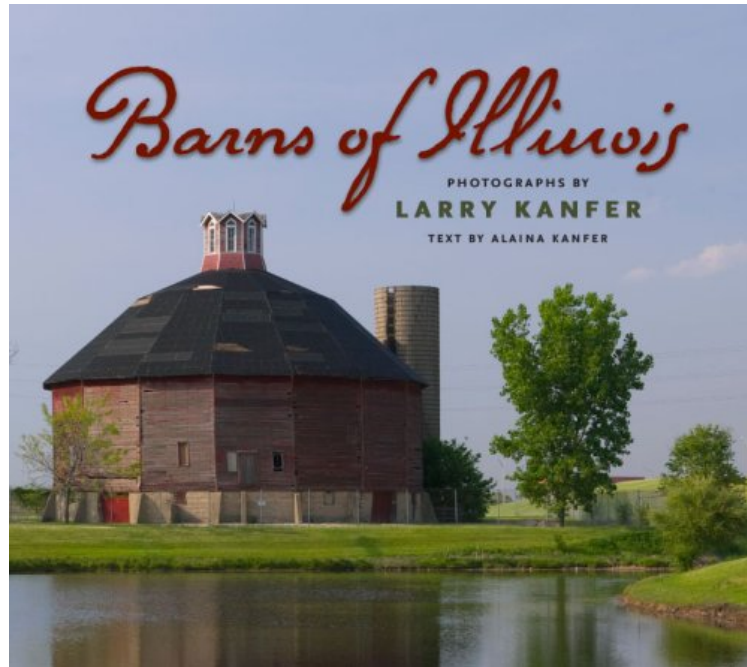


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. You Don't Have to be from the Plains States to Enjoy By kb11 first saw Larry Kanfer's photography at our local art gallery. When I learned that a book of his barn photos would be published, I kept it in mind and on my wish list. After talking with a colleague about our love of barns and playing in them during our childhoods, I told him about the book which he then ordered. He showed it to me when it arrived. I was hooked. I am now the proud owner of my own copy. Having lived my whole life in Illinois, I found it even more interesting. I especially like the way Kanfer and his wife have labeled the barns by county and written something about each barn. The book also includes several photos of barn interiors. It is interesting to see the different styles of architecture both inside and out. Kanfer and his wife produced a nice book with lovely photography and descriptions that are sure to please anyone who has ever admired the humble, rustic, or majestic old barns or wondered about their history. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Nice book. By mom22prez Awesome book! Great photos. Very interesting. My mother loves barns and grew up in Illinois. I'm hoping she will be as pleased as I am when she opens this on Christmas morning! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. I love old barns By Joe E. Saxton I grew up on a farm and have always loved old barns, this book features many fine examples of the design and uniqueness of use, either for cattle or horses. Each one has given their owner a lot of satisfaction over the years and has created a view of history that will probably not come again.

As a state abounding with broad farmlands, Illinois has depended heavily on its barns. At once imposing and humble, the barns of Illinois are much more than simply a place to store equipment and livestock. As gathering places for

friends and family, they have become focal points of local communities, an enduring link between the present day and the traditions of the past. With these iconic structures as our guideposts, we find our way across the open landscape of the geography and history of the Midwest. In this magnificent new collection, renowned photographer Larry Kanfer documents the diversity of barns throughout the Prairie State, from weathered, abandoned shelters in the countryside to proudly well-preserved landmarks featured in barn tours and even Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo. Kanfer presents barns from every angle, inside and out, from a distance and up close, to capture the many reasons why they fascinate, inspire, and reassure. With engaging prose, Alaina Kanfer recounts the histories of many of the barns featured, revealing each barn's unique character and tracing its distinctive imprint on the land and on people's lives. While many of the buildings continue to function within family farms for storage and shelter, others have been rescued and restored and put to a wide array of new uses, such as schools and gymnasiums in Kane and Effingham Counties, an animal rescue organization in McLean County, a winery in St. Clair County, and workshops in Sangamon and Union Counties. With more than one hundred full color photographs of dozens of barns from across the state, *Barns of Illinois* presents these proud emblems of the heartland as never before--a unique chronicle of a state and its evolving way of life.

"Barn lovers, this one's for you. . . . An enduring tribute to the land, people and traditions of the Midwest."--*American Profile*