

Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

This book is the only comprehensive listing of bank note issues available, along with its sister books: Volume 1 for specialized issues and Vol 3 for newer issues. It would not be possible to be an informed collector without these volumes. They include photos of most of the notes, estimated values in three different grades as well as an excellent introduction to the hobby with collecting tips, grading information, an invitation to join the International Bank Note Society, etc.

The new edition of this catalogue is an extremely disappointing effort in terms of keeping up to date with price developments. A majority of the countries covered in this update have not been reviewed at all, resulting in a very misleading guide to collectors. If you have the previous edition, there is little incentive for you to buy this new edition. Editors should really put much much more effort in updating prices, or simply stop printing updates of the catalogue altogether. Changing the cover picture does not justify a new edition.

The book is of a great use not only for a bank note collector, but also for educational purposes, as it

includes a brief history of every listed country, written numerals, dating systems even exchange rates of various countries. Paper money images serve as a great educational material about world's famous people, buildings, scenes from history and many more. Everyone may even use it for identifying various paper notes. It is definitely yours the best old paper money source in the world. While there is no better, believe me, there is none better yet, this book is the best and latest source for your paper money and educational needs.

I've been buying these catalogs for over twenty years. Each successive edition gets worse and worse in quality. First off, for all you new collectors, these catalogs have never been in color - always black and white. There are plenty of websites, ebay, etc to see color. Color illustrations would make this catalog's price restrictive to the point of stop publishing. Second, the DVD's are nice. Great to carry instead of heavy clumsy catalog when shopping at shows for WPM. Next, and unfortunately, this edition is terrible compared to past issues. Other critical reviews are correct where this edition fails: omissions, wrong illustrations connected to descriptions etc. This edition omitted an entire country - DJIBOUTI !! Under East Africa entire issues disappeared: 5 Shillings p28a? 10 Shillings ND (1941)? Where'd it go? Don't tell me it doesn't exist - past issues have listings and I'm looking at the note as I write this. And I've only gotten to the "E" countries!!! Finally, as other reviewers have stated, these catalogs are the only game in town for collectors. Buy em - use em - and do the hobby the best you can ! Happy Hunting !!

Interesting fat tome on everyone's favorite topic, money, to have around for a browse now and then...Only wish it were in color. My used ex-library copy lacked its CD, so I can only speak of the book itself. Maybe later editions will be (or already are?) in color.

I collect world currency and I use this book to decipher those notes that I can't understand. It is a good reference book even though it's out of date. I don't care about the pricing, I want to be able to get basic information on a note and that it has. Well worth the price, which is very reasonable.

An excellent catalogue. The only disturbing problem is that there are several mismatches between pictures and descriptions. Unfortunately more frequent than in earlier issues.

LOTS of info in this publication. TOO LONG TO SHIP THOUGH. : You need to do a better job of getting this book to purchaser MORE TIMELY. The publication is comprehensive and Im looking

forward to the 1961 to present book.

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