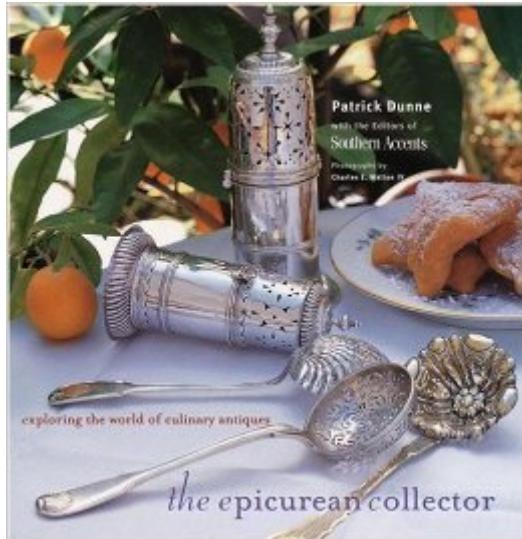


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The Epicurean Collector: Exploring The World Of Culinary Antiques



Synopsis

Many of us have some family heirloom connected with cooking or eating that has been passed down and treasured by more than one generation, whether it's the silver tea service or grandmother's battered wooden spoon. Patrick Dunne has made a career of collecting and researching the history of fascinating and beautiful culinary implements. His lively column in "Southern Accents", "The Epicurean Collector", is one of the most popular features of this American magazine and his accumulated knowledge is ripe for collecting in a book. From absinthe spoons to cafe-au-lait bowls, he illuminates each subject with verve and authority and discusses a range of the most collectable items. Dunne is the proprietor of Lucullus, a well-known New Orleans antique store specializing in the area of culinary arts, and is known in both culinary and antique circles. Part food history, part connoisseur's handbook, the book should appeal to those interested in a more general and unexplored area of food presentation, entertaining and style at the table.

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This ravishingly beautiful book is also a highly entertaining and informative jaunt through history. Patrick Dunne writes with great wit and intelligence. Whether discussing the unusual "sugar nipper" or the ordinary egg, he succeeds in bringing alive whole worlds. This is a wonderful book.

Patrick Dunne is one of, if not the, leading experts on food-related antiques in America, and French antiques in general. His shop on Chartres street is one of the best-kept secrets in New Orleans.

This book lists "et al" as additional authors of The Epicurean Collector, but don't believe it: without Dunne, there is no book. This stunning book is a fascinating look at lovely pieces and Dunne's excellent prose. If you love antiques related to food, own this book and be very happy.

Wow! What a great book! Full of fantastic pictures, examples, and commentary on everyday and not-so-everyday items for the table! One of the very few books to highlight Chocolate pots! I really LOVE this book! Very informative and the photos are wonderful!

This book is incredible! Patrick Dunne, together with the Editors of my all time favorite Magazine 'Southern Accents' put together such artful descriptions with excellent photos, by Charles E. Walton IV, about antiques around the dining table. Patrick was probably 'THE Pillar' of this well written 180 page, high gloss quality book with numerous photos. How I wish that we could revive this lost culture of sharing a family meal around the dining table. On August 11, 2011, I did post on my blog (mariettesbacktobasics.blogspot.com) about an antique French Christofle sugar sifter spoon and I'd scanned a large photo of an old Southern Accents magazine with some sugar sifter spoons. Finding this book with the very photo on page 42, is to me such a treasure! Patrick Dunne also has his own Lucullus antiques shop in Louisiana. From his website you still can download several Southern Accents articles, written by Patrick. If you long for those days of style, I highly recommend this. Thanks to the Editors of Southern Accents; Charles E. Walton IV and Patrick Dunne for such a stylish book about culinary antiques and style at the table! Mariette's Back to Basics

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