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this book is enchanting, full of knowledge, an Asset for anyone who wants to practice Alchemy.

This is small book with a lot of pictures and art. If your into art, this is for you. However, if you want to learn about alchemy and mysticism, this is not for you. It is a good book for those who are into art and understands alchemy and this processes. So if your understand the concepts, you will appreciate the book and the art and what they are is reflecting. It does a god job of showing you what the artist intended to illustrate with it's art, but does not go into detail about the mysticism and alchemy perspective of the artist.

the fastest delivery i have ever seen. i love this book. its a very good book if you like those things. thank you so much :)

Came just in time and the book is great.

This is an awesome book for those interested in visual representations of gnostic, qabbalistic, masonic and rosicrucian mystic philosophy. Well written and thoroughly explained, this book is an excellent visual aide for people who like to study the development of hermetic philosophy throughout the centuries. Would've liked for some more 20th century content. It might not appeal to someone who is new to the subject, since even the essays make quite obscure references. Its content is beautifully reproduced (wouldn't expect anything less from a Taschen book) and even it's highly symbolic, metaphoric and allegorical, it's a must for neo-gnostic studies of the school of Samael Aun Weor. I used to own the 700+ page book with the same title by the same author, but it was misplaced. I don't remember the other book having so much text explaining everything, then again, I didn't mind the essays or explanations in this one at all.

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