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Rose Windows



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Synopsis

Focuses on the symbolic import of the rose windows and the Gothic cathedrals housing them, discussing their role as monuments of faith created in a time plague and famine. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Customer Reviews

I give this book only 4 stars simply because it's from 1979 and hasn't aged as well as we'd like: we're too spoiled with glossy, laser-sharp photos. However, the author sounds so knowledgeable about what the windows meant to the whole gothic experience that it's as interesting to read the text as it is to see the windows. I'm a little surprised that York Minster gets one little photo and most of England is given short shrift. My husband is from Carlisle, England and the cathedral there is the smallest but has the 2nd largest rose window...no mention. However, the discussion is good and all the interpretations sound spot on.

Excellent book for restoration reference. Also good for research, as the photos are noted with location, date of creation, etc. Good for ideas to permutate into your own designs. Save the plane fare and time, read this at the dinner table. -Architectural Art Glass, 517-451-4008

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