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"[A] fine [book]; the author aims to engage the readers in issues that are crucial to our future existence and well-being, and show us how we can apply them in concrete and meaningful ways."--**Amy Bentley, *Times Literary Supplement***

"In *Hamburgers in Paradise*, Ms. Fresco offers a thought-provoking, encyclopedic analysis of contemporary food issues. . . . Her international perspective is refreshing, her explanations clear and non-technical, and her refusal to endorse easy answers in favor of weighing the costs and benefits of different options a welcome change from the succession of simplistic ideas often found in the media. . . . *Hamburgers in Paradise* could not come at a more opportune moment."--**Rachel Laudan, *Wall Street Journal***

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"In this painstaking study, Fresco has piled her plate high."--***New Zealand Herald***

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of Global Agriculture, Louise Fresco tracks the ten-thousand-year evolution of human agriculture in search of the paradise of abundance. Throughout this book, she weaves the extraordinary cultural intersection of art, poetry, and religion with science and technology, and confronts the dichotomy of a 'hamburgerized' twenty-first-century world of overabundance and painful scarcity."--**Kenneth M. Quinn, president of the World Food Prize Foundation**

"This erudite and wide-ranging book is the result of Fresco's four decades of work and reflection on how our food is produced and consumed. In contemporary literature about the future of the food chain, I have not come across a more convincing, irresistibly organized, and thorough overview of what we all need to digest. This book is a must-read."--**Victor Halberstadt, Leiden University**

About the Author

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