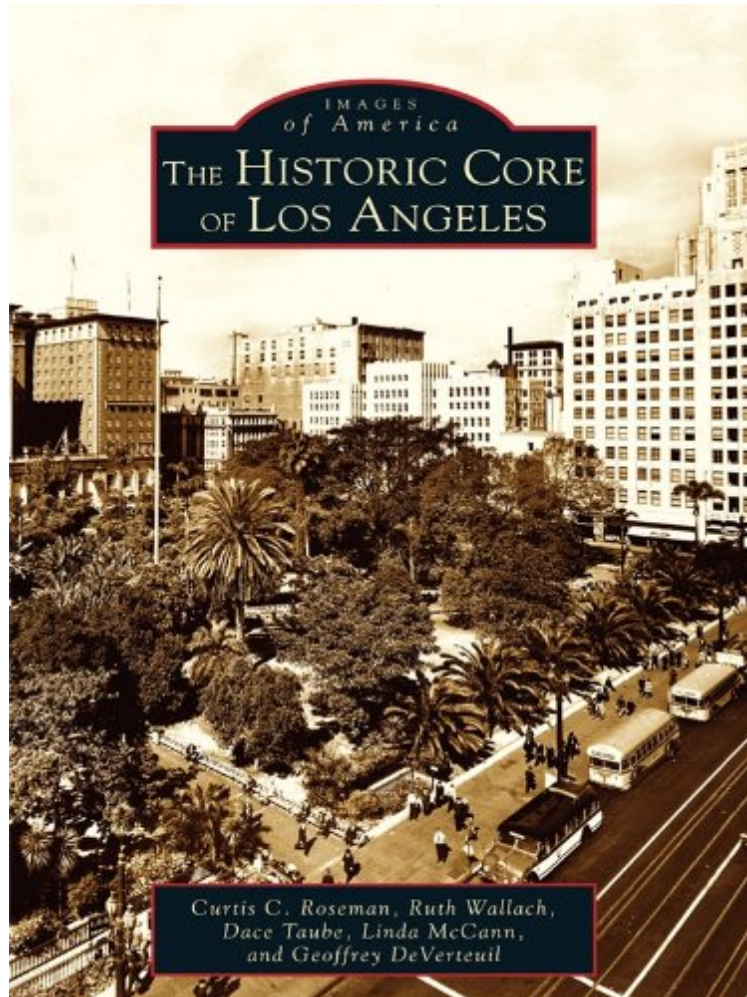


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Curtis C. Roseman, Ruth Wallach, Dace Taube, Linda McCann : The Historic Core of Los Angeles (Images of America) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Historic Core of Los Angeles (Images of America):

7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Los Angeles In The Early *1900s*!By Alex HAlthough I was looking for photographs of Los Angeles during the 60s and 70s, THE HISTORIC CORE OF LOS ANGELES book was a pretty good find. It's packed with black white photographs of downtown Los Angeles, some from the late 1800s -- but the concentration is on the early to mid 1900s, and provides detailed captions for each one.I wish the book was a little bit larger, so I could see more details in the pictures, but it's nothing that a magnifying glass couldn't fix.Each chapter is devoted to a section of downtown LA like Main Street, Broadway, Hill Street etc., and has an introduction to them so readers will gain an understanding of what the area was like back then and how it transformed from being a rural and residential neighborhood to the bustling city that it is.More importantly is that in the pictures

you get to see what city life was like for people back then, e.g. the cars that they drove, the cable cars that ran along downtown, and how people dressed. And readers will get to see some billboards and signage from stores, restaurants, shops and hotels in the area. The book is a quick and easy, interesting read, and after doing so, I have a better appreciation for some of the old buildings that I've seen and visited. I'm a Los Angeles native and never knew half the stuff about the city until I read *THE HISTORIC CORE OF LOS ANGELES*. I recommend it to history and photography buffs and even to other Angelinos. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Louie S. Great read, very enlightening 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Excellent overview By David The books in this series never fail to disappoint. As a Los Angeles history nut, this just helped to round out my collection. You won't find any books with as many quality photos than this one. A must for any Angelino buff.

In the early 20th century, there was no better example of a classic American downtown than Los Angeles. Since World War II, Los Angeles's Historic Core has been "passively preserved," with most of its historic buildings left intact. Recent renovations of the area for residential use and the construction of Disney Hall and the Staples Center are shining a new spotlight on its many pre-1930s Beaux Arts, Art Deco, and Spanish Baroque buildings.