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Fashion Dolls



Synopsis

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Full of history and illustrations. Fashion Dolls is enjoyable all the way around. Very informative about the time it represents. This is not a pattern book. It doesn't need to be. I could stay glued to this book. Highly recommend.

Another beautiful French Fashion doll reference source. Beautiful photos of many types of these

early bisques in different settings. A great reference.

Great reference in text and graphics. Section on fashion bodies is excellent reference as well. The pictures have footnotes as to the type of body.

Has several nice illustrations of original costumes.

Outstanding book. A lot of interesting historical information on manufacturers as well as the creative process. Great reference. Good read for both the novice and more advanced collector.

very pleased.

In my opinion one of the outstanding books on antique dolls. There is a wealth of detail on the dolls and their costumes, and both the text and photos inspire and educate. The close focus of the photos enable glimpses of fabric, texture, trimming, etc, that is hard to see in other books bringing to our senses the aesthetic of the time. We are provided that sense of stepping back in time and observing the dolls in their original world, and eerily, some of the dolls return our gaze, as if momentarily considering us as well. The photographic vignettes are composed with artistry, gentle drama, humor, wizardry in capturing the era, and the props and furniture are as fabulous as the dolls themselves. There are in-depth chapters on the history of these dolls, their types and makers, buying/restoring/displaying, their under-clothing, and a glossary, bibliography, and index as well. The photo captions provide very detailed descriptions of each costume. This book is captivating and satisfies on so many levels. The author has brought to us the most intimate look at these dolls most of us will ever get.

Beautiful book!

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