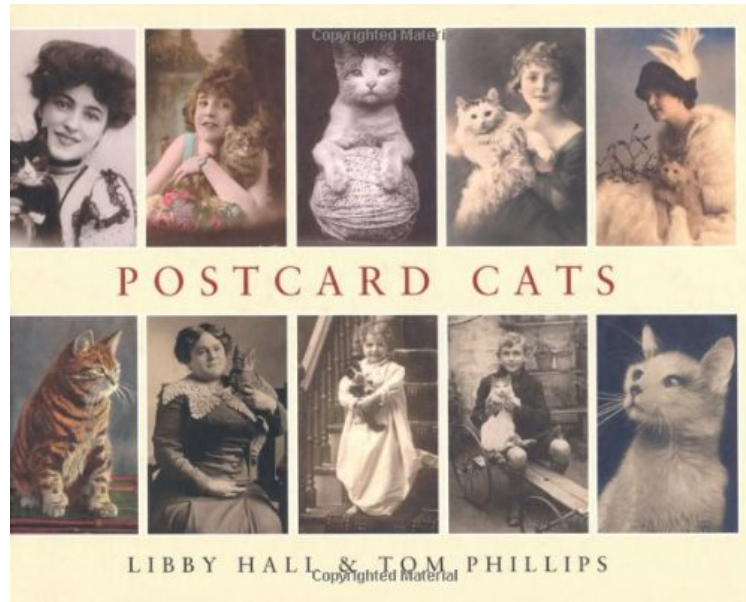


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Libby Hall, Tom Phillips : Postcard Cats before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Postcard Cats:

Postcard Cats brings together over 225 beguiling cats from vintage postcards, conveying the more gently sentimental mood of the first half of the twentieth century. In a parade of felines which range from the exotic to the demotic, the spectacular to the vernacular, we can either guess at the stories that lie behind these private photographic cards of nameless cats with their anonymous owners or smile at the antics of kittens in the studios of commercial photographers. Or indeed merely wonder at the cat that finds safe refuge in the barrel of a ship's gun. This is a stunning companion to the much-praised Postcard Dogs by Libby Hall who here joins forces with artist and fellow postcard enthusiast Tom Phillips. Between them they have left no card unturned in the search for quintessential cats and images emblematic of that strange and touching bond that has existed between the feline and the human animal for ten thousand years.

'Libby Hall's collection of antique photographs celebrating the bond between man and his best friend has revived a forgotten market' Telegraph Magazine on POSTCARD DOGS 'A wonderful Christmas gift for dog lovers' Teacher on POSTCARD DOGS 'Hugely charming' Sunday Times on POSTCARD DOGS 'A charming glimpse into British life a century ago' Daily Mail on POSTCARD DOGS About the Author A former press photographer, Libby Hall began collecting animal photographs in the 1960s. Her books Prince and Other Dogs, Prince and Other Dogs II and Postcard Dogs are also published by Bloomsbury. She lives in London. Tom Phillips is a Royal Academician whose other books on postcards include The Postcard Century and We Are the People. More of his work can be seen at

www.tomphillips.co.uk. Born in 1937, he lives and works in Peckham.