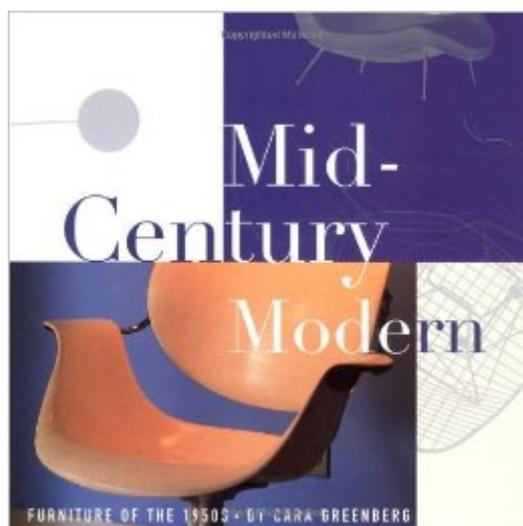


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# Mid-Century Modern: Furniture Of The 1950s



## Synopsis

This highly praised celebration of '50s design recalls the wonders of boomerang-shaped coffee tables, the funky curvaceousness of biomorphic furniture, the industrial sleekness of cool metals, and other design delights. "Will undoubtedly foster a new appreciation of furniture from the '50s."--Chicago Sun-Times. 125 4-color photographs and 100 black-and-white photographs.

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Excellent overview of 'modern' interiors- lighting, furniture, accessories; often shown in delightful period modern room settings. A great coffee table book, yet a valued reference also. Wonderful composition of color and b&w photos: book "flows" well w/ non-tedious text. Guaranteed appreciation of mid-century modern by the indifferent after thumbing through this book. One of my top three most favorites that I never tire of and return to often, (and I'm a gearhead!). A can't-go-wrong choice for anyone with even a small interest in design or collecting.

I have owned this book since it was originally published in hardcover in 1984. I have referred to it many, many times. Books with beautiful photographs on the subject of 1950's furniture are scarce, indeed, and I was pleased to see this book reemerge in softcover. I wish more books of this caliber on the subject existed. I highly recommend it.

My sister has just bought a 1950's ranch home with some original features. I was hoping this book

would help celebrate the house and give some ideas as to decor. Instead, it is a good overview of the furniture designers who influenced the furniture of the time. It's nice, but not what I was looking for, which was the physical living space/furnishings of the middle class of the 50's.

This is a wonderful coffee table book, a joy to browse through. It is profusely illustrated and contains a wealth of information. If you like modern design I also suggest to visit the wonderful online archive about George Nelson at [WWW.GEORGENELSON.ORG](http://WWW.GEORGENELSON.ORG) and also the museum archive from Verner Panton at [WWW.VERNERPANTON.COM](http://WWW.VERNERPANTON.COM)

I too have owned this book for a number of years, and it has remained my favorite. If anyone has an interest in furniture, architecture, 50's style or just has great taste, you will love owning this book. Also would make a great gift.

If you are looking for a book on Mid Century Chairs, look no further. I however was searching for a book on furniture not exclusive of chairs. The book is well organized and informative, but it was not what I was looking for.

I bought this book because I wanted to learn more about the mid century modern furniture, and it delivered. I have learned so much about my style and will focus my eye for the styles that I am drawn to.

This was the first book I got on modern design, recommended to me by a vintage dealer, and it's still one I refer back to regularly. There are images of many of the classics of the period, many presented in contemporary room arrangements showing how they can "work" in a real setting. I now have most of my house furnished with vintage pieces, and I have to say that this book has a lot to do with it.

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