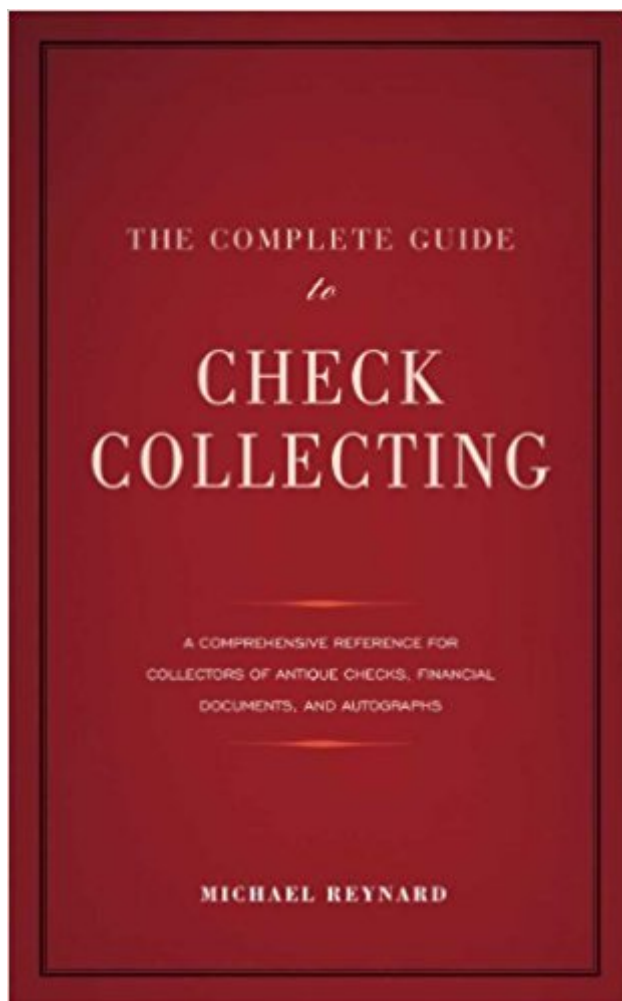


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# The Complete Guide To Check Collecting



## Synopsis

The Complete Guide to Check Collecting is a comprehensive, illustrated resource for collectors of bank checks, autographs, revenue stamps, and paper ephemera. Author Michael Reynard makes it clear why check collecting has been increasing in popularity over the last decade, as financial transactions become more digital and check writing becomes less common. Reynard explains the history of how checks came to be used and accepted as financial instruments, reviews the types of checks and what makes them collectible and valuable, shares tips on buying, selling, storing and displaying collections, and provides resources for novice and experienced collectors alike.

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A highly regarded scholar of financial documents, Michael Reynard is a graduate of Stanford University and Columbia University and is an associate professor at UCLA. He is the author of the best-selling book *Money Secrets of the Rich and Famous*, which has been translated into several languages. Reynard has been a check collector for many years, and has written often on the subject. Michael Reynard was recently awarded a U.S. patent for a card game use facsimiles of celebrity checks.

I am a collector of old checks- a fascinating hobby once you get into it. The checks of the 1800's were works of art and pieces of history. It's a great hobby and at this time the prices are still reasonable. This book is a handy thing to get you started.

This book is an eye opener for anyone who wants to learn about check writing and why checks have become a valuable collectible commodity. It's exceptionally well-written and organized in a logical sequence. It's a comprehensive guide that details the fascinating history of checks, the changes in technology applied to checks, stamps applied to checks, and the attraction of beautiful designs. The checks are divided into many collecting categories that includes an enlightening chapter on checks autographed by the rich and famous. Importantly, this book reveals sources for collecting valuable checks, valuation of checks, and how to sell collectible checks. A list of resources in the back of the book is invaluable for both novice and seasoned collectors. This book is destined to be a landmark contribution in the category of collectible financial documents. A definite must-have if you are a check collector.

It's hard to find much about check collecting, which is becoming more and more popular as checks become scarcer. Or at least it was hard until this book. It does a great job explaining the history of checks and banking as well as the ins and outs of collecting checks of historic interest. Love seeing the images of valuable checks, like the one that John Lennon wrote to Apple Records.

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