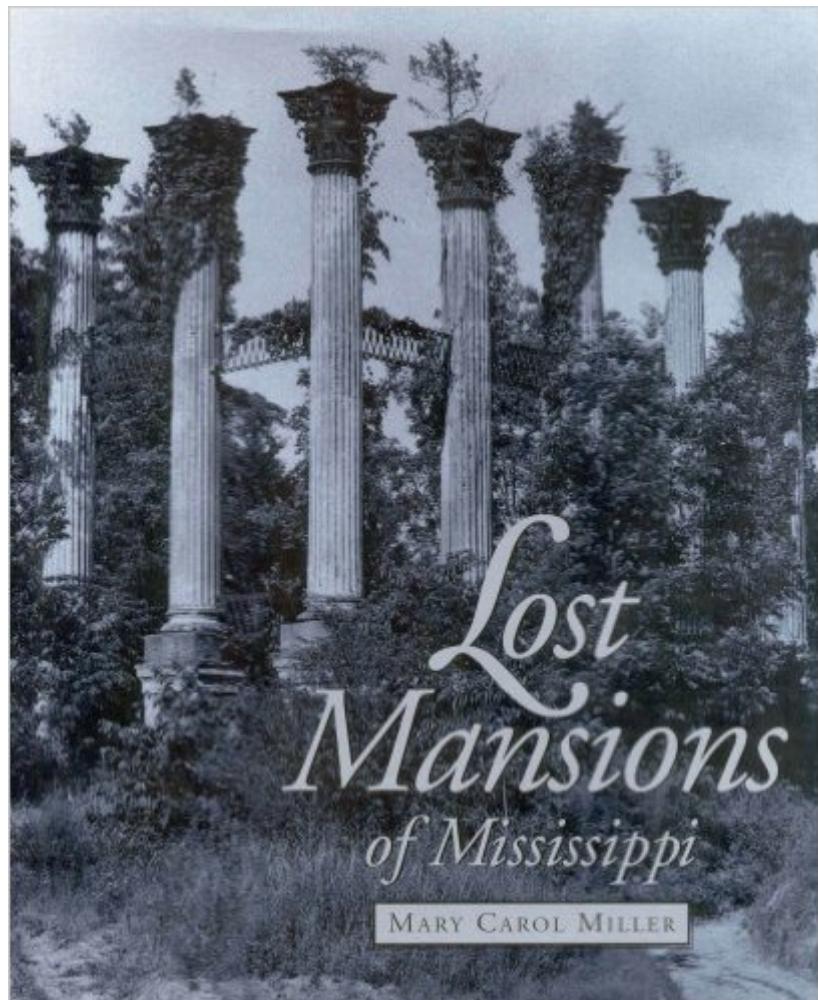


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Customer Reviews

I was doing genealogy research on my Paternal ancestors who lived in Madison County, Mississippi, when I came across this book, by chance. allowed me to visit some of the pages in the book and, there they were - my Grandfather Britton's home and Great Grandmother Johnstone's home! It was exactly what I wanted and needed to see and much more than I expected to find!

There are photos of the two plantations in their prime and floor plans of the interior. Along with all that, there are 4 pages of text about the Britton and Johnstone families with detailed information about their lives. Many thanks to for making books like this available to all of us who are searching for their past!

This book had a poignant feel because none of the historic homes featured still exist, but it was well-written and a work of love. The author's research was exhaustive, photos that were available of these homes were used whenever possible and the stories and histories behind these grand homes were enlightening. A definite read if you love the Old South and its faded glory.

I love the beautiful old mansions of the South. I have been to several cities in Mississippi to view some of these old homes, but there was no way to know the background of the homes or to find information about homes that were no longer standing...until this book. Anyone who loves history

and architecture will be able to satisfy both appetites with this book.

This is one of the best "lost mansions" books I have seen. It is very comprehensive and has interesting stories about each of the houses described. So many of these books are written like a research paper and are boring to read, but this one is very readable.

Love reading about these mansions as a part of our cultural history.. It is a shame that so many were lost, but that is all part of life around the world. We couldn't keep them all, but at least we have enough to remind us of these wonderful, but tragic time.

As sad as the loss of these architectural treasures are, we are so fortunate that Miller meticulously researched them and managed to find surviving photos of homes that did not survive. Unfortunate that, while she described other photos of some of the featured houses, she chose not to or was not permitted to publish those pictures as well. Would have loved to have seen them. A great book for anyone who appreciate history and/or architecture.

Even though, these houses are gone, they aren't forgotten and this book will help keep them in memory, at least. So sad they're gone, but I was so glad to see the pictures and read the stories about them.

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