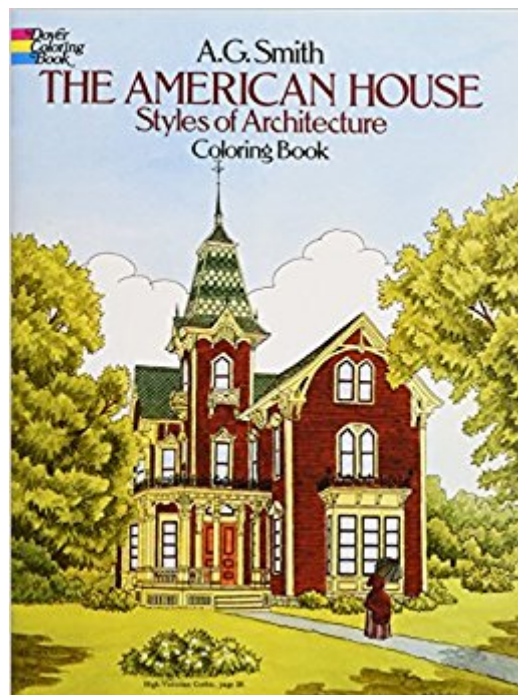




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The American House Styles Of Architecture Coloring Book (Dover History Coloring Book)



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Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I love houses!! Even as a child, I always drew houses. However, I'm not at all good at drawing. This

coloring book allows me to do what I love with my huge lack of talent!!!! I find these pictures challenging. I have fun coloring them. Each picture is an actual REAL house somewhere in the USA. With the exception of a few that are drawings of a type of house built in that region and era. I can read the description at the bottom of the page, then google it to see a real picture. I use that to help me with the color choices. Otherwise, I get stressed out trying to figure out what colors to use and this is supposed to be fun and relaxing. I counted 42 pictures, which includes one centerfold, which is the Monticello, Albemarle County, VA, 1770-1809. Designed and built by Thomas Jefferson. Each description includes the type of house, the name of the house, location and year it was built. There are town homes, plantation, Georgian, farm houses, log cabins, stone, Italian, cottage, revival, gothic, ranch, Pueblo, prairie, bungalow, contemporary and more. Each picture also depicts a person or two in period dress of the era that the home was built.

There is a lot of tiny detail in the illustrations that will make it hard to color but they are very beautiful and I love the "story" behind each one. All pictures are exteriors, no interior design.

This is a double sided paged coloring book. Each page has information on the homes pictured and the design style. I found it to be an interesting read as well as a fun after dinner stress reliever.

I have anxiety disorder. These coloring books are so relaxing. When I get upset or stressed out about something, instead of freaking out, I just grab my coloring book, color pencils, and I forget all the stress. I loved coloring the houses and yards in this book. It was fun to dream about what color I would paint them if they were mine.

Bought this for my senior father in law, who is 90 years old and has dementia. He liked it a lot...considering he is so limited in what he is capable of doing physically or mentally. Adult Coloring Books are wonderful for seniors who are in this situation.

Bought it for my wife, and she loves it!

Love everything about this book. Paper is sooth and pictures look great. Dover Coloring Books are always high quality!

I'm enjoying it so far the houses are very challenging to color which is what I like because you

actually have to sit and think about the colors you want to use

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