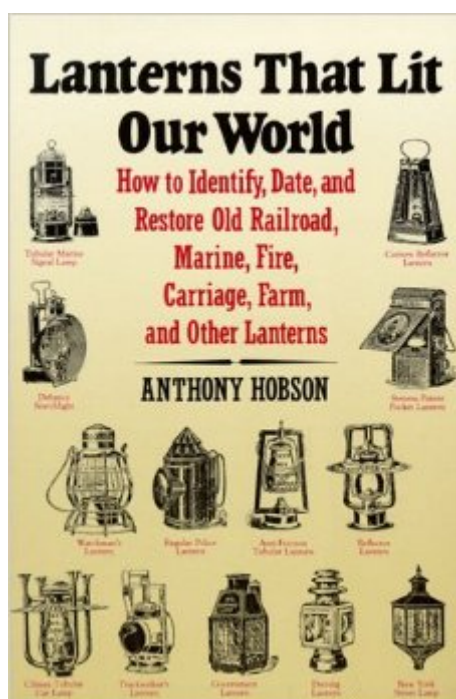


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# Lanterns That Lit Our World: How To Identify, Date, And Restore Old Railroad, Marine, Fire, Carriage, Farm, And Other Lanterns



## Synopsis

Brand new copy of this reference on lanterns from Major American manufacturers such as Dietz & Smith, Kelly, Mayrose, Chicago Mfg, Dennis & Wheeler, Nail City, Steam Gauge & Lantern, Adlake, and more. Line drawings, reference info, dating, etc.

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This was the first book I bought on this subject, and I found it invaluable as an introduction to early lantern manufacturers and lighting technology. The author clearly explains the different fuels available at different historical periods, and the technologies that utilized them. Contains many very clear reproductions from early catalogs organized by manufacturers in an easy to read reference format. Using the entries here, it is easy to locate the manufacturer, model, relative date of manufacture, and background on most commonly-encountered lanterns. The rarity guide is somewhat lacking in timeliness and should be updated, however. Despite that, I also recommend this author's Book Two as a useful addition and supplement to this book. Advanced collectors would likely be disappointed, but novices and experienced collectors will find this book interesting and informative.

Along with a brief history of American lanterns, Mr. Hobson offers information on the anatomy of lanterns including how they work, identification of parts, materials, finishes and markings.

Seventeen different US manufactures and their lanterns are identified and illustrated with detailed specifications. Excellent advice for collectors in locating, identifying and pricing, as well as, repair, restoration and care of lanterns. From a well respected member of lamp and lantern researchers.

For all those who are interested in antique lanterns from the early days when oil and gas light ruled, then this book is the book for you. Covering over 200 lanterns and most of the notable brands that were and still are out there, this book is a wealth of information. Each lantern is hand drawn and has a nice block of information on it. The book also includes rarity, and discusses the lantern types, styles, parts, and many other features. This book is a treasure for any collector to add to his collection. Full of information and illustrations, this book is a must have for collectors. It truly is a favorite and a valuable to me.

This book and its companion are probably the best books if you want to know more about old lanterns. I have read reviews and was rather confused why so many people thought you needed the first to be able to have this one. Any who, the point of these books is to help you identify antique lanterns. It tells you how to date your lanterns, along with when that one was produced and more. I highly recommend if you enjoy lantern collecting that you purchase this and its companion.

The book has good information on the main lantern manufacturers. It provides good information on how lanterns work, but I found it lacking in helpful information about restoration and cleaning.

Great book . very informative.. Good section on repair and identifying.

While I am only learning about this subject. It gave me an excellent understanding of what I need to know.

This book is helpful, but not enough detail for me. I still have a Dietz lantern that is not in this book that I would like to identify. Thought it would include all old Lanterns. Oh well, still a good book.

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