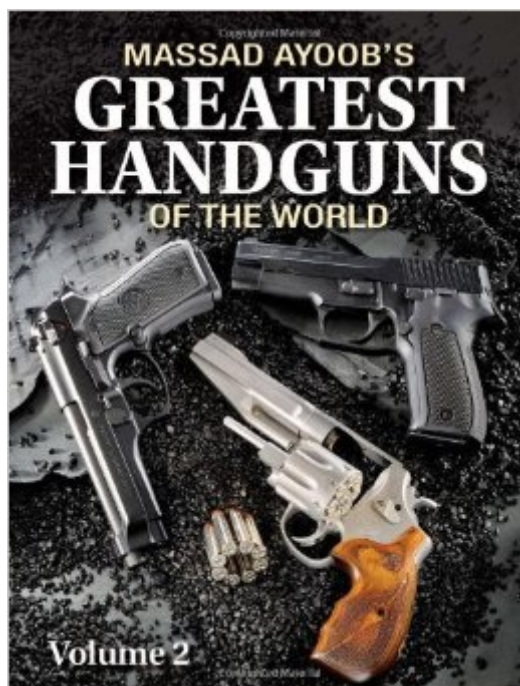


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Massad Ayoob's Greatest Handguns Of The World Volume II



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Customer Reviews

Massad Ayoob's first volume of _GREATEST HANDGUNS OF THE WORLD_ was such a terrific read that my review asked the publisher to consider a second volume - and here it is! Several friends and I were so glad about this that we actually pre-ordered the book. When it arrived, we found more of the same: imagine you spent a good deal of time going to gun shops and gun shows with a knowledgeable friend, who then filled you in on all the details of the neat guns you ran across. Like the articles in the first book, the ones in this book are liable to have at least some new information for anyone - it's a labor of love, and it makes for a nice mellow read akin to something

Elmer Keith would have put together. I gave away several copies of the first book to family and friends, and I envision doing the same with this follow-up volume. Any gun guy would enjoy this.

Ayoob's Greatest Handguns of the World 2 starts where his first book left off. Good to see the Single Action Army, the Ruger Single Six, and others represented here. Can't say I agree with all the choices Mas made, but as usual, he always makes a good point as to why he thinks any particular handgun deserves a place in the book. I have always been a fan of Mas' writing style, and this book does not disappoint. Very readable, instructional book.

This is a very descriptive book that goes into detail of some of the greatest handgun manufacturers. I've been around guns for over 25 years and still learned a few things about various gun manufacturers that I did not know. Very Informative and would highly recommend this book.

Unlike most sequels, this one is better than the original [vol. 1]! I enjoyed reading vol. 2 more than I did vol. 1, largely due to a more interesting mix of subjects. This has less of the "collection of previously published articles" feel of vol. 1 [altho' there *are* sections that were previously published, they are also clearly pointed out in the text.] The real allure that this volume has over vol. 1 is the greater variety of coverage: instead of a dozen closely-related revolvers built on the same frame in a row [yes, Mas, we know you're a revolver guy! ;-)], this has sections on handguns of widely different operation and of greater historical import. Overall, a great read.

Massad did a much better job limiting the typos and mistakes in this volume, but I found some of his chosen handguns a bit off the beaten path and some of the material just wasn't up to his normally excellent standard. Since both this book and it's predecessor are merely compilations of articles he had previously wrote, be prepared to read the same thing, over and over, such as his method discounting the two worst shots in a 5 shot group and using the remaining 3 for an approximation of what a gun would do in a rest. It's a reasonable assumption, but reading it a dozen times gets old.

This was as good as the first book Mas wrote. I have owned many of these guns, unfortunately I have sold most. It was nice to reflect on the past.

Very in depth history of only few handguns. I wish it had more handguns represented even if it meant providing less information about each. After reading it once I'm ready to donate it to local

library.

Informative, but I expected more. It goes into some great details on history of each gun, some peculiar stories - but, for example, the technical details - how's this or that gun innovative, interesting design details, etc - these things are pretty sketchy. I would guess that's because the author is a shooter, not an engineer or a gunsmith, but like I said - I expected more.

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