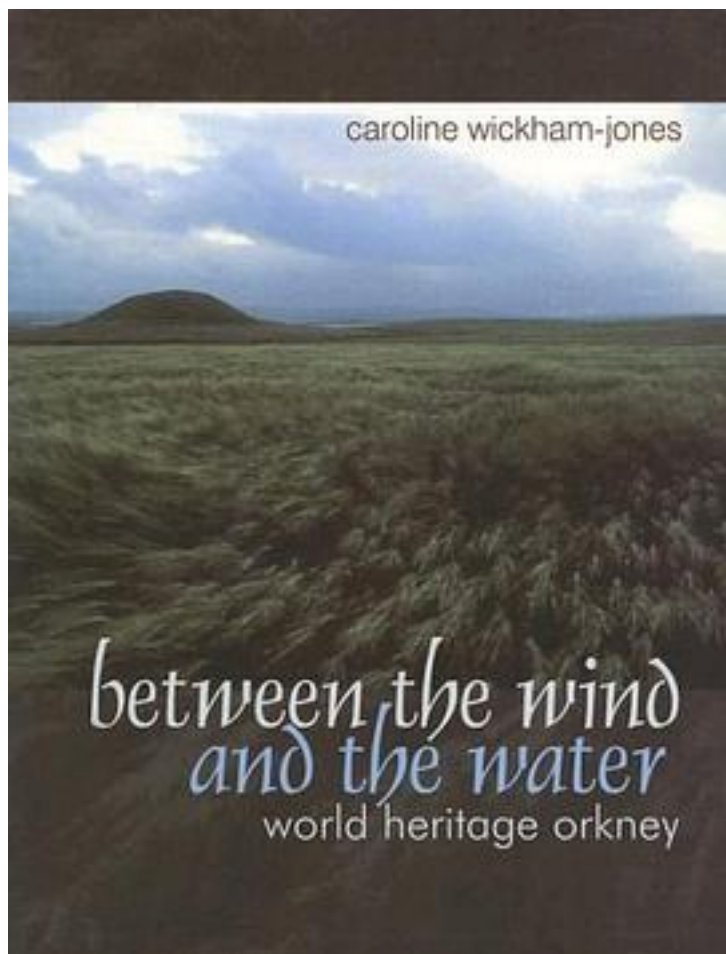


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The great archaeological sites of Orkney - the village of Skara Brae, The Ring of Brodgar, the Stones of Stenness and the burial mound of Maeshowe - give us an unparalleled glimpse into the world of the Neolithic. Inscribed as a World Heritage Site

in 1999, they are also at the heart of the archipelago's history. This book looks at what makes these monuments so special. It explores the Neolithic world in which they were built, how they come to be a focus through the ages, and what they mean today. Revealing a story of Picts, saints, Vikings, antiquarians and tourists, the book goes on to tell the subsequent story of Orkney, a history which is channelled - like the sun entering Maeshowe at on the winter solstice - through these 'dances of stones'.

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