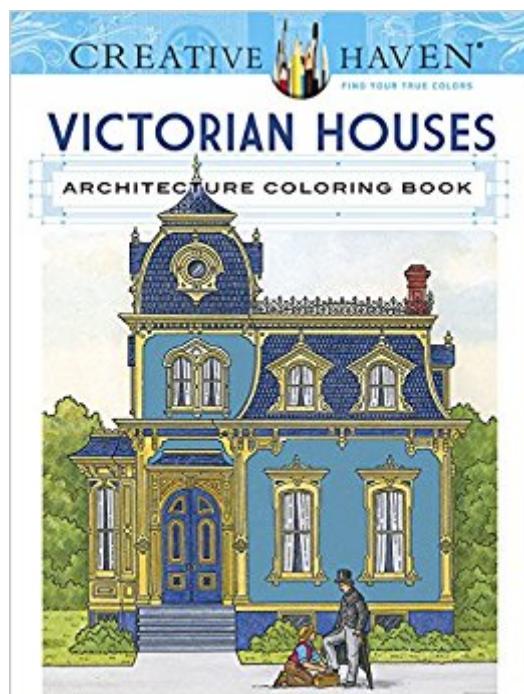


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# Creative Haven Victorian Houses Architecture Coloring Book (Adult Coloring)



## **Synopsis**

A Gothic Revival with stained glass windows, a Queen Anne with turrets, and a Richardson Romanesque are among these 31 handsome, ready-to-colorÂ  Â examples of Victorian-era homes. Each depiction of an authentic structure includes a fact-filledÂ  Â caption. Pages are perforated and printed on one side only for easy removal and display. Specially designed for experienced colorists, Victorian Houses Architecture and other Creative HavenÂ® adult coloring books offer an escape to a world of inspiration and artistic fulfillment. Each title is also an effective and fun-filled way to relax and reduce stress. Originally published as Victorian Houses.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

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Teacher and illustrator A. G. Smith has worked as a paper engineer for three decades. He has created dozens of cut-and-assemble books for Dover as well as many popular juvenile titles, including stickers, stencils, and coloring books with historical, architectural, and design themes.

There are 31 beautifully illustrated architectural designs of Victorian Houses in this coloring book. The designs are re-prints from two prior Dover books, "Victorian Houses" 2001 and "The American House Styles of Architecture Coloring Book" 1983. While I don't have either of the previous books, I have seen images of designs from them. What is different about this book is that 1) the designs are printed on one side of the page and 2) the description of the house is now printed on the back of the page instead of the bottom of the page. Based on the size of the designs, I would like that they may have enlarged the designs a bit as well as there was no longer a need to accommodate the printed words. The designs are really lovely. My husband grew up living in an older Victorian house and I enjoyed visiting it. Where I grew up (Southern California), Victorian Houses didn't abound. I always enjoyed visiting San Francisco and seeing the lovely houses that still stood after their devastating earthquake in the early 1900's. I've also enjoyed cross stitching a number of Victorian houses, so I was pleased to be able to get this book. While the designs have a definite architectural look to them, the artist also included background scenes and people who inhabit the homes. The designs are detailed but not too intricate. For my first project, I chose a seaside house similar to one of my husband's relatives homes. The book describes it as a seaside cottage in the Stick style from 1881. I used a variety of alcohol-based markers to finish the design. I will include a photo of this as well as the two pages of four colored samples from the coloring book. This is what I found in coloring and testing this book: 31 Victorian Houses (reprints from previous Dover coloring books) with description of house and style on the back of the page. Printed on one side of white paper, designs stop before the perforation and have a framing line on the outside of the designs. Alcohol and water based markers seep through this paper. The alcohol markers bleed through immediately while the water-based markers leave heavy spots of color. I use a blotter page under my working page or I remove each page at the perforation before coloring. Gel pens and India ink pens leave shadows of color on the back of the page. Coloring pencils work well with this standard Creative Haven paper. Soft lead lays down good color, layers and blends well. Hard lead pencils leave dents on the back of the page.

This is a nice colouring book. The images look good and aren't blurry and the pages are single-sided so you can remove them without destroying another picture. It is interesting to see where the houses are located (it tells you on the back of each picture.) These are fun to colour as you imagine how they might have looked in days gone by. Kind of like doing your own restoration project. I'd recommend this book to other customers.

This Creative Haven book seems to be a re-packaging of an earlier Dover book of similar name. If you have the Dover Victorian house book you may want to take a closer look to make sure you are not buying the same thing with a different cover. There are over 30 Victorian houses to color, all from the outside. The paper is good quality with single sided images - though there is a bit of information on each house on the reverse side. The pages are perforated for easy removal. If you like coloring architecture, this is a book for you.

This book is great. Want to sure since I bought it without reviews but I was pleasantly surprised on the many different pictures. I also love that on the back of each one tells you the kind of home it is or if was a famous home. Enjoy!!

This a a great coloring book for those of us who love Victorian houses. The paper is good quality and the designs are nicely detailed and finely drawn so that they don't deteriorate into black blobs as in so many of the coloring books. Almost all of the designs in this book are really good, another rarity. I will color most of these and hope for another book like this.

I remember this coloring book and others like it being sold at gift shops on our vacations with our girls when they were young. I bought them each a different one, but I never bought one for myself because I was too busy. Now all the children are grown and moved on. Now I have time to be creative and coloring these Victorian houses is one of my favorite things to do. There are a lot of adult coloring books these days and I love them all. I think the Victorian houses is my favorite.

My daughter lives in San Francisco and when I visit, I never get tired of looking at all the beautiful Victorian homes there. One day I said to her "I wish they had a coloring book of Victorian houses". And her reply was "Mom, just look on " Gee, why didn't I think of that! Anyway, this is the one I choose and I love it. Lots of detail with good clean lines and plenty of variety in styles. If you like Victorian homes and want to paint them your way, then this is the book for you. I even made copies

of all the pictures so I can do them in different color schemes.

This is probably one of my most favorite coloring books. I love coloring in architectural drawings, and these are some of the best. I've actually almost gone through two of them, using different colors and shading every time. Well drawn pictures. I like to research original houses and try to color them in as they originally looked.

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