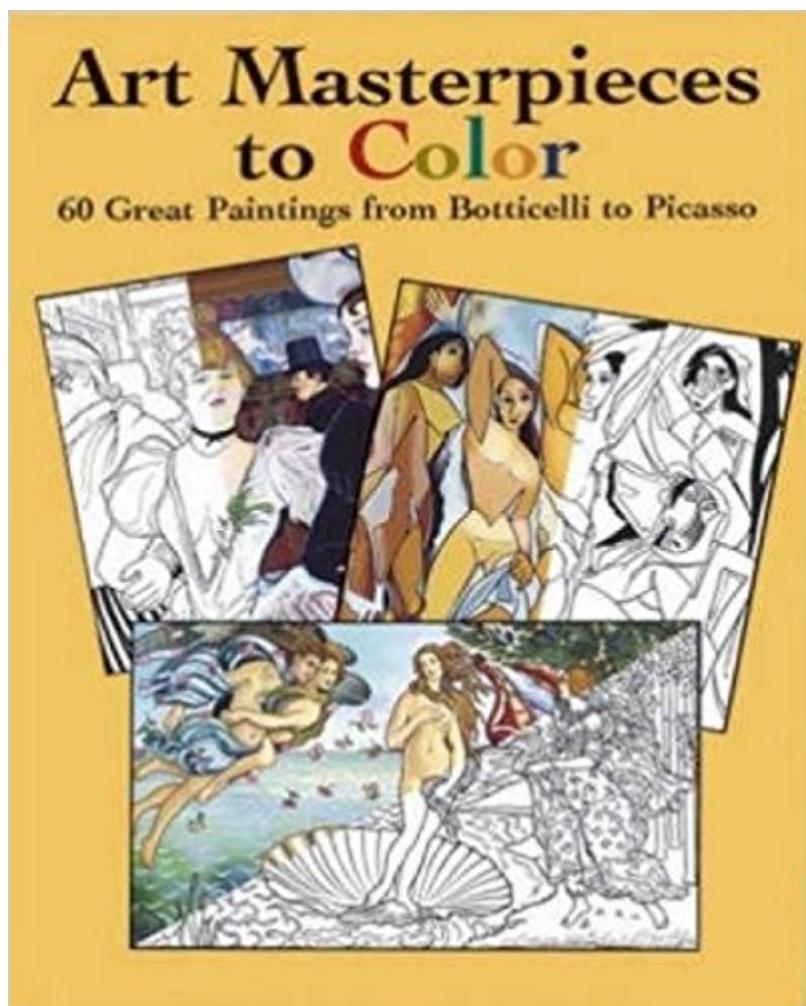


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# Art Masterpieces To Color: 60 Great Paintings From Botticelli To Picasso (Dover Art Coloring Book)



## Synopsis

Colorists of all ages are invited to create their own versions of 60 great paintings. From masterpieces by Michelangelo and Raphael to striking creations by Paul Gauguin and Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, this ready-to-color collection includes excellent renderings of Grant Wood's American Gothic, Winslow Homer's Snap the Whip, and Edward Hopper's Hotel Room, as well as compositions by Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Edgar Degas, Mary Cassatt, Paul Cézanne, Edward Burne-Jones, Claude Monet, John Singer Sargent, Vincent van Gogh, and 45 other great artists. Printed on one side only, the illustrations can be colored with a variety of media, including watercolors. All paintings are shown in original colors on the inside covers and notes provide information on each artist.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

One of my favorite coloring books ever! You are able to color famous masterpieces by Munch, Botticelli, Chagall, Cezanne, Dali, Degas, Ganguin, Van Gogh, Goya, Kahlo, da Vinci, Klimt, Matisse, Monet, Raphael, etc just to name a few, you have drawings (though, Noble's rendering) of all of these famous paintings!! The great thing about this publication is that it is done only on ONE SIDE of the page which is rare for a DOVER PUBLICATION). Put another piece of

paper in between the pages in case of bleed through, but you can use any medium...I use all my colored pencils (Crayola, Marco Raffine, and Prismacolor), markers (Crayola, Stabilo, Staedtler) & gel pens (Glitter, Metallics, Neon) on them....The paper is thick, the kind that DOVER uses on all its coloring books...Worth every penny and would make an awesome gift for a coloring book enthusiast!!! A TOTAL MUST BUY!!!

My favorite coloring book. Highly recommended for anyone wanting to relax by coloring and wanting to learn about great art in the process. I have the Dover books for Monet, VanGogh, Renoir, Cezanne and Degas. This book supplies more variety than those single-master books and is twice the size in thickness. Each page takes about an hour to complete, with just enough challenge without being a picayune exercise. The paper and binding quality are good and the renderings well balanced. I bought one for myself and two for other people.

I have an art degree and I have always loved to color , so this it totally awesome. Teachers should use this in any level of art class. Why you ask...because it gives everyone a chance to create their own version of a famous masterpiece and to try to duplicate if they want to. Plus there are no backsides to the pages and you can tear them out because they are preferated. Also the inside cover shows what the real paintings look like if you want to color it like the painting.

Art Masterpieces to Color: 60 Great Paintings from Botticelli to Picasso (Dover Colouring Books) this coloring book was purchased at the same time i purchased the one linked below. as i said in my other review, i am an avid fan of coloring to relax and relieve stress. i also found this coloring book on and had to have it! there are 60 pages to complete... i am planning on searching each picture on the internet as i go along and trying to replicate the colors, shading etc. this book is beyond words! i am completely impressed with the intricate details in the pictures! i have not yet colored in it, but i love looking at the drawings! this is going to be quite the project when i start it. this is definitely for older persons who love to color. START EXPLORING(tm) Masterpieces - A Fact-Filled Coloring Book

It was a true pleasure to open this book and seeing all the familiar classics that all art fans know and love, this time in coloring book format! The pages are thick enough so that markers and of course crayons won't bleed through. Only difficulty for me here is what colors to choose to fill in these lovely pages!

I was hoping to increase my skill level with colored pencils when I purchased this book, but was somewhat disappointed. There is a large selection of paintings representing many periods and my biggest issue is that there are so many black lines depicting folds in fabric, etc., that it leaves little room for being creative. So if you want to do your own shading, you really don't have the opportunity. For the most part, it's like a kid's coloring book. As someone else suggested, I have whited out the lines and then had pictures recopied on a copy machine. This results in thinner paper, unless you can get it copied on better stock. From other reviews I have read, many of the coloring books featuring famous paintings have similar dark line issues. I would highly recommend to the publishers to use fine lines instead. Also, some of the areas are colored in with solid black, which is unnecessary. Perhaps we should start a writing campaign to the publishers? Each photo is a stand alone and there are perforated lines to make it easier to remove the picture. The quality of the paper is on the rough side and I have seen better in other books. The original renditions are in color and are small, however, a tip I have is to look the painting up on the internet and get a larger image. A plus is that each painting has a corresponding description of the artist and background information. I would have given this a 2 star, however, among all of the books featuring great masters, I think this is the best. For those considering buying it for kids, there are several paintings that have partial nudes, which can be easily removed. My favorite coloring book continues to be the Alphonse Mucha by Gustave Baumann (Jan 1, 2011) coloring book.

I'm so happy to get this! It has so many different styles of painting and so many different artists. If you want to color it as the artist did (personally, I think that is boring, but whatever milks your gurnsey), they offer pictures--though they are rather small. No matter--as these are famous works, you can probably find and print a copy online. They give a brief biography of the artists in the back. They give the picture name and the artist that did it. I look forward to learning a bit about the artists as well as relaxing with the coloring. Of course, me personally, I'm not going to paint it like the artist. Mona Lisa is going to have pink skin with purple tribal tattoos and green hair. ;)

I love, love, love this coloring book! What's great about it is that you can duplicate the pictures as the artist had done because there are key pages of the originals works. Or...you can put a spin on them and make them completely your own by using different colors. Pro's: Beautiful masterpieces and lots of them-60. Paper is thick enough to not cause bleed thru from markers and are one-sided. Key pages which show the originals. Descriptions is the notes section about each artist. So you get

to learn something AND have fun coloring! Con's: I haven't experienced any yet.

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