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Amusement Parks: New Jersey



Synopsis

This comprehensive guide profiles 17 major amusement parks in the Garden State. Complete information on rides and attractions is accompanied by dozens of vintage photographs and postcard scenes. Featured parks: Steel Pier, Atlantic City Keansburg Amusement Park, Keansburg Clementon Amusement Park, Clementon Jenkinson's, Point Pleasant Beach Casino Pier, Seaside Heights Playland, Ocean City Bowcraft Amusement Park, Scotch Plains Land of Make Believe, Hope Storybookland, Cardiff Funtown Pier, Seaside Park Fairytale Forest, Oak Ridge Wild West City, Netcong Fantasy Island, Beach Haven Gillian's Wonderland Pier, Ocean City Morey's Piers, Wildwood Six Flags Great Adventure, Jackson Blackbeards, Bayville

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Customer Reviews

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As a born and bred NJ-ite, now living in NH, I really enjoyed seeing my childhood once again. After all, what Baby Boomer does not know, at least via the song, PALISADES PARK? That place and Atlantic City were, prior to Disney World, the most recognized names for amusement. Having this volume is a real joy for this guy who lived in a summer home at Seaside Heights. A perfect item for anyone who wants to collect Garden State memorabilia and/or those who are fans of amusement

parrls.

While the book is a tad out-of-date, (as the cover image displays proudly; RIP Casino Pier; it only covers up to the construction of Nitro at Six Flags Great Adventure) it's still a great book covering the storied history of the Amusement industry in the Garden State from the very beginning. While some parts could have been given more content (Six Flags Great Adventure gets the same amount of coverage as parks about a quarter or less it's size) it's got all the goods. Hopefully an updated version can be released in the coming years. Hurricane Sandy created enough history to warrant a revised copy.

Ok met my expectations. Had a few parks I mind when I ordered the book so they were included, even one that was relatively small and I thought unknown. Black & White photos so that is good. I am happy with this.

Jim's books are always a good read and MUST HAVE for your personal library.

The only images available in "look inside" are the acknowledgments, contents, a couple of interior pages with scant pictures, and the index. Doesn't make me want to buy the book.

Very, very helpful and informative on the parks of New Jersey - some I didn't even know existed. Great book!

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