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Celebrates the humble yet lovely apron and the spirit of the men and women who wore them and at the same time provides the inspiration and the tools to reinvent aprons for the here and now. HARDCOVER Andrews Mcmeel

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Grace says

wonderful collection of vintage aprons, handy tips and engaging stories

Steve says

Absolutely Awesome! I love this book.

This book is so full of history, advice, recipes that are different and great, plus many aprons. There is a very interesting story to each apron, some great pictures to help explain things. There is the feeling of pure honest love and friendship between the author, the aprons, and the reader. A worth while book for sure.

Theresa says

A beautiful book full of stories and photographs of aprons of the past and present. This book was entertaining as well as quite useful. It has tips on how to preserve older aprons and even patterns included in a folder in the back of the book, so you can make your own. Also included are recipes to make while wearing the new apron you created.

Mindy says

I checked this book out from the library because I hoped it would have patterns for different styles of aprons. (I want to make an apron sometime in the near future.) It only had a few basic type of patterns, so I was a little disappointed there. Some of the history of aprons was kind of interesting, but I'm not really into that type of thing. I did enjoy all the photos of vintage aprons of all different types and styles, and I think I can use the author's patterns and come up with one of my own.

Carrie says

I just got this and just flipping through it, it looks fascinating. I love the retro pictures and there's even a paper pattern for making a basic apron. I have an obsession with reading books about the culture of the kitchen, which is ironic, since I hate to cook except for dessert. But books like Finding Betty Crocker The Secret Life of America's First Lady of Food and Something from the Oven Reinventing Dinner in 1950s America I absolutely devoured (so to speak).

Tressa says

The Apron Book had a nice selection of different apron styles with instructions and there were even some recipes, which was a pleasant surprise. I also enjoyed the overview of aprons' usefulness.

mindy says

i would lean more toward 2 1/2 stars, but we can't do half stars on goodreads, so it's only going to get a two from me.

the idea of this book is really cute. i like the pictures of all of the aprons, although a lot of them are pretty silly. the holiday aprons to match your holiday tablecloth, with red and green plaid puffy bows and dangling candy canes? a bit over the top.

some of the stories and memories of "grandmas apron" were sweet and fun to read. there were a few apron patterns in the book, although only one or two that i would actually find useful for myself, and even those were so basic that you could probably find them easily online or in a basic sewing book.

there was just too much randomness placed throughout this book for my taste. a few random recipes, household cleaning tips, shopping advice. just bits of "fluff and filler" placed here and there, and without it, the book wouldn't really be long enough to be considered a book.

cute, nostalgic if you grew up with an apron wearing mama or grandma, but in the end, i'm glad i didn't pay for it.

Lucinda says

I suddenly have a passion for aprons. Why have I been wearing the ugly black and white manly apron to protect my clothes when I could have been wearing one of these?! The black and white apron is now for the boys and I am planning to make some matching aprons for me and my daughter to wear! This book is full of simple patterns, tons of inspiration and great stories behind family heirloom aprons! What a fun book this was to read.

Jane says

The variety of subjects the author includes is refreshing and fun.

Kathryn says

Another fabulous book on aprons. It almost reads like a novel

Annemarie Lewis says

I LOVE LOVE LOVE this book!!

Rena Nowacoski says

A collection of memories and historic anecdotes of the familiar symbol of housekeeping. I recently ran across the new tradition of "Tie One On Day" celebrated just before Thanksgiving when you gift the cook of the traditional feast. As I have passed on that privilege to the next generation, this book has provided several ideas for me to sew up a "uniform" for them. I hope there will be enough time to make a few for the volunteer staff at the local food bank. The book is sprinkled with recipes from the 1950s but I doubt I will bring a Jello mold as my contribution to the meal.

Kestra says

Not bad. Has some wonderful apron patterns and pics of old aprons. This is well worth checking out of the library for this reason.

Wouldn't spend money on it, though.

Why? Too many auxiliary features that weren't quite up to snuff. Author would've done better to include more apron-centric material, perhaps branching out to types of aprons seen in other countries, etc.

I was disappointed in the apron 'testimonials.' Not all of those reminiscing are household names, yet no information is given about them. Would've been more meaningful with a bit of background.

Focus also a bit too diffuse with added recipes for cookies and pizza and so on.

Lovely visuals, though.

Paula Shreckhise says

Very good book about aprons. Patterns and how tos. What surprised and pleased me was the history and stories of different aprons and people's experiences with aprons. The pictures were a great plus! I'm a sucker for historical details!

Quiltyknitwit says

Fun pictures. Didn't try any of the patterns. Not impressed with the '50s recipes. Author rhapsodizes over

Harriet Nelson as the perfect homemaker, but in reality Harriet was a professional actress and working mom! Nostalgic and sentimental for the "good ol' days" when a woman's place was in the home (and wearing an apron). Would've been better with people of color telling their apron stories.
