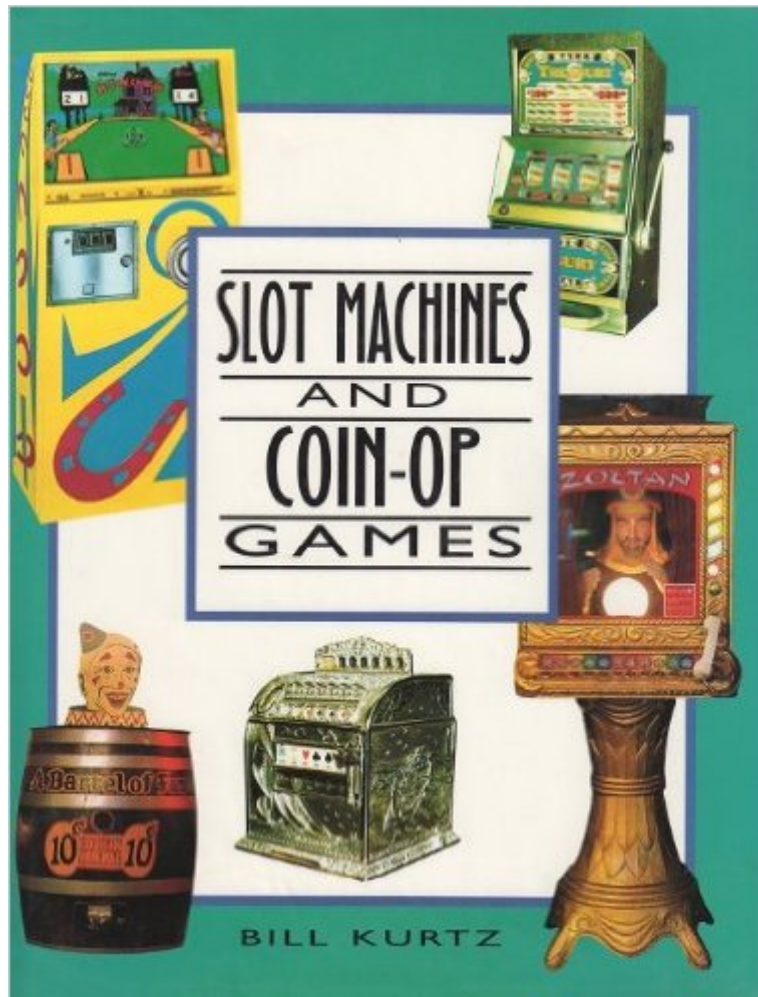


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# Slot Machines And Coin-Op Games: A Collector's Guide To One-Armed Bandits And Amusement Machines



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## Customer Reviews

Fantastic book on coin op games and machines. Vast array of items in this book along with color photos makes for a great reference book for the collector and dealer of vintage games and coin operated machines. I highly recommend this book to anyone interested in this type of item. Thank you.

Kurtz had done a beautiful job documenting many of the other arcade machines. Not slots, not pins (though both are covered) but the fortune tellers, strength testers, helicopter simulators, safe-cracking games, baseballs and bowlers that were in the rear corners of the arcades of my boyhood. The photography is first rate. He's gone to a lot of trouble to light and photograph terrific examples. There's the usual brochure copy as well. The copy is well written, but this book is really about the pictures and captions. A great item for your gameroom!

The book's title might cause you to be disappointed if you're looking for a complete resource on slot machines. There is a chapter devoted to them, but this book is not a half slot machines, half coin-op guide as the title suggests. My guess would be that slot machine collecting was at a peak when this book came out and the book was titled to grab attention. A more appropriate title might have been

"History of Coin-Op Games including Slot Machines". Besides that, if you want a mini-history of these machines along with some nice color pictures, this book is for you. Time period covered is 1889 to 1988. There are 9 chapters covering Penny Arcade Machines, Baseball Machines, Gun Games, Bowling Machines, Pinball Machines, One-Armed Bandits, Novelty Arcade Games (part 1), Novelty Arcade Games (part 2) and Owning Your Own..., along with an author's introduction and an index which directs you to every page a particular game is mentioned or a picture is located. Well written book with lots of pictures to remind you of times past and games you have long forgotten about. If you're over thirty, you will have many "oh, I remember playing THAT one" moments. You'll be glad you added this one to your game-room collection.

I had hoped this book had more info on slot machines. There are only 17 pages devoted to slot machines. Why the name of the book starts with " Slot Machines" is puzzling. It seems if the few pages on slot machines were an afterthought. I wasted my money buying this book as I wanted more info about slots!

the title starts with slot machines. well there's only ten pictures of slot machines and three are blurry and two are drawings. i went through it in two minutes. don't buy for the slot machine part.

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