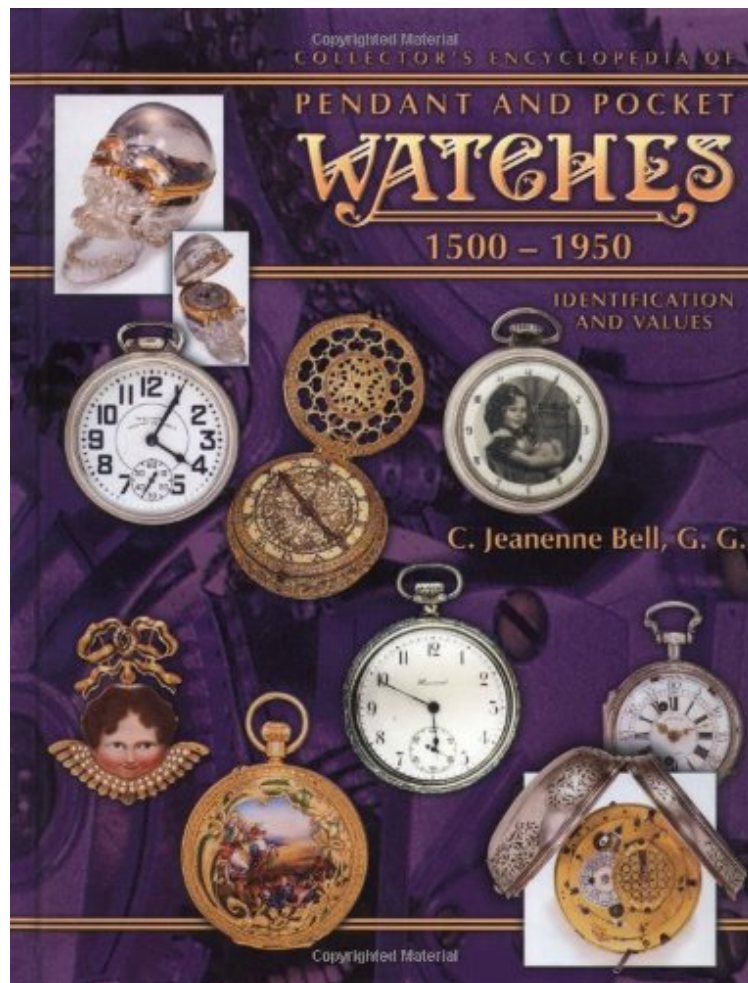


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Whether you simply find watches fascinating or you have an old watch that you are curious about, this book is the one for you. This exploration of the evolution of the pendant/pocket watch is divided into centuries. Each century explores what was happening in the world and how these events and fashions influenced watch making. It includes information on makers, their marks, and even the serial numbers for the American watch movements. Filled with clues, it will help you determine when a watch was made, how it was made, what it is made of, and what makes it tick. The amount of photographs of timepieces in this volume is impressive - hundreds of watches are featured in beautiful color photographs. Cases, dials, and movements are included in the photographs - this book encompasses the entire watch. 2009 values.

No matter how intense or casual your interest in watches may be, this book should open your mind and eyes to the miracle of these tiny machines. The dedication and labor of the men who strove to make these portable timepieces is explored. In each century the book details, readers will see what was happening that influenced timekeeping and the development of the watch. About the Author Known to collectors as 'the jewelry detective,' C Jeanenne Bell has written books on pendant pocket watches, as well as jewelry of all types. She is an antique jewelry dealer with retail stores in Kansas City, Missouri, and has collected hairwork jewelry for over 30 years.