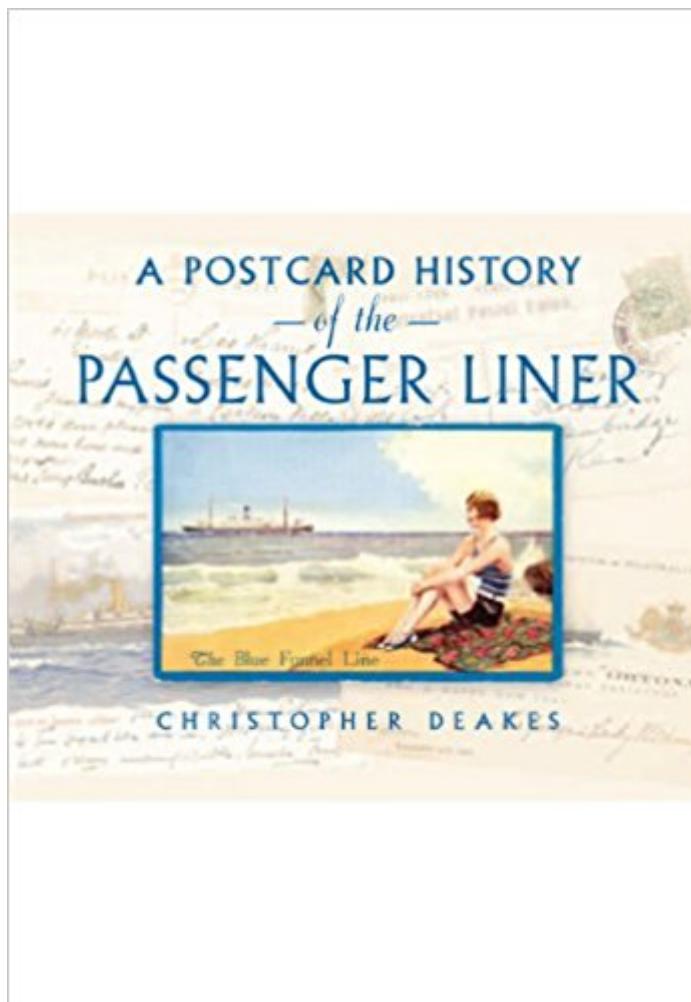


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From around 1880 for almost 100 years ship owners commissioned a wealth of paintings that depicted, as well as their magnificent liners, the routes they traveled, their exotic destinations, and life on board. These paintings, rich in imagination and atmosphere, appeared on posters and postcards to advertise the companies and their ships; and so was born a whole genre that produced tens of thousands of images that form a wonderful record of the great era of the passenger liner. Here, bought vividly to life in more than 500 colorful postcards, are the ships in which so many of our predecessors sailed, as emigrants, soldiers or administrators in distant lands, or simply as tourists. These cards - now highly collectible - show how the ships developed over the years, and are also a fine tribute to the artists who painted them. A glossary of some 170 illustrators forms an important reference section in the book; the author also gives useful advice on collecting. This new paperback edition will be sought after by postcard collectors as well as liner enthusiasts, and by all those with an interest in the vanished world of elegant travel on the finest ships of their day.

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Author Christopher Deakes worked for many years as a shipping agent in the Far East and different parts of Africa. He has carried out research for this book with the help of many different organizations, including embassies, museums and libraries, auction houses, art galleries and dealers, universities and shipping lines, both in the UK and abroad, and his remarkable collection of postcards forms the core of this work. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This work's title suggests that it is a history of postcards of passenger liners. O.K. - that's a huge subject to tackle in just one book. This book does show some very rare cards of lesser known liners (most welcome!) and beautiful art work from lesser known maritime artists (also most welcomed). Perhaps the author was just a bit fixated in this area. No problem. He has done an outstanding job of research. I would welcome further books on this subject from him. I have collected ocean liner postcards for over fifty years and many of these cards are totally new to me. I can recommend this book to all who love the subject. A worthy addition to your liner library.

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