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## **Erling Sandmo**

Monstrous. Sea Monsters in Maps and Literature 1491–1895 (Uhyrlig. Sjømonstre i kart og litteratur 1491 – 1895)

History | Nasjonalbiblioteket | 2017 | 95 pages

Gigantic sea snakes, multi-eyed ocean pigs or fish the size of elephants: Sailors of the past had to prepare for the worst when they travelled the seas. History professor Erling Sandmo has dived into the archives of the National Library and found a series of spectacular stories of encounters with sea monsters.

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Forlaget Press | 2017 | 388 pages

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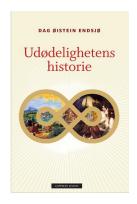
Cultural History | Aschehoug | 2016 | 335 pages

Throughout history, the soul has been regarded as the core of the human being and as an expression of the individual's personality. Most people also feel they have one, although it is hard to explain what the soul exactly is. This is the aim of this book. By following the stages of the fateful drama of the soul from antiquity to present day, the book examines what significance it still may have in the 21st century.

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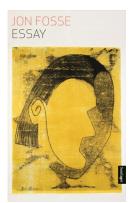
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A Philosophy of Loneliness (Ensomhetens filosofi)

Philosophy | Universitetsforlaget | 2015 | 184 pages

What *is* loneliness? This book investigates both the positive and the negative sides of loneliness. Are there aspects of modern society which encourage loneliness or is it more of a constant aspect of human existence? Is there such a thing as good loneliness and bad loneliness? If so, perhaps modernity's greatest problem with loneliness is not that there is too much of the bad, but rather too little of the good?

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