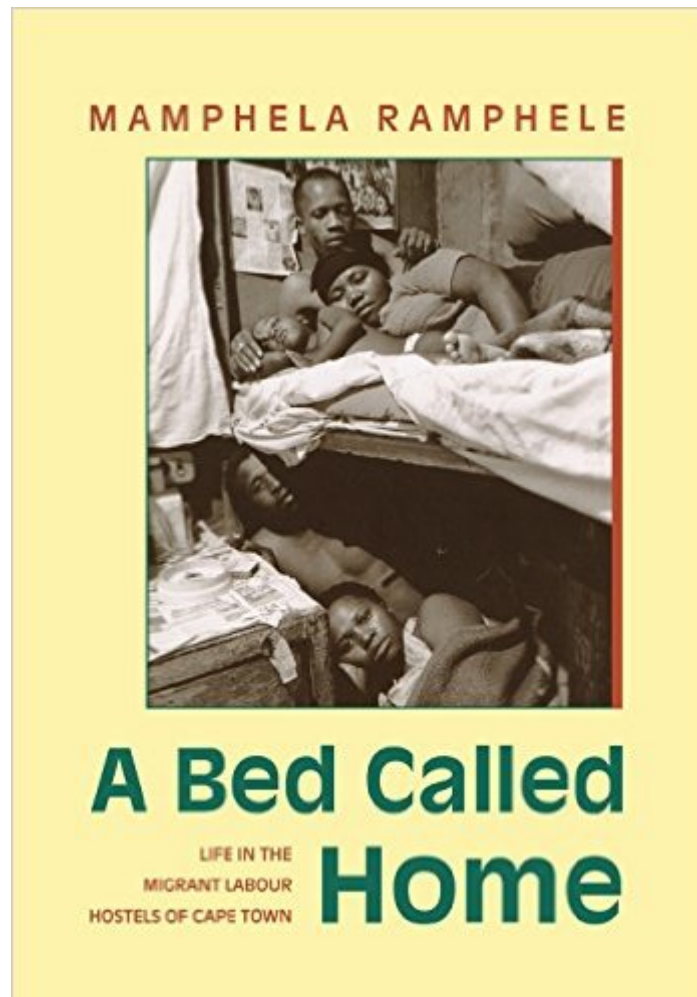


The book was found

A Bed Called Home: Life In The Migrant Labour Hostels Of Cape Town



Synopsis

In the last three years the migrant labor hostels of South Africa, particularly those in the Transvaal, have gained international notoriety as theaters of violence. For many years they were hidden from public view and neglected by the white authorities. Now, it seems, hostel dwellers may have chosen physical violence to draw attention to the structural violence of their appalling conditions of life. Yet we should not lose sight of the fact that the majority of hostel dwellers are peace-loving people who have over the years developed creative strategies to cope with their impoverished and degrading environment. In this challenging study, Dr. Mamphela Ramphele documents the life of the hostel dwellers of Cape Town, for whom a bed is literally a home for both themselves and their families. Elaborating the concept of space in its many dimensions—“not just physical, but political, ideological, social, and economic as well”—she emphasizes the constraints exerted on hostel dwellers by the limited spaces they inhabit. At the same time, she argues that within these constraints people have managed to find room for manoeuvre, and in her book explores the emancipatory possibilities of their environment. The text is illustrated with a number of black-and-white photographs taken by Roger Meintjes in the townships and hostels.

Book Information

Paperback: 159 pages

Publisher: Ohio University Press; 1 edition (August 15, 1993)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0821410636

ISBN-13: 978-0821410639

Product Dimensions: 6.7 x 0.4 x 9.6 inches

Shipping Weight: 11.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: Be the first to review this item

Best Sellers Rank: #1,669,384 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #68 in Books > Law >

Administrative Law > Housing & Urban Development #794 in Books > History > Africa > South Africa #2613 in Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Social Sciences > Specific Demographics > Minority Studies

[Download to continue reading...](#)

A Bed Called Home: Life In The Migrant Labour Hostels of Cape Town
How to Get Rid of Bed Bugs:
Learn How to Kill Bed Bugs and Prevent Bed Bug Bites
Ricky The Raccoon
Jungle Bed Time:
Children's Animal Bed Time Story (Beginner Early Readers (Preschool picture book)
Good Night

Story Book 3) The Gardener's Bed-Book: Short and Long Pieces to Be Read in Bed by Those Who Love Green Growing Things (Modern Library Gardening) Bed Bug Basics (The Bed Bug Chronicles Book 1) You Called 9-1-1 For What? (You Called 9-1-1 For...) Transforming Cape Town (California Series in Public Anthropology) Cape Town (Around the World in 80 Men Book 44) Africa Solo: My World Record Race from Cairo to Cape Town A Town Called Valentine: A Valentine Valley Novel More Than a Labour of Love: Three Generations of Women's Work in the Home Feng Shui: Wellness and Peace- Interior Design, Home Decorating and Home Design (peace, home design, feng shui, home, design, home decor, prosperity) Home Security: Top 10 Home Security Strategies to Protect Your House and Family Against Criminals and Break-ins (home security monitor, home security system diy, secure home network) INFESTATION: A Small Town Nightmare 2 (with Finale Episode 3): Supernatural Suspense (INFESTATION- A Small Town Nightmare) Our Town: A Heartland Lynching, a Haunted Town, and the Hidden History of White America Illusion Town (Illusion Town Novel, An) Lost Lion of Empire: The Life of 'Cape-to-Cairo' Grogan (Life of Ewart Grogan Dso (1876-1976)) Migrant Daughter: Coming of Age as a Mexican American Woman THE MIGRANT SILK WEAVERS OF TAMILNADU - A STUDY: Book on Sourashtra Community Estamos AquÃfÂ- : Poems by Migrant Farmworkers (Spanish Edition)

[Dmca](#)