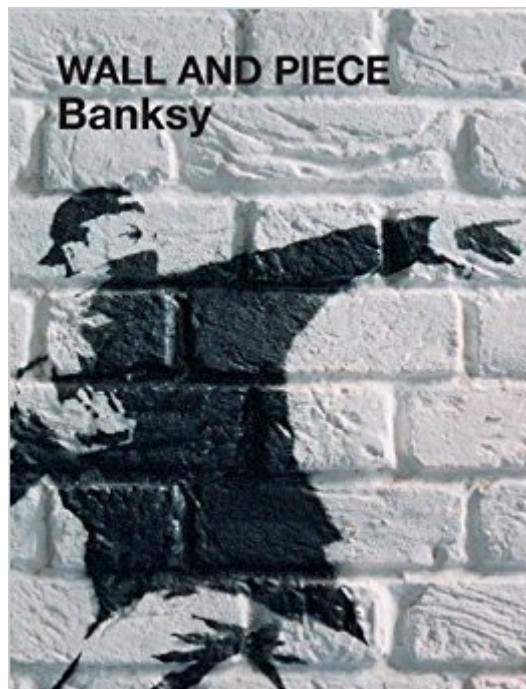


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Synopsis

Banksy, Britain's now-legendary "guerilla" street artist, has painted the walls, streets, and bridges of towns and cities throughout the world. Not only did he smuggle his pieces into four of New York City's major art museums, he's also "hung" his work at London's Tate Gallery and adorned Israel's West Bank barrier with satirical images. Banksy's identity remains unknown, but his work is unmistakable; with prints selling for as much as \$45,000.

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His identity remains unknown, but his work is prolific, and now for the first time, he is putting together the best of his work "old and new in a fully illustrated colour volume. Banksy, real name unknown, was born in Bristol. From the Trade Paperback edition.

Bought for my father as a gift. Simple and interesting book that makes a great centerpiece for a coffee table. If interested in Banksy, this book is a must have.

Banksy is probably the best known stencil artist and in my estimation, he's definitely the best. With a distinctly global view and wicked sense of humor he slams the status-quo all over the world and at the same time creates memorable art that is critical of the worst in human nature. But also celebrates the best of us too. I have enjoyed watching street art and creative graffiti grow over the

last 30 years (I'm a 60 year old grandma). Banksy has raised the bar so much higher. His earlier work was strongly English, with commentary on uniquely British foibles, but every year it has expanded to lambast ridiculousness everywhere. I especially loved his rat series, which was brilliant. This book has a smidgen of his history with just enough details to give us a view into Banksy's perspective and goals, but not enough to identify him. And that's fine with me; I love the mystery of who he might be. He gets to remain "everyman" or any man and speak truth to power on our behalf. This book is a wonderful introduction to his work if you haven't seen "Exit Through the Gift Shop" or heard of him. And, if you're a big fan, it's a delight!

This was purchased as a present for my freshman college son, who had seen it in the bookstore during visits. I should say that he does already have familiarity with Banksy's work. He loves it. It's well made, very sturdy, nice binding (hardcover bought). Had terrific pictures and graphics. Lots of captioning, some longer writing about pieces, periods, etc. Very dense, perfect for browsing thru bits at a time. And it's a real conversation piece in the dorm, helping to strike up conversations with other people who are interested in Banksy, art, street culture, you name it. Plus, my son isn't normally too interested in visual art, but here he is appreciating the medium in a very subversive way - that sneaky Banksy!

This coffee table book is a must-have for every Banksy fan. Great photos that highlight the best of his works that have now become iconic within street art culture. I bought this as a present for a good friend of mine, along with a DVD of 'Exit Through the Gift Shop', and surely she went nuts and was very happy. I can't think of any other Banksy coffee table book that would be better than this content-wise, as well as price. Surely money well spent.

Some artists are greater than the medium! Always nice to see a brilliant mind at work. Great artist, great art, and a great way to put it all together.

This is the best Banksy book out there, not just because it has the best photographs of his work but because this book was created by Banksy and not some one else. I bought this and "Banksy you are an acceptable level of threat." I GREATLY prefer this book over "acceptable level of threat." This is not just full of amazing photographs of his work but it has actual commentary by Banksy himself! It's full of his witty and clever sayings that will have you rolling on the floor laughing. But most importantly it contains his philosophy behind art and why he does what he does. It's in his own words

and not write by some outside source who "researched" his work. If you love street art and banksy more so, then you NEED TO BUY THIS BOOK!!! Out of the dozens of Banksy books, this is by far the best. After all it was created by Banksy himself.

Very interesting book, mostly great pictures.

If anyone supposes they have a sense of humor and a little bit of irreverence, or is it reverence, for the human condition.... this book will sure to make that anyone a banksy fan. As you flip through the pages you might find yourself claiming each work as your favorite. I highly recommend watching his movie too. It feels to be a continuation of the story he tells... right when you were wishing you had a banksy piece on your wall he throws you a curve ball.. hilarious. It's not a race!

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