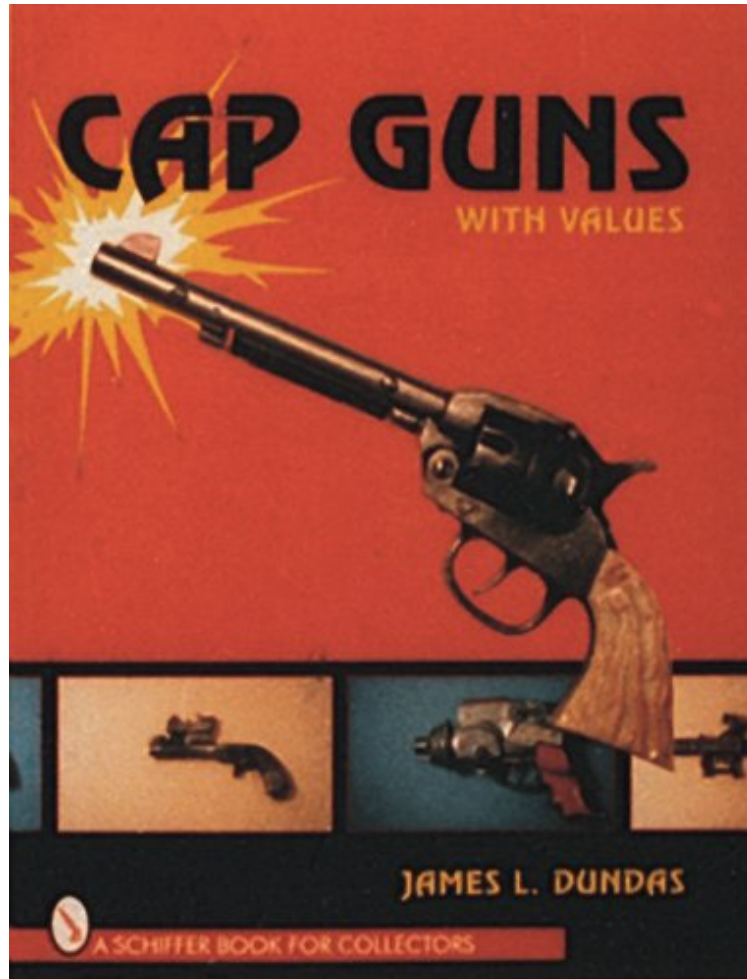


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James Dundas : Cap Guns: With Values before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Cap Guns: With Values:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Just OK. By Joe Hohmann This book is mainly photos of cap guns and estimated prices you may find, but with very little in terms of written information. If you are interested in the very early cast iron, single-shot cap guns (1890s-1940s), this book would be of special interest, as other books don't cover these. Since I am a novice collector, I was very disappointed that my favorite gun (to date), a "Smoky Joe" by Leslie-Henry, was wrongly identified as being made by Schmidt on page 124. Not only that, but only one "Smoky Joe" was shown, when, in fact, 4 were made by 3 brands in total (others being by Stevens and by Hubley). This gets me wondering how much other sloppy research appears in this book. Bottom line, this book is nice to have, but "Cowboys Gunfighters Cap Pistols" by Rudy D'Angelo is much better. D'Angelo truly loves the subject, while Dundas seems to have decided to put out a cap gun book. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Just OK! By Sam Oliverio

Jr. An ok book but I was hoping for much more on the Marx and Johnny Eagle models. Not a lot of print on those classics. That's a real lose as those toy guns were the best of the best and every boomer had to have one! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A WIDE VARIETY By Jesslots of vintage cap guns...interesting content reflecting "guns" which I'd never before seen...

This new book is everything the toy gun collector could ever wish for, with over 600 full-color photographs of cap guns and gun accessories and a current value guide! Cap guns have been mass-produced since the post-Civil War era, made of wood, lead and iron. Designs were unusual; some guns pictured in this book even had two- and three-dimensional figures, or were animated with moving figures! In the 20th century toy guns became realistic models, of cast iron, wood, composition, and plastic. Since 1950, most toy cap guns continue to be made of plastic or die-cast material. Cap guns from the Baby Boomer era of 1940-1965 are currently the most popular with collectors. Guns shown in this book reveal the public fascination with cowboys and westerns, from Roy Rogers and Gene Autry to Hopalong Cassidy and the Lone Ranger. The glamorous guns of this period featured character names, shiny finishes, fancy plastic grips, and holster sets with sparkling stones and studs. Interest in toy guns has grown tremendously in the past few years. Demand far exceeds what is currently available for purchase as cap guns become one of the hottest collectibles among antique toy enthusiasts.