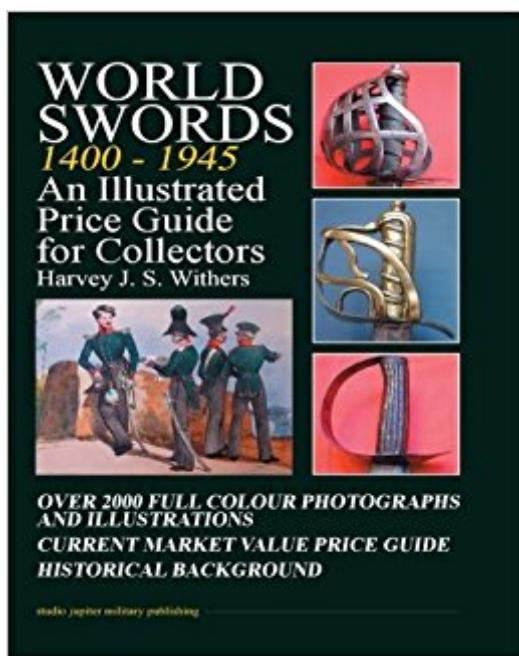


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# World Swords 1400-1945: An Illustrated Price Guide For Collectors



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## **Customer Reviews**

Hello. My name is Harvey J S Withers and I have been both writing about and collecting antique

swords for over 25 years. My passion for the subject stems from an ongoing love of history and particularly military history. The panoply of arms used by combatants might have changed considerably over the centuries but the sword has fulfilled a number of functions, including lethal weapon of destruction, indicator of nobility, honour and mirror of superb human creativity and artistry. It is this combination of dynamic factors that I hope to describe in my books.

Useful. It demonstrates the general types by country. I do wish it was more specific as to common markings on blades and elsewhere much like the bayonet books. I recognize this would be difficult with so many manufacturers, especially in Germany. However, the WW1 era trademark for Eickhorn, for example, compared to WW2 era trademarks for other major manufacturers would be very helpful and the general differences between the German swords for the two eras would be very helpful where there was major similarity in general appearance between the two periods.

Not as comprehensive as I was hoping, however a good reference for the collector.

Excellent investment for a collector or a dealer. Numerous examples of swords, excellent photos, fair and current pricing. Outstanding!

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