
A Gift

Following on from the hit US television series, the QUEER EYE book teaches men how to refine their own styles without throwing away their entire wardrobe or spending a fortune. Their essential make better advice focuses on easy but lasting lifestyle transformations. From Kyans instructions on how often to wash your hair to Carsons explanation of why shirts are the new ties, from Teds strategies for ordering wine and Thoms suggestions on a better bathroom to Jais hints on shaking hands, QUEER EYE is filled with clear, direct advice on the issues that confront every man. They advise on how to buy jeans, suits and jackets, what to wear when it says black tie, the classics every man should own, the best grooming products and quick fixes for the flat - all done in a lighthearted and entertaining way. QUEER EYE, the book, has more advice than could ever fit in the television show and is guaranteed to turn any frog into a prince charming.


Now first off, I have to get something off my chest. I am not a homophobe - I had a homosexual roommate sophomore year of college and we got along fine - but I get tired of people (most commonly women) who either drool at anything or anyone homosexual or having this belief that homosexuals are inherently good at anything involving home decor or style. I hate to break it to you, but homosexuals are like you and me, and not all are like the Fab Five. Remember my homosexual roommate? His side of the room was the messiest I have ever seen a human being make. The Fab Five would have had collective heart attacks upon seeing the state of it. By the logic of the homofangirls, I was the homosexual. Not to mention that half the things said in this book I have also read in "straight" men's magazines including "Men's Health" or the alternate "Men's Fitness." I'm sorry folks, but there's no Cult of Gays out there in brown robes meeting in caves and passing down tablets written by God that tell you...
what brand of shaving cream to use. The reason the Fab Five are so good at what they do is because they have had the training or education and DO know what they are talking about. For example, Thom Filicia founded an interior design company, and Kyan Douglas has had experience in professional and commercial salons.

Now that I've gotten that off my chest, let me talk about the book itself. Like the show, it offers some great insight into better living and hygiene. A lot of it is just resourceful, showing you different types of styles or ideas to open up what you might be comfortable with. There's also some pretty decent advice here, from what grooming products to use and not use, how to treat your hosts at a party, (and more importantly, what to bring as a gift) some all-important social tips, (and boy do I know a few people who need some of those) right down to what to think about arranging your furniture and eating out. It's entertaining and well written, making it an easy read that's good if you want something to just sit down with and glance through for a few minutes or so.

Well worth the money. I wish I could have given it to my sophomore roommate, maybe then I could have gotten from my bed to the door.

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