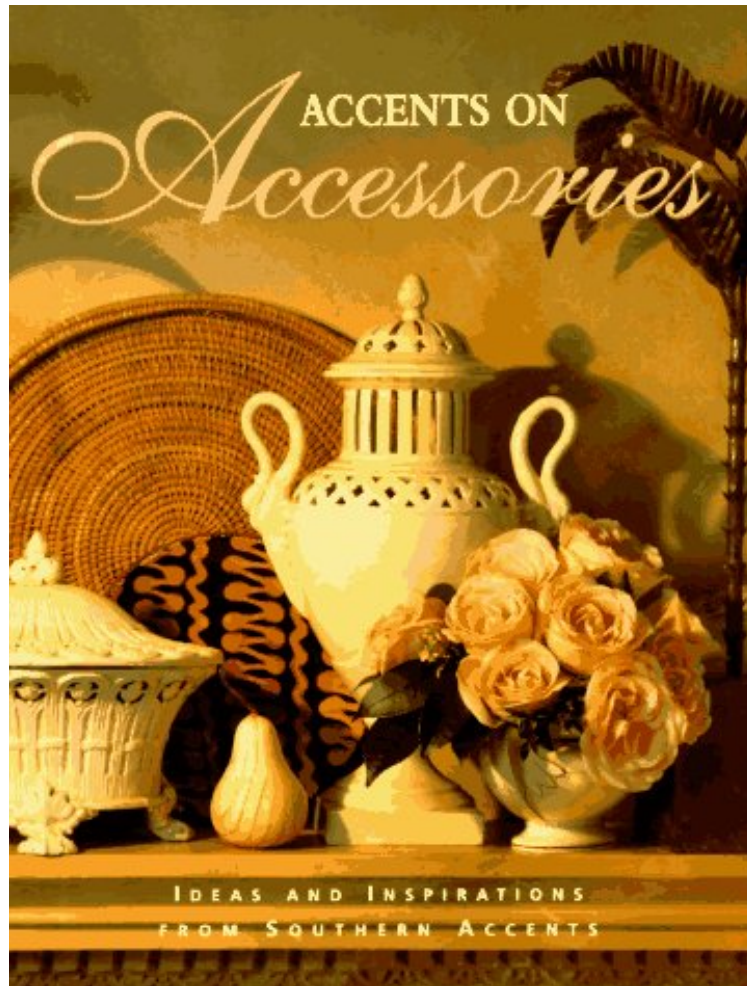


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Pretty good if your style is more "Traditional"By NYCatHeartKeep in mind this book is nearly 17 years old (pub 1995), so it isn't full of the most current or "freshest" ideas looks. If you were a fan/subscriber of the now-out-of-print Southern Accents magazine like myself, then you will likely enjoy flipping thru this smallish book. There are one-and-a-half to two page quips from leading designers of the time (not that they aren't relevant now) which offer somewhat useful tips tid-bits, albeit most of it is fairly generic, especially if you're a regular reader of design publications viewer of design shows.As another reviewer indicated, if you lean

towards cleaner, less "cluttered" environs, then this book will not appeal to you as it does focus on more traditional, monied looks--rooms full of high-end antique furniture, "collections" on every surface, and the obvious ACCESSORIES that come primarily from those same high-end antique stores boutiques and/or from the owners great-great-grandparents. I added a few photos for reference. That said, the photos are quite nice and there is plenty of inspiration to be gleaned. Many of the ideas can be tweaked with small collections of plates from thrift stores and pieces from garage sales and big-box retailers. I don't have antiques or family heirlooms, but I am a savvy shopper at the aforementioned places, and this book has given me several ideas to use with MY items in my own home. So if you need to use modern-day items from said establishments, but do not want your home to LOOK like those stores perhaps have no idea where to begin, then this would be a good book (especially when found for next to nothing in the used section!). I do miss Southern Accents (thank goodness for Traditional Home mag!). This book gives me a little of that vibe back. 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Accessorizing in a more formal Southern style...By Angie2This book was written in the mid-1990's and some of the ideas may seem a bit outdated by now. However, if you still love the (traditional) CLASSIC SOUTHERN decorating style, (a style that was so popular in the 1980s to mid 1990's), then this book may be of interest to you. For the price, which is quite low, this could be a book that would not be too expensive to read and review yourself.... After all, everyone does have their own decorating preferences. Example: some of the neo-classical decorating ideas can be used today, although in a more traditional home setting, and not in a current modern home setting. Also, the photos are very nicely done, (although with yellow overtones). NOTE: If you are interested in a more updated book on ways to accessorize your semi-formal (traditional) country home, then I would recommend another book called "Christi Carter's Art of Accessorizing" , by Christi Carter. I think that Christi's ideas hold up much better than the SOUTHERN ACCENTS book. Infact, I still refer to Christi's book quite often, but I'm not sure if I can say that about this SOUTHERN ACCENTS book reviewed here.

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