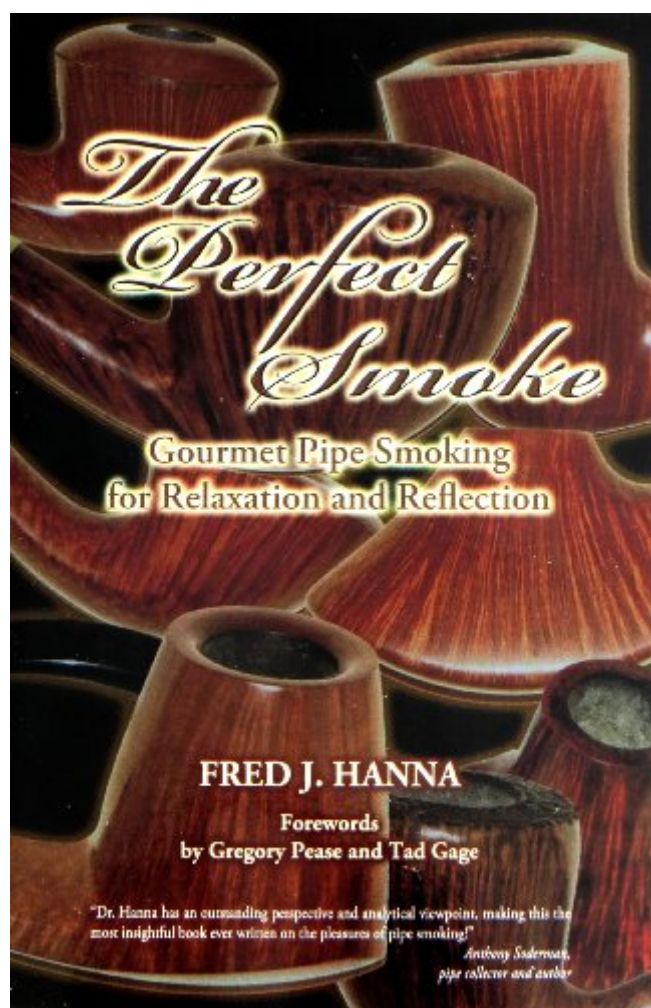


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# The Perfect Smoke: Gourmet Pipe Smoking For Relaxation And Reflection



## Synopsis

This is a book consisting of various essays on pipe smoking and how to enjoy it to the greatest degree. Although the majority of essays are new for this book, many of the essays have been previously published in a variety of pipe venues but updated and revised. Pipe smoking, according to the author, is quite possibly the most underrated, unappreciated pleasure in all the world. It is not always easy to understand. But to those who do understand it, pipe smoking is a wonderfully engaging, satisfying, and stimulating activity. In this often humorous and always thought provoking book, the pleasures of pipe smoking are clearly described in an easy-to-read, light hearted, and in-depth style. The author explores the nature of the finest smoking briar pipes and proper pipe smoking methods, along with a host of tips and techniques for maximum enjoyment. The author also discusses how to taste pipe tobaccos and there is an interactive discussion with Tad Gage on enjoying the aged blends of old. The author also discusses his own blends, Wilderness and Legends. Tips and insights are offered throughout the book. The author shows how a great pipe coupled with great tobacco can be used for relaxation, reflection, and even problem-solving. Many knowledgeable pipe collectors and pipe enthusiasts have called this the best book on pipe smoking ever written.

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## Customer Reviews

The content of the book is great. There are a lot of interesting ideas about pipe smoking, which was mostly unknown to me beforehand. Plus it has one or two, not life changing, but useful tricks. It's even entertaining sometimes with Hanna's witty prose. However, it's somewhat repetitive, since it's a collection of independent essays, but that's okay. Now to the bad news: my reading experience on the Kindle Paperwhite was bad. It clearly wasn't tested on a small screen device before publishing. There are a LOT of formatting errors, words written together. The table of contents is unreadable in the front of the book. It's a shame, that this remarkable piece of pipe-literature is coming in this amateur and lackluster packaging. For this kind of money, there shouldn't be any problems (hell, there are better build ebooks on for free). Whoever the publisher is, please contract someone, who knows what he/she is doing to fix it.

It changed everything related to my appreciation and enjoyment of pipe tobacco. It helped me to 'extract' or rather find the true taste behind every pipe tobacco. My poor technique was indeed hindering my experience until I read this book. I mention it or parts of it almost everyday. I usually say: "It was 'so and so' to me until I was helped by a fellow more experienced pipe smoker" Hidden gems like 'pipe mud' helped me fix some bad pipes. So. Really recommended! I just wish, really wish I could get a hold of a hard copy of this one.

The first half got 5 stars, the last half lost my interest along with 2 stars.

Interesting, well written articles about pipes and pipe smoking, although Mr. Hanna can be long-winded at times. I also don't agree with some of his opinions, especially when it comes to aging/heating tobacco. However, it's still an entertaining read.

Enjoyed the book , learned a lot about pipes, enjoyed Fred's writing and meeting him in Baltimore..fun book.

A must-have for pipe smokers. Very informative and gives the reader a look from the perspective of one of the masters.

This is a wonderful book and full of much useful information. I use it along with Richard Carleton Hacker's books, "The Ultimate Pipe Book" and "Pipesmoking: A 21st Century Guide".

I have to say. Fred got a bigger brain than Rick ... He talks more rationally and less dogmatically ... He is on the healthy side as thinking of the briar vs engineering thing, the air hole topic and so on. this book has more substantial contents comparing to Rick's trips and visits here and there. It could have been a four star book were not that a great portion of the pictures of his straight grain collection show really wired taste...

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