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# Pipe Companion: A Connoisseur's Guide (Connoisseur's Guides)





## Synopsis

A perfect gift for pipe smokers (and anyone with a penchant for the occasional puff), The Pipe Companion details the origins, history, and customs of pipe smoking. This new addition to our critically acclaimed series of connoisseur's companions includes nearly 125 full-color photographs highlighting the work of more than 50 master pipe carvers from around the world. It also features information on how to choose, smoke, and care for your pipe, as well as a glossary of terms and addresses of pipe makers.

## **Book Information**

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### **Customer Reviews**

Pipe Companion is a great book- it has lots of great info, is ridden with historical details and is a nice read-a good half of the book is devoted to covering pipe manufacturers across the globe. This is my sole pipe book for now, so there may be other better books (that I will need to find, or that others prefer). I personally love this book, and as someone who loves reading and researching my hobbies, it is a welcome addition to my (rather extensive) library. I am sure there will be many other pipe books in my library before long after reading this one. Time to pull out a good pipe and set down for a read!

Very nice, but too short. I have been looking for a pipe book that actually discusses pipe companies and carvers, mentioning outstanding work or pipe series and such. This one makes a stab at it but

mostly includes short bios of pipe carvers and companies. The introductory how-to material on smoking pipes is so brief that I would hate to launch a pipe-smoking hobby with only this (you could do it, though). The small size of the book left little room for much narrative, and the book suffers for it. Still, for its beauty, beautiful color plates and useful information, however limited, I give it four stars.

Wow! This book increase my knowledge of pipes. I became sort of expert of pipe among all of my friends after reading this.

Just perfect, thanks.

#### great book

ok, some may say Carleton Hacker has written the best pipe book, but I would say that this book is the fourth best pipe book ever written. Rick Newcombe has written the best book on people and pipes, and Carleton has done a wonderful job on combination of pipes, tobacco and all the paraphernalia. But Mr. Wright has done a bang up job of the people who make pipes and has some wonderful pictures of some great pipes. great book very hard to find, but worth looking for to add to your pipe and tobacco book library

this book was a gift for a long time pipe smoker and he was delighted with it

This handsome book perfect for the Connoisseur as well as for the occasional puffer. The Author provides a history from the origins of pipe smoking amongst Native Americans to its journey to the Old World and beyond. The second part of the book reviews the methods and works of contemporary pipe makers, their styles and methods. There is a section at the end listing contact information, further reading and periodicals. I love leaning back, firing my pipe and reading it over and over again.

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