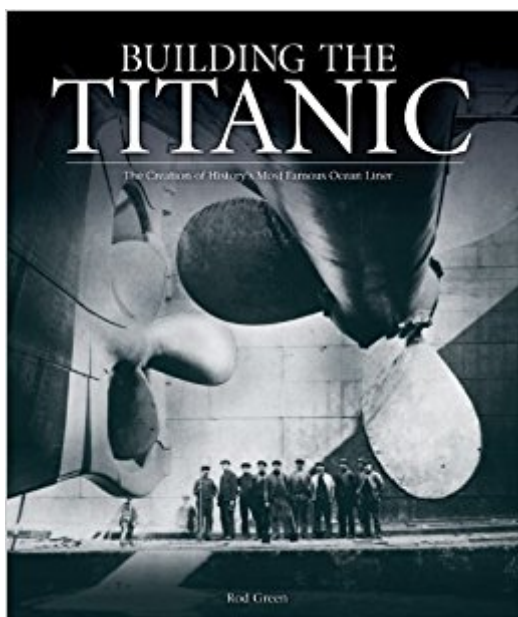


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Building The Titanic: The Creation Of History's Most Famous Ocean Liner



Synopsis

Everyone knows how the story of RMS Titanic ended, but few know how it began. Now, for the first time, that remarkable history has been traced back to its start-with the 1907 decision to build her in the first place. From there we go into the shipyard, where 4,000 tradesmen-joiners, fitters, electricians, plumbers, welders, riveters, and more-turned dreams into reality. Profusely illustrated with blueprints, cross-sections, and haunting archival photographs, this extraordinary record of human endeavor and, ultimately, human fallibility, adds a fascinating new dimension to the story of the world's most famous, fated ship.

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Customer Reviews

Rod Green has written and edited a wide range of titles, including SAS: The Illustrated History, World War II: The People's Story, Scalextric--The Story of the World's Favourite Model Racing Cars, Beach Huts, The Real History of Foyle's War, and The Original Highway Code.

I am an avid life long Titanic follower. I have many books on the subject of the ship and her sinking. This book is nice and marketed well, but does not illuminate details and events that go beyond previously published works. As such, it is an "also ran" in the schema of Titanic books. A bit "ho hum" and does not provide new insight into the great ship and her sinking.

Excellent background and information

I purchased this book for my 8 year old grandson who is a fanatic about Titanic. Amazing photos and great information.

Macgyver is right on! If you want to know how the ship was built, this is not it. There is much more text and photographs on the net than you will get from this book. It gives the rationale for its construction, lots of biographies regarding its creators, a rehash of its shortened journey to New York, and 12 of its 160 pages telling that it was indeed constructed. You are informed that the keel was laid first and they added the sides before the decks. Duh! I thought we might get an idea of how the steel plates were formed in 1910. How did they machine the giant shafts, build the engines? Even something on how they drilled the millions of holes for the rivets would have been nice. Little things, like were the propeller blades machined or just rough cast? There is one photo of an engine, none of the turbine. What a waste!

I have to admit to having read a whole lot of books on Titanic. Some were better than others. This, however, has got to be one of the better books I have encountered. Rod Green, not Red Green, has done a fine job of describing and chronicling the building of the wonderful ship. Many great photos, too. His writing makes the reader want to continue with the book, even though the reader knows the final outcome of the saga. His background info was quite interesting. I knew quite a few things about the Harland and Wolff shipyard and the cast of characters involved in the construction of Titanic, but after having read this book I now know a whole lot more. And I am so very glad I do, too. Very good book for the serious Titanic fan. I know the Titanic exhibit is wending its way to a city near me and I can hardly wait to see it. Mr. Green has made my anticipation even more keen. Great read for the true fan.

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