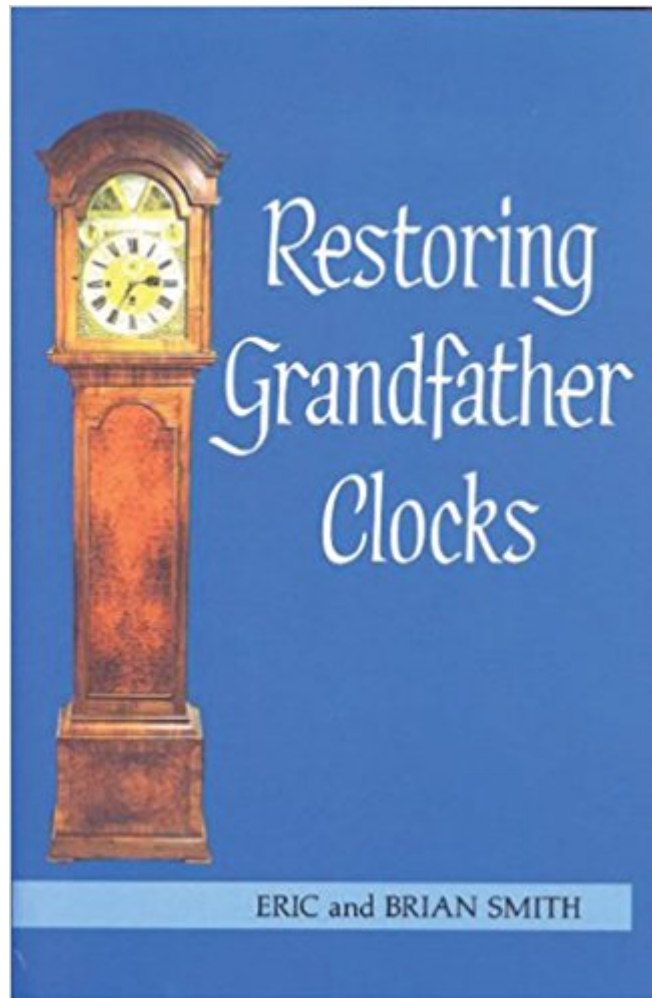




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Restoring Grandfather Clocks



Synopsis

The grandfather clock first appeared in the late seventeenth century. Virtually none of these clocks is beyond repair, and often the work required is within the scope of inexperienced owners. This is the first full-length book to cover repair and restoration of these attractive and often valuable antiques, including their casework. The first part outlines how to clean and service the clock "works," and also how to refurbish the dial, while in the second part restoration or casework, both structural repairs and finishing, is considered. Armed with this book and appropriate tools, the owner of a dilapidated grandfather clock will be encouraged and given the know-how to restore it to life as a useful and attractive clock and a prized possession.

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Customer Reviews

Eric Smith had an interest in clocks from his teenage years and, in retirement, ran a small clock repair and restoration business. He was the author of many books including six on clocks. He was also a regular contributor to various horological magazines. Eric Smith died in 2006. Brian Smith, the son of Eric Smith, shares his father's interest in repairing and restoring clocks and ran his own antique furniture restoration business for five years. He now lives in France.

The book is a valuable resource for the restorer or potential restorer of a tall clock. The same confusing defect is present when the author discusses movements (see my review of his "Striking

and Chiming Clocks"). Despite the minor difficulty of struggling to gain a sound knowledge of a specific clock the book offers excellent advice on restoring the tall case clock. I especially appreciated his pointing out when to restore and when not to restore and leave the aged appearance of the case as it is, thus maintaining the historical and antique value of the piece. An excellent book and well worth the cost and time required to read it thoroughly.

This is a story about an old beat-up Grandfather Clock- Casing (with no Movement), left to die and "in the way". It is now being restored and is beginning to look "GREAT". I am now exploring WORKINGS ! for this clock. I believe that is also covered - still reading. All of this was very well covered in this book from . Many Thanks! W.A. Reid

It is an excellent book but does have its limitations. Does not cover a complete range of clocks.

good for anyone who wants to work on this clocks.

Pretty generic, I was expecting a more definitive book for the novice...there isn't much out there on this subject, so my clock sits without chiming...

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