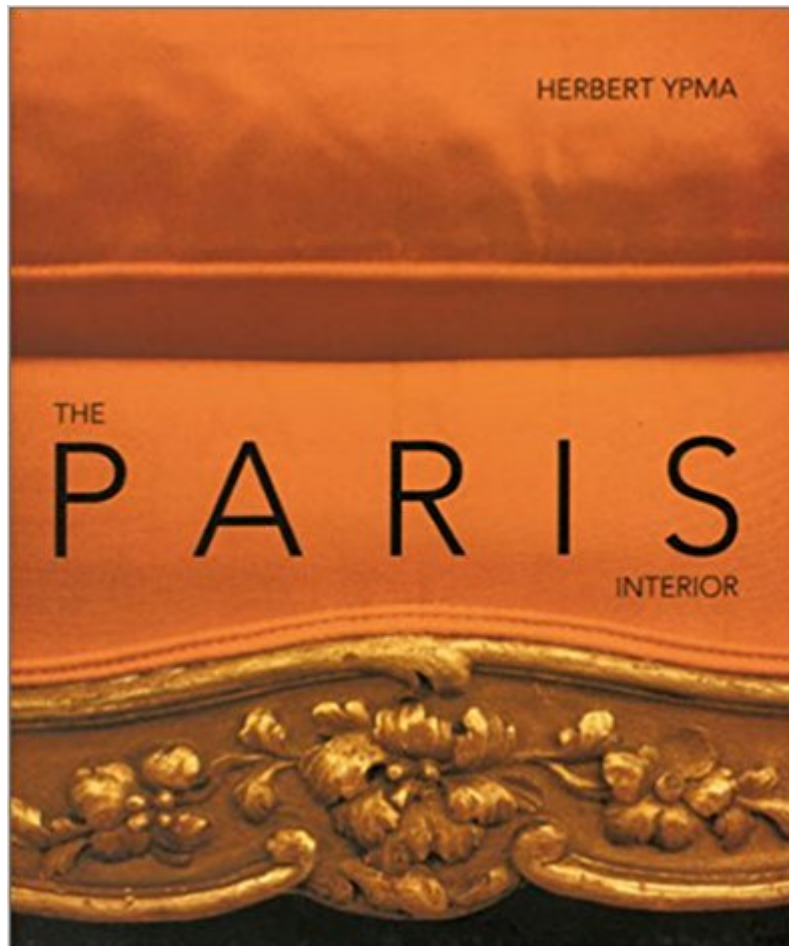




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The unparalleled sophistication and elegance of the Paris interior results from more than three centuries of sustained patronage of the decorative arts. Concerned with more than simply the grouping of furniture, the quintessentially French approach to design encompasses classic styles and historical fabrics, antiques and intimate objets trouvés, all combined with an exquisite, almost obsessive, attention to detail. Through large, wonderfully glowing color photos, focus on each of these decorative elements in turn. Nothing escapes scrutiny, as you're guided through such intriguing intricacies as the difference between chair legs of different periods and their continuing influence today. From the baroque grandeur of Louis XIV's court at Versailles to chinoiserie to modern-day fashions, trace the historical background, superb craftsmanship, and defining characteristics of Parisian design.

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These two books celebrate French interior design. Ypma shows how interior decoration in Paris has evolved over three centuries to create what he feels can easily be identified as a Paris interior, "a rich and vibrant fusion that combines the collective contribution of historical precedent with the dynamism of a desire to be modern." His book is replete with color photographs that detail the special features of the Paris interior, from Chinoiserie to Art Deco. Elle Decor uses a wealth of color photographs to present domestic interiors throughout France, including the often-overlooked areas of the Atlantic seacoast and the French Alps. The book reviews the details that typify each style and

ends by showing the interiors of homes belonging to various interior and fashion designers, including Yves Saint Laurent, Kenzo, Andrie Putnam, and Philippe Stark. Purchase both books for large interior design collections. Copyright 2002 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Herbert Ypma is the founder of the award-winning magazine Interior Architecture and creator of the bestselling World Design series published by Thames & Hudson.

The previous reviewer effectively and accurately criticized this book but still awarded it four stars. Excuse my impoliteness, but my three stars is probably too generous. A few close-up photos of fabric designs, chair legs, picture fragments, etc. do not justify entitling a book The Paris Interior. Most of these close-ups might have been made right down the street no matter where you live. The furniture fragment photo shown on the cover typifies the approach taken inside the book.

Loved the book. I could not be happier. Wonderful book.

Very excellent copy of a beautiful old book...timely seller.thank you

As an Ypma fan who loves hotels probably as much as him, I discovered this book in Thailand in the bookstore of the Sukhotai Hotel and immediately bought it.All his HIP books gives good information and nice photos on the topics, well do not expect that from this book because you will be disappointed.This is a beautifully shot and edited coffee table book that makes you dream of the so well known French style...but it is not a highly informative resource book on Paris Interiors. All the pictures shows the interior of one magnificent hotel, the Lancaster and they will make you wish to stay there next time in Paris.However if you need more information on the topic there are:- the Finest Houses of Paris- the Mansions of Paris- the Inside Paris : Discovering the Classic Interiors of Paris (Inside...Series).

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