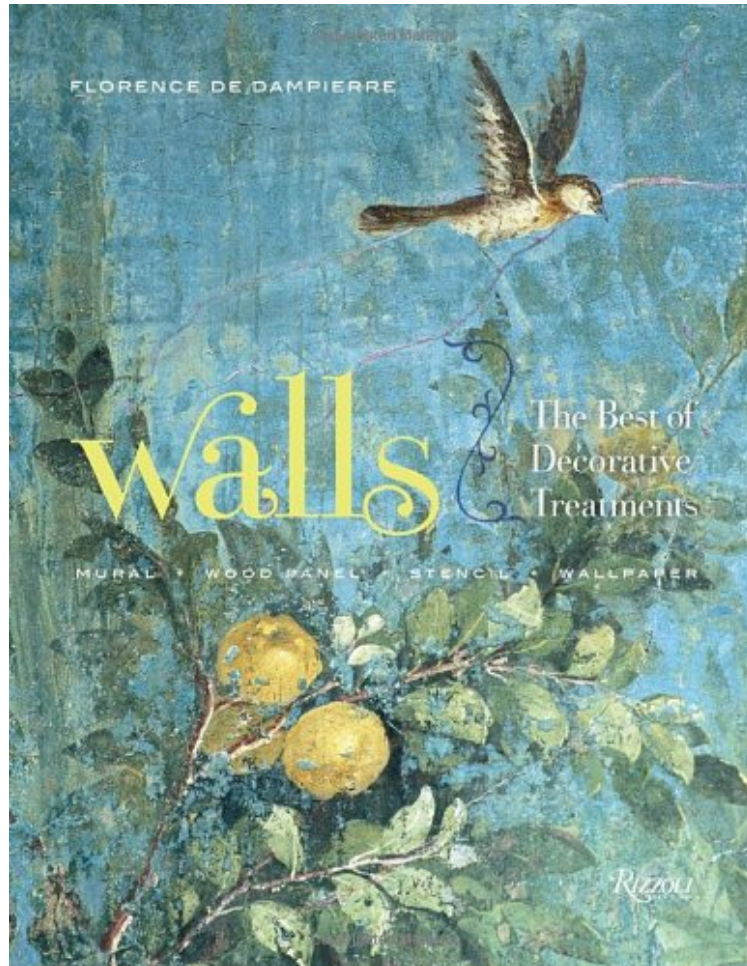


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**Florence de Dampierre : Walls: The Best of Decorative Treatments** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Walls: The Best of Decorative Treatments:

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From acclaimed French interior designer and decorative arts historian Florence de Dampierre comes an inspiring collection of the best decorative wall treatments. Throughout history, there has been a desire to express the esprit of a period by decorating the walls of our homes. From Italianate murals in Renaissance villas and the whimsical painted panels of the Muse Carnavalet, to English Arts and Crafts wallpaper and Frederic Church's stenciled homestead Olana, noted connoisseur de Dampierre shows how decorating walls can transform an interior space to dramatic effect that harmoniously creates a rich, sophisticated look. Walls covers a sampling of premier decorative wall designs from around the world that have evolved over the centuries, including fresco, wood paneling, stenciling, and wallpaper. De Dampierre has chosen the best examples that have proven to be the most inspirational and relevant for today's home interior design. Sidebars will cover such topics as lacquering; chair moldings, pediments, and cornices; borders and friezes; hand-painted linen and cotton hangings; tooled leather, and toile. Each chapter will end with such practical advice as mixing pigments, application tips, maintenance, and restoration. Beautifully photographed, the book offers innumerable wall treatment ideas that can be seamlessly integrated with furnishings of modern interiors to create an original ambience.

Trompe l'oeil wood inlay, Pompeian frescoes, chinoiserie wallpaper—the rich examples in Walls: The Best of Decorative Treatments span from the historic (Olana's fanciful stencilwork) to the contemporary (a toile de Jouy bedroom by Jean-Louis Deniot). ~Elle Decora photographic guide to the best decorative coverings and treatments. ~Architectural Digest While the text is really very interesting, I think that what truly makes this book a keeper are the beautiful photos by Tim Street-Porter, Pieter Estersohn, and other photographers. There are images of historical rooms with all kinds of stunning wall treatments (think Caramoor, Beauport, and Schonbrunn) as well as contemporary work by the likes of de Dampierre, Annie Kelly, and Alberto Pinto. ~Peak of Chic Interior designer De Dampierre tracks wall treatments over five centuries and the transformative impact of the most common of canvases. ~Traditional Home Florence de Dampierre's aptly named new book Walls takes the reader on a pictorial tour of some of the most exquisite walls throughout history that you have ever seen. ~Style of Design About the Author Florence de Dampierre is the author of several books, including Chairs: A History, The Best of Painted Furniture, and French Chic. Her interior design work has been featured in numerous magazines. She lectures frequently on design topics. Tim Street-Porter is the author and photographer of architecture and design books, and contributes to lifestyle publications. Photographer Pieter Estersohn's work appears frequently in leading design and travel magazines.