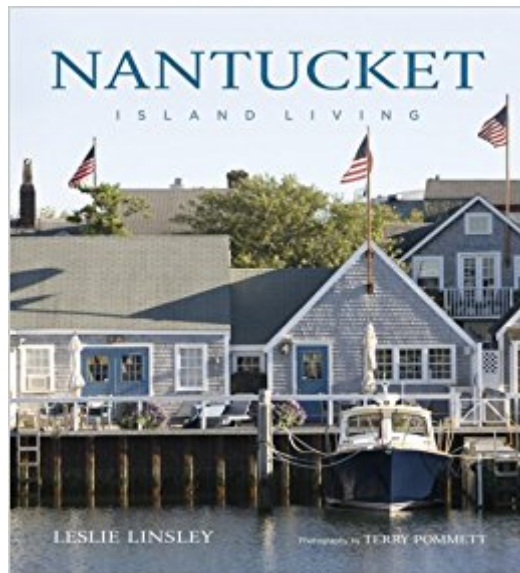


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Nantucket: Island Living



Synopsis

Imagine a place of unspoiled beaches, windswept dunes, and dramatic natural beauty. A place free of traffic lights and blaring commercial come-ons. A place whose rich historical heritage is visible everywhere—from the antiques-shop windows filled with handmade baskets and scrimshawed ivories to the spare, shingle-clad houses that coexist harmoniously with the surrounding land- and seascapes. Imagine a place designed, by man and nature, to relax and restore you. Nantucket Island is that place. Thirty miles off Cape Cod, Nantucket is both geographically isolated and—as an internationally regarded vacation resort—culturally sophisticated.

Nantucketers are rightly proud of a manner of living that couples the casual comforts of small-town life with an urbane sense of glamour, taste, and style. In this handsomely illustrated book, longtime Nantucket residents Leslie Linsley and Terry Pommert give you an insider's look at the on-island lifestyle: the restored historic homes of Nantucket town and Sconset village, the appealingly humble beachfront cottages that dot the island's shoreline, and the beautifully tended gardens—formal and informal—that grace Nantucket's private houses and public buildings. More than 200 color photos document the other attractions—panoramic views, home-grown handicrafts, seasonal celebrations—that make Nantucket such a rewarding place to spend a day, a summer, or a lifetime.

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Customer Reviews

I have been to Nantucket many times and it's one of my favorite places. However, I was a little disappointed with this book - particularly in the choice of home interiors the author chose to feature.

The home interiors in this book could be of any home anywhere in this country. They did not reflect the island, were too formal, too trendy, too modern, and frankly I felt like I was looking at a furniture store catalogue.....bland, generic, too scripted and boring. The exteriors of the houses were lovely and reflected beautiful restorations of historic homes that were lovingly cared for. However, the interiors did not relate to the houses at all. I ordered "Martha's Vineyard Houses and Gardens" at the same time and it is wonderful - exactly what I'd hoped "Nantucket Island Living" would be. Ms. Linsley should study the Martha's Vineyard book to see how to get it right. I will keep "Nantucket Island Living", as it's OK - but it won't ever be a book I keep reaching for again and again.

I have been to Nantucket several times but I have to say that the photography in this book by Terry Pommett is fantastic as all of his work has always been - So for all of you people out there who have never been to Nantucket but have wanted to "buy this book" and for anyone who has been there and fallen in love with this town you have to purchase this book to rekindle those wonderful memories.

This is an awesome book. If you're planning or have ever been to Nantucket, this is the book for you. The writing and photos are top notch. Written by someone who resides there. You won't be sorry.

This book is BEAUTIFUL. I purchased it as a gift for a long time Nantucket visitor. She is thrilled. The pictures are wonderful and crisp and the writing is very descriptive. I'd say this is an excellent purchase.

If you love Nantucket and love American History you will love this book. The photos are beautiful and the historical information is very accurate. This will become a great coffee table book. You can look through the book and dream that you are walking the wonderful streets of Nantucket. Its great.

Who did? Captain Gardner's niece (hence the reference to Uncle Charles) as recorded in her diary in July of 1846. The entry reads, "They live in a little cottage place on a little rise of ground". Then comes the part about the blackberry pudding. The "little cottage place" today is one of the exceptional residences profiled in Nantucket Island Living. Each one is lovingly described with an attentiveness that drills down to the level of blackberry pudding when necessary to establish the context, atmosphere, and ultimately the essence of the place. This is fitting; as the author writes in

the introduction, "Nantucket is more than a place - it is a state of mind". And so it is. Gorgeous photography by Terry Pommert complements the text. It's an absolute feast for the eyes. The exploration of the island takes us from the elegance and history of Town (that's what the locals call it) to windswept beach cottages, from stately seaside mansions to the gardens and the quaint village of Siasconset. Intertwined with it all is an overview of the island's history, traditions, natural life, and culture. This is a book that will be enjoyed over and over again.

Checked this out at the library but now I have to buy it. The photographs are just gorgeous and so unique to Nantucket's style of living. There is just enough information to not overload you in the text and the font is not too small either. A perfect coffee table book and one to look at repeatedly. It's relaxing, comforting and in my opinion, just equals happiness.

I purchased this for a client who is from the Nantucket area. She thought this was a "...wonderful book that reflected the homes" which she remembers in the Nantucket area. She also loved seeing the 'up-dated' looks that were shown in the beautiful photographs! Great for anyone with an interest in this Geographical area of the U.S., and the photos are lovely!

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