

## The Lucky Shopping Manual: Building and Improving Your Wardrobe Piece by Piece

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**Andrea Linett, Kim France : The Lucky Shopping Manual: Building and Improving Your Wardrobe Piece by Piece** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Lucky Shopping Manual: Building and Improving Your Wardrobe Piece by Piece:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Interesting, but not all that helpful By morehumanthanhuman This is the second Lucky fashion book that I've purchased. The other is The Lucky Guide to Mastering Any Style: How to Wear Iconic Looks and Make Them Your Own and it is much more helpful. In that book, common styles are identified and recommendations are given for "essential" pieces for women who want to build that look. In this book, no individual styles or lifestyles are considered -- in trying to be for everyone, the generality assures that this book won't be helpful for anyone. There are a handful of useful tips, but there is no guidance on building an actual wardrobe. There are recommendations on what to own, but they jump back between the slightly stingy (only six tops to wear to

work) to the extravagant (I don't need multiple cocktail/evening dresses and I don't need multiple coats). 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Recommend!! By Helpful Hannah I'm about halfway through this book and I can tell I will add it to my collection for sure!! I love the way they separate categories, name everything, and suggest amounts for every woman. Very happy with this book, recommend highly. Lots of pics and easy to understand and read. Update: I finished the book, and can highly recommend it as there are thousands of great tips on dressing and cosmetics. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. love it! By Customer This book contains sections on how to pack for different vacations, business trips etc. I find myself referring to it quite a bit. It also shows just what you'll need in your COMPLETE wardrobe (I'm talking down to undies and bras) for different seasons and how you can make seemingly endless combos out of them. It also shows how to wear pieces from different seasons while transitioning to the next season. This is great for me because I'm on a budget, and live in an apartment with a small closet, so I can only afford to buy so much. The next thing on my shopping list is a large leather tote so I can take this book with me whenever I go shopping (yes, I'm still working on "completing" my wardrobe)!

What to wear, how to buy, where and when to spend: These are the topics covered each month by the exceedingly plugged-in staff of Lucky, whose circulation rocketed from 500,000 to 800,000 in just two short years. For Lucky's devoted fans, and anyone devoted to dressing better and shopping smarter, The Lucky Shopping Manual will be the ber-find. Finally, there is a book that does away with the inconsequential information in previous fashion books and presents only the most useful tips and imperative information for how to dress better for less. Filled with tips that will appeal to shopaholics and disciplined bargain hunters alike, this enticing guide is packed with over 1,000 full-color photos and illustrations, with a ribbon marker and flexi-cover so women can take it shopping with them. With great advice on every uniquely designed page, The Lucky Shopping Manual includes features such as: \*Building a wardrobe you love, with cross-referenced sections on everything from skirts, tops, dresses, pants, and suits, to shoes, bags, belts, and what looks best for your body type \*How to spot great finds at the local flea market or the best boutiques \*What to spend your money on and where you can scrimp \*Cool stores coast-to-coast to check out when you're traveling \*Practical tips for fabric care, shoe maintenance, and stain remedies

From Publishers Weekly Strikingly similar to InStyle magazine's recent Secrets of Style, this chunky little book purports to lay out the basics of dressing. Indeed, the editors make looking fashionable seem as easy as pie. Their book goes through all aspects of a woman's wardrobe, from overcoats to undergarments, and suggests must-haves. For example, they say that to build an outerwear closet, a woman should have one overcoat, one warm parka, one spring jacket, one fall coat and one raincoat-and "if you live in Minnesota," they say, invest in "some fun coats," too. With sassy humor, the editors counsel readers on how to wear a twin-set without looking like "the dowager aunt" and suggest solutions to fashion challenges, like making casual pants look office-appropriate. They also share mini-profiles of "Lucky Girls," including designer Shoshanna Lonstein and Lucky's West Coast editor, Marlien Rentmeester. Like the magazine it's modeled on, this tome is frivolous, instructive and fun. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. About the Author Creative Director Andrea Linett served in the fashion departments of Sassy and Harper's Bazaar before joining Lucky as fashion director in 2000. Melcher Media is an award-winning book producer based in New York City. Lucky Editor-in-Chief Kim France has had an extensive career in publishing, which has included positions at New York magazine, Spin, and Sassy. Her articles have appeared in many other national magazines.