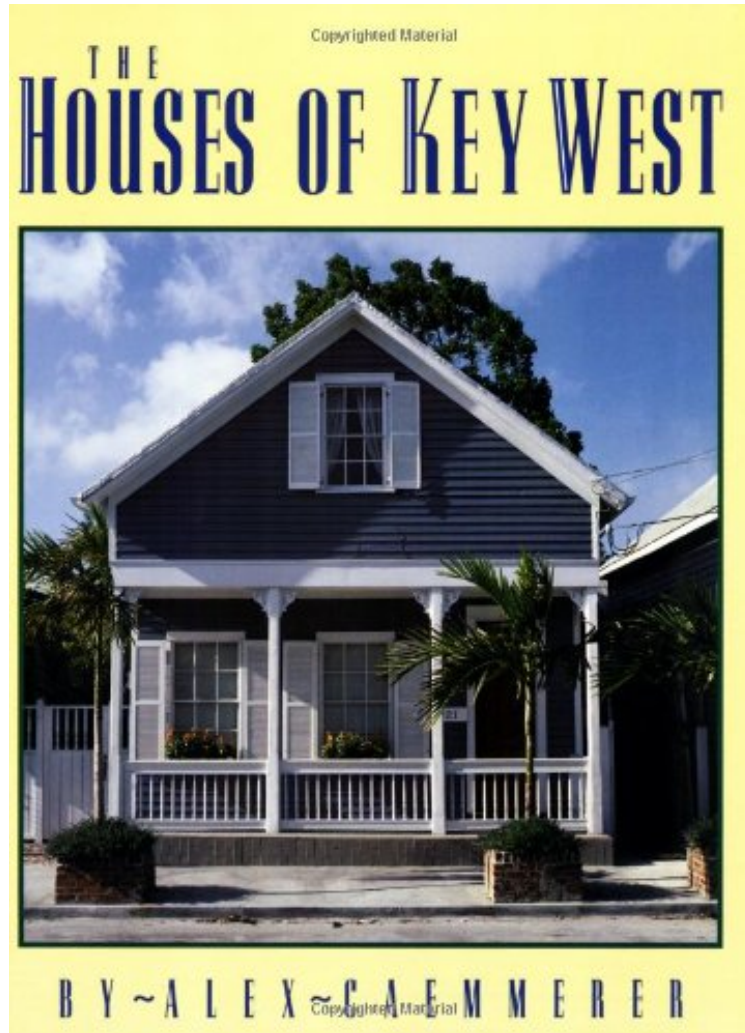


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Alex Caemmerer : The Houses of Key West before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Houses of Key West:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By K. J. Good read 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. I think it gave a good external view of what a key west style looks ... By Customer I think it gave a good external view of what a key west style looks would have liked to see more variations and internal design. Overall tho. Glad I bought it 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. but I would have loved to have seen some interior shots as well By Fabulous I found this book to be somewhat disappointing. The photos reveal a lot of what Key West offers, but I would have loved to have seen some interior shots as well. Perhaps we all sometimes expect too much.

Perfect for anyone who loves to look at charming old houses and imagine their histories, this book offers a selection of what are probably the most historically interesting, aesthetically appealing, and photogenic of the nineteenth-century houses in the Key West historic district. It includes full color photos, as well as a variety of charming anecdotes about old Key West gleaned from interviews with descendants of the families who built houses there. Key West was an industrial town and many of its houses were for workers who had little to spend on housing. The shotgun houses are simple, undecorated houses, many of them built by cigar-makers for their workers. Then, of course, there are the great houses the Heritage House, the Cosgrove House, the Hemingway House, and the Southernmost House large and famous houses with unique and proud histories. Then there are the eyebrow houses, shotgun houses, and "Conch Victorians" many of Key West's houses were built by ship carpenters, who built strong, tight, ship-like houses, most working without plans other than memories of vessels and seaport homes from their own past. Widow's walks were borrowed from New England, overhanging eaves (eyebrows) from the West Indies. Builders added details from architectural fads of the time from Greek Revival columns to Creole trellises. The final architectural mix, what we see now in Key West's Old Town, can only be called, like the natives themselves, Conch.

"A beautiful collection of color photographs...with plenty of meaty text about the various styles and types of houses."