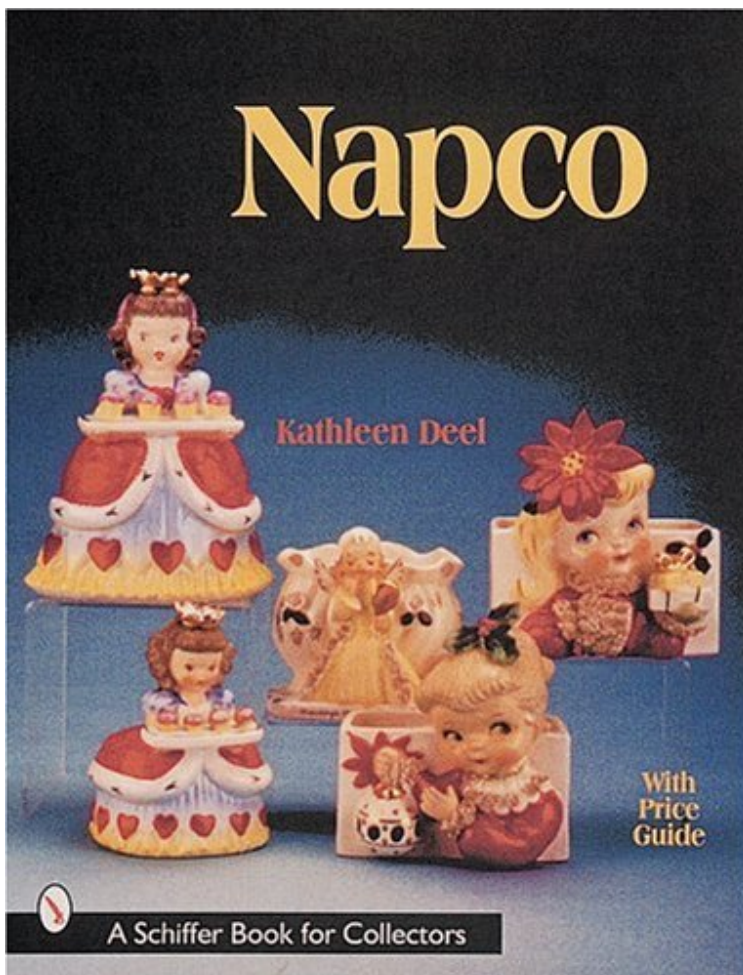


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Kathleen Deel : Napco (A Schiffer Book for Collectors) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Napco (A Schiffer Book for Collectors):

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. "Made in Japan"--with skill, delicacy, and real beautyBy Eileen E. FreemanWhen I was a girl of ten 55 years ago, the phrase "Made in Japan" was usually uttered in derision. Anthing ugly, cheaply made and garishly painted was said to have been "Made in Japan." There was some truth in that. However, by the early 1950's, Japanese artisans were once more creating delicate beauty, just as their ancestors had done.Not long ago, I decided to make a small collection of hand-painted porcelain figurines of nuns and monks made in Japan for American companies. Most of these figurines were made during the '50's by a large number of firms, including Napco. At their best, these items are charming and beautifully modeled. Every part is painted delicately and correctly, especially the faces.Thousands of items were produced during this period. Companies often copied the models of other companies, with no thought to copyrights and trademarks. If the Lefton company ordered a figurine of

a nun holding a baseball bat--or an accordion--or a pot of flowers, then Napco/Napcoware, Nikoniko, Chase, and many others would copy the figurine almost exactly. Forgive me for going into this history, but it is necessary to understand why books like this one are vital to collectors. "Napco" is part of the Schiffer series of books for collectors. Every page is filled with photos of various lines of Napco men and women, animals, angels, mugs--even a few of their nuns. No category is complete--that would require an encyclopedia. But the hundreds of photos are infinitely valuable. After a useful introduction to the subject, the author limits the text of the book to special features and suggested values for these collectibles. Alas, there exists no "catalogue raisonne" for Napco. But this book is a very useful source of both information and photos. For anyone who collects items of this kind, it is essential. 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. good information and photos By ED PAWell written, good information and photos. An excellent resource for collectors. 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. My sister LOVED it! By Donna S. All colored pictures. My sister LOVED it!

Napco*^t (National Potteries Corporation) ceramic animal figures, birthday sets, decorative items, kitchenware, figurines, planters, and head vases of the 1950s and 1960s, from all the Napco lines including their sister company Inarco, are studied here. There is a directory of major importing companies, over 1,000 color photos, and a price guide.

About the Author Kathleen Deel's collecting interests are diverse, and her love of collecting Napco has led to the creation of this book on National Potteries imports. Recently retired after 20 years as a payroll director, she resides in Abingdon, Virginia, with her husband, Elmer.