Abstract

Earthrise tells the remarkable story of the first photographs of Earth from space and the totally unexpected impact of those images. The Apollo “Earthrise” and “Blue Marble” photographs were beamed across the world some forty years ago. They had an astounding effect, Robert Poole explains, and in fact transformed thinking about the Earth and its environment in a way that echoed throughout religion, culture, and science. Gazing upon our whole planet for the first time, we saw ourselves and our place in the universe with new clarity. Poole delves into new areas of research and looks at familiar history from fresh perspectives. With intriguing anecdotes and wonderful pictures, he examines afresh the politics of the Apollo missions, the challenges of whole Earth photography, and the story of the behind-the-scenes struggles to get photographs of the Earth put into mission plans. He traces the history of imagined visions of Earth from space and explores what happened when imagination met reality. The photographs of Earth represented a turning point, Poole contends. In their wake, Earth Day was inaugurated, the environmental movement took off, and the first space age ended. People turned their focus back toward Earth, toward the precious and fragile planet we call home.

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Technology and Culture. Earthrise: How Man First Saw the Earth (review). Fred Turner. Technology and Culture. According to historian Robert Poole, the instant in which the astronauts first snapped a picture of Earth's rise over the moon "was the defining moment of the twentieth century." Poole's claim clearly suffers from hyperbole. If that dark century had a single defining moment, it might just as easily have been the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima or the revelation of the Nazi concentration camps. But as this thoroughly researched and exceptionally engaging history makes clear, our ability to suddenly see our planetary home had a dramatic effect on American culture. Earthrise, seen for the first time by human eyes Apollo 8 : from the moon to the Earth A short history of the whole Earth From landscape to planet Blue marble An astronaut's view of Earth From cold war to open skies From spaceship Earth to mother Earth Gaia Pale blue dot. Geographic Name: Earth Photographs from space. Geographic Name: Earth Remote-sensing images. Download Earthrise : how man first saw the Earth Robert Poole. leave here couple of words about this book: Tags