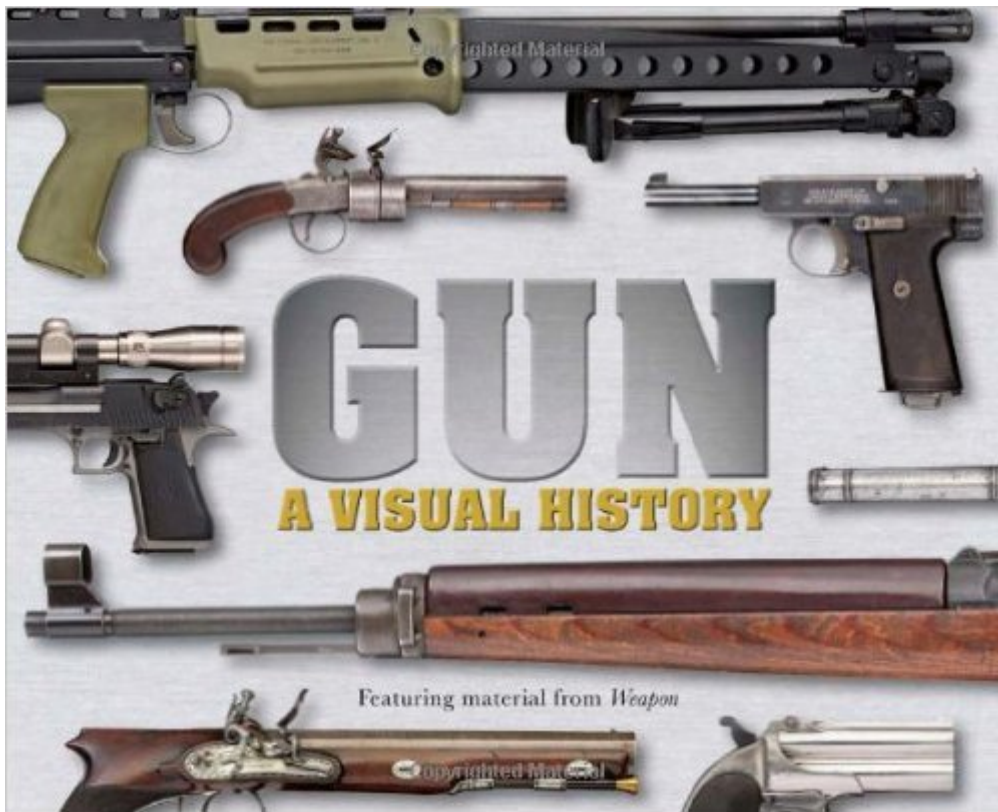


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# Gun: A Visual History



## Synopsis

From rifles to sniper guns, machine guns to grenade launchers, *Gun: A Visual History* is a fully loaded guide to over 300 of the most important guns from the last 700 years. Perfect for anyone interested in firearms, *Gun: A Visual History* has revealing features on twenty 'key' guns from history, including the Musket, Gatling Gun and AK-47 assault rifle. Step inside famous gun maker factories, from Colt and Smith & Wesson to Beretta and discover how guns were "and still are" developed and produced. Meet famous gunslingers and legendary sharpshooters from Dick Turpin and Billy the Kid to James Bond, hear their stories and learn about the guns that made them famous.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a nice pictorial display, but short on accuracy. While the writer claims to have extensive firearms knowledge, he fails to demonstrate it in several nomenclature gaffs. For example, in a picture of the Winchester 1894 lever action carbine, he identifies the loading gate as the ejection port? He also identifies "semi-automatic" weapons as "automatic weapons". Semantics perhaps, but none the less, significant mistakes to a gun enthusiast. In another factual error, he identifies the Colt Thunderer as a .44 caliber weapon, when in fact it is a .41 caliber. There are other errors I caught and some I am sure I missed. Again, from a visual entertainment book, I would give this 3 stars. But as a reference source, 2 stars at best!

I bought this book for a nephew. I have a family of hunters - deer, turkey, squirrel, birds, etc. They have all kinds of guns. Some even collect them. So my husband was looking through the book before we wrapped it and he was very pleased with the history and details of these guns featured. Good history lessons. Santa will bring him that same book, I bet!!!

I gave this book as a gift, and the recipient loved it! The photography is cool, the descriptions are great, and the collection as a whole is very informative.

You can spend hours looking at this little book with its many photographs of a very wide variety of weapons from America, Europe, and Asia, going back hundreds of years. Each photograph has several labels, each pointing to a feature of the weapon. The annoying thing is that most of them are obvious, like "hammer" or "barrel", and some are just wrong. For example, the bolt disassembly tool in the stock of the Mauser 1898 carbine is identified as "Regimental identifying plate". That's just silly. But still, this is a very entertaining little book, filled with beautiful photographs, interesting details, and some history about many of the guns.

This is a great book for gun aficionados. My son is very interested in History and this book gives a different look on what has been. I not only recommend this book for enthusiast but also history buffs.

I was a little disappointed in this book in that it leaves out a lot of details, and I feel doesn't really cover the guns that changed the game throughout history. As a picture book it's OK, but if you want real history of firearms look elsewhere.

Of course its not going to cover A-Z and have every possible piece of info tucked away in it, but overall its a great book , tons of photots. This is a great coffee table book as it always starts a conversation and these days we need more people to have access to info about guns. Overall completely happy with it!

I bought this book as a gift for one of my son's. He loved it and has used it as a reference numerous times since receiving it. The photos are high quality. The stats are specific, and there is even a really great story about a letter Clyde Barrow sent to Henry Ford. This book is a must have for anyone interested in firearms and their history.

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