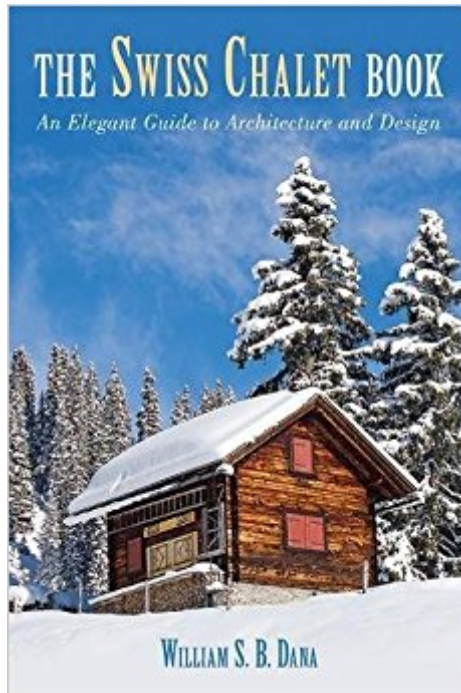




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Swiss Chalet Book: An Elegant Guide To Architecture And Design



Synopsis

Here William S. B. Dana, B.S., presents an in-depth and precise depiction of the breathtaking architectural masterpieces known as the Swiss Chalets. The culmination of elaborate conversations with the designers, the builders, and the experts on these spectacular buildings, here is a piece of design history that is not to be missed. A style of German origin, Swiss Chalets were best known for their large windows, ornate carvings, and balconies. Often they were brightly painted, and had gabled roofs with great overhanging eaves. These stunning aristocratic homes decorated the Swiss countryside in the nineteenth century, and later could be seen throughout the rest of the world. New Chalets, as they were called, rose up in Norway and Sweden, and finally even crossed the Atlantic, appearing in places as unexpected as Ohio and New Jersey. Through delicate language and lines, Dana expresses both the science and the art behind the simple structural elements and the most complex details of the chalets. This book, a 1913 original, displays diagrams, architectural plans, and photographs to best convey the different fundamentals and models of Swiss Chalets. The author's research of this beautiful art form cultivates knowledge and appreciation of this great architectural style.

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Interesting book, especially since it was written over 100 years ago. Some of the images look like a

document that has been photocopied several times over and thus has lost its original detail, some are just too dark. Throughout the author makes descriptions of the chalets and its components. If we can not clearly see the details, some of the descriptions are lost. Of course, I would recommend the book regardless, it does make a good addition to any library.

The photos are fair and the text is somewhat limited. I found it useful, but not as indepth as I wanted for an upcoming design project.

Insight into building design from the past. Good book.

It was a bad re-print from the 30's and copy was hard to read and a little lightly printed. not useful

Very informative but photos and numbers cannot be read. Copies of copies have blurred the numbers and drawings.

The book, Swiss Chalet Book, is almost an exact replica of the same titled book, The Swiss Chalet Book; by the same author, William Dana. The only real difference is that one has a red cover and the other has a blue cover. Having already purchased the red cover book, I thought the other book would be an expansion of the authors previous knowledge and writings. I was wrong, and was misled by the review given by , which was extremely unprofessional. The manner in which reviewed the book was that it was an entirely new entity filled with new pictures and architectural designs, none of which were true.

I just started reading it, but the book quality is really good, I'd totally recommend it if you're ok with short books. It's a 4 days book.

Love this book which reveals an Architectural past of Swiss Chalet building styles. The many floor plan and elevation drawings gives one a good insight of what exists and existed.

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