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At your fingertips is the most lavish and comprehensive collection of Marilyn Monroe photographs ever assembled—more than half of which have never been published before. Norma Jeane Baker's transformation into one of the most emulated and iconic Hollywood stars is an epic American story—one that careens from a troubled childhood into the bright national spotlight before descending into an irrevocable depression. In this stunning, one-of-a-kind volume, David Wills offers a captivating photographic journey through Monroe's meteoric rise and tragic downfall. Featuring the highest-quality images of Marilyn available anywhere in the world, from candid to film stills to modeling headshots, the images in *Marilyn Monroe: Metamorphosis* will reawaken casual fans and collectors alike to Marilyn Monroe at her living best.

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From Reader Review Marilyn Monroe: Metamorphosis for online ebook

Julie says

Metamorphosis is a very beautiful - and big! - coffee-table type of book about Marilyn Monroe. The photographs are chronologically divided into sections so we get to follow her "transformation" from Norma Jeane to Marilyn Monroe. It is packed with full page pictures aswell as some quotes about her, made by various people who were connected to her in one way or another.

I don't think "hardcore" fans of this wonderful woman will find much new info in this book, but the pictures are very enjoyable anyway. If you expect rare photos and new information, you'll probably have to look elsewhere, but if you just want to admire the beautiful pictures and read what some of the people around her had to say, then this is perfect!

J.V. Seem says

My boyfriend, who played The Mad Hatter in a stage musical version of Alice in Wonderland, presented me with this book for my un-birthday.

And it's a truly wonderful book. A photo book packed with tons of glossy Marilyn Monroe photos from the time she first started as a model, to the end of her life. An absolute photographer's dream. Loved it.

Emma says

It was interesting to hear what people had to say about her. She seemed like a really sad and lonely person.

Andrea Pryke says

Simply gorgeous great quality reproductions a MUST for any Monroe fan

Agnieszka says

bardzo ?adne stare zdj?cia, dobrej jako?ci.

nigdy wcze?niej nie widzia?am marilyn monroe jako nastolatki oraz pó?niejszych metamorfoz.

'wsz?dzie si? spó?nia?a' - ale jak ju? si? pojawi?a, by?a gotowa do dzia?ania (lepiej ni? poprawnie przychodzi? na czas i siedzie? bezmy?lnie).

'by?a nieszcz??liwa pod mask?, któr? dla siebie stworzy?a' - u?miecha?a si? przy ludziach, zawsze, by?a wspó?czesn? gejsz? do towarzystwa i sama z siebie j? zrobi?a, czu?a ze wszystko dzieje si? obok niej, troch? Zeldy.

perfekcyjna, narcystyczna, urocza jak dziecko, inteligentna chocia? ukrywa?a to pod bezbronno?ci?.

jakbym j? zna?a

Tim says

I got the brilliant version of this on Ibooks, its like the normal book but made interactive, with brilliant film clips etc. I used this book as the basis of one of my essays at university. It's just brilliant

Erin says

Beautiful photobook of Marilyn Monroe.
It has quotes that are relevent to the images-The Images are flawless and full of glossy color.

Duke Haney says

Gorgeous book. Some of the photos are familiar, while other familiar photos have been weirdly discarded in favor of unremarkable rarities, but there's more than enough stellar stuff to compensate, and it's all been put together with loving care. This is the sort of book that people have in mind when they speak with apprehension about the disappearance of print. *Vive le livre!*

Belinda says

Fantastically gorgeous coffee table book with many rare and gorgeous photos. Interspersed with quotes about and from MM herself, with a really fantastic opening by David Wills. The photos alone would make this one worthwhile, even for a fan who has nearly everything (as I do) but the text is also really great. There are many rare photos and even the well known ones are reproduced in a beautiful manner. Highly recommend.

Laura says

Normally with coffee table photography books I fall madly in love with them, this however missed the mark. Yes Marilyn is an excellent subject- gorgeous, great style hair and make up but something about the layout of this book didn't make me die hard fall in love with it.

Tara says

One of the best picture books on Marilyn with selections from all her major photographers, all reproduced in very high quality. The text is secondary of course, but there is a nice introductory essay, with interesting quotes from and about Marilyn scattered throughout the book - and her final, astonishing interview with Richard Meryman at the end.

Martha says

An archive of Marilyn Monroe photographs from key photographers with reflections on Marilyn from her friends, work associates and admirers. Her last interview is printed at the end of this tribute. I have a few memories of this American icon from my own childhood. Mostly, from "Look" and "Life" magazines. As a teenage babysitter in the 60's, I saw most of her movies late at night. No one comes close to Marilyn Monroe in allure, unthreatening sensuality and photogenicity. I don't think anyone ever will.....

Carla says

Great book plenty of high quality photos.

Lovely introductory text by the author, David Wills. 'Few people have left such a photographic legacy' as Marilyn has. There is a perfect visual adaptation to each passing decade of the star.

The text is secondary, as it is basically a photobook, as I said; but there are quotes by Marilyn herself, other stars such as Elizabeth Taylor or Marlon Brando, some of her co-stars such as Jane Russell or Jack Lemon, directors as Billy Wilder, artists as Andy Warhol, photographers as Eve Arnold, friends such as Norman Rosten, Ella Fitzgerald or Allan Whitey Snyder, ex husbands or other celebrities as Jackie Kennedy. Stunning coffee table book and highly recommended for any Marilyn fan.

Lee Anne says

Absolutely gorgeous coffee table book about that most photogenic of stars. You might think the world doesn't need another MM book, but this one is quite well done, with saturated colors and a layout that presents Marilyn chronologically from slightly chubby starlet to voluptuous goddess to sad eyed actress. Worth a browse at the very least.

Katy says

Beautifully done. I couldn't have asked for more from a stunning photo book like this one. Watching Norma Jeane turn into Marilyn through photos is amazing, her eyes through the camera lens give away more emotion, sadness and hope than I ever realized.

Absolutely a must have if you're a die-hard Marilyn Monroe fan.
