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Handkerchiefs: A Collector's Guide-Identification & Values (Book 1)



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Synopsis

This delightful book, shaped like an actual handkerchief, features over 650 hankies in full color, ranging from the 1940s to the early 1960s. Categories include animals, food and drink, instructions and recipes, history and politics, florals, music, the fifty states, holidays, proverbs, horoscopes, and advertisements. There is even a section on the care and decorative uses of handkerchiefs. 2004 values. AUTHORBIO: Helene Guarnaccia has been interested in antiques for many years. When her children were young and she taught Spanish, she enjoyed going to antique shows and flea markets, furnishing her home in period items. In the 1980s, Helene became an antiques dealer and has written four books on Salt & Pepper Shakers for Collector Books, which have sold over 100,000 copies. She also co-authored a book on Handkerchiefs in 2003. AUTHORBIO: Barbara Guggenheim has a doctorate in art history and is a well-known art consultant, lecturer, and contributor to W and other journals. By day, Barbara helps individuals and corporations purchase fine art, and by night and on weekends, she is a collectibles junkie. She is passionate about her collections, which include handkerchiefs, salt and pepper shakers, Eiffel Towers, 1940s and 1950s tablecloths, lighthouses, ironstone, ceramic poodles, and many more. REVIEW: This book is a fascinating read, and a surprise if you’re used to traditional white, lace-edged hankies. There’s so much more to handkerchiefs, and you will see them all in this book. The hankies featured are predominately from the 1940s through the 1960s, during an era where they went from being something that you used and needed to kitsch fashion accessories.

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I got this book because I have some of my Mothers and Grandmothers handkerchiefs. I am enjoying it very much. I found one picture that is like one that I have. The pictures are beautifully done. It makes me wish I had more of the handkerchiefs. I did not realize that there was sucha large assortment. I would like to get the first book that was done.

As an antiques dealer, I find this as the best resource and prettiest pictures of all of my specialty texts! It’s also a lovely gift for a handkerchief lover/collector.

I have collected handkerchiefs for years as a casual hobby. I found the book fascinating. I would love to find a copy of Volume 1 to read about those items also.These are not valuable little items, but I am in awe of the handicraft of the women who did this on a regualar basis as part of their everyday life. I was born in the 40’s and am drawn to items from the 30’s and 40’s as it brings a lot of good memories. The book I received was in very good condition.

Great reference book, and interesting to see the popularity of vintage Hankies from the mid century(1940’s to 70’s)....both as a necessity and as a popular afordable gift item....I have well over 200 Hankies in my own collection and I treasure each & everyone. I am espceially fond on the intact ’boxed’ hankies that were probablly given as a gift....and never used. Pitty....The book is delightful to relax with and see the miryad of different types of hankies from delicate, fancy, kitschie and souviengers ....I am truly enjoying this book.

It’s a book with pictures of handkerchiefs and their values. I was hoping for something more generalized and informative about the topic. It’s basically a JC Penny catalog of specific hankies and their price.

Nice pictures.

Just what I wanted. Mind candy and lovely pictures. A good guide when searching for handkerchiefs.

This book has been a great resource for my program "Hankie Pankie" using my personal collection of antique hankies, some of which are listed on my etsy site: [...]. Great information and photographs!

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