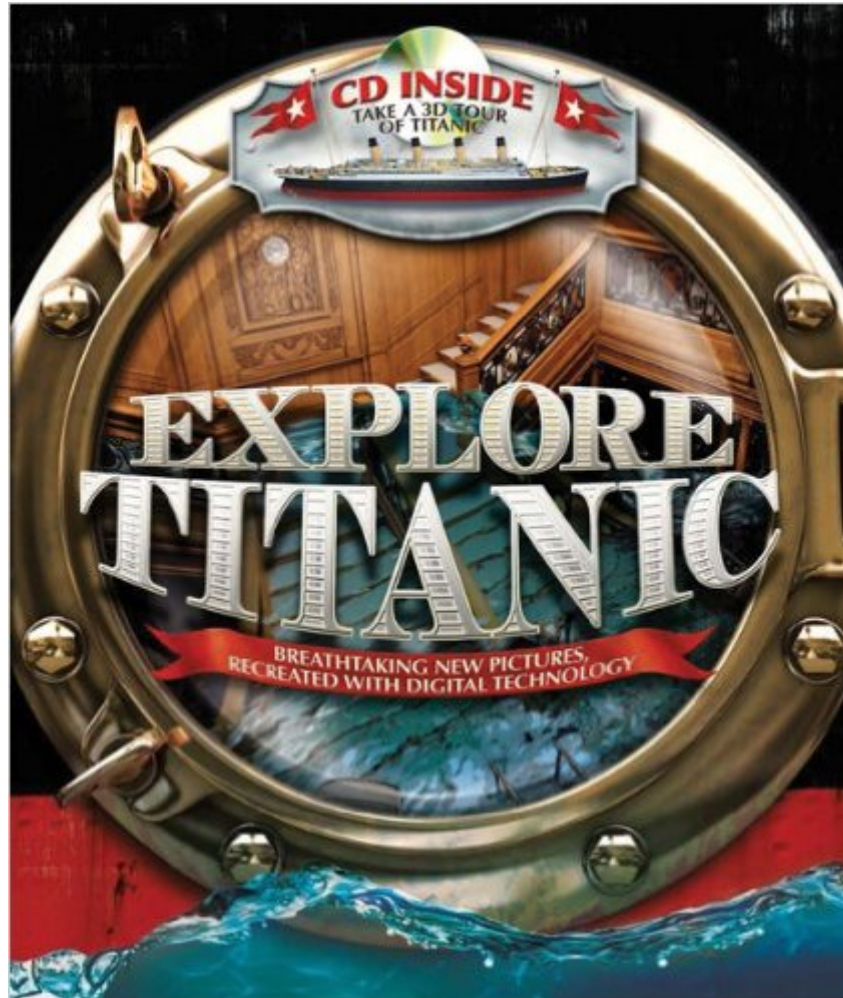


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Explore Titanic: Breathtaking New Pictures, Recreated With Digital Technology



Synopsis

Boys and girls will be enthralled by this dramatic pictorial history of the great ocean liner R.M.S. Titanic, and its fateful sinking in the North Atlantic. Approximately 125 photos and illustrations in color and black and white--including 12 astonishing 3D-rendered graphics--tell the Titanic's story, from its 1911 launching at the Belfast shipyard to its tragic destruction on April 15, 1912 during its maiden Atlantic crossing. Young readers will see faithful reproductions of both exterior and interior ship's details, from the Boiler Room and Engine Room far below decks to the luxury passengers' cabins and the ship's grand ballroom. Among the 3D-rendered artworks are two remarkable double-gatefold illustrations-- The Titanic under steam A cutaway diagram of the ship Other 3D artworks include-- The Grand Staircase in First Class A First Class Cabin "Parlor Suite" The Bridge and Wheelhouse The First Class Dining Room Second Class Promenade Deck The Grand Staircase flooding as the ship sinks . . . and more The end product of meticulous research, this book's 3D-rendered artwork virtually draws readers aboard the ship, employing painstakingly realistic facsimiles of details both large and small. Enclosed with this unusual book is a CD-ROM that walks viewers through the ship's interior from stem to stern, showing hundreds of details. Viewers can zoom in and out to examine details more closely, and they can move around inside cabin interiors in a way that heightens the illusion of realism.

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Customer Reviews

I admit it--I read all things Titanic, whether for adults or children. This book caught my eye in a store display last week and the added bonus of an interactive CD sealed the deal for purchase. And what a great little resource it is! It doesn't go very deeply into the entire story, instead focusing mostly on the actual ship itself--the construction, the areas of the ship, and the ship's final moments. There are anecdotes from crew and passengers, with vintage photographs and artists' representations making it gloriously eye-catching. I especially appreciated the fold-out pages that made it easier to see the layout of the ship; all of the pages are high quality and filled with information. The CD is a 360 degree tour of various areas of the ship, including deck areas, the swimming pool, and the first class dining area. I would have liked to have been taken inside a cabin but overall I cannot complain with the sharpness of the CD and the way it makes one feel as though you're standing aboard the ship. In a sea of Titanica, this book is one to be savored by both children and adults.

I found this book fascinating and gorgeous. The 3-D renderings are very detailed and provide a fascinating look at the famous ship. I learned quite a bit about the building of the ship. For example, I had no idea the ship was built in Ireland. I also learned that the ship's builders did not call her unsinkable, that was a myth that developed later. I think the most powerful part of this book are the quotes from individuals who sailed on the ship, from both survivors and victims. The text is divided up into short sections that match the visual elements. This makes the book especially appropriate for reluctant readers. The illustrations include 3-D renderings, along with photographs, artifacts, quotes and primary documents. I think the most powerful images are the pictures of the ship as a whole. These give the reader a feel for how impressive the Titanic really was and the shock and horror involved in her sinking. As I read this I felt sympathy for those who suffered and lost so much. The CD offers the user a 3-D look at some of the main features of the ship, including one of the boiler rooms, the bridge, the promenade, the staircase, and the 1st class dining room. It's interesting to turn 360 degrees and see the room as if you are standing in it. I recommend this book to all those who find themselves fascinated by this tragic event.

When this arrived, I couldn't believe the very high quality of this book ... it made a perfect gift for my daughter-in-law. I couldn't believe it had been labelled as a 'childrens book'. My daughter-in-law loved the book set which included the book and a cd for an unbelievable very affordable price.

Sometime in the early 1950's as a young teenager I discovered a book in the collection of a

neighbor about the maiden voyage and sinking of the Titanic. This particular book, "The Sinking of the Titanic and Great Sea Disasters", Copyright 1912 by L.T. Myers and published in 1912, the year of the disaster, contained the six sketches of the young, age 17, John B. (Jack) Thayer, Jr., showing the various stages of the striking of the iceberg and sinking of the ship. Multiples of those sketches clearly showed the ship breaking apart near to amidships, with the bow and stern floating independently before the two separated sections sank. For whatever reason those sketches went largely unknown or ignored for years until 1986 when the wrecked remains of the Titanic were discovered and photographed by Robert Ballard, which indeed showed the two sections of the ship on the ocean floor, not just separated, but, some distance apart. The 1997 James Cameron film, "Titanic" effectively detailed and dramatized this breakup. The 1953 and 1956 films did not. This book and the included CD contain much information for the Titanic enthusiast, but, the most thrilling part of it is the computerized color depictions of the ship and it's interiors. The '97 Cameron film was also incredibly accurate with color depictions of the ship and it's interiors. This book and CD are special little treasures for the Titanic buff! Previously all we knew were black and white photographs and depictions, barely realizing that there was really color many years ago.

This was bought for a 4 year old who is fanatical about Titanic. It's an odd obsession, but has led to some interesting conversations about life and history. I think as he grows the tidbits about the interior or people will become more interesting for him, but he loves to stare at the pictures of the boat itself - there are two foldout spreads, one of the ship floating, and one of the boat sinking. VERY cool to look at. Also a picture of the Carpathia, which has now added a new flavor to his constant re-enactments.

My 9 year old son is infatuated with all things Titanic. This book is filled with great information and facts that he loves to share with everyone everywhere! Pictures and full length titanic images are his favorite things in this book. We would definitely recommend to anyone interested in the Titanic.

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