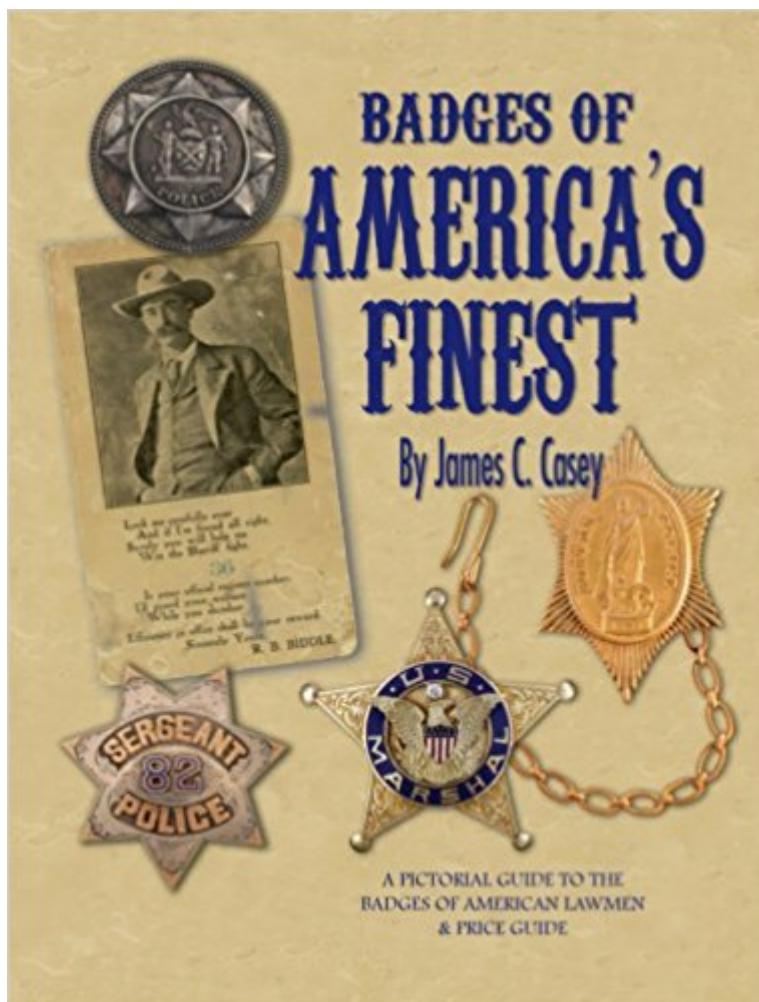


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# Badges Of America's Finest: A Pictorial Guide To The Badges Of American Lawmen And Price Guide



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There are wonderful badges from all over America to be discovered in this book, the major cities of the east coast, and moving west to California, Hawaii and north to Alaska. From the simple tin star to the elegant solid gold presentation badge, this pictorial book presents over 500 images of badges ranging from the basic to the grandest solid gold and sterling. In many cases their hand engraving is unique, the exceptional qualities are apparent at first glance. Others are very basic and plain in design. This book's large format presents most of these badges in exquisite close-ups. Immerse yourself in the fantastic world of America's Finest police badges. Collectors, historians and the public from all over the world have been fascinated with images of early lawmen, identified not by uniform, but by the badge pinned to their chest and will find in this volume a fascinating photographic history, as well as a price and reference guide.

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## **Customer Reviews**

As a badge collector, I found this book enjoyable to read with plenty of photos. There are not a lot of books out there for badge collectors, so I did not hesitate to purchase this one. Hardcover and detailed photos. If you collect law enforcement badges, you need this book in your library.

This item is a really nice coffee table book. It contains very impressive photos of some rare badges and police photos. It also has a few game warden badges. It is organized by state and ends with federal badges. It does not have very many badges however, and the ones it does have are for the

VERY serious collector as almost all are between \$1000 to over \$10,000. It also, unfortunately, doesn't contain fake or replica badge spotting information either. It is not a book for those who are trying to get the price of a badge that you found in an antique shop or on ebay. These types of badges are already in the hands of wealthy collectors and are traded and sold at very select venues. If you are an amateur collector and want to dream about being one of the big boys or if you actually are one of the big boys then this book is for you. If not, then you may want to pass this up and use your money for a little higher priced badge to add to your collection.

This is a wonderfully illustrated book. For those of us who like to see badges, but could never afford to actually own them, this book will give you almost the same pleasure. It would have been nice to see more from the eastern United States, but it did not deter me from enjoying the author's presentation.

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