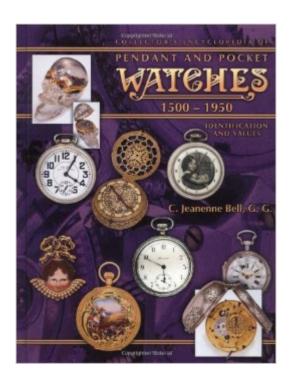
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Synopsis

Whether you simply find watches fascinating or you have an old watch that you are curious about, this book is the one for you. This exploration of the evolution of the pendant/pocket watch is divided into centuries. Each century explores what was happening in the world and how these events and fashions influenced watch making. It includes information on makers, their marks, and even the serial numbers for the American watch movements. Filled with clues, it will help you determine when a watch was made, how it was made, what it is made of, and what makes it tick. The amount of photographs of timepieces in this volume is impressive - hundreds of watches are featured in beautiful color photographs. Cases, dials, and movements are included in the photographs - this book encompasses the entire watch. 2009 values.

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Here's an example of a book that should never have been produced. The author is obviously misinformed and quite frankly, ignorant, regarding watches. The book is riddled with incorrect information regarding watch descriptions, including blatantly wrong jewel counts, movement descriptions, and the repititious "very fine and rare", "fine and lovely", "very fine and very rare", ad nauseum. The author constantly includes "micrometric regulator" in descriptions of pocket watches, that have NO micrometric regulators! The book is attractive, and has some excellent photographs, but, at best, this is a book that needed an author with some watch "smarts".

The book is divided in 5 chapters, each one covering one century of watch development. Each chapter deals with case, movement and decorative procedures development. In the end of each chapter you will find a full range of color fotos of watches of that period. The pictures are very beautifull, but not unique: you will find them in The Sandberg's Watch Collection Book. I think that the book should earn just 3 stars, just because it does not have "unique" pictures. However, the pictures were unique for me, since i don't have sandberg's book.

I was disappointed with this book. There appears to be no organization and the information does not appear to be accurate. I expected much more and this book did not deliver.

C Jeanenne Bell did a tremendous job of presenting these beautiful machines for the novice to professional to admire and study. The format, plates and overall style are exceptional. I highly recommend this book especially to persons that are learning the craft. Components of mechanisms are shown, described and explained clearly. I especially appreciate the listing of watch values, even though they should be considered at least a year old, so that they can be charted throughout time. This book is a bargain.

great book to learn some history and all about pocket and wrist watch companies from the past and gives you good insight on how to date a watch and what there value might be.

My 22 year old son is starting a collection of pocket watches and he has enjoyed this book. He uses it when he goes online to fine new treasures. It helps him know what to look for.

This was the first book we got when my husband decided to collect a few watches. It was good enough to use - at first - and it stimulated his interest.

Book has sufficient detail. Wish they devoted more time to railroad watch period. Pictures and graphics were excellent. Great history type book.

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