



 [Get Print Book](#)

## The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books)

By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes



[Download](#)



[Read Online](#)

**The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books)** By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes

In *The Dark Side of Man*, Michael Ghiglieri, a biologist and protégé of Jane Goodall, takes on one of the most highly charged debates in modern science: the biological roots of bad behavior. Beginning with rape, and moving on to murder, war, and genocide, Ghiglieri offers the most up-to-date, comprehensive look at the male proclivity for violence. In a strong narrative voice, he draws on the latest research and his own personal experiences—both as a primatologist and as a soldier—to explain that male violence is largely innate, a product of millions of years of evolution. In the process, he debunks many of our most clung-to, “politically correct” notions: that the differences between men and women are strictly due to socialization, that rape is really about power—not sex—and that genocide is only possible with a single madman at the helm. Well-argued, evenhanded, yet never dull, this important book illuminates the darkest impulses of the male psyche, and suggests ways for modern society to curb them.



[Download The Dark Side Of Man \(Helix Books\) ...pdf](#)



[Read Online The Dark Side Of Man \(Helix Books\) ...pdf](#)

# The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books)

*By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes*

**The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books)** By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes

In *The Dark Side of Man*, Michael Ghiglieri, a biologist and protégé of Jane Goodall, takes on one of the most highly charged debates in modern science: the biological roots of bad behavior. Beginning with rape, and moving on to murder, war, and genocide, Ghiglieri offers the most up-to-date, comprehensive look at the male proclivity for violence. In a strong narrative voice, he draws on the latest research and his own personal experiences—both as a primatologist and as a soldier—to explain that male violence is largely innate, a product of millions of years of evolution. In the process, he debunks many of our most clung-to, “politically correct” notions: that the differences between men and women are strictly due to socialization, that rape is really about power—not sex—and that genocide is only possible with a single madman at the helm. Well-argued, evenhanded, yet never dull, this important book illuminates the darkest impulses of the male psyche, and suggests ways for modern society to curb them.

## **The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes Bibliography**

- Sales Rank: #258647 in Books
- Brand: Brand: Basic Books
- Published on: 2000-04-07
- Released on: 2000-04-04
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 9.00" h x .75" w x 6.00" l, 1.04 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 336 pages

 [Download The Dark Side Of Man \(Helix Books\) ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online The Dark Side Of Man \(Helix Books\) ...pdf](#)

## **Editorial Review**

### **Amazon.com Review**

Michael Ghiglieri studies the roots of male violence from a unique vantage: he's a former combat soldier and longtime primate researcher, a protégé of Jane Goodall. In *The Dark Side of Man: Tracing the Origins of Violence*, Ghiglieri uses this background, accompanied by copious scientific and statistical evidence, to construct an explanation of male violence that is often at odds with popular preconceptions.

Central to Ghiglieri's argument is that violence is a deeply entrenched behavioral strategy--especially among males--that simply emerges when other strategies fail, a thesis he reinforces convincingly with both anecdotes and hard numbers. And while he recognizes that culture and socialization play important roles in encouraging violence, he maintains that ignoring the powerful biological and evolutionary forces at work is "the single most useless--and dangerous--approach one could take in trying to explain human violence."

With extensive sections on rape, murder, war, and genocide, Ghiglieri methodically details our grim heritage, from wilding New Yorkers to wild gorillas. Some of his conclusions are surprising but persuasive--that the goal of rape is actually copulation, not control, for instance. But Ghiglieri's assessment is ultimately a hopeful one: he believes that by understanding and admitting to the biological origins of violence, we are better prepared to deal with it. --*Paul Hughes*

### **From Publishers Weekly**

Taking a hard-line evolutionary perspective, University of Northern Arizona anthropology professor Ghiglieri (Canyon) argues that it is possible to explain all facets of violent behavior in humans through a thorough understanding of biology. Via an amalgam of evolutionary theory, criminal justice theory and concepts drawn from sociology and anthropology, Ghiglieri aims to convince readers that men are significantly more violent than women and that this difference stems almost exclusively from genetic differences associated with contrasting reproductive strategies utilized by members of the two sexes. Ghiglieri says that we should "not expect political correctness from this book," and in chapters on rape, murder, war and genocide, he keeps his promise. His views will be extremely controversial, though they are not particularly well supported. He argues, for example, that contrary to accepted dogma, rape really is about sex rather than about power, that women threatened with rape should resist as strongly as they can and that "rape during war may be an instinctive male reproductive strategy." The book's final section provides Ghiglieri's prescription for dealing with innate violence: we need to stop coddling criminals, increase our rate of execution dramatically, encourage all states to pass legislation permitting the carrying of concealed handguns and create a retributive legal system based on the Judeo-Christian concept of an eye for an eye. Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.

### **From Scientific American**

Ghiglieri asks if males are born to be violent. "The answer is yes. Aggression is programmed by our DNA." And he examines the forms that male aggression takes: rape, murder, war and genocide. Then he asks if anything can be done about it. Again, yes. "Our intelligence, self-awareness, morality, and culture make us the most amazing and capable beings in the known universe--but not so amazing that we can safely ignore our evolutionary roots in natural selection. These roots are still with us--for evil, as in the lethal and genocidal violence by men, or for good, as in understanding and cooperating to solve the atavistic aggression that is our evolutionary legacy. Our fate lies in our hands." Ghiglieri, associate professor of anthropology at the University of Northern Arizona, is not one to shy from controversy, and it is doubtful that every reader

will agree fully with his argument, but he makes it vigorously.

## **Users Review**

### **From reader reviews:**

#### **Donald Farrell:**

This book untitled The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) to be one of several books in which best seller in this year, that's because when you read this publication you can get a lot of benefit onto it. You will easily to buy this specific book in the book retailer or you can order it via online. The publisher in this book sells the e-book too. It makes you easier to read this book, since you can read this book in your Smart phone. So there is no reason to your account to past this publication from your list.

#### **Sean Bass:**

Do you really one of the book lovers? If yes, do you ever feeling doubt while you are in the book store? Try to pick one book that you never know the inside because don't judge book by its cover may doesn't work this is difficult job because you are afraid that the inside maybe not as fantastic as in the outside appearance likes. Maybe you answer may be The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) why because the wonderful cover that make you consider concerning the content will not disappoint anyone. The inside or content will be fantastic as the outside or even cover. Your reading 6th sense will directly direct you to pick up this book.

#### **Octavio Martin:**

As we know that book is significant thing to add our information for everything. By a publication we can know everything we really wish for. A book is a range of written, printed, illustrated or blank sheet. Every year was exactly added. This e-book The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) was filled regarding science. Spend your spare time to add your knowledge about your technology competence. Some people has distinct feel when they reading a new book. If you know how big benefit from a book, you can feel enjoy to read a guide. In the modern era like currently, many ways to get book that you wanted.

#### **Philip Cooper:**

What is your hobby? Have you heard this question when you got pupils? We believe that that question was given by teacher for their students. Many kinds of hobby, Everybody has different hobby. And also you know that little person including reading or as looking at become their hobby. You have to know that reading is very important along with book as to be the matter. Book is important thing to increase you knowledge, except your personal teacher or lecturer. You see good news or update concerning something by book. Numerous books that can you take to be your object. One of them is niagra The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books).

**Download and Read Online The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books)  
By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes #KMTPDE9ZS4G**

## **Read The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes for online ebook**

The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes books to read online.

### **Online The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes ebook PDF download**

**The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes Doc**

**The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes Mobipocket**

**The Dark Side Of Man (Helix Books) By Michael Ghiglieri, Joshua Bilmes EPub**