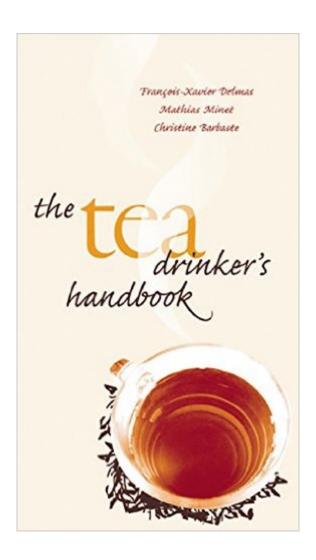
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Synopsis

A tasteful guide that explores the pleasures of tea through word and image. In a skinny-no-whip-mocha-latte world, The Tea Drinkerâ ™s Handbook is a refreshing return to Americaâ ™s roots in tea-drinking. Though tea is one of the most-consumed beverages in the world, second only to water, it is far from mundane. For both the lifelong tea drinker and the recent convert, The Tea Drinkerâ ™s Handbook is an indispensable reference for anyone interested in all things tea. The founders of Le Palais des ThÃOs, a retail chain known for the high quality of its selection of teas, have traveled for over twenty years to plantations all over the world in search of the rarest teas, and the result is this handsome and enlightening book. This is the first guide written under the Le Palais des Thés brand. In addition to ten shops in France, there are stores in Brussels, Oslo, Tokyo, and Beverly Hills, and their products are sold at Bergdorf Goodman. In this impressive and comprehensive guide, we rediscover tea, its cultivation, and all of its richness and complexity. In addition to being an informative resource, this book is also a true tasting guide for tea lovers. The authors open our eyes (and introduce our palates) to tea-tasting, as they list the top fifty teas of the worldâ "complete with tasting sheetsâ "and include comments and advice for each. And with 200 illustrations, The Tea Drinkerâ ™s Handbook informs and instructs with both fascinating text and alluring images.

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Customer Reviews

There are just so many things that are great about this book compared to all the others on my shelf. The most important is that (contrary to many others) the book is extremely well edited and

thought out. This makes a huge difference. First, the book contains almost no fluff. It's all essential information, including much that is not available in any of the other books I've read. Even better, the thought put into structure and sharpness also makes the information much easier to digest and absorb. The final polish is that (again contrary to many other books on tea) all the information is accurate. And if seldom the authors don't delve into all the details, they still manage to stay away from generalizations. For a novice reader, this is extremely important. I've seen too many people get the wrong impression on some aspect of tea just because a tea book without sufficient attention to detail printed information pertaining for example only to a particular type of tea from a particular country as pertaining to the same tea from all sources. To top it all off, even the pictures are great. Not only do they match the topic, they go above and beyond, giving additional information or a counterpoint to the text they accompany. The content of the book is summarized as follows (shown because currently doesn't show the table of contents): What is tea?

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