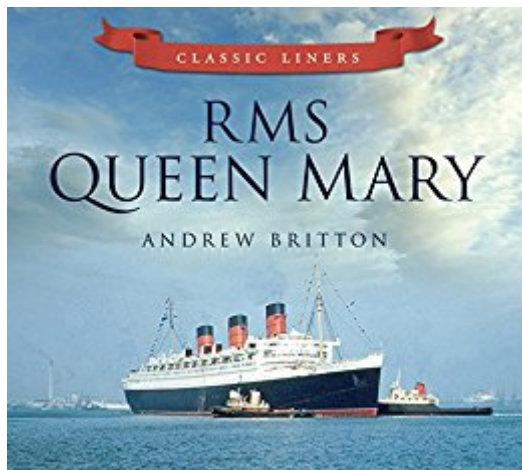




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RMS Queen Mary (Classic Liners)



Synopsis

A colorful new history of the historic RMS Queen Mary, now a floating museum and restaurant. Including deck plans, accounts from log books, and ship records, this book tells the story of Cunard's RMS Queen Mary, who along with her running mate Queen Elizabeth covered the transatlantic route from Southampton to New York via Cherbourg, the British answer to the German and French superliners. She was launched in May 1936 and immediately won the coveted Blue Riband, winning it again in 1938, before she served as a troop ship in the war. She then carried on plying the Atlantic route with Queen Elizabeth until the jet age changed the world again and she was retired, now preserved as a floating museum and restaurant in Long Beach, California. Andrew Britton presents a wealth of unpublished photographic material and ephemera from his unparalleled collection to tell the story of this historic liner, including rare wartime views, shots of her "grey ghost" paintwork, unique behind-the-scenes photographs, aerial shots, interior views, and a wide selection of ephemera. Even including captain's invitations, this superlative book offers a captivating trip through the history of this great liner.

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Customer Reviews

Tons of great photos in here that aren't found anywhere else - most being from the personal collections of either the author or Commodore G.T. Marr and are generally from the perspective of passengers or landside viewers of the ship (as opposed to the professionally photographed photos or promo shots that are more commonly seen). That's not to say the photographs are of an amateur quality! Just that the perspective and style of the photos makes you feel like you're seeing the ship firsthand as a passenger. The text is outstanding as well. Highly Recommended.

Book was in good shape, but the writing left much to be desired. Information was repeated in a couple of places and the photos were out of date sequence. I would have liked to have the oldest photos first and then newer ones so I could see the progression through the years.

It's ok

I love the history and photos of this great old liner which was before my time.

I can't say much more about it. Its fairly straight forward and in the usual format for these size of books with smallish photos and a bit of the usual history. There wasn't any reason for me to buy this other than I am an ardent fan and am always hoping to see that photo I've never seen before. I don't really spend much time on the text as its more about the visuals for me. I could give a Vicar's cuss about how many RPMs or torque she put out. She was fast, beautiful, and that is all that matters. I'm no engineer, I'm more of a design person. Enjoy it.

I love this book, a great detailed look into the glorious career of the Queen Mary. I deeply suggest that others check out this book.

I bought this book for my dad for Christmas. He is a retired naval draftsman and this ship is one of his personal hobbies. He has looked over the book and impressed with the pictures and details the book represents. I would easily give 5 stars.

It is great seeing the ship in full color.

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