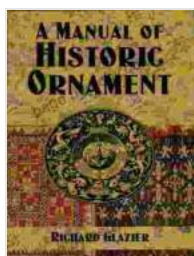


# Manual of Historic Ornament: Unveil the Timeless Treasures of Art History

Discover the captivating world of decorative arts and unravel the hidden meanings behind centuries-old motifs with 'Manual of Historic Ornament.' This remarkable guide transports you through time, showcasing the intricate details and symbolic depths of ornaments from ancient civilizations to the Renaissance era.



## A Manual of Historic Ornament (Dover Fine Art, History of Art) by Richard Glazier

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## A Journey Through Artistic Ages

Embarking on a chronological exploration, the book leads you through:

- **Egyptian Ornaments:** Explore the intricate hieroglyphs, lotus motifs, and sacred symbols that adorned ancient Egyptian temples and tombs.

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Whether you're an aspiring artist seeking inspiration or an art enthusiast eager to delve deeper into art history, 'Manual of Historic Ornament' is an invaluable resource:

- **Design Inspiration:** Draw inspiration from the timeless patterns, motifs, and color palettes for your own artistic creations.
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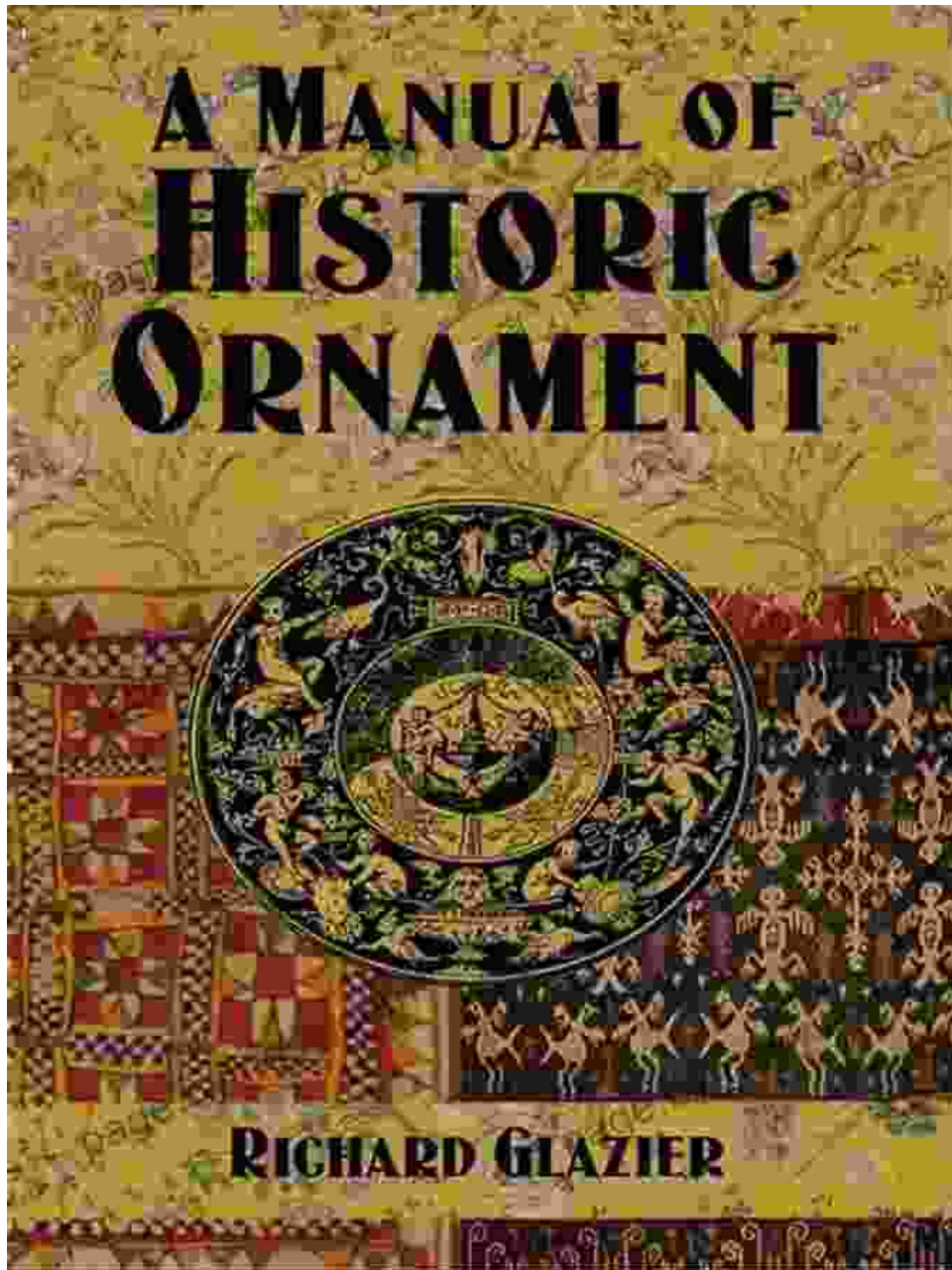
- **Extensive Collection:** Featuring over 3,000 illustrations, the book showcases a vast array of ornaments from different cultures and time periods.
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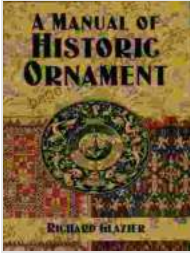
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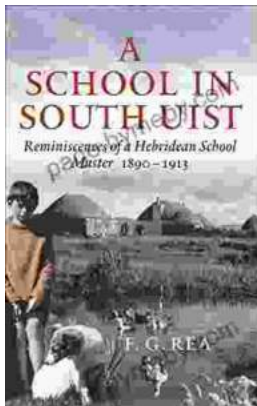
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