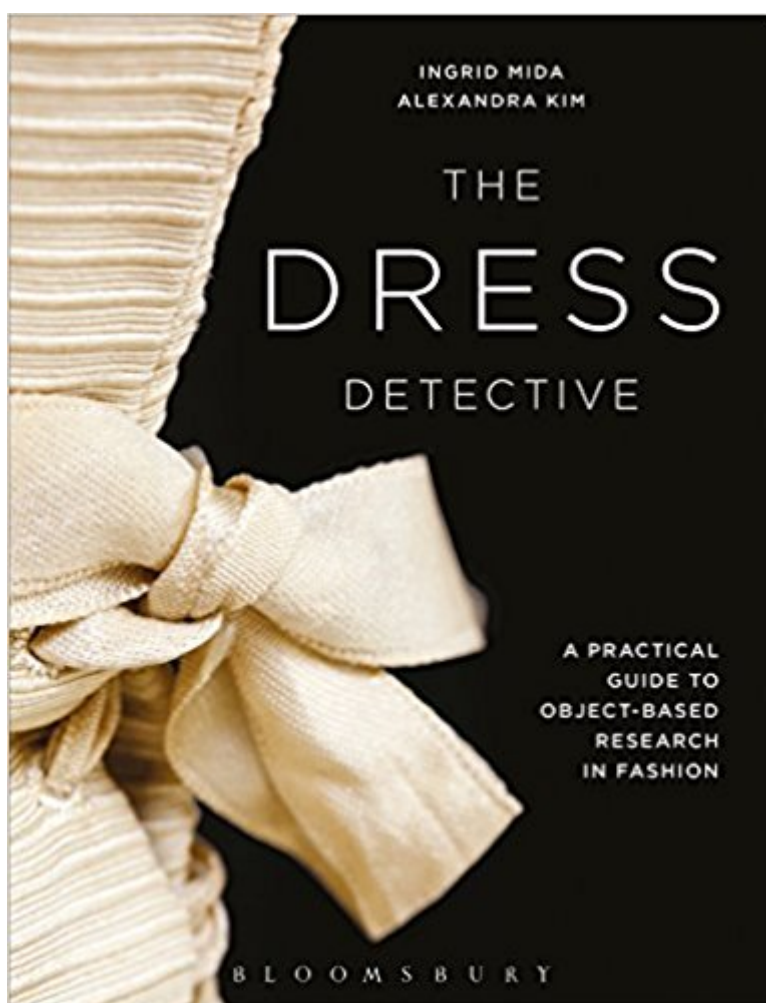


The book was found

# The Dress Detective: A Practical Guide To Object-Based Research In Fashion



## Synopsis

The Dress Detective is the first practical guide to analysing fashion objects, clearly demonstrating how their close analysis can enhance and enrich interdisciplinary research. This accessible book provides readers with the tools to uncover the hidden stories in garments, setting out a carefully developed research methodology specific to dress, and providing easy to use checklists that guide the reader through the process. Beautifully illustrated, the book contains seven case studies of fashionable Western garments – ranging from an 1820s coat to a 2004 Kenzo jacket – that articulate the methodological framework for the process, illustrate the use of the checklists, and show how evidence from the garment itself can be used to corroborate theories of dress or fashion. This book outlines a skillset that has, until now, typically been passed on informally. Written in plain language, this book will give any budding fashion historian, curator or researcher the knowledge and confidence to analyse the material in front of them effectively.

## Book Information

Paperback: 224 pages

Publisher: Bloomsbury Academic (November 19, 2015)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1472573978

ISBN-13: 978-1472573971

Product Dimensions: 7.4 x 14.4 x 248.4 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.5 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars 5 customer reviews

Best Sellers Rank: #329,088 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #111 in Books > Politics & Social

Sciences > Social Sciences > Museum Studies & Museology #143 in Books > Arts &

Photography > Decorative Arts & Design > Design History & Criticism #236 in Books > Arts &

Photography > Fashion > History

## Customer Reviews

“Detective work is integral to fashion history research, yet very little has been written on how to go about it. Ingrid Mida and Alexandra Kim fill that gap in the bookshelf with *The Dress Detective* | A concise, well organized, and extremely accessible book that deserves a place on the bookshelf of anyone interested in fashion research.” • • Katy Werlin, *The Fashion Historian* “*The Dress Detective* is a smart, accessible text that provides a long-overdue methodology for examining clothing and accessories. This book is essential for new students, but its concise framework will also

be useful to seasoned researchers. Diverse, thorough case studies demonstrate the combination of visual analysis, history, and theory that is crucial to fashion studies today.

• Colleen Hill, Associate Curator, The Museum at FIT, New York, USA  
œFor the first time, *The Dress Detective* offers a clear and systematic framework for the object-based study of dress. Advocating a 'Slow Approach to Seeing', it arms readers with the tools to learn this important research skill while encouraging them through well-chosen case studies to measure their findings against inter-disciplinary and theoretical writing on fashion.

• Edwina Ehrman, Fashion Curator and Historian, UK  
œThis is the book we have been waiting for without realizing it! *The Dress Detective* offers a rigorous and entirely accessible guide to examining and thinking about dress using objects as evidence. Case studies and checklists guide the reader – specialist and non-specialist alike – to explore and articulate garment construction, materials, design, alterations and the nuances of wear. I have no doubt it will become a seminal text.

• Amy de la Haye, Joint Director of the Centre for Fashion Curation, London College of Fashion, UK

The ultimate resource for object-based research and analysis in fashion.

What a gift to those of us who work with museum collections without detailed records of provenance. The case studies are instructive of the kind of well-rounded stories these garments can tell. The outline of questions to ask and data to collect is invaluable. Our city museum now has a way to interpret the collection!

Helpful and educational, even for an advanced sewer.

this is an intelligently written book - informative and a lot of fun. Highly recommend.

Great ideas for how to conduct research in material culture.

This seemed like a sort of diluted textbook. The photos are lovely, but there seems to be a lot missing in this description of how to study material culture.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

The Dress Detective: A Practical Guide to Object-Based Research in Fashion  
Inside the Royal Wardrobe: A Dress History of Queen Alexandra (Dress and Fashion Research)  
Secrets to Wedding Dress Shopping: An Insider's Guide to Saying Yes to Your Dress from Colorado's Wedding Dress

Experts Back to the 80s: 1980s Fads and Fashion Coloring Book: Adult Coloring Books Fashion, 80s Coloring Book, 1980s Coloring Book, Fashion Coloring Book ... Fashion Coloring Book for Adults) (Volume 1) THE THESEUS PARADOX: The stunning breakthrough thriller based on real events, from the Scotland Yard detective turned author. (DETECTIVE INSPECTOR JAKE FLANNAGAN SERIES Book 1) Object Lessons for a Year: 52 Talks for the Children's Sermon Time (Object Lesson Series) Fashion-ology: An Introduction to Fashion Studies (Dress, Body, Culture) Research Design: Quantitative, Qualitative, Mixed Methods, Arts-Based, and Community-Based Participatory Research Approaches Fashion Coloring Books for Adults Vol.1: 2017 Fun Fashion and Fresh Styles! (Fashion Coloring Books for Adults) (Volume 1) Wedding Dress across Cultures (Dress, Body, Culture) crochet wedding dress pattern pdf Nr25: crochet wedding dress pattern pdf Nr25 The Ultimate Flower Girl Dress Catalog for 2016: from The Children's Dress Shop Pipsie, Nature Detective: The Disappearing Caterpillar (Pipsie, Nature Detective Series) A Cowboy Detective: A True Story Of Twenty-Two Years With A World Famous Detective Agency A Mystery Bigger Than Big: A Mickey Rangel Mystery / Un misterio mas grande que grandisimo: Coleccion Mickey Rangel, Detective Privado (Mickey Rangel Mystery / Coleccion Mickey Rangel, Detective P) All In One: Part 1,2,3 & 4 -- Write a Detective Novel, Write a Good Mystery, Red Herrings, Hiding & Finding the Clues: Help With Writing A Detective Novel (Write Me Dearly) Superhero Detective For Hire: Superhero Detective Series, Book One The Lost Child: A gripping detective thriller with a heart-stopping twist (Detective Lottie Parker Book 3) Detective Jack Stratton Mystery Thriller Series: JACK KNIFED (Detective Jack Stratton Mystery-Thriller Series Book 2) Research and Design for Fashion (Basics Fashion Design)

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)