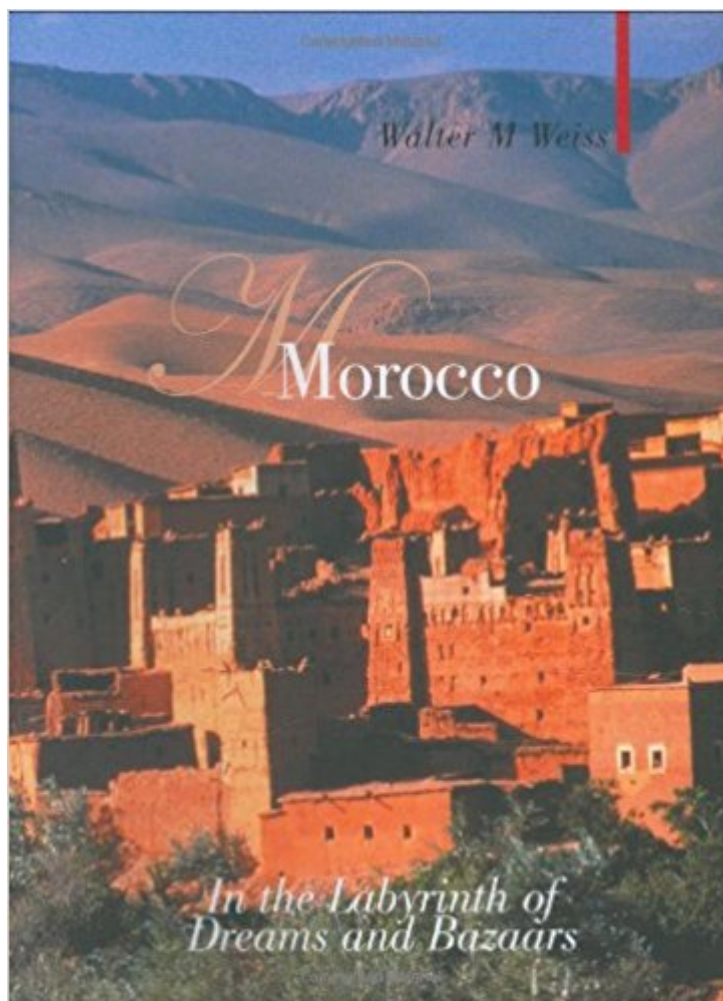


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Walter M. Weiss is a writer based in Vienna. Stefan Tobler is the publisher and founder of And Other Stories.

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