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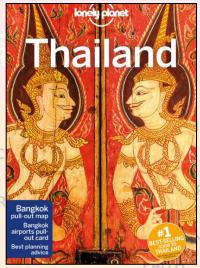
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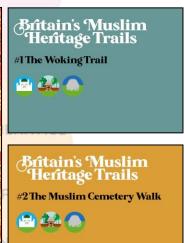
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## **Travel Guides**

Singha Nakhon (Songkhla); Thailand; Muslim Thailand









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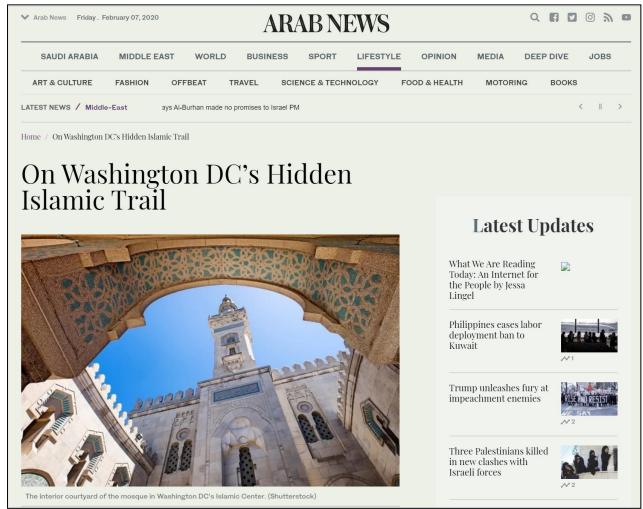




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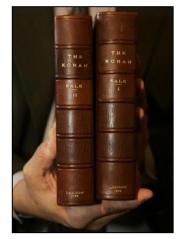
## **Journalism**

Washington DC; USA; Muslim America





Ceiling, Library of Congress



The 'Koran' of Thomas Jefferson



America's Islamic Heritage
Museum

Education 

Capacity Building 

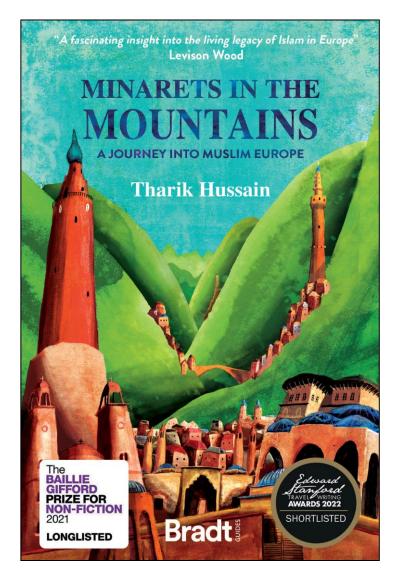
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## **Author**

Western Balkans; Europe; Muslim Europe





Significant European Muslims: The Tomb of Sultan Murad I, Kosovo



Europe's Islamic Scholarship: *Majmaul-Bahrayn*, Bosnia & Herzegovina



Europe's Muslim-Jewish Heritage, Nis, Serbia

# Placemaking and Capacity Building

"If I had read Minarets in the Mountains in my youth, I would have almost certainly felt differently about my religion." Kia Abdullah, Crime

### **Education**

novelist

"Delighted to add

Minarets to my
nonfiction writing
syllabus"
Prof. Sunny Singh,
London Metropolitan
University





## Grassroots Heritage 'Activism'

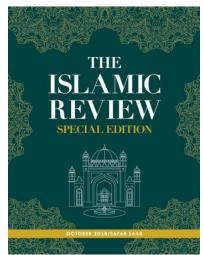
Woking; England; Europe's Makkah





## Milestones

- Blue Plaques: Britain's first Purpose-built mosque and first Muslim Cemetery
- Revival The Islamic
   Review: Britain's longest
   running Muslim
   magazine
- Britain's First Muslim
   Trails: Two self-guided
   trails between three
   sites and a Cemetery
   Walk















## Britain's Muslim Heritage Trail #1:

The Shah Jahan Mosque

The Muslim Burial Ground @\_TharikHussain

## The Woking Trail



Sir Salar Jung Memorial House

**Britain's Muslim Heritage Trail #1:** The Woking Trail



The Peace Gardens

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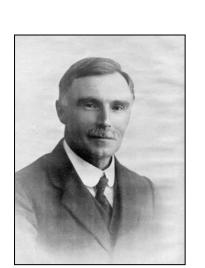


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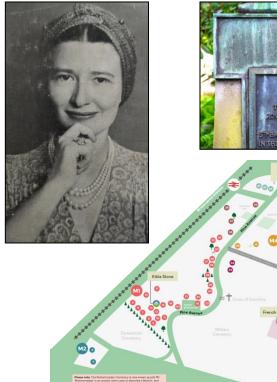
# Britain's Muslim Heritage Trail #2:



























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# Trails: Placemaking

- 'Muslim Britain'
- Mosque and Cemetery's place in British cultural narrative (authorised narratives)



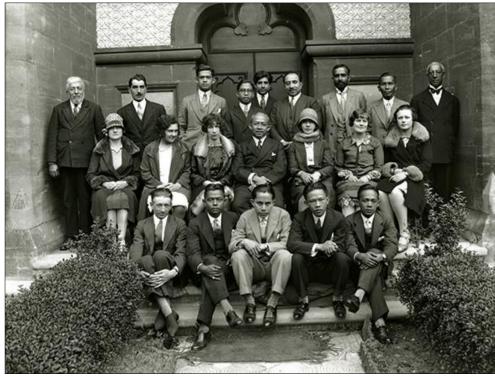




# Trails: Capacity Building

- Visibility
- Belonging: anchorage for British-Muslims

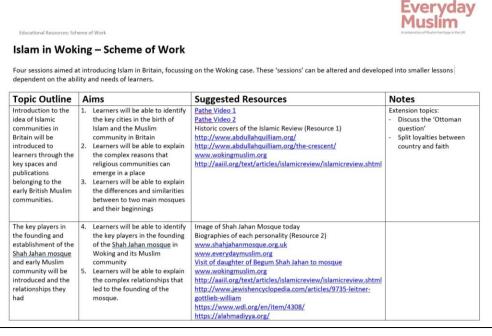




## **Trails: Education**

- University/School Visit: Oxford University '(the visit) will certainly inform our teaching as we set about "decolonising the curriculum'
- Educational Resources: Secondary school resources





## Trails: Stakeholders

- Shah Jahan
   Mosque
- Partners: Surrey
  History Centre,
  The Lightbox,
  Mosque and
  Cemetery



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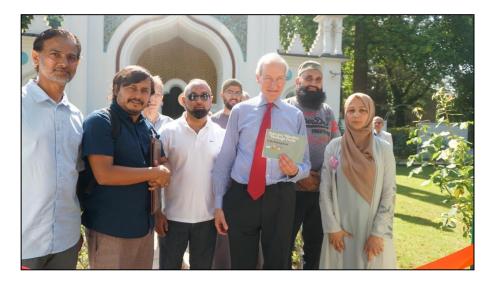




# **Trails: Community Participation**

- Curators and Creators –
   Muslim grassroots project
- Interviewees, volunteers, local historians, guides







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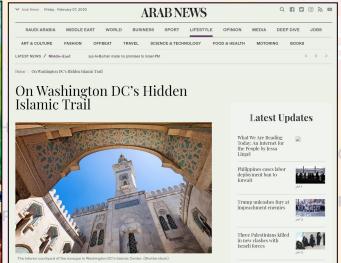
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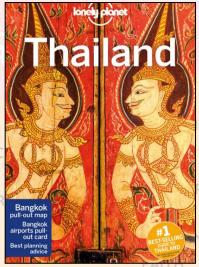
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