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Off The Cuff: The Essential Style Guide For Men And The Women Who Love Them



Synopsis

From the breakout star of the hit television series, *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*. Carson Kressley is the most recognizable name in men's fashion today. With a legion of fans who hang on his every tip and quip, Kressley has single-handedly made it cool for the average guy to care about clothes. In *Off the Cuff*, Carson makes over the tired men's style guide with an edgy, hilarious romp through every man's closet: from socks to scarves, from jeans to leather jackets, from the dreaded pleated khaki to the classic pink oxford. Trading trends for timeless style, *Off the Cuff* mines each man's unique personality and physique and lets readers in on Carson's best-kept secret—that the only thing sure to stay in fashion is the man who wears what's right for him. Vibrantly illustrated with full-color photographs, and written with Carson's signature wit and irreverence, *Off the Cuff* is what *Queer Eye* fans have always wanted: Carson in their closet. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Customer Reviews

I appreciate this book for its modern approach to men's fashion. Instead of discussing anachronisms such as white tie or unworn oddities like cravats or silk dressing gowns, Carson discusses the way modern men dress and ways to improve. This isn't a treatise on classic English dress like so many others. Especially valuable are the "Don't" lists. Fortunately, i found myself in violation of only a few of these. (cell phone on the belt/backpack for travel)Of course there were some over the top suggestions such as velvet slippers or denim jackets under blazers, but overall he surprised me with the overall conservative nature of his recommendations. His clothing photo

spreads obviously need to be looked for their ability to generate ideas for your own style. No regular guy could pull off these looks precisely as presented, but they are valuable for their color combinations and pairings of various articles of clothing. Carson uses a considerable bit of humor, which I found successful and enjoyable. It gave the feeling that I was having a fun conversation with him at a party. This is a book you can go back to again for inspiration.

Carson Kressley is well-suited to give advice on men's clothing even if he has strong opinions. He tells the story of going to the military recruiter and then following up by going with Saks Fifth Avenue instead. His explanations for style recommendations made most of his ideas seem intuitive. This was what I wanted out of the book and got it. Some of Kressley's humor was great and sometimes it was redundant. He definitely gets a kick out of cluing in those with less clout.

I bought this book for some fashion tips and it doesn't disappoint. He shares a lot of good fashion tips and tells what you must have in your closet. I never knew there were different kinds of shoes before. I gave it a four star because it doesn't have enough pictures. It has a lot of illustrations but it doesn't have pictures of how all these clothes & shoes fit together. It would have been a very good addition to have real pictures worn by normal men of the different styles so that we can actually look at it instead of imagining how it would look like.

I really liked this book a lot. I have several of the books like this, including Alan Flusser. This was definitely no Flusser, but Carson keeps it real in a way that keeps you engaged. As a style consultant myself, I don't agree with everything he says, but a lot of it is on point. For example, he talks about how personal style is, while also dictating some aspects, like pleats vs. no pleats. Any signature look that you create for yourself can involve any pieces, patterns, colors, etc., as long as you are consistently being true to a particular aesthetic. Pleated pants work very well for some people, especially black men who generally have bigger buns. Overall, this is a really good book.

I enjoy watching and learning from Carson Kressley and the other members of the Fab 5 on QEFTSG and the group's book was very well done. So, at first I wondered if I should buy this book because I was wondering if the same information from the Fab 5 book will be the same on "Off the Cuff". I found "Off the Cuff" to be a very enjoyable read with a lot of humor and also learning more about fashion than I have received from other men's fashion books. Kressley does a great job of explaining why and why not with articles of clothing and things I really didn't know about until I read

this book. I was really impressed! From the shoes and the explanations of certain shoes and clothing was very much appreciated!! I am stoked that he also spoke out against toe socks that to my chagrin CARGO magazine said was "in"....NOT! Anyway, I'm a straight man who appreciates the advice that Carson gives. One thing he makes sure that this book is not to dress like him, but for you to take the tools mentioned in his book and integrate what you learn for your personal life. "Off the Cuff" is an enjoyable read and currently ranks in my top 3 of books that deal with style for men. You won't be disappointed!

Outstanding guide to more than just fashion, it is about style and fashion, it reads like Carson speaks witty and urban, rooted all at the same. Thanks Carson for advice I am no more a fashion clod I am a fashion clod with style, this book is on my bedstand as I dress for the week. Thanks

bought for a gift. Nice book

I checked it out at the library in Stockton CA, and I had been wanting to own it since it came out during the run of the Bravo series "Queer Eye For The Straight Guy."

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