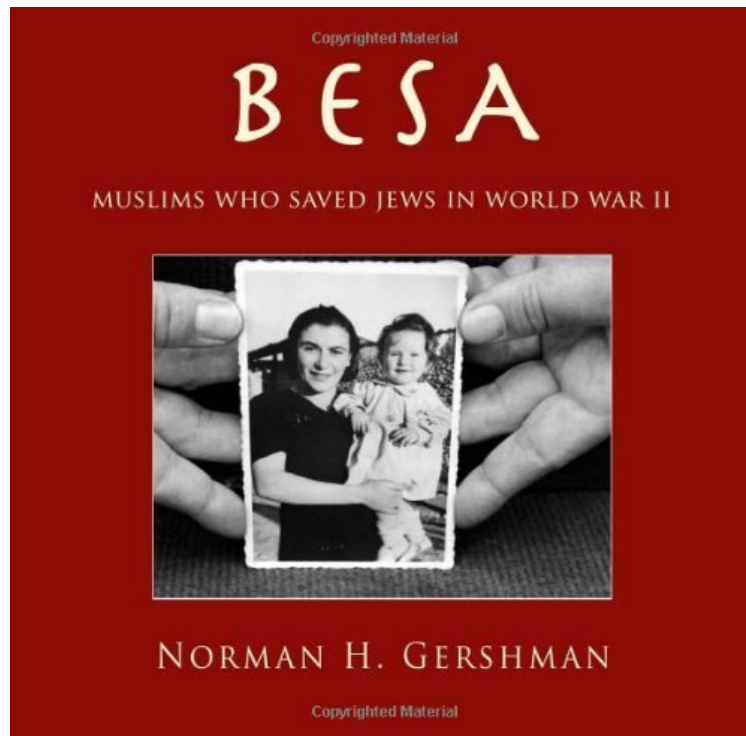


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20 of 21 people found the following review helpful. BESABy Muradie CuraMy Name is Hasim Cura.I was born in place called Ostros in Montenegro, as you can see I'm an Albanian Muslim,I live in Australia, and one day I was listening in the Albanian News ,here in Sydney and I was interested to hear that My Albanian Muslim and Christians Brothers did help the Jews (Jevrej) as we call them, which I'm weary proud of them .The book was very eye opening for me because Living in Communists country like in Montenegro (X -Yugoslavia) we didn't know because that's wasn't allow to to shove in the that time that Albanians where that Generous because us Albanian in X-Yugoslavia where Branded as Separatists and trouble makers.Interestingly enough The BESA tradition is still being practiced today.I liked the Book and I hope every Albanian and Jewish (Israelis) read this book. Also hope it helps all the family's that migrated to Israel after the war as well as the Palestinians in the same way they did receive Help.Regards Hasim.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Recommended for history and humanity lessons.By Leonard D.Very nice book about a story that you hardly (if ever) hear: how a tiny country - Albania - in Europe saved all the Jews that took shelter there during WWII. Book has current photos of some of those who saved Jewish people and put their lives at risk for doing so while occupied by Nazi Germany.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A poignant time in historyBy Marcia MiloseBesa, the Albanian code of honor, was introduced to me by an Albanian tour guide. In the horrific modern day relations between Jews and Muslims, this poignant book offers hope and a reminder that religions can offer one another respect and can peacefully co-exist on our planet.

Besa is a code of honor deeply rooted in Albanian culture and incorporated in the faith of Albanian Muslims. It dictates a moral behavior so absolute that nonadherence brings shame and dishonor on oneself and one's family. Simply stated, it demands that one take responsibility for the lives of others in their time of need. In Albania and Kosovo, Muslims sheltered, at grave risk to themselves and their families, not only the Jews of their cities and villages, but thousands of Jews fleeing the Nazis from other European countries. Over a five-year period, photographer Norman H. Gershman sought out, photographed, and collected these powerful and moving stories of heroism in *Besa: Muslims Who Saved Jews in World War II*. The book reveals a hidden period in history, slowly emerging after the fall of an isolationist communist regime, and shows the compassionate side of ordinary people in saving Jews. They acted within their true Muslim faith.