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1,000 Tiles: Ten Centuries Of Decorative Ceramics
Synopsis

Chalky blues, sultry ochres, imperial reds, 1,000 Tiles dazzles with the brilliant color and design that has adorned even the farthest reaches of the world down through the centuries. From Mesopotamian to Post-modern examples, each exquisite tile or tile plate is presented in rich color and matched with a profile describing its origin, history, symbolism, and decorative motifs, as well as providing information on techniques such as fire glazing and dust pressing. Arranged by period and style, this comprehensive book makes it easy to access tiles from any era or movement. Artists and designers looking for inspiration, especially in the realm of patterns and color play, will find much to admire in this visually arresting volume. Complete with a resource section and tips for building a collection, 1,000 Tiles is the ultimate guide to an ancient art form that remains vital today.

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Customer Reviews

Gordon Lang is a specialist in ceramics and has been working for Sotheby’s for 17 years. He’s published a number of works on ceramics and contributes to a variety of programs for the BBC. He lives in the United Kingdom.

The many tile examples included in this book are generally well chosen, and are easy to see, which satisfies my main expectations. I find it fun and inspiring, and like the way the book is organized. The only complaint I have is that 6 point type is much too small for book text, and even captions, which is mostly what the text in this book consists of. If you want to read the book and not just look at the images, be prepared for eye strain!
This is a wonderful book. The scope of this book is wide, including very early to modern ceramic tile designs. I am very interested in tile design and use many styles of graphics in my own work. This book gives me lots of ideas from which to draw to create my own designs and some knowledge of the origin of my favorite styles. If you appreciate lovely tile work and have an interest in how, when and why different styles were developed, this is a book for you.

Item was great for designs.

This book is a treat to tile collectors and anyone interested in tiles. The pictures are great and clear the narrative is informative. Every thing you ever wanted to know about tiles!

1,000 Tiles is a superb book!! The color and size of the tiles are beautiful. I can see every detail and there are many to see! I love this bookk!

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