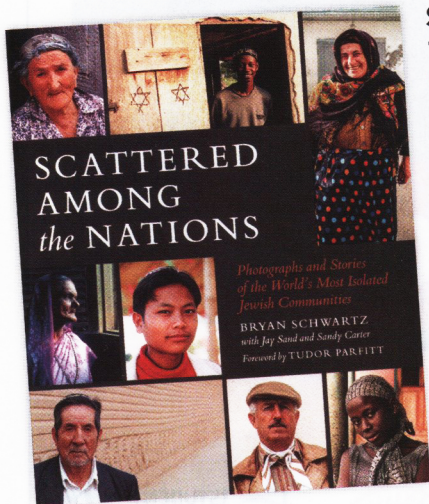


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Scattered Among the Nations

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This coffee table book features a collection of essays, and hundreds of photographs, chronicling Schwartz's sixteen-year journey to visit the world's most isolated Jewish communities. They include the small town of Krasnaya Sloboda, nestled

in the mountains of Azerbaijan, that is the last remaining *shtetl*—the Yiddish word for villages with large Jewish populations found throughout pre-Holocaust Europe. Thousands of miles away, a community in India can trace its roots to seven Jewish couples who survived a shipwreck more than 2,000 years ago; stranded, they built a home where they came ashore, south of what is now Mumbai. In Argentina, Jewish *gauchos* (cowboys) still tend the land that a European philanthropist purchased in the nineteenth century to house refugees. Each of the book's sixteen chapters focuses on a different community that upholds its unique traditions, separate from the mainstream Jewish population. "Our hope is that through these pages you will realize that no racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic stereotype defines all Jewish people," Schwartz writes, "but that many values and traditions do."