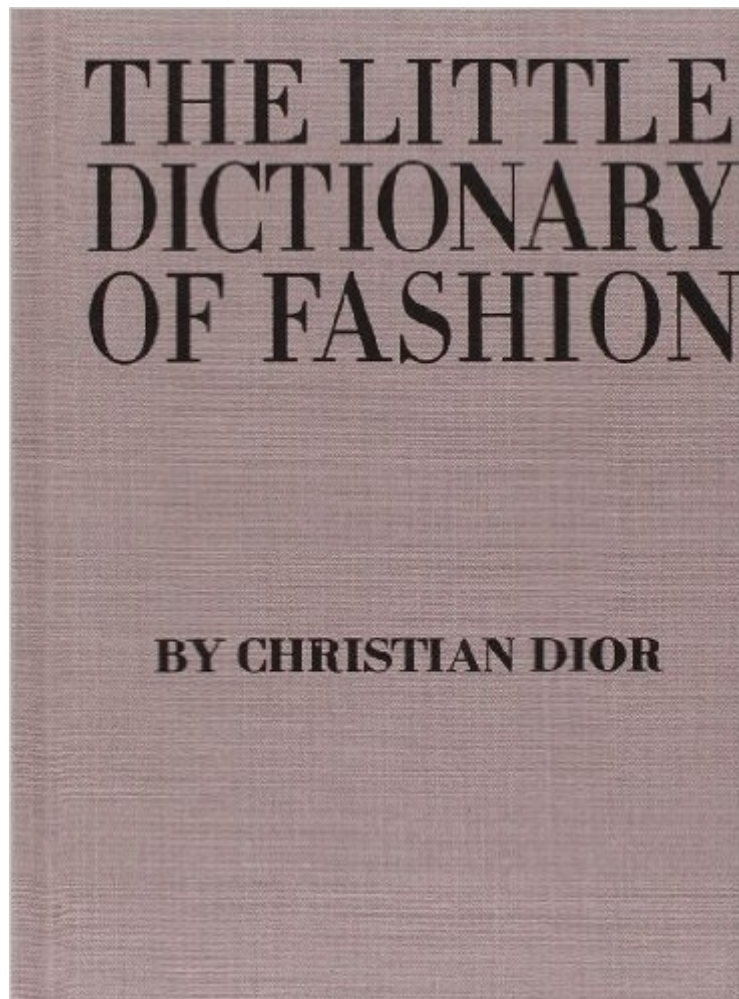


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The Little Dictionary Of Fashion: A Guide To Dress Sense For Every Woman



Synopsis

“Much has been written about fashion, in all its aspects, but I do not think any couturier has ever before attempted to compile a dictionary on the subject.”—from the little dictionary of fashion Christian Dior reveals the secrets of style in this charming handbook that no woman should be without. An indispensable guide that covers everything from what to wear to a wedding and how to tie a scarf to how to walk with grace, *The Little Dictionary of Fashion* is full of timeless tips. From afternoon frocks and accessories to traveling and tweed, Dior’s expertise ensures every girl will know the three fundamentals of fashion: simplicity, grooming, and good taste. Published for the Victoria and Albert Museum’s Golden Age of Couture exhibition celebrating the 50th anniversary of Dior’s “New Look” and illustrated with delightful photographs and drawings, this handbag-sized classic is the perfect gift for style-conscious women. EXHIBITION SCHEDULE: Victoria and Albert Museum, London, September 22, 2007–January 6, 2008

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Customer Reviews

When Dior wrote this wonderful little dictionary many years ago, he wrote it to be "of great practical use to the women of today." In my opinion, his dictionary has transcended its time (1954). It is a fascinating book for all of us who are interested in fashionable clothing and accessories. Dior has a point of view and a philosophy of dress which is timeless, based on the fundamentals of good dressing—simplicity, good taste, and grooming.

This is a nice little book - not detailed or descriptive enough for someone really interested in fashion. I did enjoy the photographs. If you are looking for more indepth explanation of fashion terms and guidelines, I suggest *A Guide to Elegance: For Every Woman Who Wants to Be Well and Properly Dressed on All Occasions*. It is organized alphabetically, just like Mr. Dior's book, but has more detailed written descriptions of the items.

This book isn't really very substantial; it's essentially an alphabetic collection of the great couturier Christian Dior's comments on various elements of fashion and style. On these terms, however, and for the reader who isn't approaching the book expecting anything world-shaking, it's a very nice little item and a good snapshot of "New Look" fashion ideas. Lots of great B&W photos and drawings, too! (I think it really deserves 3 1/2 stars but 's star system doesn't allow that kind of fine-tuning, more's the pity.)

I bought this book as a gift for a relative who is a fashion aficionado and it was perfect! She owns several other fashion dictionaries, but didn't have this one. If you appreciate the history of fashion, you will love this must have for your book collection.

This is such a sweet little book! I saw it first at Anthropologie and went looking for it online and found it much cheaper on . There are a lot of fun old pictures of Dior fashion. It is a dictionary of fashion according to Dior, and he has such a fun and wonderful point of view. I have quoted many of his sayings in this book to my sisters!

This little book is adorable. It is an actual dictionary that defines basic fashion terms, however it does so in a cute way. While I did not learn anything new from this book, I still love it. I use it as a decoration that sits on my vanity, and flip through it often. I love this book.

This little book was written quite a while ago, and I can remember my grandmother wearing many of the outfits shown, but this book is just to cute and does have very good information in it, for basic fashion sense this book is great and does explain many different aspects to basic fashion and the descriptions are great ad informative, would recommend this book to have if you like vintage looks and it makes a good book to have for information regarding fabrics and fit. I fun book to read and easy to understand.

Very interesting! It is just what fashion used to be in the 50's. Good book to learn what used to be fashion in the old times. The best of it is that it teaches a lot of the rules that will never go out of style, because it teaches how to be elegant. I also liked the way he approaches how to use colors and their meaning. A+++++ book.

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