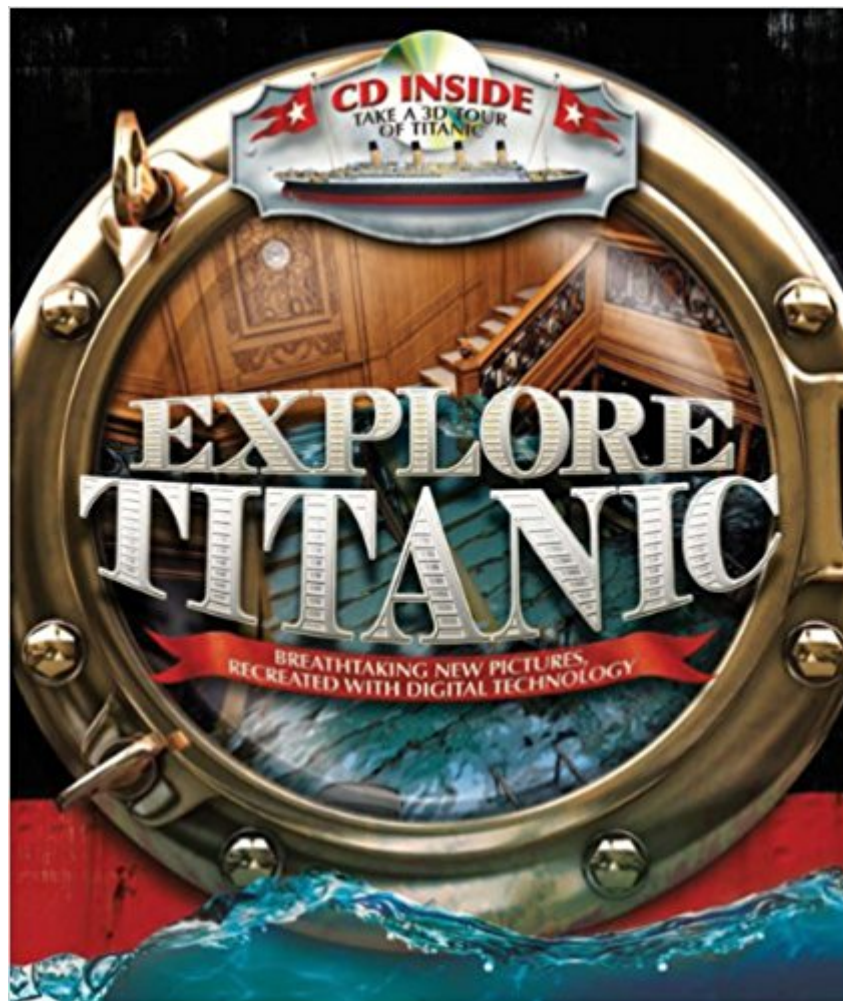




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# Explore Titanic: Breathtaking New Pictures, Recreated With Digital Technology



## Synopsis

Boys and girls will be enthralled by this dramatic pictorial history of the great ocean liner R.M.S. Titanic, and its fateful sinking in the North Atlantic. Approximately 125 photos and illustrations in color and black and white--including 12 astonishing 3D-rendered graphics--tell the Titanic's story, from its 1911 launching at the Belfast shipyard to its tragic destruction on April 15, 1912 during its maiden Atlantic crossing. Young readers will see faithful reproductions of both exterior and interior ship's details, from the Boiler Room and Engine Room far below decks to the luxury passengers' cabins and the ship's grand ballroom. Among the 3D-rendered artworks are two remarkable double-gatefold illustrations-- The Titanic under steam A cutaway diagram of the ship Other 3D artworks include-- The Grand Staircase in First Class A First Class Cabin "Parlor Suite" The Bridge and Wheelhouse The First Class Dining Room Second Class Promenade Deck The Grand Staircase flooding as the ship sinks . . . and more The end product of meticulous research, this book's 3D-rendered artwork virtually draws readers aboard the ship, employing painstakingly realistic facsimiles of details both large and small. Enclosed with this unusual book is a CD-ROM that walks viewers through the ship's interior from stem to stern, showing hundreds of details. Viewers can zoom in and out to examine details more closely, and they can move around inside cabin interiors in a way that heightens the illusion of realism.

## Book Information

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• Astonishing pictorial history of the ill-fated liner reconstructs all the ship's details with dramatic gatefolds and an enclosed CD-ROM that walks viewers through the ship's interior. •  
• Museum Store Magazine

(back cover) "Titanic" is the most famous ship ever--but just a handful of black-and-white photos remain to show us what this amazing ship really looked like. . . until now! Going back to the original plans, we have recreated "Titanic" with cutting-edge digital graphics. Take a breathtaking tour of the ship with color pictures that are so real you could honestly believe you were there. TITANIC: THE LEGEND MADE REAL! PLUS CD INSIDE . Take a 3D tour of "Titanic" with a CD of amazing interactive animations! Get a captain's view from the wheelhouse, or head below decks to see the mighty boilers that powered the ship! (front flap) "TITANIC: THE LEGEND MADE REAL!" Explore "Titanic" tells the story of the "Titanic" and its fateful voyage with breathtaking photo-realistic illustrations. Now you can explore "Titanic" and see for yourself how she looked in all her glory. Wonder at the grandeur of the Grand Central Staircase, admire the luxurious first-class Dining Saloon, or take a peek at the mighty boilers that powered the ship. Two large double-gatefolds open to reveal full-length views of the ship: the splendid sight of "Titanic" steaming across the Atlantic Ocean, and a dramatic night scene of the tragic sinking. Starting from the original plans for the ship, every detail has been carefully recreated --from the tiles around the swimming pool, to the deck chairs on the Promenade Deck. Based on painstaking research, "Explore Titanic"'s breathtakingly real digital artwork lets you see "Titanic" as never before. Prepare to be amazed as you explore the most famous ship in history -- "Titanic!" (back flap) "Explore Titanic" takes you on a tour of the legendary ship "Titanic" . Cutting-edge digital graphics have been used to create stunningly realistic views of "Titanic" in glorious color. Now you can experience the incredible grandeur of "Titanic" for yourself. PETER CHRISP is a renowned British author with an ever-growing list of children's books to his credit. He comes from a seafaring family and was taught to sail by his father, who built boats in his spare time. Peter lives close to the sea in Brighton, U.K., and has a particular interest in nautical subjects. SOMCHITH VONGRAPRACHANH discovered his artistic talent at an early age, but after discovering computers he made the move from traditional drawing to 3D-modeling. This has led to many artwork commissions, ranging from illustrated books to television projects.

Sometime in the early 1950's as a young teenager I discovered a book in the collection of a

neighbor about the maiden voyage and sinking of the Titanic. This particular book, "The Sinking of the Titanic and Great Sea Disasters", Copyright 1912 by L.T. Myers and published in 1912, the year of the disaster, contained the six sketches of the young, age 17, John B. (Jack) Thayer, Jr., showing the various stages of the striking of the iceberg and sinking of the ship. Multiples of those sketches clearly showed the ship breaking apart near to amidships, with the bow and stern floating independently before the two separated sections sank. For whatever reason those sketches went largely unknown or ignored for years until 1986 when the wrecked remains of the Titanic were discovered and photographed by Robert Ballard, which indeed showed the two sections of the ship on the ocean floor, not just separated, but, some distance apart. The 1997 James Cameron film, "Titanic" effectively detailed and dramatized this breakup. The 1953 and 1956 films did not. This book and the included CD contain much information for the Titanic enthusiast, but, the most thrilling part of it is the computerized color depictions of the ship and it's interiors. The '97 Cameron film was also incredibly accurate with color depictions of the ship and it's interiors. This book and CD are special little treasures for the Titanic buff! Previously all we knew were black and white photographs and depictions, barely realizing that there was really color many years ago.

I got this for my grandson who was very interested after reading the Magic Treehouse book. He is a good reader, but this is a bit hard for him with all the text. I would say that it would be perfect for a 9-10 year old. That said, he loves it. There are fold out pages and he proudly shows us what the ship looked like new and then at the back of the book, as it was sinking. I don't think his parents have even let him use the CD yet as he is young. Even though the text is hard, he knows a lot of facts already from the book.

I found this book fascinating and gorgeous. The 3-D renderings are very detailed and provide a fascinating look at the famous ship. I learned quite a bit about the building of the ship. For example, I had no idea the ship was built in Ireland. I also learned that the ship's builders did not call her unsinkable, that was a myth that developed later. I think the most powerful part of this book are the quotes from individuals who sailed on the ship, from both survivors and victims. The text is divided up into short sections that match the visual elements. This makes the book especially appropriate for reluctant readers. The illustrations include 3-D renderings, along with photographs, artifacts, quotes and primary documents. I think the most powerful images are the pictures of the ship as a whole. These give the reader a feel for how impressive the Titanic really was and the shock and horror involved in her sinking. As I read this I felt sympathy for those who suffered and lost so

much. The CD offers the user a 3-D look at some of the main features of the ship, including one of the boiler rooms, the bridge, the promenade, the staircase, and the 1st class dining room. It's interesting to turn 360 degrees and see the room as if you are standing in it. I recommend this book to all those who find themselves fascinated by this tragic event.

My 10 year old grandson is really into knowing everything about the Titanic. Purchased this book for his birthday, and had to read it myself before wrapping it up...both of us thought the book and DVD were AWESOME!

Everything you could ever need to know is in this book. A friend of mine has a little one that is just now learning about the Titanic and is very infatuated with it. I thought this would be perfect for his age (8) given the amount of detailed pictures since some of the other informational books are for more advanced readers. He absolutely loves it though! Couldn't be happier with it.

This is a truly beautiful book for kids. If you have a little Titanic lover, you should absolutely buy this. The illustrations are gorgeous and there are tons of facts to memorize.

Great book, but the CD doesn't have an executable file, so it won't run. Very disappointed by that

My 7 yo nephew is very much into the Titanic right now. It has some great images in it and he really likes the fold outs in this book. Great book.

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