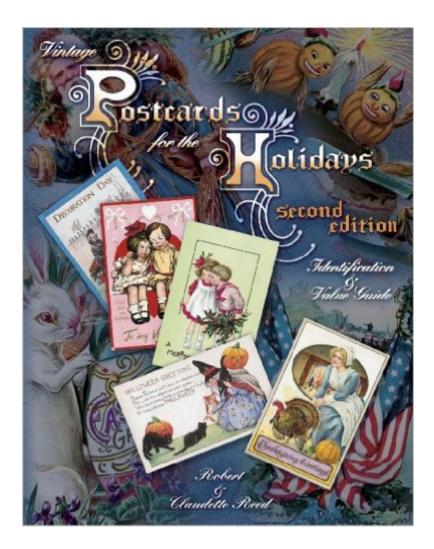
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Vintage Postcards For The Holidays





Synopsis

Everyone has a favorite holiday, and they are all celebrated in this sweeping collection of vintage postcards. Christmas, Halloween, Valentine's Day, Easter, and more are all memorialized in authentic postcards nearly a century old. More than 850 color images present the greeting selections of long ago in exquisite detail. This new and expanded edition features many vintage holiday postcards not included in the first edition, plus additional chapters such as April Fool's Day and Arbor Day. Authors Robert and Claudette Reed have carefully arranged this fascinating volume chronologically to provide reading and viewing through all the seasons of the year. A final special section includes early twentieth century postcards, paying tribute to birthdays, graduations, and other special occasions. You won't want to miss this exciting new edition of Vintage Postcards for the Holidays. 2006 values.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I guess being more a fan than a collector of postcards I have a different opinion than some of the reviewers who rated this book so low. Regarding prices, the fact is that on any collectible prices vary widely depending on your location and method of selling. As a long-time collector of toys and comic books, I can attest to that. Thus the criticism about pricing is completely invalid as this is merely a "guide" as any pricing guide is. I also would dispute the claim that many of the cards are in poor condition. Some are but the vast majority are not. We are talking about items that are in the neighborhood of one hundred years old so they are not all going to be in mint condition. I think the

editors did a fantastic job of giving readers a very broad cross-section of types and styles of cards, regardless of condition. Anyway, the book is organized by Holiday beginning with New Years Day. Each section has an introduction and history of cards for that particular holiday which I found to be very informative. For example we learn that Valentine's Day cards were actually the first holiday cards to be widely distributed beginning in the 17th century. And we also learn that the Easter Bunny dates back to 1700's Germany. The book cruises the calendar year hitting every holiday including Arbor Day, April Fool's Day, Memorial Day, etc...The highlight for most collectors will be the Halloween and Christmas portions. Halloween cards are easily the most valuable and sought after for collectors and I do agree that the Halloween section is way too skimpy at twelve pages (not eight as another reviewer mentioned). Still even twelve pages is slight compared to Thanksgiving which gets some 40 pages.

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