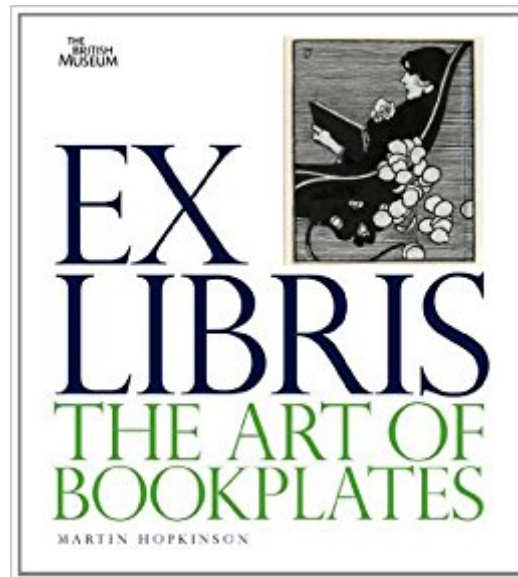




**Ebook Directory**  
the best source of ebook

The book was found

# Ex Libris: The Art Of Bookplates



## Synopsis

A bookplate, or "Ex Libris", is a small print for pasting inside the cover of a book to express ownership. The first books were highly valuable and prestigious objects to own, hence the first bookplates usually incorporated the decorative coats of arms of the fabulously wealthy. By the late nineteenth century, bookplates had developed into a highly imaginative form of the engravers and printmakers art in miniature. This delightful book showcases bookplates drawn from the rich collections of the British Museum, including works created by some of the most talented artists of their day, such as Albrecht Durer, Edward Burne-Jones, Aubrey Beardsley and Eric Gill. Equally it shows how the content of bookplates has evolved over the years to feature a vast range of allegory and symbolism often incorporating a pun on the owners name uniquely relevant to that individual. For example, the bookplate for a professor of Sanskrit features Hindu imagery, while a Venetian publisher is associated with a lion, the symbol of his city. Endlessly diverse, surprising and touching, this is a book that will be treasured by art-lovers and book-lovers alike.

## Book Information

Paperback: 112 pages

Publisher: British Museum Press (May 1, 2011)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0714126748

ISBN-13: 978-0714126746

Product Dimensions: 7.5 x 0.4 x 6.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 5.0 out of 5 stars 8 customer reviews

Best Sellers Rank: #685,663 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #205 in Books > Arts &

Photography > Graphic Design > Printmaking #17983 in Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Crafts & Hobbies

## Customer Reviews

“An excellent book” [showing] a diverse selection of bookplates from the collection of the British Library, some of which have never been reproduced before. John Dorfman, Art and Antiques (John Dorfman Arts and Antiques) “Exquisite” In a year when we are contemplating the future of the printed word, a collection that celebrates the physical book and its connection to the reader is a particular treat. NPR.org (NPR.org) “If there’s such a thing as bookplate porn, this gorgeous book is the

ultimate.Ã¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬Â •Sadie Stein, The Paris Review (Sadie Stein The Paris Review)Ã¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬Â“I reckon that the plates in this slim, richly illustrated volume may inspire another resurgence Ã¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬Â • perhaps in digital form.Ã¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬Â •Steven Heller, The New York Times Book Review (Steven Heller New York Times Book Review)Ã¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬Â“An easy gift for any booklover on your list.Ã¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬ÂÃ¢â¬Â •Fine Books and Collections (Fine Books and Collections) --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Martin Hopkinson, formerly Curator of Prints at the Hunterian Art Gallery, University of Glasgow, is an art critic and writer. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I am so happy to have this book. I'm a College Design teacher and this is going to contribute greatly to the education of my students. Bring back the Ex Libris practice!

This book is an excellent treatment of a highly overlooked art form. A sub class of printmaking and drawing. It is both a thorough and concise treatment.

An excellent starter reference for an art form that is often overlooked.

I bought this for my husband and was happy to see that it had a bookplate on each page with just a short description. Since he is mainly interested in the artwork, this was perfect. Great little book!

An intimate and loving history of a special little kind of art that is just as collectable as the books they are found in.

I am a printmaker and new to bookplates. I bought this book hoping it would introduce me to the history and unique format of bookplates. I enjoyed the book very much.

exactly what I wanted as I am a huge bibliophile....came in great condition ...it's a beauty. Happy to own it.

One of my keepsake treasures

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Ex Libris: The Art of Bookplates Antiquarian Bookplates: 55 Bookplates to Personalize Your Library

The Island of Dr. Libris Libris Mortis: The Book of the Undead (Dungeons & Dragons d20 3.5 Fantasy Roleplaying) Selling Fine Art Photography: How To Market Your Fine Art Photography Online To Create A Consistent Flow Of Excited Art Buyers Who Love What You Do Beer, Art And Philosophy: The Art of Drinking Beer with Friends is the Highest Form of Art Concerning the Spiritual in Art (Dover Fine Art, History of Art) The Art of Teaching Art: A Guide for Teaching and Learning the Foundations of Drawing-Based Art The Collins Big Book of Art: From Cave Art to Pop Art The Art of Art History: A Critical Anthology (Oxford History of Art) Gardner's Art through the Ages: The Western Perspective, Volume II (with Art Study & Timeline Printed Access Card) (Gardner's Art Through the Ages: Volume 2) Interesting Facts About The Ancient African Art - Art History for Kids | Children's Art Books DK Art School: An Introduction to Art Techniques (DK Art School) Native American Art - Art History Books for Kids | Children's Art Books Pop Art vs. Abstract Art - Art History Lessons | Children's Arts, Music & Photography Books The Art of The Ancient Egyptians - Art History Book | Children's Art Books The Severe Style of Ancient Greek Art - Art History for Kids | Children's Art Books The Art Nouveau Style Book of Alphonse Mucha (Dover Fine Art, History of Art) Shakespeare Illustrated: Art by Arthur Rackham, Edmund Dulac, Charles Robinson and Others (Dover Fine Art, History of Art) Living with Art (B&b Art)

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)