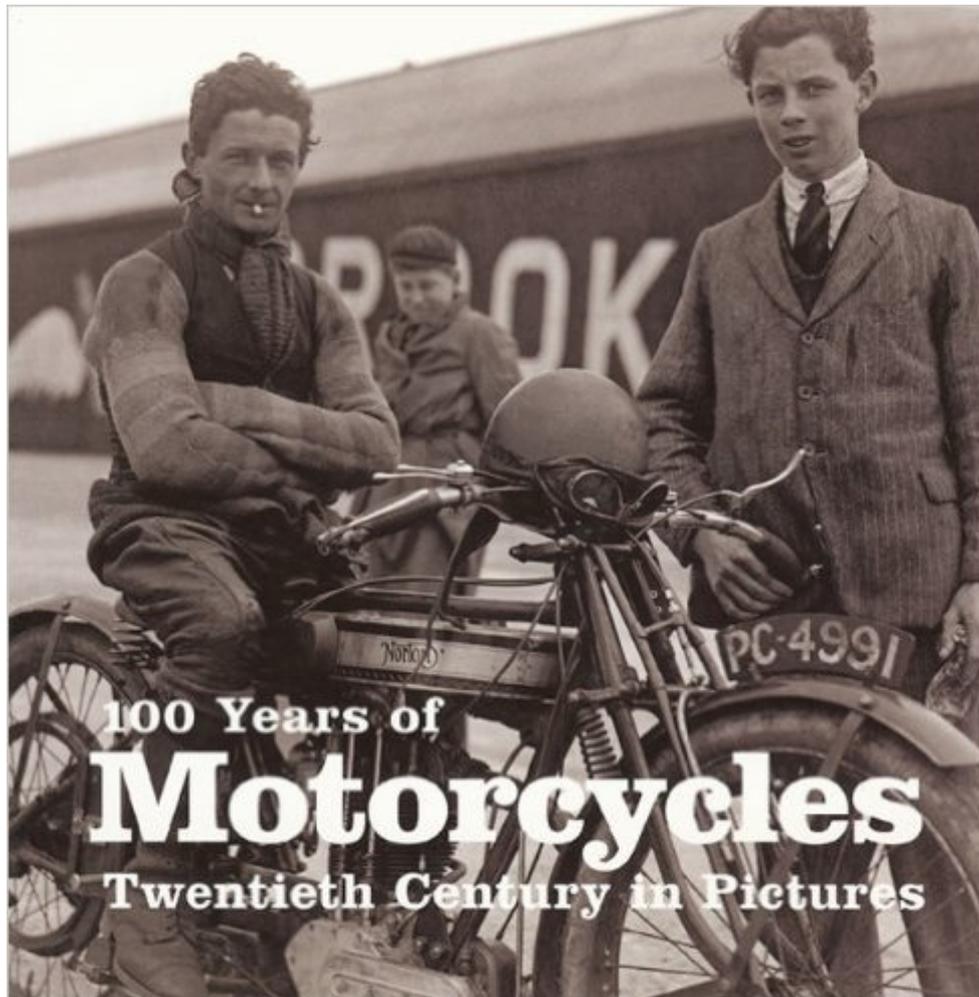


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Customer Reviews

I'd highly recommend this book as it dives into the history of motorcycles while keeping it fun and informative at the same time. I quickly realized it's also a who's who of the motorcycle industry and TV personalities a like.. I believe I even saw a few music artist in there! It is a smaller book so don't expect this to be a large table book.

Interesting but,,,,,,seventy years are covered by the first quarter of the book. The remaining three quarters cover the other thirty. A lot of the 60's & 70's. The topper is it's about "100 years of British

Motorcycling". Still OK.I'm keeping it but I don't think I'd have bought it if I'd had that information.
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The first "half" of this book contains some cool old, historic pictures that I found to be really interesting and provided a nice glimpse at motorcycling -in England - in the 30s, 40s, 50s. etc. The second half of the book is filler, really: posed pictures of the famous, celebrities, etc.; nothing overly interesting unless you find canned PR photos intriguing. If you get it on the cheap, why not. Otherwise pass.

This is a great book on the subject especially the first half maybe even more of it , i dont know any other book myself that has so many unseen pic. before . The research on this must have been staggering , i know last third is a a little weak compare to the rest and little british heavy but this is easily forgiven in my part . My only wish was it could have been a little bigger in size . Do not hesitate ,buy this book if you are collector of this kinda stuff you wont be disappointed.

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