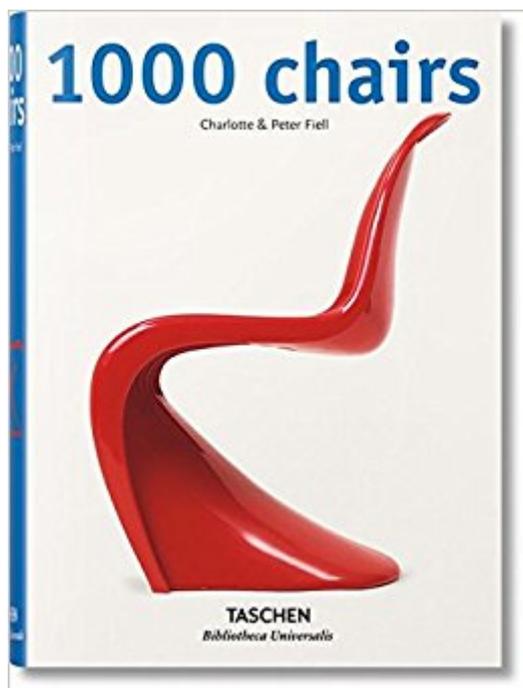


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Chairs are one of the most useful beautiful sexiful things in the world. Yes, they turn me on. I love this book. So many reasons, but I am going to be brief (please, applaud):> Perfect coffee table book.> Decent short texts, right to the point but informative.> Great visual guide of chair design.> Good quality edition.> Good quality full-colour photos.> Taschen's guarantee of serious fun books.> Great sizing and format. Easy to put away or in different places.> Explanations in English, French and German. Great to improve your vocabulary in your non-native languages if you are interested or give it as a gift to an overseas friend.> Hardcopy and not even 20 bucks. Are you serious?!> Chairtastic fully orgasmic.DOWNSIDES?Yes, sure.= If you are looking for a guide with plenty of explanations, a professional approach to chair design and more details about the designers and the history of each item, or clear design periods go elsewhere.= The book starts from the 19th century, so if you love, say, Roman Empire chairs, this is not for you.= The books is does limit itself to the 20th century so no designs from year 2000. Pity. I miss the awesome chairs of contemporary designers British Grazier-Jones and Spaniard Maximo Riera, as other contemporary designers.= The book devotes little space to the 1980s and 1890s compared to other periods.= Short in Asian designers.IN A NUTSHELLIf you are ;looking for a book to have on your coffee table to entertain guests or yourself, this is it.

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Inclusive, illustrated, excellent review of design choices across the ages. It helped me in a project I had to design a chair or stool for a specific purpose in furnishing our new home. Fun to read and look at the design possibilities across the years. Would be a fine reference for someone who needed to understand the different style trends in furniture. supplied it in record time.

Great reference.

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