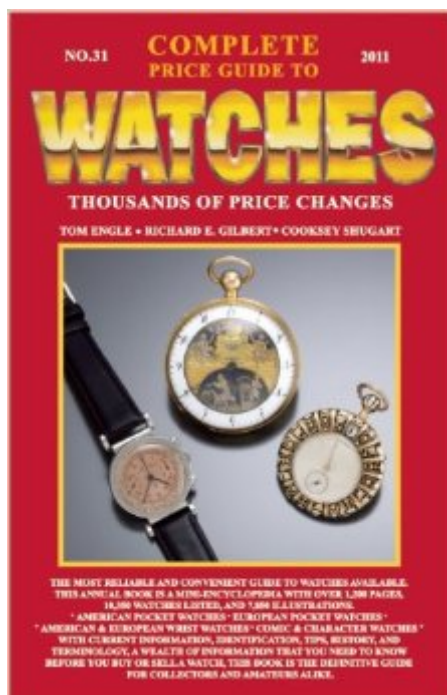


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# Complete Price Guide To Watches 2011



## Synopsis

The most reliable and convenient guide to watches available, the Complete Price Guide To Watches is a mini encyclopedia with over 10,000 watches priced and over 8,000 images provided for education and identification. This book is the definitive guide for all levels of watch education and collection. From the amateur collector to the most prestigious auction houses, the Complete Price Guide To Watches has something for everyone. Every year there are thousands of price changes and this year is no exception. The Complete Price Guide To Watches contains the most up to date information on American and European pocket watches and wrist watches, Comic and Character watches including pricing, identification information, tips, history, terminology and the annual market report. This book provides not only accurate pricing information on a plethora of watches, but also provides historical information on a myriad of watchmakers, including birth and death dates, company histories, movement identification, serial numbers, grade numbers, production dates and quantities. The guide also has dedicated illustrated entries on how a watch works, watch parts nomenclature, the individual parts of a watch movement, how to properly open a pocket watch case and care for your watch, Railroad watch dials, cases and adjustments, how to determine the age and manufacturer of a watch and how watches are appraised. All of this information is accented by antique illustrations salvaged and lovingly reproduced from long lost watch catalogs, advertisements and brochures. It is because of this attention to detail that the Complete Price Guide To Watches has attained its near legendary status as the only true Bible of watch prices, history and education currently in print. There is no other book on watches this thorough on the market today. Before you buy or sell any wrist or pocket watch, be sure to buy the Complete Price Guide To Watches.

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If you collect older watches, especially pocket watches, from the early to mid 20th century, this is the guide to buy. The watches featured contain detailed information and reflect the latest value trends. The book is a nice learning tool for those wanting to move into watch collecting.

For the beginner this is a very good guide. I know that some makes of watches are not covered but all the top brands are there. I am still reading up on new questions all the time. I collect pocket watches, but there is also a large section on wrist watches. So far I have found some good deals by using this book's price and condition guide. I'm sure if you are just starting out as a collector you will find this a perfect tool.

Very helpful, but don't expect a picture of every watch you may be looking for. You may come close. Only other issue are the prices change readily. If you're going to collect vintage watches you will need several similar books to get a more rounded idea what you may want to buy or sell! But this is a good starting point. Also look at prices on Ebay- but be very very cautious as there are a number of FAKE or modified watches being sold as originals!

A nice book, but I was looking for more in-depth history. For example the fact that many watch companies sent movements to the U.S. in the 1940's and beyond and had their watches cased here to avoid tariffs. Or the fact that you can find high end watches that used the movements of other watch makers and why and when they did this. I would have been nice to get a better idea of how to date movements on some of these watches. The search continues.

It's a very nice book since I am a big watch collector. Since I am just a collector, not a watch or jewelry seller it's still a little confusing. I plan on bringing it into a jewelry store where they can help me understand it more. I really bought it for the Hamilton pocket watches since I have two. So if you understand the book it will be great for you, but it can also be great if you don't. All you have to do is take it to a jewelry dealer and they can probably help you understand and make the book more valuable to you.

Although the watch industry changes with its designs and complications, this is a good guide to have leading up to this printing. Once you go beyond the print date; it of course does not show current models and it is outdated. However, like with any other books for collectors, this is good book to have when viewing what has already been produced and may not be included in the newer publications.

This is the industry standard for evaluating, grading and determining value of most watches. This is a "guide" and values are not necessarily 100% accurate.

Bought older issues before. Knew what to expect. Always up to date with current pricing and information. Thanks for a great product!!

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