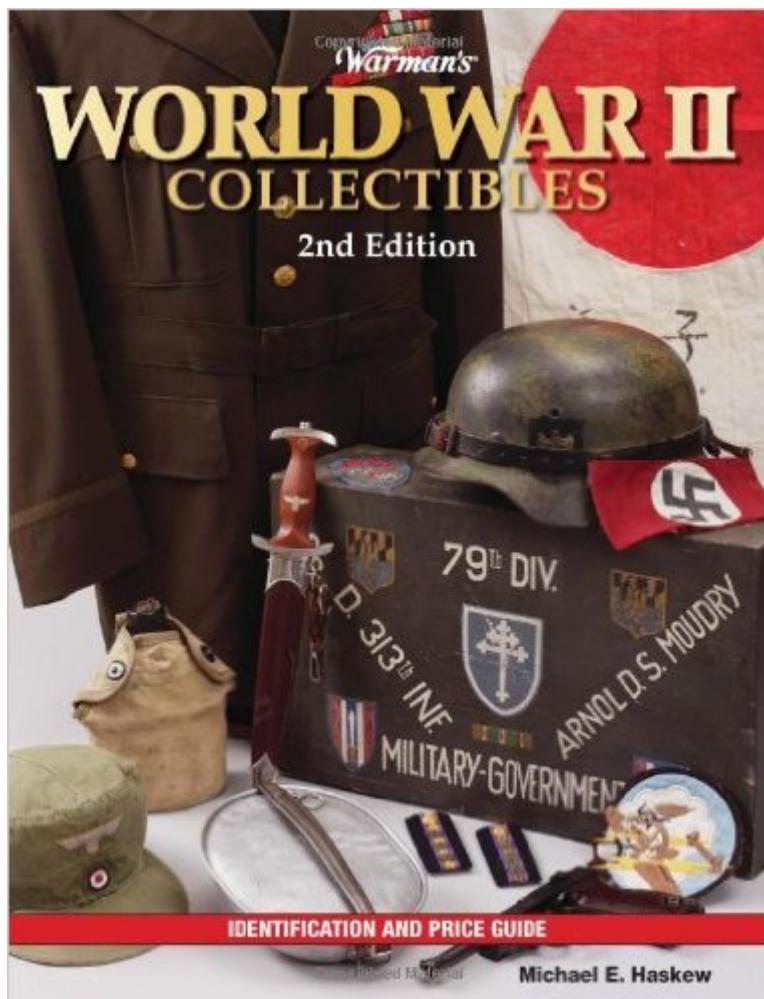


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Customer Reviews

This book will definitely appeal more to the casual collector than the serious 'hard core' collectors of militaria. That's not to say that the book does a poor job of covering the intended subject. Instead it is a good attempt to cover too large a subject area in just one book. In its attempt to cover all areas of militaria of every country involved in WWII, it had to make sacrifices. Due to the large amount of

content, it has to limit the amount of photos, sometimes to the extent that one wishes they could see the items described. Instead, the author tries to show you an example, followed by a long list of related items without pictures. I don't want to give the impression that this book lacks photos, because it doesn't. In fact the photography is excellent. It's just that there has to be a compromise between photos and text. For the casual collector this book is, like someone else wrote, a great coffee table book. For a serious collector of specific kinds of militaria, or a complete and comprehensive study of a specific country's militaria, then this is not the book for you. As for values listed, I wish I could sell all of my militaria at the prices quoted. The best quote I heard a long time ago about values was, "it's only worth what another collector will pay you". Let that be your value guide.

This is a very excellent book. On the surface it is a price guide. It would seem that filling the role of a price guide would be a fairly easy goal. Well, it is far from easy for such a vast subject, yet the author meets that goal admirably I believe. However, the value of the book is that it goes far beyond being a simple price guide. It is more of a text book on World War II relics as historical objects. At this unstated goal, the book excels. It is full of great images and fascinating information. I highly recommend this book for anyone with the slightest interest in the subject area.

I purchased this book as a Christmas gift for my significant other who is an avid collector of WW2 memorabilia. I think this book is one of the greatest finds. It is very explicit on items and the pictures are very helpful. This book now sits on our coffee table. Cant wait for another edition to come out. Thanks .

I only have a few WWII military items but actually got no help with this price guide. I realize there are just too many items to include my rather unusual item. I gained more knowledge from the internet.

This book tries to do too much and ends up not doing quite enough. There are plenty of pictures and quite a few price estimates, but a lot of what you get are lists of items with no pictures. The book covers so many different areas from clothing to weapons to medals and insignia to holsters and daggers and swords and on and on that it can't really cover everything in pictures. That isn't to say there aren't plenty of pictures, it just means that for every picture there are five items that are simply listed and not detailed in a photo. It is helpful, but leaves you wanting more. The prices are simply a snapshot in time. Prices on many items are currently going up which means the ones in the

book are off, but they are good for giving you a range. The pictures are very good and worth having and the advice is sound, so don't walk away if you are looking for a little help. Just don't expect this book to answer all of your questions.

If your dad/uncle/grandfather is a collector of WW2 militaria and you aren't, then I would advise the purchase of this book. When the time comes, you'll need a fundamental understanding of this market. This is also true for a beginning collector. This certainly provides what you'll want.

I did not care for the prices reflected mainly by the auction prices, I would have preferred then quoted by the the militaria shows like the max show or the ovms show as auctions sometimes sell the stuff that the dealers don't sell during shows

A little dated in my opinion and more than one error. The pictures could have been better. All in all I would have passed on this book had I seen in on the shelf.

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