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# Collectors Encyclopedia Of Fiesta: Plus Harlequin, Riviera, And Kitchen Kraft



## Synopsis

Introduced in 1936 by the Homer Laughlin China Company, the colorful Fiesta dinnerware was redesigned in 1969, withdrawn in 1973, and reissued in 1986 in different colors. Heavily revised and updated with new finds, this new edition of an invaluable tool for collectors and dealers. Includes over 1,000 photos, many in full color, that will aid in identification .

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## Customer Reviews

The book includes many new photos and new information that has become available since the previous edition. The group photos that show an individual piece in every color in which it was made are especially appealing. Also included are many of the other products made by HLC, including the Mexican decaled lines, contemporary Post86 Fiesta and Laughlin Art China. -Old Stuff, October/November, 2005 --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

After writing their first book, The Story of Fiesta, published in 1974, the Huxfords became pottery editors for Collector Books and in that capacity wrote several other books on various Ohio potteries: Roseville Pottery, McCoy Pottery, Brush-McCoy Pottery, Weller Pottery, and Roseville Pottery, Volume II. Since 1982 they have been editors of Schroeder's Antiques Price Guide; Schroeder's Collectible Toys; Antique to Modern; Garage Sale & Flea Market Annual; and Wanted to Buy. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

If you are just starting your Fiesta Collection, this is a must! I have several other books on Fiesta and this has so much more information! This is now my go to reference book. It gives you the history as well as descriptions of pieces and rarity. If I had know about this book; it would have been the first one that I acquired!

very informative and great colorful pictures.

Just what I wanted!

I must agree with several of the reviewers below. This is the book you hate to love. On the one hand, it has an exhaustive amount of information on the various Fiesta pieces available. On the other hand, the whole mixup with regards to the medium green color is a real problem (plate #52 on page 43 was incorrectly captioned.) However the information provided makes up for this problem, no question. The book covers a history of the pottery, including the famous "radioactive red", it shows the four most common backstamps, it describes ways to definitively identify Fiesta (as opposed to some look-alikes), and gives explanations of the dating codes and the various measurements. As well, the book is chock-full of good photos the various pieces in all their colorful glory. I especially like the section on the Harlequin line, as it seems to be rising in collectibility. The only other quibble I have is with the prices shown, but that's a problem with every reference book out there these days, as the online auctions have thrown everything for a loop. So if you're looking for a good, general reference on Fiesta, this is the one to get.

Excellent reference source

This book is very helpful when trying to decide how much an item is worth. We collect for ourselves and don't purchase for resale so it is nice to see how much someone who has been in the business for awhile feels the dishes are worth. The pictures are beautiful and let you see an example of the item of which they are speaking.

I love all of the Huxford books on Fiesta! I'm a Fiesta Junkie and can't get enough of it! Lots of info in these books and excellent pics! The Warman's books are excellent as well, but not as much info as the Huxford guides. Some of the colors are off in the pics, but still very good quality photos. The

only thing I don't like about these books is that the price list is in the back and not with every photo like the Warman's.

Love this book. I collect, buy and sell vintage glass ware and this has helped me quite a bit with the Fiesta pieces that I come across.

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