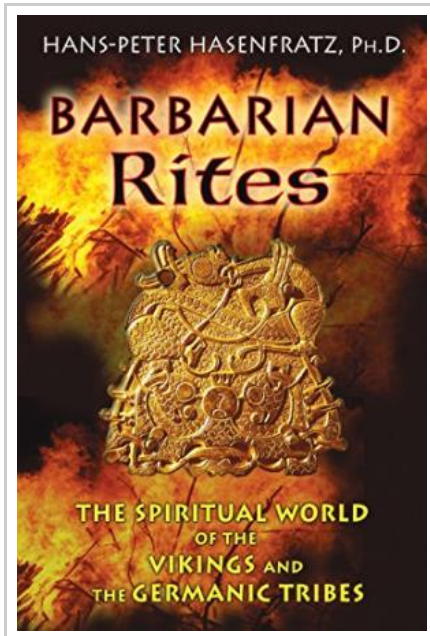




Barbarian Rites: The Spiritual World of the Vikings and the Germanic Tribes

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