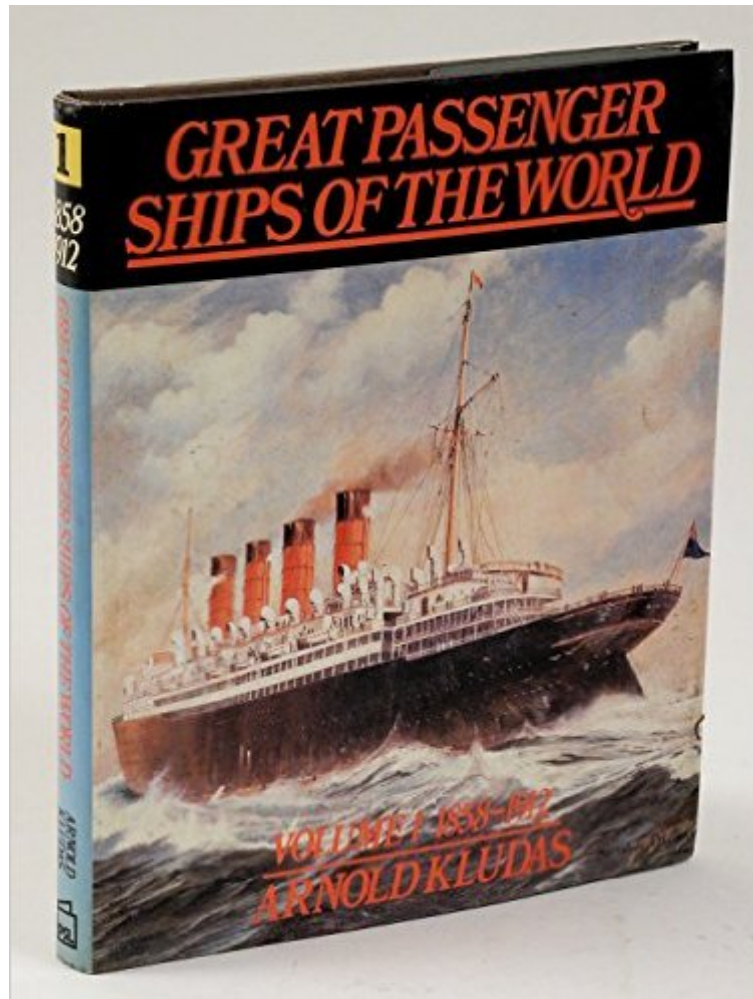


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Synopsis

Contains details of all vessels over 10000 gross tons built during the period 1858 to 1912. It is an invaluable reference work for all shipping enthusiasts and historians.

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Annoyingly, technical details for the same ship often differ from publication to publication. My profession demands that I record only factually accurate information. Whenever I discover a discrepancy, I have always favoured the details listed by the insurance company (usually Lloyd's of London). This is because they were (and still are!) required to record accurate details on which their insurance premiums were based. Furthermore, they employed a representative (an expert!) to inspect each vessel thoroughly to ensure it conformed to certain requirements. This is the first in a series of six volumes by Arnold Kludas which, together, cover the great passenger ships from 1858 to 1986. When I started studying this particular book (which covers 1858 to 1912), I commenced by looking at some of the ships I know rather well. As is always the case, I quickly got side-tracked into reading all about the next ship on the page and the fate of the sister ships and soon became entirely absorbed with the product. But many of the pictures were incomplete and I found myself wondering what happened next or how did that happen as I became more and more engrossed. It wasn't long before I found myself looking elsewhere for the answers. Each ship listed is given very brief technical details such as; When and where built and by whom, dimensions (in metres and feet/inches), owner, former names, machinery, passenger capacity, crew and so forth. These are followed by the briefest possible career history. Each class of ship has a black and white photograph (occasionally

more than one) of excellent quality and, all things considered, this really should have been a 5 Star product. Nevertheless, I deducted two stars for the following reasons.

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