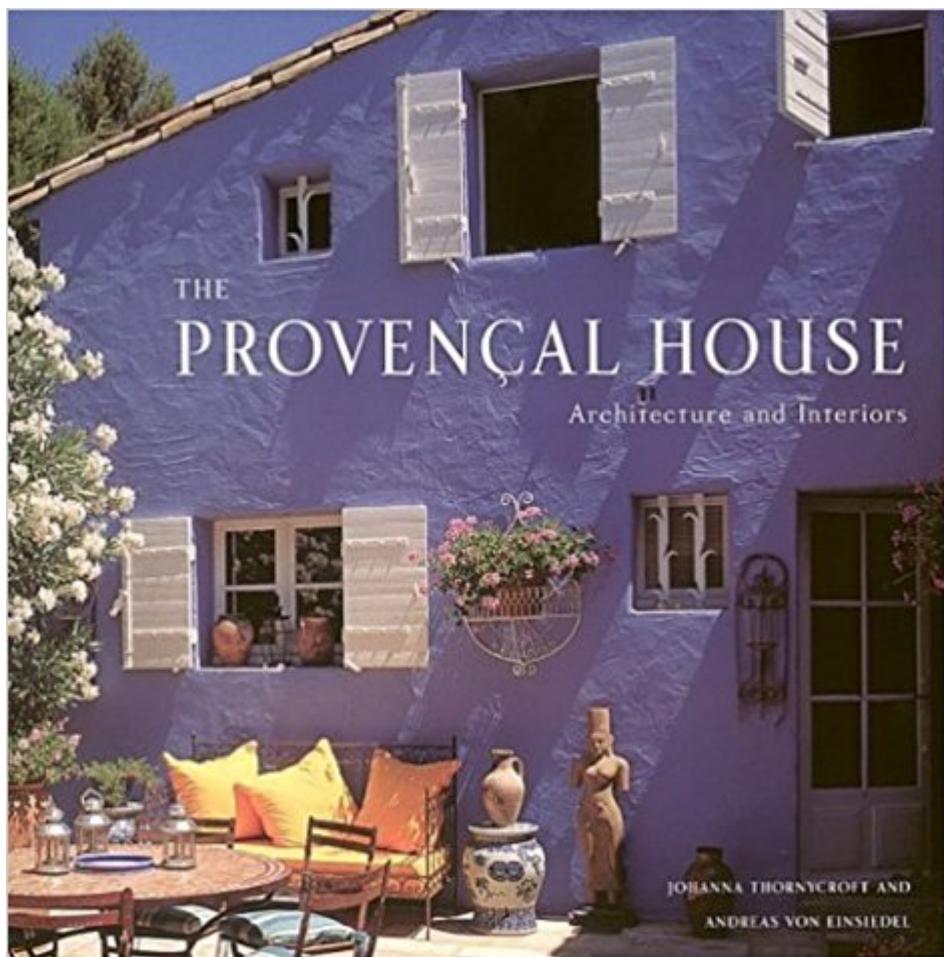


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Customer Reviews

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Another great book for photos of an area I hope to visit one day.

I can be critical of design and house books after seeing so many, so it's a relief to finally be able to give a book five stars. The photographs are authentic and detail everything from interior to exterior, including gardens. The essence of French provincial style is captured and distilled here. The writing is clever and concise, although you'll hardly notice it because the pictures are so brilliant. This is an essential book if you're trying to capture the French provencal look in house design or interior design. This book gives you an authentic source reference.

The cover of this book is an enticing suggestion of the gorgeous content inside. Photographed by one of the world's best photographer of homes, Andreas Von Einsiedel, the rooms, exteriors and landscapes in this book are riveting. The book is divided into three sections: THE TOWN HOUSE

with 3 homes, THE MANOR HOUSE with 3 homes, and THE COUNTRY HOUSE with 6 homes featured. About 1/2 of the photos are full page and the other pages have descriptive text with small pictures. The book is about 3/4 photos and 1/4 text which seems just right. It is a lovely book to read and peruse. If you love Provencal style, you should not be disappointed. It's one of my favorite design books in my library on this European country style.

Pure and simple, for most of us PROVENÇAL HOUSE is a coffee table book filled with exquisite detail found in several dozen homes in the south of France. Author, Joanna Thornycroft, has classified the structures Andreas Von Einsiedel photographed into 'Town', 'Manor' or 'Country' houses. Short on text and long on photos, the premise of this publication seems to be a picture is worth a thousand words. Beginning with houses in the French Rivera and ending with Le Murier in hameau das Auvis, the author takes you on a trip through the land painted by Van Gogh and Pagnol. Some of the homes are "simple" cottages, others the more ornate domains of the landed gentry or super-rich movie star. My favorite shots were taken in gardens, and show flowers, pots and rustic gates across cobblestone walkways that lead to the lane or another room of the garden. Small details such as a decorative window latch covered with several centuries of paint, delft-like kitchen tiles, and a rooster weather vane, remind me of the land of the Cathars-those God-fearing people who lived in this land that once harbored them as heretics who may or may not have been far from God but who must have understood how blessed life can be when the sun shines. Architects may get some ideas from the recessed windows, the red tiled roofs, the stucco blue walls, and the marble bathroom fixtures, but the fabric-lined antique china cabinets, and nifty little accent touches in the various rooms depicted so lovingly make this book a must for interior designers and others seeking the "look" of Provence.

I'm an architect with the task of designing a "French" style home. This is one of several books I ordered to use as references. The appeal of this book for me is that it includes exterior architecture, interior design/decor, & gardens/landscapes. It is extensively illustrated with color photos & captions (my kind of book...). I can't critique the text because I have not yet had time to read it. But I can't get enough of the pictures!

I picked this book up from the table of new releases at a local bookstore, sat in a chair, and didn't move except to turn the pages for the next 90 minutes. In more than 200 color photographs, The Provencal House explores the beauty of 16 Provencal homes - interior and exterior details, uses of

color playing off the landscape, curves and arches and doorways. It's a beautiful celebration of an architectural way of life rooted in the land and its traditions.

Interesting book that shows the "new" french country look in the South of France which is more contemporary than traditional.

Filled with loads of images of Provence. I like that it's sectioned into city, country, and estate houses. Very inspiring and romantic...makes me feel like I've just visited France when I read it.

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