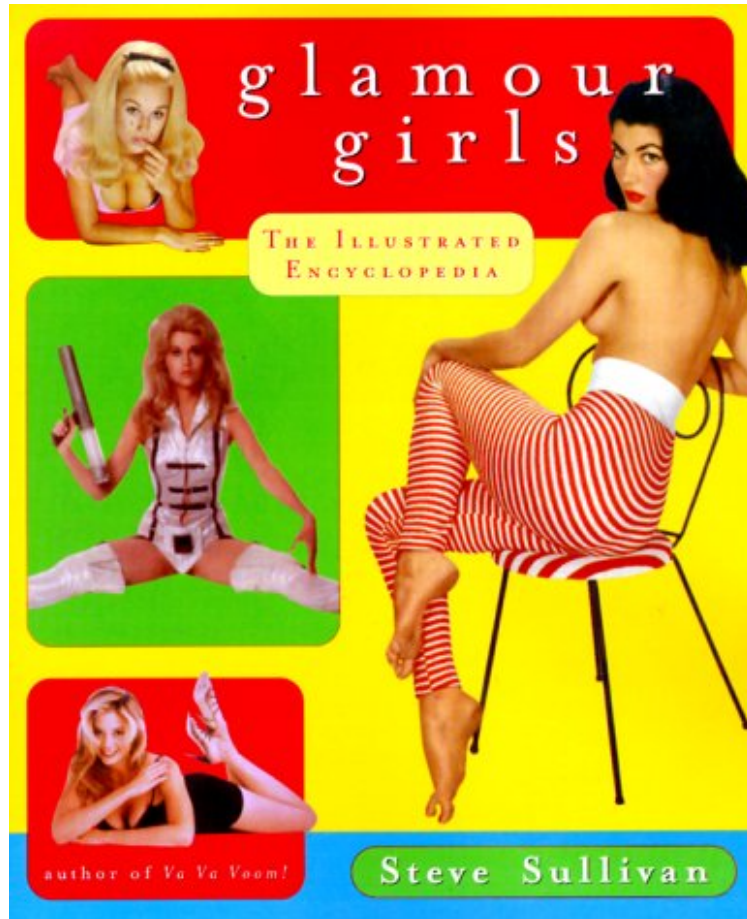


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Steve Sullivan : Glamour Girls: The Illustrated Encyclopedia before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Glamour Girls: The Illustrated Encyclopedia:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Disappointing effort!By DanceDivaThis book should be in a larger format! Everything seems so jammed together and the print is small. I don't think the photos of most of the women are very flattering either, some I did not even recognize at all the photo was so bad. Some didn't have photos ,like Mae West. I thought the whole point of the book was to see the glamour girls! Also since I like vintage fashion and make-up I was very disappointed,I was'nt able to get any inspiration what so ever!4 of 6 people found the following review helpful. This Disappointing Compilation UnderdeliversBy A CustomerI really was looking forward to this book. On the positive side, the author did do a lot of research into the pre-1950 glamour pin-ups of which most of us today are not familiar. On the negative side, the artwork is entirely disappointing - small black white images do not capture glamour very well. In addition, he puts too many models in the book with insufficient detail to each. Rather than doing a sad overview of the top 1,000 - he should have done a nice portrayal of the top 500. As it was, he was getting pretty desperate to get to 1,000. Elvira (the horror film commedienne), Nichelle Nichols (Star Trek's Lt. Uhuru)and Lily

Munster are all fine actresses/characters - but glamorous - not at all. Finally, amazingly, he left out some modern superstars like Emme. Save your money and avoid this one. 8 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Extraordinary! By Paul I loved this book! I've been collecting books on movies, popular entertainment, glamour and pin-ups for many years, and I'd always been a bit frustrated that none of these books really covered the full range of beautiful women who made contributions to our pop culture. That huge gap has at last been filled--with style and beauty--by "Glamour Girls: The Illustrated Encyclopedia." All the obvious names--Monroe, Mansfield, Jean Harlow, Raquel Welch, Kim Basinger, Sharon Stone, Tyra Banks--are of course covered with brisk, informative biographies and striking photos. But perhaps half of the 1,700-plus women in this amazing book are exactly the kind of gorgeous, intriguing women who had NEVER been included in any previous movie or entertainment reference book. That fact alone makes this book a must-have for any serious fan. For example, I'd vaguely recalled seeing photos in Life magazine in the '50s of a beautiful blonde starlet who drove all over Hollywood in a crazy convertible covered in pink rugging. That starlet was Sandra Giles, who (I learn in this book) appeared in films with Elvis and Raquel Welch and had an interesting, colorful career. There's also a terrific photo, and an address to write to her. A blonde bombshell of more recent vintage, Heather Elizabeth Parkhurst, co-starred in the sexy Showtime series "Sherman Oaks" a couple of years ago; here I learn about her other movie/TV credits and magazine appearances, along with her fan-mail address and a sizzling photo. Just about every page has something--either a piece of trivia, anecdote, or photo--that will "grab" just about any reader. Author Steve Sullivan has really created something special here. This is the ultimate reference book for any fan of glamorous gals past and present.

Here are the women who, over the past century, have captivated our imaginations, fueled our libidos, and won our eternal love. Now these luscious ladies are all in one extraordinary volume. Glamour Girls encompasses the world's most sensual goddesses from the Gay '90s of Lillian Russell through Clara Bow's Roaring '20s and Rita Hayworth's WWII years, on into the Swinging '60s of Raquel Welch and up to the hottest beauties at the brink of the new millennium. Actresses, figure and fashion models, performers, cult queens, porn stars, news anchors---more than 1,500 women from every field of entertainment are covered with incisive profiles and hundreds of rare photos. With rankings that are sure to provoke debate and with coverage so thorough that it inspires awe, Glamour Girls is the definitive book on the subject.

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