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# The Little Book Of Romanian Wisdom (English And Romanian Edition)



## **Synopsis**

Romania. For most of the world, the name usually conjures up images of Dracula, Olympic gymnastics legend Nadia Comaneci--and not much else. Yet this country with a rich history stretching back thousands of years contains countless wonders and hidden gems, producing many people who've made a major impact on our world. Their Wisdom has remained hidden behind the barrier of a language spoken by less than 25 million people worldwide. All selections within this book are from people born in Romania, including: Hollywood legends Edward G. Robinson, Bela Lugosi (the original Dracula), and Johnny Weissmuller (the original Tarzan); Elie Weisel, Nobel Prize-winning author; Olympic gold medal gymnast Nadia Comaneci; Renowned sculptor Constantin Brancusi to the lesser-known outside Romania, such as poet Mihai Eminescu (whose fame it's said would have rivaled Shakespeare, had Eminescu written in English). This Book will give you a meaningful glimpse into the heart and soul of Romania and its people--both the world-famous and everyday citizens.

## **Book Information**

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Romanians have an engrained wisdom, an ancestral quality to inspire, create, and guide others. The Little Book of Romanian Wisdom proves once again their perception, knowledge, judgements, and passions. Nicely crafted, the book is the ultimate guide for all the ones interested in discovering themselves while learning about this mystical country: Romania. --Aura Imbarus, author of the Pulitzer Prize nominated book Out of the Transylvanian NightWisdom seems to find us in the exact moment in which our soul is in a quest for answers or for something to resonate with. The whole

magic of wisdom: it knows no boundaries of language, religion or political color. Wisdom is what stays behind and crystallizes inside us when experience, genius, suffering, age or all of the above wash away the shores of our lives. That's why I am so proud that two wonderful people like Diana and Matthew came up with the idea of making the secret gems of Romanian wisdom known to the entire world, as they often go unseen or neglected. They're food for thought as well as for the soul, because genuine emotions are what our souls truly feast on... --Diana-Florina Cosmin, Editor-in-Chief of Forbes Life, Romania

This little jewel of Romanian Wisdom is a huge gift of inspiration from two talented people and a small nation. Who knew that Romania concealed such wisdom? Once you start reading it, you won't be able to put it down. Don't pass this treasure by. --- Dr. Phil Nuernberger, host of the This Amazing Life radio show; author of The Warrior Sage; President of Strategic Intelligence Skills

Each quote in The Little Book of Romanian Wisdom should be offered as a toast to the brilliance and spirit of the Romanian people... much as one would do with a shot of  $\ddot{\text{A}}$ luica [Romania's home-brewed national liquor], one great  $\ddot{\text{a}}$ espiritâ • acknowledging the other. Noroc! --Robert Friedman, M.D., co-author of The Divine Code of Da Vinci, Fibonacci, Einstein and YOU and The Golden Ratio Lifestyle Diet

As long as I can remember, I have collected quotes that touched me. Perhaps they were funny, profound, puzzling, or beautiful. The Little Book of Romanian Wisdom is full of inspiring quotes and stories that I can add to my collection, and use in my work and life. --Gurumarka Khalsa, yogi, spiritual guide and author, Total Fitness

The Little Book of Romanian Wisdom is a precious gem for anyone wishing to cultivate the deep-seated know;edge of an ancient culture. We can all learn, grow and evolve through the soulful guidance and peaceful words of this beautifully crafted work. This is a book not just for Romanians but for the world to read and live by.-- Dr. Carmen Harra, bestselling author of Everyday Karma and Wholeness

We created The Little Book of Romanian Wisdom to be both an introduction and an invitation to go deeper into the wisdom and soul of a country, and in the process, awaken the wisdom of the heritage within each of us. We hope you enjoy this collection of Romanian quotes and pearls of wisdom as much as we enjoyed assembling it.Diana Doroftei and Matthew Cross

I have just read the first edition of the newly-published book, The Little Book of Romanian Wisdom , by Diana Doroftei (of  $\ddot{\text{B}}$  $\ddot{\text{A}}$ f $\ddot{\text{A}}$ rlad, Romania) and Matthew Cross (of Connecticut). It is a beautiful work, and I think that if you are a very good boy or girl, and if you spend the holiday at "Hotel New Hampshire," as we call our home, you just might find a copy if it under the tree on Christmas.The

world can always use wise sayings; aphorisms never go out of style. As I learned during my Fulbright year in Cluj-Napoca, a lovely city in northwestern Transylvania that dates back to the Second Century Roman occupation, Romania's long-suffering yet smart, productive people have a whole lot of wisdom to share. Who cannot love a saying such as, "Ceea ce viata te invata este mai important decat ceea ce te invata scoala." (Emy, rrom) All the entries in the book appear in both Romanian and English... but I'll let you go ahead and translate that gem, some version of which our fathers laid on us all, back when we were in high school. The "Little Book of Romanian Wisdom" goes further. It displays much of the heritage and culture of this diverse land of contrasts, and introduces Romanians who have played important roles in the world without making a point of their birthplace. For instance, I never would have guessed that Johnny Weissmuller (Olympic swimming champion and the original Tarzan of cinema) and Edward G. Robinson were both Romanian-born. The book closes with an appendix which contains a brief history of Romania, a collection of essential Romanian words spelled phonetically for English speakers (Yes, "Da

"The Little Book of Romanian Wisdom" is a wonderful quote book focusing on the greatest treasure Romania has to offer: the successes of its people. There are a lot of books about Romania's great landscapes, castles, monasteries but this is the first book I've read that brings attention to some of the great artists, gymnasts, writers, historians and Nobel prize winners of Romania's past and current days. I believe it is a great introduction to the culture and values of the Romanian people. Being born and raised in Romania I was pleasantly surprised by the in depth research the authors have done to include defining values and characteristics of the Romanian people. This book has definitely brought me closer to my culture and for that I'm very thankful to both Diana Doroftei and Matthew Cross.

We enjoyed the book very much and it was also interesting to see the well of wisdom of the romanian people. For the people of Romania and admirers of our rich culture is a real gem. Highly recommend . It is a plus that it is in Romanian and English.lolanda and Ron

Useless. The Wikipedia article on Romania was more interesting and insightful. Save your money.

This book is wonderful . I have learned lots of new things about my country from it.I love quotations and I had no idea we have so many great people we can look up to for inspiration.I am proud to share this book with all my foreign friends who want to learn more about my culture .Great read !

This is a stupid, stupid book. Well, not the book in itself, but the content. There are pearls of wisdom like "In a family the most important thing is to get along" or "Drinking a large glass of water with lemon in the morning restores body and soul", which, by the way, in the Romanian version makes no sense at all.. It looks sometimes like the authors have translated to Romanian from who knows what language, and very poorly at that. The idea of the book is great, but I am sure that they could have done a better job of gathering real pearls of wisdom, because if that is what passes for contemporary wisdom in Romania, no wonder we are in trouble...

This book is amazing! I was impressed to see things I learned about my whole life being added together in just one place. If you really want to learn more about a historically country, their culture and people, then this book is what you need. Many thanks to authors for their MASTERPIECE!

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