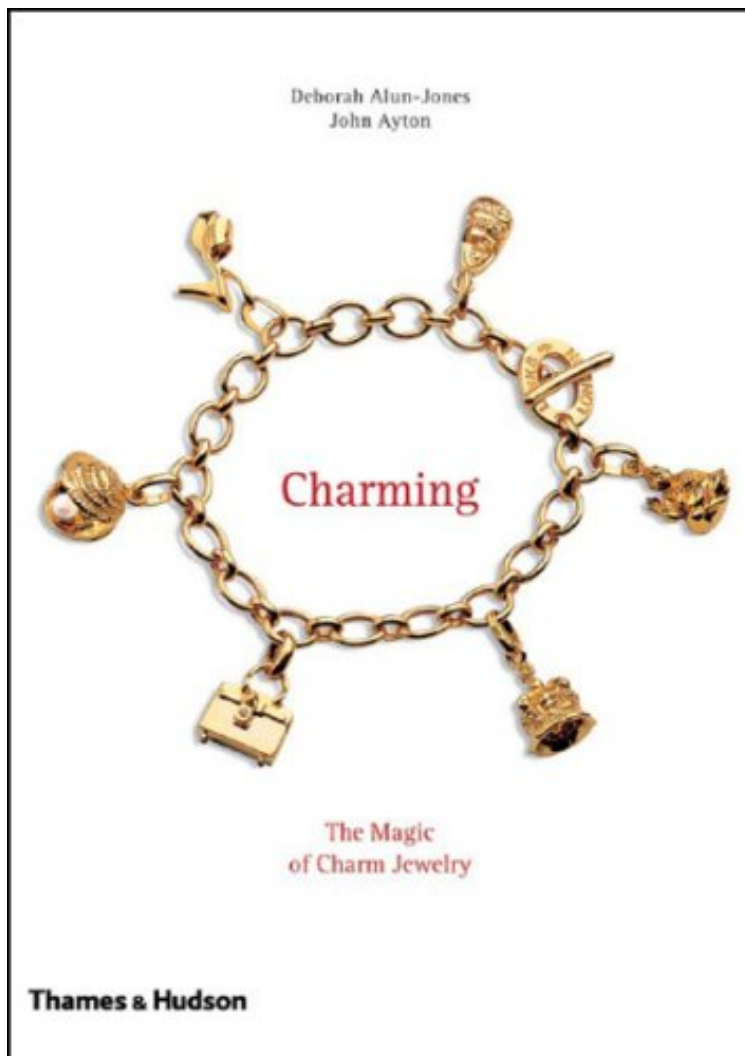


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Deborah Alun-Jones, John Ayton : Charming: The Magic of Charm Jewelry before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Charming: The Magic of Charm Jewelry:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This book was Not charming or very magicalBy SylviaBlahBlah"Charming: The Magic of Charm Jewelry"A promising title- unfortunately within the 112 pages in this book, the too limited information is scattered about with just a paragraph here and a couple of paragraphs there- too little new information. There are a few interesting photographs but in general I felt that the artistic presentation was very poor- uninteresting and dull. The dust jacket boasts 108 illustrations with 102 in color- sounds impressive yes- but without artistic vision- it's a wasted effort. Who really needs to see Kelly Osbourne on an entire page- charmed chested. On the other hand, the Elizabeth Taylor charm bracelets and the Hollywood fifties stars- those were great.

Still, the highlights too few- this could have and should have been a totally fun and exciting book -but was not. I was very disappointed with this book and in my view a waste of money, I took a chance and this time I lost. A lovely book however - Tracey Zabar and "Charmed Bracelets" which has everything you want in a book about charm bracelets- great photographs, charming chatter and all put together in an interesting and artistic style making it very fun and interesting. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. great little book By scooty To sum it up, this little book explains one person's family's charm bracelets and their meanings and histories. It is fun to see the vintage charms on every page and learn about how they came to be as well as their story behind them. It is a whole life's history worn on a wrist for all to see. This book also helps you choose and compile your own little scrapbook of life on your own wrist. It gives good tips on where and how to find your little sparkle gems whether it be at auctions, flea markets, ebay etc A good little reference for the charm collector or charm junkie as I call myself! 9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Disappointing By Austen I love charms and charm bracelets but this book was so disappointing to me. There were some interesting facts but, overall, it was just too much celebrity worship for me (although the photos of Grace Kelly and Helena Rubenstein were wonderful) and not enough passion about the subject they were supposed to be addressing. I realize the co-author, John Ayton, is the co-owner - with his wife - of Links of London but this book was so much payola for his own business. If you really love charm jewelry skip this book and get "Charmed Bracelets" by Tracey Zabar. You'll be glad you did.

Since time immemorial charms have been worn as symbols of the eternal themes of love, luck and protection. Figures from the worlds of Hollywood, royalty and fashion have long been seduced by the appeal of charms. The Duchess of Windsor, Lauren Bacall, Grace Kelly and Coco Chanel were all devoted to them, and Marlene Dietrich never travelled without hers. Today some of our most glamorous celebrities and style icons can be seen wearing them: Anna Sui wears hers on an anklet, Sarah Jessica Parker wears hers on a sweetie bracelet, Matthew Williamson weaves his into his fashion designs and Elizabeth Hurley is rarely seen without her diamond cross. Perennially popular, the charm has become a fashion sensation. This book, containing a host of memorable anecdotes and historical facts, together with 100 colour illustrations, is the perfect celebration of the exquisite charm of charms.

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