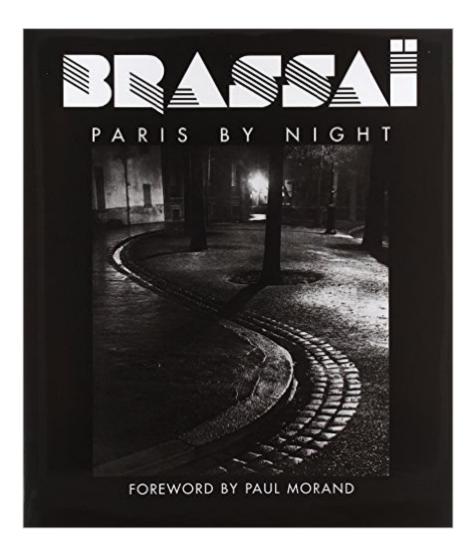
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Brassai: Paris By Night





Synopsis

Arriving in Paris in 1924, Brassaà rapidly became a shrewd observer of nocturnal Parisian life. He sensed that photography was the tool that would allow him to document his vision of a dying society.Fascinated by the night, which he found disconcerting, enigmatic, and suggestive, Brassaà photographed its every aspect, from police to prostitutes to the homeless to socialites, all in a dreamlike and mysterious manner. In sixty-four images, Brassaà succeeded in remarkably capturing this unique ambience. This book, meticulously assembled by Brassaà himself, signifies the birth of the artist.Brassaà , originally from Hungary, traveled to Paris in 1924, where he began to associate with the avant-garde artist community, in particular with Picasso and the Parisian surrealist circles. He quickly established himself as one of the most original photographers of his generation.Â

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I've seen many of the Brassai images before, however they were much clearer...much sharper. The images in this book are sort of muddled. You can't really make out any detail. I think if Brassai saw how his work is being presented he'd been extremely disappointed. Save your money and get a different version that uses a different printing process.

I have no clue if the photos are good, I returned this book because the single good photograph was in the dust jacket. All the photographs in the book are printed to match the original edition (that is just short of 80 years old: 1933). That means they are printed in a way that it's impossible to distinguish any resemblance of a detail in any picture. The process used is heliogravure according to a commenter on the us, and it may have been great in some ancient context, currently it's just unbelievably bad. There is no point in printing a hardcover photography book where you can't see the photographs, there is no proximity to black and no detail.

Amazing book of vintage pics of Paris! John Galliano has spoken about using Brassai as inspiration. Good to add to any fashion or photography library! At the time, Brassai was pretty revolutionary in his subjects. Great for snapshots into this period in history.

terrible quality images

A surreal nightmare is what we see. When the City of Light becomes the City of Dark, only the most intrepid flaneur need apply. The cumulative effect is a demonstration of injustice and conspicuous excess.

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