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## **Ocean Liner Collectibles (Schiffer Book for Collectors)**

**Myra Yellin Outwater : Ocean Liner Collectibles (Schiffer Book for Collectors)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Ocean Liner Collectibles (Schiffer Book for Collectors):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. All around look at the wonderful world of Ocean Liners. By A Customer Myra and Eric have recreated the glory of Ocean Liner travel by assembling many fantastic artifacts in this book. Although I was born too late to have experienced this great way of travel, I can now imagine what it must have been like. Reading the menus, seeing the china and crystal, or gazing at the elaborate certificates commemorating a voyage makes me realize how much we have sacrificed by replacing the slow luxury of steam ship passage with the fast cost-cutting airplane. This book allows one to begin collecting and reliving an era by providing a benchmark of prices and diversity of collectable memories. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A good pictorial reference for ocean liner collectibles By pasouza@ibm.net Ms. Outwater did a very nice survey work on the subject. On top of it it is nicely printed and with very good photos. Just two aspects reduce its importance as a reference book to

serious collectors: 1 - Prices, in its majority, are faraway for the reality, considering that it was published in 1998; 2 - It excludes a very important aspect of ocean liner memorabilia: stock certificates of the ocean line companies. 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Excellent start for collectors. By A Customer. Outwater picked a fascinating subject. Her text is well thought out and the quality of the pictures are superb. Where the author hits a bump is that she had too much from modern liners and not enough from the older liners. Also the guesstimates on the prices of the items were a bit high. As a serious collector I think they were raising the rates on certain items long before their time.

This book recreates the ambiance of the ocean liner era by showing the actual objects used on board. Each piece of ocean-liner memorabilia is like an Aladdin's lamp, releasing wondrous memories of that grand style of travel.

Beginning in the late 1890s, shipping lines forged their identities by commissioning unique furniture, china, silverware, glassware, vases, ashtrays, playing cards, menus, and stationery. These types of items characterized the different ocean liners, from the Normandie with her elegant Art Deco furnishings, to the stainless steel gleam of the S.S. United States, to the old-world luxury of the Queens.

About the Author. Myra Yellin Outwater made her first Atlantic crossing in 1971 aboard the Queen Elizabeth 2, a voyage that launched her on a quest for ocean liner collectibles and a half dozen more crossings. She and her husband, photographer Eric Boe Outwater, are members of the Ocean Liner Society and the Steamship Historical Society of America.