

Extract from
DOWSING – The Ultimate Guide for the 21st Century
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Let's get one thing straight from the start.

Dowsing works.

If it didn't, it wouldn't have pluckily survived hundreds, if not thousands, of years of being ridiculed by the general public, dismissed with barely disguised contempt by mainstream science and denounced as the work of the devil by religious groups. Over the centuries dowsers have suffered the gamut from the indignity of scorn to the injustice of imprisonment.

And yet ... dowsing is flourishing today as never before.

This is the most exciting time for this ancient art, which now finds itself on the cutting edge of science. Dowsers have known for centuries of the validity and integrity of their skills. But the science to explain, endorse and legitimize the practice has lagged behind. That is, until recently; new discoveries in physics are now placing dowsing firmly on the threshold of proof.

Not that there has been any need to endorse dowsing, as the proof is in the results. Dowsers are today employed worldwide: on the payroll of countless utility companies; by police forces to locate crime scenes and missing persons, living or dead; to work hand-in-hand with the police and other authorities in engineering maintenance and road safety; by oil companies to sink wells, by mining companies to locate diamonds and precious metals; and by farmers and the owners of factories and golf-courses to find water for irrigation. There is also a thriving community of doctors and homoeopaths employing its benefits in diagnosis and treatment. And volunteer water dowsers are selflessly changing the lives of whole villages on the African continent by locating water quite simply for their survival.

Even more dramatically, dowsing was used by the US Marine Corps in Vietnam to detect underground mines and booby traps, and by American intelligence agencies to locate missing planes and contraband drugs. In a recent conversation, internationally renowned Russian research scientist Dr Konstantin Korotkov told me that his team regularly used dowsing first, before confirming their findings with technology, 'because it is quicker'!

You won't necessarily hear of these dowsers. Why? Because their employers choose to keep silent, fearing ridicule and embarrassment. But they continue to employ the dowsers nevertheless. How do I know? Because I am a professional dowser. And over the years I have talked to my fellow dowsers, men and women, about how they employ their skills, their passion for dowsing and their challenges and successes.

Having dowsed for more than 20 years now, I can say that this is the book I would like to have read when I first started out. There is much here that I was never taught but wish I had been. Perhaps something you read will resonate with you and encourage you to become a dowser, give you a leg-up to be a better dowser or inspire you to be the best dowser you can possibly be. Or maybe you are simply curious about how this ancient art can have so many modern applications in contemporary life...