

## Guide To Vintage Omega Watches

A popular collector's guide to discovering the world of unusual, rare, and dazzlingly retro watches.

-A new edition of this definitive book, marking the 60th anniversary of the Speedmaster -Includes new features and additional historical information "The OMEGA Speedmaster Professional - the Moonwatch - has done things that no other timepiece has done and it has been worn in places that only a few human beings have been." - Captain Eugene Cernan, last man on the moon "It is an indescribable reference work and a true must-have for every Speedmaster collector." - Forbes There are very few timepieces in the world that deserve a definitive and comprehensive book. The OMEGA Speedmaster Professional Moonwatch is one of them. Initially designed for automobile racing teams and engineers, the Omega Speedmaster embarked on a very different trajectory when NASA chose it to accompany astronauts heading for the Moon in 1965. Its involvement in the space adventure has propelled the Moonwatch to the top of the list of celebrated timepieces. After years of research and observation, the authors present a complete panorama of the Moonwatch in a systematic work that is both technical and attractive, making it the unparalleled reference book for this legendary watch. This new edition, marking the 60th anniversary of the Speedmaster, has been enriched with numerous new features and additional historical information. Contents: Foreword by Raynald Aeschlimann, President and CEO of OMEGA; Foreword by Captain Eugene Cernan, Commander of Apollo 17; Why a Speedmaster Moonwatch guide?; Part 1 - Speedmaster History; 1, Major Dates; 2, Speedmaster and NASA 25; Part 2 - Main Components and Accessories; 1, An Original Approach; 2, The Caliber; 3, The Caseband; 4, The Dial; 5, The Bezel; 6, The Hands; 7, The Caseback; 8, The Crown; 9, The Pushers; 10, The Glass; 11, The Bracelet; 12, The Presentation Box; 13, The Documents; Part 3 - The Models; 1, Introduction; 2, Standard Production; 3, Special and Limited Series; 4, Personalized Models and Special Projects; 5, The Alaska Project; Part 4 - 60 Years of Innovation; Part 5 - How to Start Collecting Speedmasters; 1, Budget; 2, Choosing a Model; 3, Sales Channels; Part 6 - Appendices; 1, Model Codes; 2, Tables & Bibliography; 3, Contributions; 4, Identification Aid

The early 2000s were an important period, spanning a time when mechanical watches had quite rightly retaken their place in the world market. We all may have a digital device in our pocket that is more accurate than a mechanical watch, but a timepiece has soul, personality, and history. The collection in this book is a step into the world of vintage watch collecting, with a range of photographs, intricate research, and accessible reference material that will intrigue both the casual and avid enthusiast. The collection showcases some of the most interesting, luxurious, and functional 20th-century (1930-1980) mechanical timepieces ever to be produced, including Heuer's Autavia, Rolex's Submariner, Gallet's MultiChron, Zenith's De Luca, and the Universal Space Compax.

Over a short ten-year time-span, Hodinkee has positioned itself as the preeminent and most distinguished destination for modern and vintage wristwatch enthusiasts. Exiting a career in finance, Ben Clymer decided to fuse his horological and writing passions in order to start a blog discussing everything from new products to vintage wristwatch auctions. Titling his endeavor after the Czech word hodinky, which means 'little watch,' Clymer sought to create a platform that was casual and accessible to all levels of enthusiasts--within a few years The New York Times dubbed him the "High Priest of Horology." What started as a humble blog quickly transformed into a full-fledged magazine and e-comm hub for some of the world's leading watch brands. Celebrating the decade milestone since Hodinkee's founding, this book captures the storied expertise of the world's leading experts on time. With chapters breaking down chronographs, dive watches, high design, and

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horological icons, this book is a connoisseur's compendium for the timepiece veterans and novices alike.

'A gorgeously indulgent new coffee-table heavyweight.' - Esquire magazine 'An ode, a love letter, and a paean to family tradition while also being a celebration of the longevity of the Rolex brand, this tome is encyclopedic and monumental in its scope.' - New York Journal of Books For more than a century, Rolex has stood apart as the most legendary brand of watch in the world. Ever the record setter--the Daytona, belonging to actor Paul Newman, was auctioned by Phillips in New York in October 2017 for \$17.8 million--it comes as no surprise that Rolex is the most collected watch label in the world. Published to celebrate The Vintage Watch Company's 25th anniversary in 2020, the book contains a unique pictorial collection of vintage Rolex watches that have passed through the shop during the past 25 years. From early Rolex pocket watches to the world's first wristwatches, elegant in their simplicity yet revolutionary in their impact, to the very first Submariners, iconic Daytonas, and jewel-encrusted Crown collections, the mesmerizing archive of vintage timepieces charts the extraordinary rise of an extraordinary brand.

This beautiful and exciting book presents the most stunning and important Omega watches. A range of over 100 marvelous photographs, informative text, and technical details document more than 60 years of fascinating wristwatch design of one of the world's best known and most popular Swiss wristwatch manufacturers. Among the memorable wristwatches included here are the Speedmaster model that went to the moon and the James Bond edition that served on Her Majesty's Secret Service. The rest of the models covered include, first, the historical models, and the Legend Collection, Seamaster, Chronographs, Olympic Collection, and Elegant Watches. Technical information provided for each watch includes the reference number, movement, functions, case, remarks, and the estimated value in the year the model was produced. This book will be a joy for all who appreciate fine craftsmanship.

A Moon Watch Story The Extraordinary Destiny of the Omega Speedmaster Watchprint.com Sarl

Telling time has never been so stylish. 100 Years of Vintage Watches brings an entire century of classic watch craftsmanship to life with over 1,000 full-color photos. Detailing watches made between 1870 and 1970—the most popular century for watch collectors and aficionados—Dean Judy's remarkable guide provides information on what and how to collect as well as what to avoid. In addition to large, detailed photos, 100 Years of Vintage Watches offers accurate pricing information, and a description, history, and dating for each of the watches included. Watch collectors will find the before-and-after photos of vintage watch restorations particularly useful, especially when it comes valuing a piece. And who knows, maybe that old watch your grandfather left in his junk drawer is worth thousands. Featuring examples from over 50 watchmakers including renowned Swiss companies like Agassiz, Rolex, Breitling, Cyma, Tissot, and Zodiak as well as American companies like Bulova, Elgin, Hamilton, and Illinois, 100 Years of Vintage Watches is a comprehensive and practical guide to the greatest century of watchmaking in modern history.

This volume contains a practical guide to repairing watches as a hobby, designed to furnish the novice enthusiast with an elementary understanding of watches that will enable them to clean them and make minor repairs. Written in simple, concise language and full of handy tips and useful diagrams, this text is ideal for those with an interest in amateur watch maintenance, and makes for a great addition to collections of allied literature. The chapters of this book include: How a Watch Works; Tools and How to Use Them; How to Take Down, Clean, and Reassemble a Watch; Common Ailments of a Watch... and more. This antiquarian book is being republished now complete with a new introduction on the history of clocks and watches.

First written by the definitive expert in 1957, Watch Repair for Beginners is the ideal book for anyone who wants to know how to fix their own

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watch. Learn what horology is; the basics of watch and clock repairing; the mechanics of a clock; how the wheels work; the difference between an automatic watch, a stop watch, and a chronograph; and so much more. With detailed black-and-white illustrations, this timeless classic is a must-have addition to any horology lover's collection.

From the author of *Omega Watches*, a new book that completes the history of the famous Swiss brand with a series of creations conceived for the world of sport. More than fifty items photographed full page, together with enlargements revealing the details of watchcase, face, clockwork and related calibres. *Omega Sport Watches* tells the story of the Seamaster, Railmaster, Speedmaster, Flightmaster and other successful Omega creations. Among limited editions, anecdotes and rarities the history of these watches is told by the great American collector John Goldberger, with an introduction by Giampiero Negretti. One section of the book retraces, through advertisements kept in the Omega Museum, the history of the famous hands which over the years have consolidated the fame of this brand. Founded in 1848 by Louis Brandt in La-Chaux-de-Fonds, in 1880 the company moved to its current headquarters in Bienne, the name Omega however dates only to the beginning of last century. Prior to that date Louis Brandt production was known for the various names that he put on the watch face, such as Jura, Patria, Helvetia and Labrador.

"Rolex was established in 1908, a century ago, so one hundred years have passed from that day to the publication of this volume in which the author, John Goldberger, illustrates what he considers to be the 100 most beautiful examples ever produced. One hundred years of life, and one hundred examples, traced back through time thanks to painstaking research, with the collaboration of some of the most renowned collectors in the world, and photographed to show the characteristics of the movement, case and dial of each example in the best possible way. The top one hundred, we could say, also to narrow down the field of research, which would otherwise have been incredibly vast, to grasp the essence of a brand that has probably contributed more than any other to the development of the wristwatch. Giampiero Negretti Over 700 colour illustrations and 400 descriptions provide the collector and watch enthusiast with invaluable information on reference numbers, watchcases, faces, movements, related calibres and the year of production of each watch. The book is divided into seven chapters: Watches with a destiny; Oyster; Chronograph and moon phases; Oyster chronograph and moon phases; Datejust, Day-Date; Sport Models; Cosmograph."--BOOK JACKET.

John Goldberger has been collecting and studying vintage watches for over 25 years, which means he's spent many happy hours at jewelers' shops, flea markets, conventions and auctions around the world. His comprehensive and detailed illustrated book on the Omega family of Swiss timepieces is an indispensable asset to others who share his obsession, and to those who would love to--to armchair collectors. *Omega Watches* covers the history of more than 240 vintage models, with emphasis on their outer aspects--including the shape and outline of each case and its dial and movements, which are governing features for the collector, as well as clues to exceptional internal design. Goldberg has created a beautiful visual guide to Omega timepieces from the classic pocketwatch to the modern chronograph. Starting with the first models of the past century, *Omega Watches* displays the beauty, complexity and the collectibility of classic watches such as the Speedmaster, first produced in 1957, and the Seamaster, both of which are still produced today. All examples depicted are from private collections.

The Illustrated Directory series provide enthusiasts with a fully illustrated comprehensive, hardcover reference book packed with timelines, historical facts and images designed to inform and excite. The book provides perhaps the most ambitious and lavishly illustrated history of watches for the collector and general reader. It shows in clear detailed pictures over 1,000 important landmark timepieces from all the classic

watchmakers from the 1930s to the present day. Organized A-Z by manufacturer, each watch will be shown face on and in some cases some will include reverse and internal views. Each watch will be specially photographed in the studio for this book. The book will also include a comprehensive introduction on the history of wristwatches and a quick reference listing of every piece featured. We believe the book will be the most comprehensive illustrated reference work to this subject.

4/5 Stars \*\*\*\* »The information contained in this book is quite useful« Juan C. L 4/5 Stars \*\*\*\* Good reference for those considering a luxury watch: »Good overview of luxury watch manufacturers and significance of each. Reviews some leading models. Covers reasons to invest in a luxury watch... Easily readable« JJPEngr 4/5 Stars \*\*\*\* »Four Stars. Involving.« Aaron »I enjoyed the book and now must rob a bank to afford a Rolex or Patek-Philippe.« John G. »That was an interesting book. I am ready to move up to luxury.« John F A luxury watch is more than \$5,000. So naturally in this topic there is a lot of money involved. This book will help you to avoid wrong decisions that would cost you huge amounts of money. It will help you to understand how the luxury watch market works. There are a lot of watchmakers and even more watches on the market. It will help you to identify the top brands and watches that not only look nice, but are a good investment into the future. Vintages models are very en vogue for some years now. So if you consider purchasing a luxury watch, there are a lot of things you need to know. Like e.g. What is a luxury watch and what makes it so expensive? What models and brands keep their value over years, which even grow in value? What are the top watch brands of the world? What are the top watch models, the timeless classics available? Should I buy a replica watch? Can a luxury watch be a financial investment like artworks, oldtimers or precious metals? This book will help you with basic knowledge and some personal advice. Tags: Rolex, Omega, Watch, Breitling, Watches, Hublot, Rolex Submariner, Rolex Daytona, Omega Seamaster, Rolex Prices, Swiss Watches, Luxury Watches

- A new edition of this bestseller, updated and expanded to include watches from 2020 One small step for a man, a giant leap for mankind and an extraordinary destiny for the watch that accompanied Man's first steps on the Moon, thereby becoming the greatest icon in watchmaking history: the Omega Speedmaster "Moonwatch". Introduced to the public by Omega in 1957, the Speedmaster was designed for mainly sporting purposes, such as in motor racing. However, its fate took a completely different turn in the early 1960s. Astronauts going to space, some of whom wore a Speedmaster for private use, wanted to be officially equipped with a reliable, accurate and resistant watch. For this reason, NASA undertook a series of rigorous tests in extreme conditions in 1964 to select the best chronograph to accompany them on their space missions. The Omega Speedmaster won these tests and was officially certified ("Flight Qualified for All Manned Space Missions") by NASA on March 1, 1965 for the Gemini project. It was in July 1969 that it truly made history, serving the astronauts of the Apollo 11 mission (Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins) for man's first steps on the Moon. This book retraces an extraordinary epic and the evolution of a unique and timeless watch which, from its beginnings in 1957 through to the current models, has remained endlessly fascinating. Updated and expanded to include watches from 2020.

A comprehensive reference guide to Rolexs sports model watches, including the Submariner, Explorer, GMT-Master, Turn-O-Graph, Milgauss, and Cosmograph watches, from 1952 to 1990. More than 140 vintage models are described in detail, with the watches shown in chronological order. Color photographs illustrate every watch model, with hundreds of diagrams providing clear and useful information. Also included is a current price guide for every model shown in the book.

A mini-encyclopedia for enthusiasts, collectors, hunters and spotters of vintage Rolex wristwatches. An easy-to-use book of critical

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facts, data, and variations of the most desired and collectible vintage Rolex watches. Practical to carry, fun to read, and easy to use, it will help you find, purchase, and wear a high-quality example of your own.

Now in its third edition, this easy-to-use guide to vintage mechanical watches lists 1,300 timepieces that are accompanied by a color photograph; a description of the movement case and special features or historical significances; and an estimated value based on recent auction results. Original. 7,000 first printing.

A beautifully arranged book for wristwatch enthusiasts and collectors. Each model is objectively evaluated on its performance and value for the money. Illustrated with stunning color photography and printed on quality stock in the US.

It's time to find out more about collectible watches! This full-color book features 100 years of vintage wristwatches and pocket watches made from 1870-1970, the most popular period for watch collectors. Author Dean Judy provides collectors with practical information on what and how to collect, as well as what to avoid. Accurate prices and detailed descriptions accompany each listing. Before-and after-pictures illustrating the restoration stages, along with photos of near mint versus the average watch, will aid the reader in identifying and valuing their own collection. Famous Swiss makers such as Alpina, Breitling, Cyma, Tissot, and Zodiak are featured, as well as many American watch companies, including Bulova, Elgin, Hamilton, and Illinois. -- More than 50 watch companies represented -- More than 600 full-color photographs illustrate these glorious vintage watches -- Covers the most popular period for watch collectors, 1870-1970

Fashion with Function Step into the fascinating world of watches. From the early "trench watches" of World War I to some of today's elegant diamond-studded cocktail watches, Vintage Wristwatches will entertain and educate you about these small works of art that have stood the test of time. Whether novice or seasoned collector, you'll enjoy the rich histories of American and European manufacturers past and present. Original newspaper and magazine advertisements complement more than 1,200 photographs of collectible wristwatches, while brief descriptions include values recently commanded at auction. In addition, you'll find: A glossary of watch terminology commonly used among collectors Tutorials for identifying wristwatches Factors to consider when determining a wristwatch's value

Does the sheer variety paralyze you? Are you stumped by the acronyms and jargon? Fearful of scammers and just want an honest watch at a fair price? Like you, each watch is unique and matching one to a collection or collector is a special event. Whether it's a first or a last, the match is visceral and life long. There's a lot at stake. The Vintage Rolex Field Guide is your best shot at buying-well and avoiding pitfalls. It is full of advice and details to help you access facts and specs without gushy superlatives. Spot, identify and assess the best vintage Rolex watches with the right data. Life is short and your time is precious so wear it well. If you're ready to take action, this book is for you.

The Watch is the most popular book on vintage and contemporary mechanical watches, appealing to both beginners and experts. In the decade since it was published, the international audience of watch lovers and watch collectors has grown exponentially. It's time for The Watch, Thoroughly Revised. For this new edition, the original author, Gene Stone, is joined by Stephen Pulvirent of

Hodinkee.com. Together, they have thoroughly revamped the book to reflect the current state of the watch world, with the addition of new brands, new models, and more focused and nuanced coverage of the traditional brand leaders, including Rolex, Patek Philippe, Omega, and TAG Heuer.

**PRESENTATION: ROLEX DAY-DATE, THE "PRESIDENT'S WATCH"** The Rolex Day-Date is the first wristwatch which indicates the date and the day of the week. In 1956 Rolex presents one of its most successful and most popular watches ever: the Day-Date,. This model is one of the world's most famous Rolex watches; classic, beautiful, functional, useful and elegant. In 2008 a new chapter of this watch, the Day-date II (ø 41 mm) and in 2015 the new Day-Date 40. Known as "President's Watch", this Rolex Day-Date has characterized and influenced the history of horology with developments and innovations during the years. With high definition unreleased images, technical details, dials variants, history and updated price of every model, this book analyses every reference from 1956 until today. **TOPICS** In this book the authors examine calibers, dials, cases, bracelets and many more components of every model. You'll find all dials with their variants of color (Stella dial) and material (lapis lazuli, root wood, meteorite, etc). Furthermore: the first Rolex Day-Date, 1800 series, "pie-pan" dials, 18000 series, personalized dials, special series, vintage advertisements, box, papers, Oysterquartz Day-Date, 18200 and 18300 series, Day-Date II, Day-Date 40 and much more. We can read from an official Rolex document: « THE BIRTH OF THE "DATEJUST" AND THE "DAY-DATE" Not satisfied with having realized a selfwinding waterproof watch, we decided to dedicate ourselves to studying the calendar watch. This is how the "Datejust", which clearly indicates the date on the dial in a small aperture with a Cyclops lens which enlarges it so as to make it easier to read, was born. The next stage was the launch of the "Day-Date", a perfected model which also indicates, with letters, the days of the week. The day and the date automatically change every evening at midnight. » These are the words of Roger Federer, a living tennis legend, about his Day-Date II: "The reason I like my Day-Date so much is because it is a legendary watch, elegant but with a certain spirit, with a touch of modernity added to its stylish black dial".

- The first complete book dedicated to one of the most desirable chronographs of the 1960s, Chronomaster Aviator Sea Diver by NIVADA & CROTON Chronomaster Aviator Sea Diver: this singular name belongs to one of the most original professional watches of the 1960s, combining an unparalleled number of functions with a timeless design. Created in 1961, this chronograph was produced for around ten years under several brand names, through a partnership between the Swiss company NIVADA SA and the American firm CROTON WATCH CO. This led to some of its dials bearing probably the most complicated name in watchmaking history: CROTON NIVADA GRENCHEN Chronomaster Aviator Sea Diver. Thanks to the authors' trademark rigorous methodology, the signature of the 'ONLY' reference works, this book reveals the incredible diversity of the Chronomaster models. It is intended both as an initiation for connoisseurs of exceptional watches and as a reference guide for collectors. This legendary watch will doubtless thus regain the place it deserves among the most desirable 1960s chronographs. Also available in the series: Moonwatch Only ISBN 9782940506170 Flightmaster Only ISBN 9782940506200

With 100% new content and more than 400 gorgeous color photos, Warman's Watches Field Guide is the essential portable guide

to one of the hottest collecting categories. This book covers more than 100 years of watches from more than 50 watch manufactures, including famous Swiss (Patek Phillippe, Cyma, Rolex, Omega, Breitling) and American (Bulova, Illinois, Eligin, Hamilton) companies. Each listing from these companies, and others, features a detailed description and accurate pricing information, along with photos of near-mint versus the average watch, all of which will be aiding you in identifying and valuing their own collections.

The third edition of this definitive and popular book, marking the 60th anniversary of the Speedmaster Now includes 17 new Speedmasters and an additional 120 new illustrations Updated models, serial range, and popularity index make this a must-buy for collectors "Moonwatch Only is certainly one of the best books ever written about a single watch model." - William Massena - Timezone.com "It is an indescribable reference work and a true must-have for every Speedmaster collector." - Forbes "This book sets a new standard. Not only for books on the Omega Speedmaster, but for watch books in general. I've never seen anything like it, and believe me when I tell you that I could fill an impressive sized wall with books on watches. Authors of other books or publishers should take a look at Moonwatch Only as well to see how it should be done." - Robert Jan Broer - FratelloWatches "The OMEGA Speedmaster Professional - the Moonwatch - has done things that no other timepiece has done and it's been worn in places that only a few human beings have been." - Captain Eugene Cernan, 'Last man on the moon' There are very few timepieces in the world that deserve a definitive and comprehensive book such as this one. The OMEGA Speedmaster Professional Moonwatch is one of them. Initially designed for automobile racing teams and engineers, the Omega Speedmaster embarked on a very different trajectory when NASA chose it to accompany astronauts heading for the Moon in 1965. Its involvement in the space adventure has propelled the Moonwatch to the top of the list of celebrated timepieces. After years of research and observation, the authors present a complete panorama of the Moonwatch in a systematic work that is both technical and attractive, making it the inescapable reference book for this legendary watch. This third edition marking the 60th anniversary of the Speedmaster has been enriched with numerous new features including a 16-page gallery of astronauts and their Speedmaster, QR codes to extend your exploration and a detailed story of a vintage Speedmaster.

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The Watch is a survey of the best vintage and contemporary men's wristwatches that is as visually compelling as it is informative to read. A well-made man's wristwatch combines inspired design, technical innovation, and precise craftsmanship. Vintage watches are filled with sentiment and history, and are often passed from wrist to wrist across generations. Today, designers use cutting-edge techniques and materials to create some of the most complex miniature machines ever attempted. Ranging from Patek Philippe and Rolex to Seiko and Swatch, and covering fifty brands in depth, the book provides essential wisdom on buying, collecting, and maintaining these timepieces. Illustrating the text are more than 500 photographs of men's watches, including remarkable details of dials and movements, selected for their beauty and diversity from collections around the world. The Watch is a survey of the best vintage and contemporary men's wristwatches that is as visually compelling as it is informative to read. A well-

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A beautifully presented, practical gift guide to 50 sights in the skies above us – complete with a glow-in-the dark front cover. Explained with fascinating, easy-to-understand commentary from astrophysicist and science communicator, Sarah Barker, and illustrated throughout with captivating drawings by Maria Nilsson, each guide helps you locate an incredible sight. The book is divided into three main sections – and whether you use the naked eye, a telescope, or fall into a black hole of online research, you'll discover the limitless wonder of the skies – from otherworldly phenomena on Earth like sun dogs, to planets, moons, stars, lunar craters and galaxy clusters. Naked Eye: Learn how navigators travelled in the past by finding the North Star; say hello to our astronauts and learn how to spot the International Space Station; see a red supergiant star (Betelgeuse); and find out more about solar eclipses. Further Afield: Find out more about the next closest galaxy, Andromeda; learn about the discovery of Saturn's 'ears' (or rings!); spot an alien storm that's as big as the Earth; and track 'Little Green Men' and ice volcanoes. Far, Far Away: Learn how baby stars are created by the Pillars of Creation; marvel at the Hubble Deep Field; and unearth the brightest things in our universe, quasars. The book also includes advice on ideal conditions for observing the stars, telescopes and binoculars, and navigating the skies. With extra tips and a rundown of useful tools, you'll find everything you need to get out there and look up! Informative text and hundreds of photos are a fitting testament to the world-renowned Rolex brand. Respected wristwatch expert and historian Gisbert L. Brunner shares his extensive subject knowledge once more. A must-have for watch collectors, enthusiasts, and anyone wishing to become one.

Provides historical information on watches and includes a listing of watch manufacturers, identification guides, and prices.

The authors of this book are neither watchmakers nor specific watch specialists, just dedicated watch collectors. A book for the friends of watches and a guide for the collector or the possible collector-to-be, giving some advice and guidelines, certainly also expressing very subjective opinions. Specific subjects of interest from the multi-faceted mosaic of time, watches and watchmaking as a whole: collecting watches, watches and time, the quartz crisis, the revival of mechanic watches, clocking of watches and the corresponding amplitudes from the pendulum to the atomic clock, adjustment and regulation of a watch, time as a standard unit, changing of the time itself, technical features, magnetism and watches, radium contamination, watch dials, hallmarks, the 'gold rush', things to watch out for when collecting watches and more. Mechanical watches hand wind, mechanical watches automatic, electric watches, electronic watches, quartz controlled electric watches, tuning fork watches, quartz controlled tuning fork watches, quartz watches, watches - radio controlled by an atomic clock. Also including antique- and vintage pocket watches. Over 300

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pictures (black and white) of original watches, tools, equipment and others.

Finding a vintage Rolex is easy. Finding one that's worth its price... that's the challenge. Fakes are getting harder to spot, and a poor restoration could end up costing you more than its price in repairs. That's a painful mistake you could avoid with the right information. Written by a seasoned collector, this guide will teach you the complex nuances of vintage Rolex watches, saving you from financial catastrophe and turning you into a savvy collector. 1,483 references are covered in extraordinary detail, from antique and vintage dress watches to contemporary professional watches. Bezel sizes, dial markings, case engraving, hands, movements and much more, all documented so you know exactly what you're paying for. The guide will lead you from potential pitfall to glorious barn-find, with all the treacherous twists and turns along the way. There are plenty of pictures to inspire, inform and enlighten you as you learn to zero-in on your dream watch. The world of vintage Rolex watches is complex and nuanced, making it especially daunting for the first-time buyer. But armed with the facts, you will make informed choices that put you back in the driver's seat.

This handbook is a must-have for collectors and anyone who has ever wished they could stop time.

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