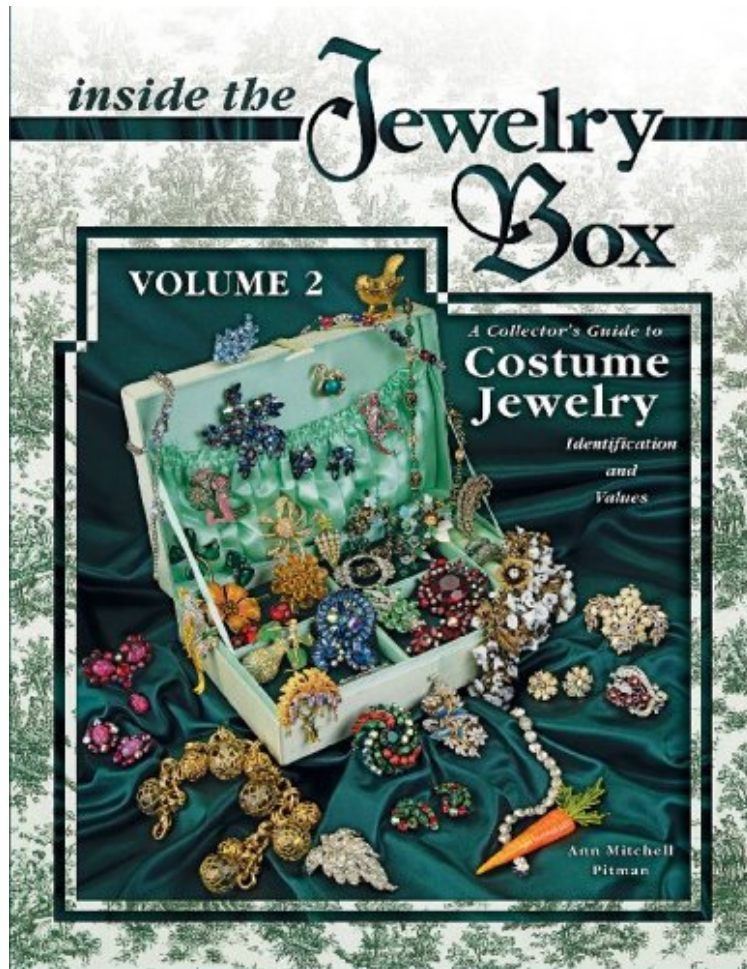


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pieces in the book have photos showing the reverse side and the designers mark. The book has chapters with the pieces grouped by designer, which is a real time saver if you want to look up a particular designer. There are also chapters where the jewelry is grouped by quality, showing only the more expensive pieces. Plus, there are several beautiful pictures of vintage ads. A really useful section is the one that list about thirty-five Internet Websites offering vintage costume jewelry for sale. If you are a dealer, like my wife, this is really helpful when pricing items for sale. She has an online shop where she sells vintage costume jewelry and artisan jewelry that she makes. She's starting to incorporate some vintage parts and pieces from broken costume jewelry in her artisan jewelry and it makes some really interesting designs. Her shop is called Funky Stones. She just opened it a few months ago and she already has over 85 pieces for sale. I do the buying for the costume jewelry that she offers for sale and *Inside the Jewelry Box* is one of my most used books when I need to identify or find the value of a piece of jewelry. Buy this book, you'll be glad you did! 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. A Cheerful Approach By dbuyzI was trying to come up with a word to describe Mrs. Pitman's approach to collecting, and I guess "cheerful" says it. She is very enthusiastic and this shows through on each page. There are many clear and colorful photos and light-hearted stories about collecting jewelry. There is information too, but I would have liked to have seen more information on many more manufacturers, but what is there is easy to read and fun. This book is also inspiring and you will not hurt for ideas on what to add to your collection after you read it. As long as you don't try to compare this book to Julia C. Carroll's *Collecting Costume Jewelry 101*, you will not be disappointed. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Research is what I do for my jewelry business and ... By Sharen Duffing Research is what I do for my jewelry business and this was very informative for me. I only collect old jewelry.

Ann Mitchell Pitman brings a touch of Southern humor to the vintage costume jewelry collecting field with her *Inside the Jewelry Box, Volume 2*. Her second volume features nearly 1,000 full-color photographs and websites devoted to selling vintage costume jewelry, and details companies previously given little or no coverage in other reference books. More vintage magazine ads are featured, along with the California ceramic jewelry companies like Ruby Z, Parrot Pearls, and Flying Colors. Specific information is given on selling jewelry on eBay. Designers such as Miriam Haskell, Chanel, Stanley Hagler, Schiaparelli, Joseff, Hattie Carnegie, Hobe, Mazer Bros., Trifari, Ian St. Gielar, Eisenberg, and Coro are represented. Forbidden Fruit, Deco, Fruit Salad, Bakelite, and Lucite jewelry are also presented, making this a wonderful all-around reference for vintage costume jewelry collectors and dealers. 2007 values.

...*Inside the Jewelry Box* is a singularly gorgeous compilation and a joy to page through simply to savor the photography. The text offers the occasional sprinkling of historical information, comments, or insights about costume jewelry as well. A highly recommended treasury for collectors. -Midwest Book About the Author Ann Mitchell Pitman has been the author of a monthly newspaper column, 'Inside the Jewelry Box,' since 1996. She has interviewed many experts and authors over the years and taken photographs of their collections. Her book, which shares the same name as her column, was published in 2004.