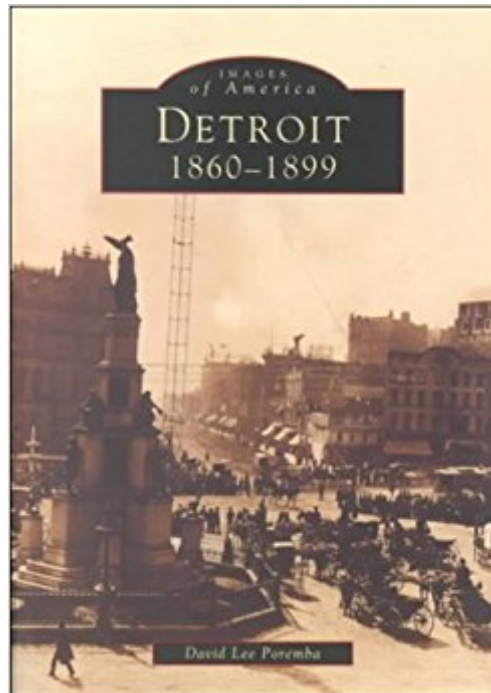




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In this rare and unprecedented collection, discover Detroit as it once was, with the people and industries that flourished in this community prior to the twentieth century. With over 230 photographs, Detroit 1860â€”1899 encompasses a visual history of the city before the birth of the automobile industry. Join Mr. Poremba on a trip down memory lane to the beginnings of the “Motor City.” Witness its growth and change, and its lasting contributions to our nation’s history. Detroit 1860â€”1899 will be enjoyed by young and old, resident and visitor alike. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

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## Customer Reviews

Discover the fascinating history of Michigan’s largest city and the oldest city in the Midwest. Local historian David Lee Poremba has combined photographs from the Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit Public Library with informative text in order to preserve the city’s unique heritage. Included in the book are rare, Civil War-era photographs, including African-American troops, as well as the various businesses that contributed to the growth of the city. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

Images of America, Detroit, Michigan is small snap shot of live in Detroit Michigan. It is not extensive in its coverage but represents typical scenes from the era from 1860 to 1899. It’s 128 pages gives a feeling for some of the live style that was going on during this time period.If you are

looking for someone special, it is unlikely that you will find them in this book. You will find what the architecture looked like and how the people dressed. You will find examples of the modes of transportation and the types of commerce. This book helps to fill in some of the culture of the period. Most of the time when you are looking for genealogy information you find nothing but dates, names and places. This book helps to fill in some of the history that was taking place at the time. I would recommend this book to anyone who is looking for a general snap shot of the era.

It's great to see a book with all the great architectural buildings. I'm originally from Detroit! So this is a great book for my coffee table!

I love reading about the history of Detroit and David Lee Poremba writes very well. I like how he occasionally inserts a lighthearted comment in the book. For example, there is a picture of a horse in this book and it looks like the horse is posing for the photo, David pointed this out and I laughed because I thought the very same thing. After reading this book I've decided I'm a fan of David Lee Poremba and would be willing to read other books he has written.

I purchased this book for my husband who was born and raised in Michigan, and has a true love for his home state. He loves all the Detroit Images of America books. Quite satisfied.

Detroit 1860-1899 is very interesting. It is a fast read and if you're from Detroit, it explains a lot of how the city was founded. As I was reading it, I also had my computer set up so I could stop and investigate for further information on topics/places covered in the book, such as Belle Isle, Hudson's, and Campus Martius. It explained places and individuals I have always known about and taken for granted, but haven't know the history behind them.

I love these Arcadia Books. The snapshots of long ago with the informative captions say so much more than many of the extensively written history books. I guess it's true when they say a picture is worth a thousand words. Beginning with Detroit's involvement in the Civil War, the reader is taken on a journey through the people, places, and advertisements that was Detroit in the 19th century. I especially like seeing the shots of the street corners that still exist to this day, but, my - how it's changed! And that's probably my biggest complaint about Detroit: where most major cities treasure its past, Detroit and the surrounding suburbs love to tear down its history. At least we have the photographs to see the long ago beauty of the city. And it was a beautiful city. One of the most very

interesting set of photos are the shots taken of Civil War soldiers at Fort Wayne, training for battle. I myself am part of a Civil War reenactor's unit and have done drills on the very same grounds inside of Fort Wayne as those men of long ago, seeing the very same bricks and tunnels (shown in the photos in this book!) that they have seen all those years ago. Very humbling. These Arcadia books really help to bring the past alive - to see how people and places of long ago really looked by using actual very old photographs, not an artist's conception as in the colony days many years before the advent of photography. I have many of these books and will continue to purchase them as long as they're done in this high quality fashion.

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