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Abstract:
This collective volume on alcohol in Africa is divided into five parts. Part 1 (Introduction): two papers by Deborah Fahy Bryceson presenting general background about alcohol's utilitarian value in African society and a historical overview; Part 2 (Business interests): Justin Willis on brewing among the Nyakyusa of southwestern Tanzania; Nite Baza Tanzarn on 'waragi' production in Kibaale District, Uganda; Michael K. McCall on the environmental implications of cottage brewing. Part 3 (Political contests): Jan-Bart Gewald on colonial liquor controls in Windhoek, Namibia; Simon Heap on liquor revenue in Nigeria; Jon Abbink on alcohol and cultural hegemony in Maji, southern Ethiopia; Roy van der Drift on cashew wine and the authority of elders among the Balanta in Guinea-Bissau; Tuulikki Pietilä on drinking among market women and gender politics in Kilimanjaro, Tanzania. Part 4 (Social comforts and discomforts): Emmanuel Akyeampong on youth drinking in circumstances of limited life chances in independent Ghana; Sabine Luning on beer brewing, rituals and religious conversion in Maane, Burkina Faso; Rijk van Dijk on Pentecostalism and the moral rejection of alcohol in Malawi. Part 5 (Conclusion): Deborah Fahy Bryceson on the darker side of alcohol: alcohol consumption levels that are deemed socially undesirable.