



This book tells the story of evolving relationships between Argyle Diamond Mine and the Aboriginal people whose land has been mined. It shows the two parties making agreements, with quite different understandings and expectations, and describes the ways in which they gradually accommodate one another's point of view.

There is humour as well as pathos in the responses of the human beings on both sides, and the results are surprising.

The author, who has worked for many years with people affected by the mine, gives rare insights into the world view and some of the cultural practices of Aboriginal people of the East Kimberley, and shows the Traditional Owners of the mine site gradually reasserting their connection to their land and its sacred Barramundi who yields her diamonds to the miners.

This is an optimistic book, with lessons for anyone hoping to do business on Aboriginal land. It is well referenced and impressively illustrated with maps and photographs.



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