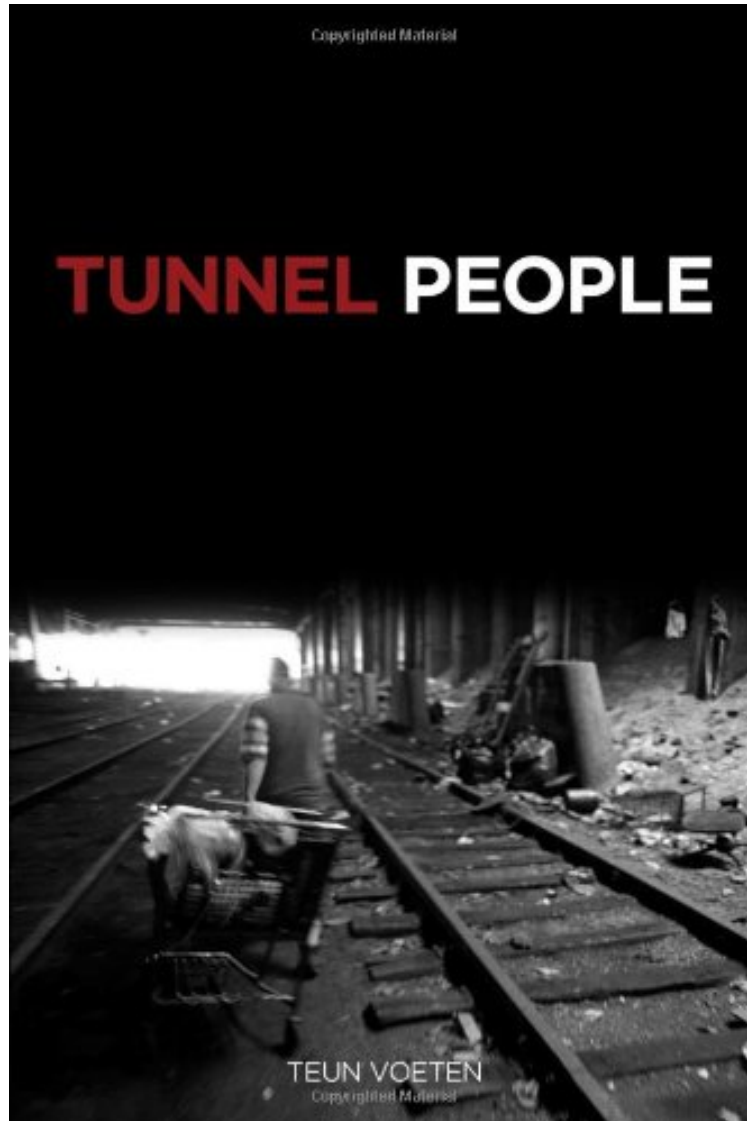


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From BooklistFirst published in the Netherlands in 1996, this book chronicles Voetens five-month exploration of the society that exists underneath the streets of Manhattan. Voeten, an accomplished war photographer and reporter, didnt write about the people who lived in the tunnels under New York from the point of view of an observer. He lived in the tunnels, grew to know the people who lived there, and came to understand not just how they got there but also the society they have created. Like Jennifer Toths Mole People (1993) and Matthew OBriens Beneath the Neon (2007), Voetens book captivates readers with its compassionate portraits of the people and their surroundings, while exploring the surprisingly varied reasons why these men and women wound up living just beneath the surface of the readers world. --David Pitt "Finally, after countless portrayals of one of the most highly publicized existences, Voeten is to be commended for his honest and explicit view of New York's underworld. I salute his efforts and sacrifices to the highest."-- Bernard Monte Isaac aka Lord of the Tunnel, former tunnel residentTeun Voeten is not the first to document the lives of the people living in the tunnel systems of New York City. His newly updated account,Tunnel People, is unique, however, because of Voeten's commitment not only to his craft, but also to the people.[...]As someone who regularly encounters homeless people on the streets of Los Angeles [...] I found Voeten's book deeply insightful and helpfully frustrating.Tunnel Peopleoffers a penetrating vision of a slice of life that is uniquely American, recounted by a uniquely qualified Dutch writer.